

Mass Intentions

Saturday July 18th, 2026—Vigil
3:45 PM + Frank Layden by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Alan Grossman by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Joe Fedor by Jo-Ann & Rick Scheiner
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday July 19th, 2026—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Czeslaw Yurczyk by Daughter Lola & Children Patricia & Danny
+ Dan Twomey by Rose Twomey & Family
+ Rosemary Letavec by Donna Heassler & Lorraine Brimlow
* Birthday Blessings Lu by Bill Colin
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday July 22nd, 2026—
9:00 AM + Shirley Aguilera by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Peter & Elise Conte by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Joe Fedor by Bob Abarno

Friday July 24th, 2026
11:00 AM No Adoration & No Mass
12:00 PM Funeral Mass—Francisco Miccio

Saturday July 25th, 2026—Vigil
11:00 AM Funeral Mass—Ellen & Gilbert Hirscher
3:45 PM + Joe Fedor by Jim & Toni Tauzel
+ Frank & Nancy Vencak by Denise Vencak
+ Sonny by Denise Vencak
+ Angie Hren Nelson by Jo-Ann & Rick Scheiner
God Blessings, Peace and Good Health for the Gusmano Family by the Gusmano Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday July 26th, 2026—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Francis &Georgiana LaPierre by Chris Gartung
+ Mary Margaret Longendyke by Jim Longendyke
+ Sharon Heller by Debi & Henry Sanna
* 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

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors: 07/25/2026 & 07/26/2026
3:45 PM: Ed Hillenbrand 10:30 AM: Barbara Guilfoyle
Eucharistic Ministers: 07/25/2026 & 07/26/2026
3:45 PM: Joe Polisen0 10:30 AM: Brian Keenan
Altar Servers: 07/26/2026
10:30 AM:
Greeters: 07/26/2026
10:30 AM: Helen Siems
Ushers: 07/26/2026
10:30 AM: Greg Provencher & Natalie Provencher

Readings for the week of July 19th, 2026

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Jn 20:1-2,11-18
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17
Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary time
July 19th, 2026

Op. 585—Praise to the Lord
Ps 86: “Lord, you are good and forgiving.”
Off. 754—Worthy Is the Lamb
Comm. 802—One Love Released
Cl. 677— Blest Be the Lord

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 3,250.00			
July 11 th & July 12 th , 2026			
	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$ 569.00	\$ 2,153.00	\$ 2,722.00
Heart of Mary	\$ 255.00	\$ 1,112.00	\$ 1,367.00
Scholarship			

“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!

Assumptionists Mission Appeal

From the very beginning, the Augustinians of the Assumption (Assumptionists) have been engaged in a wide variety of apostolic works. All that advances the coming of the Reign of God has always been deemed worthy of our apostolic energy.

It's a preference for poor, in response to the Gospel and to the Church calling us today to be on their side. For us too it's a consequence of our own vow to live as poor men. Some will dedicate themselves full-time to this work: with marginalized people of every kind, in hospitals and in prisons, "worker priests" or volunteers in different organizations ... But all of us try to live in union with the poor, because "the poor will always be with us", because the poor are too often neglected even within the Church. This is a bias that the Assumption encourages.

Our Province of North America is specifically responsible for the missions in East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania), Mexico and the Philippines. We provide personnel and financial assistance that is indispensable in order to maintain our charitable works (schools and nurseries) and formation programs for both laity and clergy in these countries. Many of our apostolates in these countries specifically work to better the living conditions of the impoverished brothers and sisters we live with and minister to. In the Philippines, we sponsor education and aid programs for underprivileged villages both in the Manilla area and in other mission centers. Our parish in Orizaba, Veracruz Mexico ministers to an underserved indigenous community.

Online Giving

Online Giving will help sustain St. Joseph.

We currently live in a society that is always on the move. We are constantly traveling and looking for new places to go. Whether you are on a work trip, out of town for your child’s sporting event, or just forget your checkbook, Online Giving gives you the opportunity to give anytime and anywhere with just the click of a button using your smart device or computer.

Parishioners can now make donations to any of the available funds using either a checking account (ACH) or a credit/debit card.

The St. Joseph online giving page is now live.

<https://www.osvhub.com/stjosephsworcester/giving/funds>

Please go to the above website which explains how to become a part of St. Joseph’s online giving.

Thank you and God bless, Fr. Joe

Ministers of Hospitality



Ushers and Greeters serve as Ministers of Hospitality, welcoming and assisting parishioners and visitors during mass and at other liturgical celebrations. Their roles include seating attendees, distributing bulletins and ensuring a welcoming atmosphere for all who enter the Church.

Those who want to serve the Lord through the Ministry of Hospitality, please sign up! Young and old, women and men! There is no difference in welcoming the people.

“Whoever welcome you, welcomes me. Whoever welcomes me, welcomes the one who sent me.”



The Total Gift

Saint Katharine Drexel, a canonized Catholic saint from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, who chose a life dedicated entirely to serving marginalized communities. Born into a wealthy Philadelphia family, Katharine Drexel used her fortune to challenge societal norms and dedicate her life to education and racial healing. Our documentary, hosted at the majestic Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, explores her transformative journey from a life of privilege to becoming a religious pioneer.

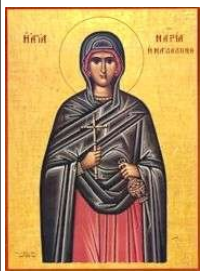
Watch on Formed!!

Congratulations!!

Matt & Lesley Vaitekunas’s
44th Wedding Anniversary

Debi & Henry’s Sanna
50th Wedding Anniversary





St. Mary Magdalene Feast Day—July 22nd

St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, but we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection. She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels.

Mary Magdalene has long been regarded as a prostitute or sexually immoral in western Christianity, but this is not supported in the scriptures. It is believed she was a Jewish woman who lived among Gentiles, living as they did.

The Gospels agree that Mary was originally a great sinner. Jesus cast seven demons out of her when he met her. After this, she told several women she associated with and these women also became followers.

There is also debate over if Mary Magdalene is the same unnamed women, a sinner, who weeps and washes Jesus' feet with her hair in the Gospel of John. Scholars are skeptical this is the same person.

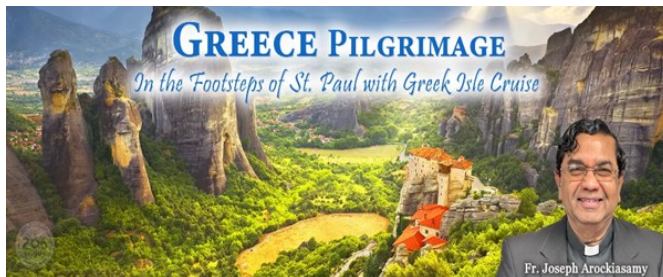
Despite the scholarly dispute over her background, what she did in her subsequent life, after meeting Jesus, is much more significant. She was certainly a sinner whom Jesus saved, giving us an example of how no person is beyond the saving grace of God.

During Jesus' ministry, it is believed that Mary Magdalene followed him, part of a semi-permanent entourage who served Jesus and his Disciples.

Mary likely watched the crucifixion from a distance along with the other women who followed Christ during His ministry. Mary was present when Christ rose from the dead, visiting his tomb to anoint his body only to find the stone rolled away and Christ, very much alive, sitting at the place they laid Him. She was the first witness to His resurrection.

After the death of Christ, a legend states that she remained among the early Christians. After fourteen years, she was allegedly put into a boat by Jews, along with several other saints of the early Church, and set adrift without sails or oars. The boat landed in southern France, where she spent the remaining years of her life living in solitude, in a cave. St. Mary Magdalene's feast day is July 22. She is the patroness of converts, repentant sinners, sexual temptation, pharmacists, tanners and women, and many other places and causes. (reprinted from Catholic Online)

St Joseph's Discipleship for Children and Youth registration forms have been mailed out. Please send back as soon as possible so that we may order all the material needed for 2026-2027 school year. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child for the program, please call Corinne Connington (845)728-3733 or call St Joseph's Rectory at (607)397-9373.



“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>

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!

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 Wiecewski, 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, Carol Rooney, Ernie Gartung, Fred Kersman and Fr. Ed Golding 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!

*Leave It to God to
Separate the Good from the Bad*



July 19th, 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”
in your Last Will?**