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**St. Joseph Church** 118 High St, Medford

Daily Mass: Monday, Wednesday &

Friday at 8:30am

Weekend Masses: Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 8am & 10am



**St. Francis of Assisi Church** 441 Fellsway West, Medford

Daily Mass: Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 8:30am

Weekend Masses: Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 11:30am & 4pm



April 14, 2024
Mass Readings at #905

# St. Francis of Assisi Mass Intentions

# St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Saturday 4/13/24		Saturday 4/13/24	
8:30 am	LeClerc & Michaelle Casimir	4:00 pm	Bill Doherty & The Kelly Family
4:00 pm	Elizabeth Monaco		,
Sunday 4/14/24		Sunday 4/14/24	
11:30 am	Fortunata & Gaspare Puccio	8:00 am	Thomas & Jane Cangiano
4:00 pm	Nelda Federico & Family and Donato DiCenso	10:00 am	Edith (Ryan) Salari
	Demail Disconce	Monday 4/15/24	
Tuesday 4/16/24		8:30 am	Pamela, Nancy & Chris
8:30 am	Angela Cefali		Bailey
Thursday 4/18/24		Wednesday 4/17/24	
8:30 am	Joseph Jeune	8:30 am	Josephine Cocchiara
Saturday 4/20/24			
8:30 am	For the People	Friday 4/19/24	
	·	8:30 am	Peter B. Grant
4:00 pm	Graham Watson & Ruth Sheehan	Cotumber 4/00/04	
	Null Sheenan	Saturday 4/20/24	
Sunday 4/21/24		4:00 pm	Christina & Genesio Spina
11:30 am	Ursino Family & Nannini Family	Sunday 4/21/24	
4:00 pm	Donna Giordano, The Giordano Family &	8:00 am	For the People
	The Langone Family	10:00 am	Kathleen Granara Skerry

*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 <a href="mailto:adoration24sj@comcast.net">adoration24sj@comcast.net</a> 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 adoration 24sj@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

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Jesus asks the disciples in today's gospel, and He asks us, "Why are you troubled?" We may want to respond, "Don't you see the problems that exist all around us?" After the resurrection, the disciples needed to be reminded that hiding in the upper room only kept them in a place of fear and confusion. Jesus' words are a reminder to disciples of every age, that suffering and hardship did not destroy Him, nor will it destroy us. We are challenged to take the words of Jesus to heart, "You are witnesses of these things." Let us not be held back by any fear, doubt or anxiety, rather, boldly share the good news of the resurrection.



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

#### MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



# April Wedding

Please keep in your prayers

Brendan O'Brien & Caitlyn Murray

who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage this month.

## **COFFEE HOURS!** This Sunday, April 14th

We hope you will join us for Coffee Hour on the 2nd Sunday of every month!

Coffee Hours follow:

~the 10:00 am Mass at St. Joseph (Cafeteria) There will be cookie decorating for kids at the St. Joseph Coffee Hour this week.

~the 11:30 am Mass at St. Francis (Lower Church)

### READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2024 YEAR B

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9/1 Jn 2:1-5a/ OF EASTER Lk 24:35-48

April 14

MONDAY Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29 April 15

TUESDAY Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6+7b+8a, 17+21ab/

April 16 Jn 6:30-35

WEDNESDAY Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40 April 17

THURSDAY Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51 April 18

FRIDAY Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

April 19

SATURDAY Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69 April 20

4TH SUNDAY Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29/1 Jn 3:1-2/ OF EASTER Jn 10:11-18 April 21



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

April 7 Offertory including online giving: \$12,205
Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

Monthly Maintenance: \$2,728

This week's 2nd Collection: Winter Utilities\*

\*Thanks to your generosity the St. Francis Furnace has been paid for! The April 14 envelope/2nd collection for the St. Francis Furnace will be put back toward Winter Utilities.

### **ONLINE GIVING**

Mary, Queen of Peace offers Online Giving through our website. It's a safe, convenient and cost effective way to make your donations! You can even choose to set up recurring gifts.

To donate online, please visit our website <a href="https://www.MaryQOPMedford.org">www.MaryQOPMedford.org</a> and click the <a href="https://www.MaryQOPMedford.org">DONATE</a> tab. If you need assistance or would like more information, please call the parish office at 781-396-0423 x 103.

## Reasons to sign up for Online Giving:

- No need to write checks or bring cash to church.
- Peace-of-mind knowing that the parish is receiving your contribution, even if you are unable to attend.
- More secure than checks by providing a 128bit encrypted secure browser connection and secure storage protected by strong firewalls and other defense systems.
- All contributions are recorded for you on your bank statement with date of settlement.
- No need to use the envelope system, thereby creating cost savings for the parish.
- IT COSTS YOU NOTHING!

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." - 1 Peter 4:10



## **April Meeting Update**

Our April meeting will take place Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church.

We are honored to be joined by Fr. Paul who will speak to us on the topic of vocation and discernment. All are welcome to attend as this will be a special opportunity to offer our gratitude for his leadership and service, as well as to hear his hope for the future of our parish.

Please join us! Light refreshments will be provided.

Instagram: @maryqueenofpeacemedford Email: medfordyag@gmail.com

# Join us for our April Dinner!

**Saturday, April 20**<sup>th</sup> at 5pm at the St. Joseph Social Center



Menu: Lasagna with salad, beverages & dessert

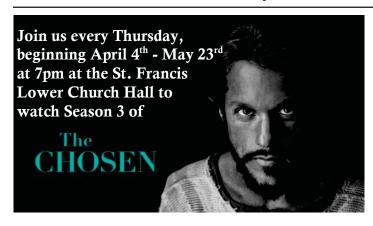
Children's Menu: Cheese Pizza

Tickets: Adult \$18; Children (under 12) \$8

Tickets on sale after weekend Masses, at the Parish Office or online at <a href="www.MaryQOPMedford.org">www.MaryQOPMedford.org</a>
Tickets on sale through Wednesday, April 17th.

No Tickets will be sold at the door.

All are welcome!



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 11 Episode 2: Two by Two

April 18 Episode 3: Physician, Heal Yourself

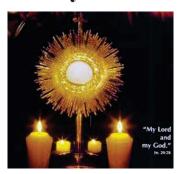
April 25 Episode 4: Clean, Part 1 May 2 Episode 5: Clean, Part 2

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.

## **Easter Day of Reflection**



You are invited to attend our Parish Easter Retreat led by Father Maurice Agbaw-Ebai on Sunday April 14, 2024, 3pm - 6:30pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church.

- 3pm Presentation by Father Maurice
- 4pm Mass
- 5pm Dinner & Discussion

We hope you will join us!

## **Booking Mass Intentions**

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



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"Every gift to the Appeal, no matter the amount, has meaning and purpose, and every gift plays an integral part in the vital mission of the Archdiocese of Boston." – Cardinal Seán O'Malley

Once a year, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are asked to partner with one another to support their parish and the many outreach ministries by contributing to the **Catholic Appeal**. We are pleased to share that our parish has raised \$31,245 toward our 2024 Catholic Appeal goal of \$53,400. This translates to achieving 59% of our goal. More importantly 129 parishioners have participated in our parish campaign so far. We hope to achieve 100% participation from our parishioners! *Our heartfelt thanks* to all who have helped make our campaign a success so far.

Please note that this campaign is an assessment to our parish. This means that, if we don't make our goal, the parish has to make up the shortfall from our limited funds. We also get to share in the success of exceeding the campaign goal. Last year, we earned a rebate of \$4,400, as we raised contributions in excess of the goal!

If you have not had the opportunity to support the Appeal yet, we invite you to make your gift today to help us reach our goal. Pick up an envelope at the back of the church or make an on-line donation by using the QR code above or visiting the appeal website at **www.bostoncatholicappeal.org**. Your participation in the Appeal is appreciated by our parish and all those who are served by the ministries funded by the Appeal. Let's move *Forward in Faith* in support of all our parishes, schools, and communities!



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## Rosary Children

Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:30pm St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church

At our May meeting, in addition to praying the Rosary, we will decorate flower pots and plant seeds. We will learn how important it is to plant our faith and if we take care of it properly it will grow! We will also make flower pots to bring to the Courtyard Nursing Home.

All children and parents/guardians welcome!

For more information, please contact Nadia at kevinandnadia1@verizon.net

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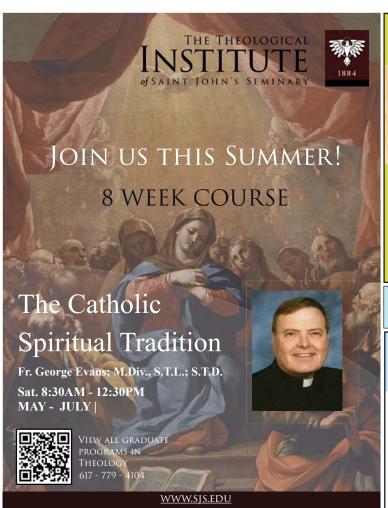
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### Staff Contact List

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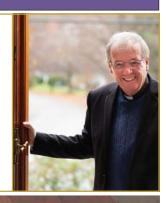
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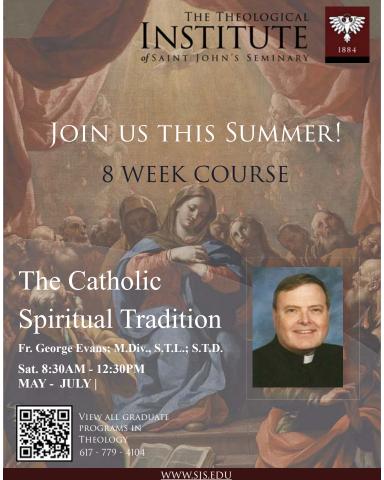
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