

MARY, QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC PARISH

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH & ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

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St. Joseph Church 118 High St, Medford

Daily Mass: Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 8:30am

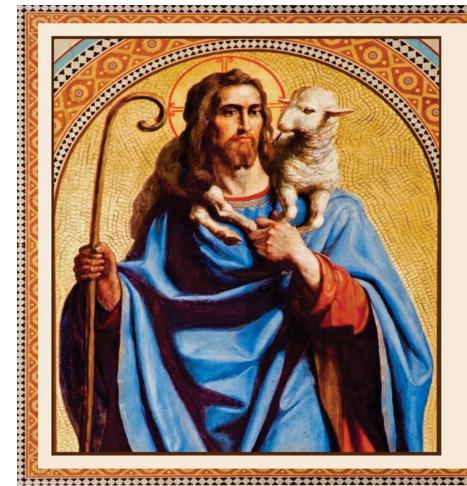
Weekend Masses: Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 8am & 10am



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



Fourth Sunday of Faster Jesus said: "| am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11

April 21, 2024 Mass Readings at #908

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St. F	rancis of Assisi	St. Joseph Mass Intentions	
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Saturday 4/20/24		Saturday 4/20/24	
8:30 am	For the People	4:00 pm	Christina & Genesio Spina
4:00 pm	Graham Watson & Ruth Sheehan	Sunday 4/21/24	
Sunday 4/21/24		8:00 am	For the People
11:30 am	Ursino Family & Nannini Family	10:00 am	Kathleen Granara Skerry
4:00 pm	Donna Giordano, The Giordano Family & The Langone Family	Monday 4/22/24 8:30 am	Joe & Irene Plati
Tuesday 4/23/24		Wednesday 4/24/24	1
8:30 am	Special Intention: Dorothy Covalucci	8:30 am	Jeffrey T. Consalvi
Thursday 4/25/24		Friday 4/26/24	
8:30 am	Barbara Puleo	8:30 am	Mortimer & Michael MacSweeney
Saturday 4/27/24			,
8:30 am	Barbara & Arthur Prezioso	Saturday 4/27/24	
4:00 pm	Anthony Vocino	4:00 pm	Thomas Freda
Sunday 4/28/24		Sunday 4/28/24	
11:30 am	Carl Merrill	8:00 am	For the People
4:00 pm	Tony Scaparotti	10:00 am	Monica Timko & Jim Brad

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 <u>adoration24sj@comcast.net</u> 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: <u>www.zoom.us</u> - Click on join a meeting - Meeting ID: 824 8725 0708 Password: AABwf5

Fourth Sunday of Easter

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



"I am the good shepherd, I know mine and mine know me." We can take comfort in these words of Jesus from today's gospel. Jesus knows every one of us, and cares for and about us, but what about the second part of that statement? Do we know Him as well as He knows us? Are we committed to developing/ relationship nurturing our with Jesus? Knowing Jesus and recognizing His voice takes a discerning heart. Through our friendship with Him, we realize that He companions us in all that we do. We have the promise of Christ's presence as we go out to others and share the "Good News." Take time this week in prayer to listen to the voice of our Good Shepherd and ask for the grace to be responsive to His call.

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.

READI	NGS & UBSERVANCES 2024 YEAR B
4 [™] SUNDAY OF EASTER April 21	Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1,8-9,21-23,26,28,29/1 Jn 3:1-2/ Jn 10:11-18
MONDAY April 22	Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
TUESDAY April 23	Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
WEDNESDAY April 24	Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
THURSDAY April 25	<i>Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist</i> 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
FRIDAY April 26	Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
SATURDAY April 27	Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14
5 [™] SUNDAY OF EASTER April 28	Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32/1 Jn 3:18- 24/Jn 15:1-8
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This week at St. Joseph Church ~ The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of: **Paul Mulligan**

The Hosts & Wine for our liturgies are in memory of:

Lois Haydock



April Wedding

Please keep in your prayers

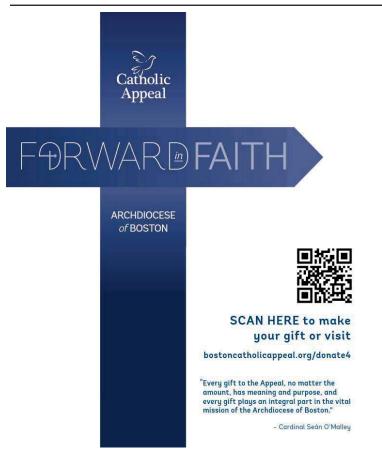
Brendan O'Brien & Caitlyn Murray

who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage this month.

Prayer for My Parish



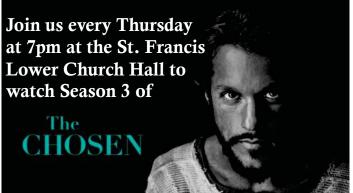
Almighty God, my parish of Mary, Queen of Peace is composed of people like me. I help to make it what it is. It will be a friendly parish if I am friendly. It will be holy if I am holy. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. It will do great work if I work. It will be prayerful if I pray. It will make generous gifts to various charities if I am a generous giver. It will be a parish family of lovalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion and charity if I - who make it what it is - am filled with these same qualities. Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Bless my journey, Lord God, that I might follow Jesus and build up the Church for your glory. Amen.



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 \$33,915 toward our 2024 Catholic Appeal goal of \$53,400.** This translates to 64% of our goal! More importantly, 142 of our parishioners have participated in our parish campaign and we hope to achieve 100% participation. *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 <u>www.bostoncatholicappeal.org</u>. 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!



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 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.

Rosary Children



Wednesday, May 1st 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

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 **www.MaryQOPMedford.org** and click the **DONATE** 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



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 14 Offertory including online giving: \$7,906 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

Winter Utilities: \$2,278

SAVE THE DATE!



Father Paul's Farewell Reception May 25, 2024 at 5:00 pm St. Joseph Parish Social Center

Join us to give thanks to Father Paul for his years of faithful service to our parish and to share all the wonderful memories of our time together!

Annual Mother's Day Rose for Life Drive May 11th &12th



The Annual Mother's Day Rose for Life Drive will take place after all the Masses at St Francis of Assisi Church and St. Joseph Church on Saturday May 11 and Sunday May 12. The cost of the roses has gone up over the years and has once more increased this year. All proceeds benefit the educational and lobbying efforts of Massachusetts Citizens for Life to defend the Right to Life for the unborn, the disabled and the elderly. Your most generous support is greatly appreciated!

New Choir Members Welcome!

We are always looking for new choir members. Come hear us sing at the 11:30am Sunday Mass at St. Francis, and talk to Music Director Shawn Mikkelson to learn more. You can contact him in person or at mikkelson_shawn@yahoo.com. It is never too late to join us!



Adoration Team Library & Traveling Statues

Library ~ The St. Joseph Adoration Team 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.

Traveling Statues ~ The St. Joseph Adoration Team has traveling statues of Our Lady, St. Joseph and St. Michael that parishioners can host in their home for 2 weeks. We request that the host pray for our parish, priests, and school, as well as their own Intentions.

To request to host a statue in your home, call or text 617-459-8735 or email <u>Adoration24sj@comcast.net</u>

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Instagram: @MaryQueenOfPeaceMedford Website: <u>www.MaryQOPMedford.org</u>

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Fourth Sunday of Easter







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