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St. Joseph Church 118 High St, Medford

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Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 8:30am

Weekend Masses:

Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 8am & 10am



St. Francis of Assisi Church 441 Fellsway West, Medford

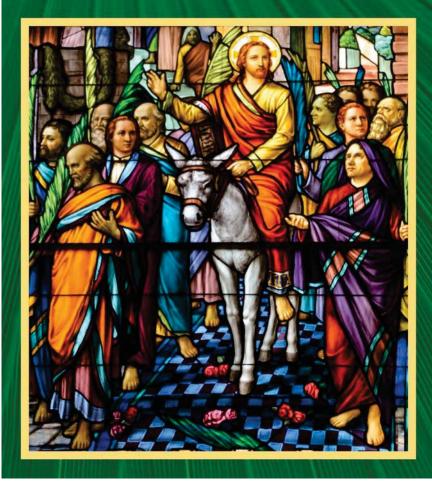
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Palm Sunday

Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

Hosanna in the highest!

Mark 11:9-10

March 24, 2024 Mass Readings at #898

St. Francis of Assisi Mass Intentions

St. Joseph Mass Intentíons

Saturday 3/23/24		Saturday 3/23/24	
8:30 am	David Cunningham & Family	4:00 pm	Matilda Musto
4:00 pm	John P. Dugas and John & Josephine Miele	Sunday 3/24/24	
Sunday 3/24/24		8:00 am	Mario Cocchiara
12:00 noon	Leo & Elizabeth Gidare	10:00 am	Dante J. DeMichaelis
4:00 pm	Maria Crognale & Giovanni Crognale	Monday 3/25/24 8:30 am	For the People
Tuesday 3/26/24			,
8:30 am	Teresa Hai Pham	Wednesday 3/27/24	
Thursday 3/28/24	Holy Thursday	8:30 am	Monsignor Donato Conte
9:00 am 7:00 pm	Morning Prayer Mass	Friday 3/29/24	Good Friday
Friday 3/22/24	Good Friday	7:00 pm	Service
9:00 am 3:00 pm	Morning Prayer Service	Saturday 3/30/24	Holy Saturday
Saturday 3/30/24	Holy Saturday	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil
9:00 am	Morning Prayer		
Sunday 3/31/24	Easter Sunday	Sunday 3/31/24	Easter Sunday
9:00 am 11:30 am	Mass Mass	8:00 am 10:00 am	Mass Mass

Adoration at St. Joseph Church - Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 9am - 8pm (lower church) (Adoration will not be held on days Medford schools are closed due to weather.) If you are interested in volunteering for a time slot, please contact adoration24sj@comcast.net or 617-459-8735.

Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are held on the first Sunday of the month at St. Francis of Assisi Church and on the third Sunday of the month at St. Joseph Church. Instruction for first time parents and godparents is held at St. Francis of Assisi on the last Sunday of every month after the 11:30am Mass in the upper church (unless there is a schedule conflict). Please call the office to register.

Confessions - Saturdays after the 8:30am Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church and Saturdays from 3-3:45pm at both St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph Churches.

Legion of Mary - Wednesdays, 6:30pm-8pm at the St. Joseph Lower Church Sacristy. Please email adoration24sj@comcast.net or call 781-391-1396 for more information.

St. Francis of Assisi Marion Movement of Priests Prayer Group - meets Mondays at 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi (upper church) for Adoration and to pray the Rosary.

Weekly Rosary - Wednesday nights at 7pm on Zoom. All are welcome!
Go to: www.zoom.us - Click on join a meeting - Meeting ID: 824 8725 0708 Password: AABwf5



While we know how today's scripture ends, make every effort to listen to the passion narrative as if hearing it for the first time. Pay attention to your feelings as you listen to each reading. What do you hear that you don't recall having heard before? Does the reading from Isaiah call me to confess that Jesus is Lord? In response to St. Paul, am I willing to be humble in my service? In response to the passion account, am I ready and willing to extraordinary share Christ's love others? During this week called "holy" make an extra effort to ponder the paschal mystery – Christ's life, death and resurrection – his saving action for you.



Peter Grant Concetta "Connie" Grassini Ralph C. Wells

We remember in our prayers our deceased parishioners & loved ones.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



This week at St. Joseph Church ~

The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of:

Leda L. Dini

Booking Mass Intentions ~ We are now booking Mass Intentions through June 2024. If you would like to book a Mass for a loved one, please contact the parish office at 781-396-0423 x 103.

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2024 YEAR B

SUNDAY Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, Mar 24 19-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

MONDAY Mar 25 Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

TUESDAYMar 26

Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2,3-4a,5-6ab,15+17/Jn 13:21-33,36-38

WEDNESDAY Mar 27 ls 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31+33-34/Mt 26:14-25

THURSDAY Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/

Mar 28 1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

FRIDAY Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2+6, 12-13, 15-16, 17+25/ Mar 29 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

(1) Gn 1:1—2:2, (2) Gn 22:1-18,

(3) Ex 14:15—15:1, (4) Is 54:5-14, (5) Is 55:1-11, (6) Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4, (7) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/

(1) Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10+12, 13-14, 24+35 or Ps 33:4-SATURDAY

Mar 30

(1) Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10+12, 13-14, 24+35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22, (2) Ps 16:5+8, 9-10, 11, (3) Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18, (4) Ps 30:2+4, 5-6, 11-12a+ 13b, (5) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6, (6) Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11,

(7) Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15,18-19 / Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mk 16:1-7

SUNDAY Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/ Mar 31 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

Pilot Bulletins



A very heartfelt thank you for your generous and continued financial support of our parish through your offertory contributions!

Mary, Queen of Peace Parish St. Joseph & St. Francis of Assisi Churches

March 17 Offertory including online giving: \$8,525 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

St. Vincent de Paul: \$2,043

Good Friday Collection: Holy Land
Easter Collection: Clergy Benefit Trust

2023 Contribution Statements

If you would like to request a 2023 Contribution Statement of your donations to Mary, Queen of Peace Parish, please contact the Parish Office by email at MedfordCatholic@gmail.com or phone 781-396-0423 x 103.





Would you like to be one of the twelve?

As many of you know, during the Holy Thursday Liturgy (March 28 at 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi), the celebrant reenacts the gospel by washing the feet of twelve people. We are in need of volunteers who are willing to have their feet washed.

If you would like to take part in this special liturgy, please contact the parish office at 781-396-0423 x 103. We hope you will consider participating in this beautiful ritual.

LENTEN GOSPEL GIVING

Let's support the practice of almsgiving this Lenten Season. Each weekend, members of our parish are asked to donate one NEW item, as suggested, based on the readings of the day.

Holy Thursday March 28 & Easter Sunday March 31 "He took a towel and tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet."

Collecting pairs of **NEW** white athletic socks for **Bread of Life**. (St. Vincent de Paul Organizing)

CONFESSIONS

St. Francis of Assisi Church

- Wednesday, March 27, 6:30pm 7:30pm
- Holy Saturday, March 30, 9am 11am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Francis of Assisi Church

- Monday, March 25 at 7pm
- Good Friday, March 29 at 2pm

LENTEN REGULATIONS

<u>Abstinence</u>: Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligations of abstinence. *Abstinence* is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and the *Fridays of Lent*. Meat should not be consumed on days of abstinence.

<u>Fasting</u>: Catholics from the age of 18 to 59 are bound to the obligation of fasting. *Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting*. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain one's strength, may be consumed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.



Rosary Children

Wednesday, April 3rd at 3:30pm at St. Francis Lower Church

In addition to praying the Rosary, we will learn about the Resurrection and do an Easter Egg Hunt! All children and parents/guardians welcome! For more information, please contact Nadia at kevinandnadia1@verizon.net

HOLY WEEK

at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish







HOLY THURSDAY ~ March 28th

9am *Morning Prayer Service* at St. Francis of Assisi

7pm Celebration of the Lord's Supper at St. Francis of Assisi

GOOD FRIDAY ~ March 29th

9am Morning Prayer Service at St. Francis of Assisi

12noon - 3pm Both Churches will be open for prayer

2pm Stations of the Cross at St. Francis of Assisi

3pm Passion of the Lord Service at St. Francis of Assisi

7pm Passion of the Lord Service at St. Joseph

HOLY SATURDAY ~ March 30th

9am Morning Prayer Service at St. Francis of Assisi

9am - llam Confessions at St. Francis of Assisi

8pm Easter Vigil at St. Joseph

EASTER SUNDAY ~ March 31st

St. Joseph - 8am & 10am

St. Francis of Assisi - 9am & 11:30am (no 4pm Mass)

A great time was had by all at our St. Patrick & St. Joseph Day Dinner last Saturday!

We enjoyed a delicious Irish meal, Italian pastries and a spectacular performance by the talented dancers of the Goulding School of Irish Dance!













Parish Book Club

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 7:00 pm St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church Hall

Our next book to read and share in discussion is: *The Great Divorce By C. S. Lewis*

A timeless novel about a bus ride from Hell to Heaven. In The Great Divorce, C. S. Lewis again employs his formidable talent for fable and allegory. The writer finds himself in Hell boarding a bus bound for Heaven. The amazing opportunity is that anyone who wants to stay in Heaven, can. This is a starting point for an extraordinary meditation upon good and evil, grace and judgment. Lewis' revolutionary idea is the discovery that the gates of Hell are locked from the inside. Using his extraordinary descriptive powers, Lewis' The Great Divorce will change the way we think about good and evil.

We have a limited number of books for sale at the Parish Office at the discounted rate of \$10 each. Please call us at 781-396-0423 to get your copy, while supplies last. If you are interested in joining the Parish Book Club, please contact the Parish Office to sign up. We look forward to seeing you!



The Chosen is a series about the life of Jesus. Every episode allows us to see Him through the eyes of those who knew Him.

April 4 Episode 1: Homecoming April 11 Episode 2: Two by Two

April 18 Episode 3: Physician, Heal Yourself

April 25 Episode 4: Clean, Part 1 May 2 Episode 5: Clean, Part 2

May 9 Episode 6: Intensity in Tent City

May 16 Episode 7: Ears to Hear May 23 Episode 8: Sustenance

After watching each episode, we'll engage in discussion and sharing. Light refreshments will be served.

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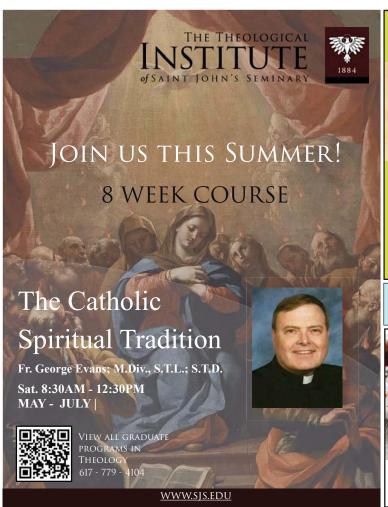
Adoration Library

The Adoration Team at St. Joseph Church has a book area for adults and children in the back of the lower church. Parishioners and visitors are welcome to borrow books from the Adoration Library.

Staff Contact List

To reach a member of our staff, please call 781-396-0423 and dial the following extension:

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Fr. Peter Shen	Parochial Vicar	108
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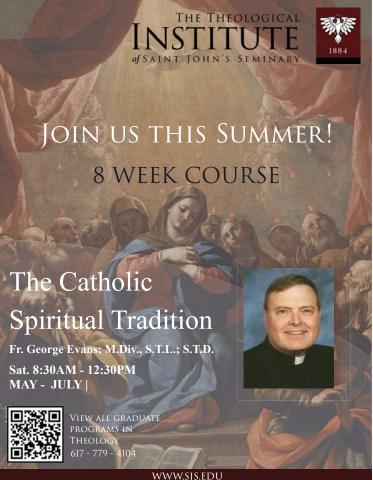
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