

Mass Intentions

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday August 22nd, 2026—Vigil
3:45 PM + Margaret Schneider by Chuck & Janet Papst
+ Vito & Giacomina Polisenio by Joe Polisenio
+ Mary Pavlick by The Fedor Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday August 23rd, 2026—Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 AM Borst Field + Ronald Bahr by Kelly & Caleb Zebrowski
+ Jo-Ann Gerde by Debi & Henry Sanna
* Deborah & Henry Sanna* by Chris Gartung
* God’s Blessings, Peace and Good Health for the Gusmano Family by The Gusmano Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday August 26th, 2026—
9:00 AM + Cheryl Holmes by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Timothy Gergich by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Robert Evans by Barbara Evans

Friday August 28th, 2026—
11:00 AM Adoration
12:00 PM Mass
+ Martha Messer by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ John A. Colin—RIP by Bill & Lu Colin

Saturday August 29th, 2026—Vigil
3:45 PM + Graziell Nuzzuolo by Santo & Augusta Bono
+ Mary Claire Brennan by Debi & Henry Sanna
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday August 30th, 2026—Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Francisco Miccio by George & Theresa Olsen
+ Mary Margaret Longendyke by Jim Longendyke
+ Czeslaw Yurczyk by Daughter Yola & Children, Patricia & Danny
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

For Healing Rosary—Friday— 7:00 p.m.
Meeting I.D. 284 242 6978 Password: 104215

Lectors: 08/29/2026 & 08/30/2026
3:45 PM: Pat Fowble, 10:30 AM: Michael Jonker
Eucharistic Ministers: 08/29/2026 & 08/30/2026
3:45 PM: Joe Polisenio, 10:30 AM: Chris Gartung
Altar Servers: 08/30/2026
10:30 AM: Jasper Cole, Brian Hogan
Greeters: 08/30/2026
10:30 AM: Emily Snyder, Joan DeBenedittis
Ushers: 08/30/2026
10:30 AM:

Readings for the week of August 23rd, 2026

Sunday: Is 22: 19-23/ Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20
Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Cor:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 6:17-29

Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time
Aug 23rd, 2026

Op. 685—Seek Ye First
Ps 138: “Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.”
Off. 678—O God, You Search Me
Comm. 788—Bread of Live or 671—On Eagles’ Wings
Cl. 745— One Spirit, One Church

Weekly Offering Table

	Weekly Need: \$ 3,250.00		
	Aug 15 th & Aug 16 th , 2026		
	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$ 737.00	\$ 1,544.00	\$ 2,281.00

“Please write a separate check to St. Joseph’s when requesting a mass intention.”
Mass Intentions are \$15.00 each.

Thank you for supporting your parish!

Schenevus Food Pantry
66 Main Street
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Serving: Maryland, Westford, Schenevus

Open Hours
3rd Thursday—11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
3rd Saturday—10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

If need arrives for food other than time the pantry is open, please call Pat Hawver at 607-638-5631.

Many Thanks

Thank you to the Sanna and Horning families for providing and installing the strategically located safety railings in the Life Garden.



Mass Time Change– September 13th

The following Mass times have been changed back to the regular schedule for both parishes:

Sunday—St. Joseph’s Catholic Church—10:30 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul’s Catholic Church—8:30 a.m.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS!!

Discipleship Formation Registration

As parents and guardians, you are the very first teachers of faith to your children; it is a beautiful calling.



Registration for our 2026–2027 Discipleship Formation for Children and Youth year is now officially open. Our goal this year isn't just to teach lessons from a textbook, but to create a space where our kids can encounter Jesus, build deep friendships, and discover how much they are loved by God.

Whether your child is joining us for the first time, preparing a Sacrament, or returning for high school youth ministry, we cannot wait to welcome them. Please try to register by August 31st.

Church Vacuum Needed



The Cleaning Committee is in need of another vacuum to clean the church and other facilities at St. Joseph’s.

If you have a vacuum cleaner that is not too heavy, that can replace our current one, that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Can you help us financially?

Thank you for your generous support to St. Joseph. Your donation helps us to pay the bills. Without you, what will we do? Please attend mass and help us with your offering. Now you can make your weekly offering to St. Joseph by mail or place it in our side door rectory drop box. You are all in my prayers and masses. God Bless You! Fr. Joe

St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430) is a preeminent Doctor of the Church and the patron of the Augustinian order. His works, including The City of God, On the Trinity, and Confessions, among many others, have had an inestimable impact on the Church and, by extension, on Western Civilization at large. Yet, where did such faith begin? After rejecting his mother’s Christianity as simplistic and restraining, Augustine embarked on a path towards self-gratification, marked by the pursuit of money, political power, and sexual pleasure. Explore the conversion story of one of the most significant figures in Church history and learn about his struggle to find answers amid a sea of competing voices. Travel to fourth-century Rome and Milan to discover why St. Augustine has become “A Voice for All Generations.”



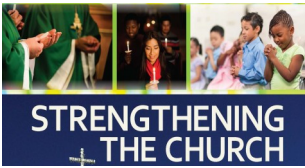
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Eucharist & Lector Schedule

Anyone who has to make a change or changes to their dates on the schedule, should call Joan DeBenedittis at the parish office. Thank you.

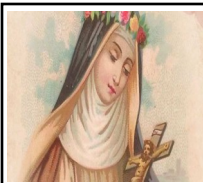
Discipleship Catechist Teachers Needed

Corinne Connington is in need of catechist teachers for the upcoming Discipleship Formation Year. Please contact her at 1-845-728-3733 if you are interested in helping. Thank you!



Second Collection

We have a second collection this weekend for The Catholic Home Missions. Your contribution will strengthen the Church at home. It gives financial help to the poor, rural, or remote dioceses and parishes across the United States and its territories so they can offer basic pastoral services and religious education. Please be generous, and thank you in advance.



**St. Rose of Lima
Feast Day—August 23rd**

Today I remember the life of a saint who gives us a wonderful example of the teaching of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew 22:34-40. The Pharisees ask Jesus, "Master, what is the greatest commandment of the Law?" Jesus answers, "You must love the Lord your God with your whole Heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. The second resembles it; you must love your neighbor as yourself." St. Rose of Lima combined both these commandments in such a wonderful way that she is much loved and venerated in Peru, all of Latin America, the Philippines and many other countries.

She was born of a noble family in 1586. They wanted her to marry, but she was determined to live a life of severe penance. She slept for only two hours a night so that she could spend hours in prayer and in her work of fine embroidery, lace making and growing flowers, all of which she sold in order to care for the poorest of Lima. She built a little hut in backyard of her father's house as her hermitage, and she would bring sick people there to care for them. She lived in this way for eleven years before she died aged 31.

She is the patron of embroiderers, florists, and gardeners. (reprinted from MissionarySocietyofSt.Columban.org by Fr. Don Hornsey)

Prayer After Communion



Lord Jesus Christ,

I thank You for coming into my heart

In this most holy Sacrament.

You have nourished my soul with Your Body and Blood,

Strengthen me now to love You more,

To serve You faithfully,

And to live according to Your will.

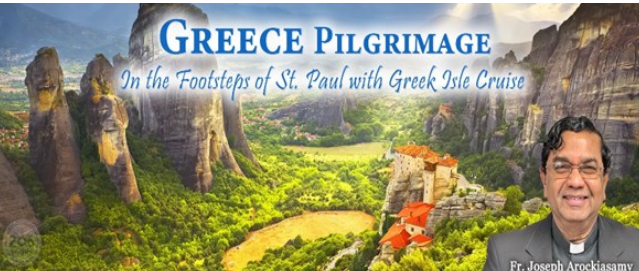
May I always remain in Your grace,

And may You remain in me forever.

Amen.

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GREECE PILGRIMAGE
In the Footsteps of St. Paul with Greek Isle Cruise

Fr. Joseph Arockiasamy

“The world is a book and those who do not travel Read only one Page.”
Set a goal to travel with Fr. Joe to Greece.
October 30th—November 9th, 2026
For additional information, please visit <http://www.206Tours.com/cms/frarockiasamy>

Prayer Remembrance

Please, remember all of our homebound, sick and dying, hospitalized, and the needy! Pray for all the cancer patients! Pray for all of our veterans and soldiers and especially for all the soldiers who are in war zones!! Special prayers for Arthur Verity, Maryann Legaspi, Ean Shirm, Alfred Staudohar, Judy Staruck, JoAnn Barnhart, Grace D. Leggio, Frances Florance, Nick Wicowski, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Shannon Colin, Beverly Erway, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire, Felix Dziembowski, Karl Hoecker, Fred Kirch, Justin Deas, George Olsen, Jeanne Chase, Adrian Origen, Dan Gorke, Toni & Larry Bobnick, Bill Fredette Jr., Paula Jenkins, Janet & Charles Papst, Lois Golda, Ramona Adesso, Matthew Sivacek, Bill Morgner, Ruth Vinci, Brian Rock, Sean Filipowski, Rick & Wade Lewis, Ed Serdy, Anne Tiner, Caleb & Kelly, Gene Rothe, Ed Hillenbrand, Alvira Braga, Matt Mantione, Charlene Tiffany, Dannah Carter, Walter Marchlowski, Nathan Clements, Joyce Hennelly, Carole Rooney, Ernie Gartung, Fred Kersman, Tracie Newkirk, Fr. Ed Golding, Frank Brimlow, Levio Passanante & Marianne Singer for a speedy recovery.



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Mission Statement: To form Missionary Disciples through encountering the Lord in Word, Sacraments and one another to transform the communities in which we live.

Vision Statement: St. Joseph is a Vibrant, Welcoming, Evangelizing and Transforming Catholic Community!

Who Is Jesus For Us?

“You are the Saviour, the Son of the living God.”



August 23rd, 2026

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening: 3:45 PM

Sunday Morning: 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses

Wednesday: Mass 9 AM

Friday: Adoration 11 AM—Mass 12 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Sacraments

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 PM –3:30 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Contact the Parish Office for additional information.

The Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements for wedding should be made at least six months prior to the marriage.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call our Parish Office to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Please call the Parish Office

All are Welcome to St. Joseph!

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joe X. Arockiasamy

Secretary: Joan DeBenedittis

Cemetery Manager: Kelly Daniels

Coordinator for Discipleship Formation for Children and Youth: Corinne Connington

Music Director: Terry Hait

Bookkeeper: Mike Argiras

Trustees

Diane Fedor & William Fredette

Finance Chairperson

Amy Muehl

Will you please remember “St. Joseph’s Church”