

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday August 31st, 2024—Vigil**  
**3:45 PM** \* For an End to Abortion\* by Bill & Lu Colin

**Sunday September 1st, 2024—Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**10:30 AM** + Charles Stenzel by Henry & Debi Sanna  
 \*For an End to Abortion\* by Bill & Lu Colin

**Wednesday September 4th, 2024**  
**9:00 AM** No Mass

**Friday September 6th, 2024**  
**11:00 AM** No Adoration  
**12:00 PM** No Mass

**Saturday September 7th, 2024—Vigil**  
**3:45 PM** + William & Mary Gartung by Dave & Theresa Clements  
 + Janet Naples by Janet & Charles Papst  
 \* For an End to Abortion\* by Bill & Lu Colin

**Sunday September 8th, 2024—Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**10:30 AM** + Peter Mravlja by Henry & Debi Sanna  
 + Connie Vrooman by Richard & Lorraine Gruber  
 + Anthony Esposito by Marie & Bob Comenzo  
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**Weekly Offering Table**

Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41  
 August 24th & August 25th, 2024

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$482.00	\$1,234.95	\$1,716.95
Catholic Home	\$109.00	\$ 331.00	\$ 440.00
Candles			\$ 38.00
Poor Box			\$ 5.00

“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!**

**Instagram**

St. Joseph and St. Vincent de Paul now have an Instagram. If you have Instagram, look for “[joevin138](#)”.

**Liturgical Ministers**

**Lectors: 09/07/2024 & 09/08/2024**  
**3:45 PM: Bill Fredette**  
**10:30 AM: Janet Wenner**

**Eucharistic Ministers: 09/07/2024 & 09/08/2024**  
**3:45 PM: Tina McGurrin**  
**10:30 AM: Brian Keenan**

**Altar Servers: 09/08/2024**  
**10:30 AM: Liam Serdy, Indigo Cole**

**Greeter: 09/08/2024**  
**10:30 AM: Lola Kelley**

**Ushers: 09/08/2024**  
**10:30 AM: Griffin Kelley, Emily Snyder**

**Readings for the week of September 1st, 2024**

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
 Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30  
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37  
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11  
 Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39  
 Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5

**September 1st, 2024 —22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Op. 458**—Alleluia, Sing to Jesus  
**Psalm 15:** “The one who does justice will live in the Presence of the Lord.”  
**Off. 537**—Where Love is Found  
**Comm. 802**—One Love Released  
**Cl. O Blessed St. Joseph**

**No Weekday Masses**

There will be no weekday masses this coming week. The office will be open on its usual time schedule.

**2025 Mass Record Book**

Our 2025 Mass Record Book is in. Please send in your mass intentions to be recorded for the upcoming year.

**The Responsorial Psalm**

The one who does justice will live in the Presence of the Lord.

**The Traveling Statue of St. Joseph**

Prayer is a beautiful way to find peace and to restore hope. St. Joseph’s parish this year is celebrating its 150th Jubilee. As a part of the celebration, we have a statue of St. Joseph which will travel from home to home, for a period of one week, to bring blessings to the family. The statue helps establish a sacred space for prayer within the home, with its visual representation. St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus who is one of the most important saints in that he dedicated his life to protecting and caring for Jesus and his wife, Mary by saying yes to God and being humble.



A sign-up sheet will be left on the piano podium if you would like to sign up to take the statue home. The statue should be returned the following week, so that another family can receive the blessings of St. Joseph

Along with the statue, a journal is provided so you may write any thoughts or insight that you received while St. Joseph was in your home.

**Papal Blessings**



When Fr. Joe goes on his pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy, he would like to obtain the Papal Blessings for couples with milestone marriages (5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th and 30th anniversaries and **every 10 years (40th, 50th, 60th anniversary and so on)**. Those who would like to receive a certificate from the Pope, please call the parish office at (607) 397-9373 to be placed on the blessing list.

**Parish Picnic Thank You!!!**

Thank you to all of the people who worked so hard, arranging, buying, bringing items from the church, setting the place up, cooking (especially Dean Daniels), the Schenevus Village allowing us to use Borst Field for our picnic place, to everyone who attended the picnic and for everyone who brought food.



Next year, we would love to have the pleasure of more of our parishioners to attend God’s family event!!

“A man who governs his passions is master of his world. We must either command them or be enslaved by them. It is better to be a hammer than an anvil. Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword, wear humility rather than fine clothes”...St. Dominic

**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



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ST. JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 JUBILEE



Our response to God's faithfulness through St. Joseph

2025



**Harvest Dinner-October 19th**



We are looking for volunteers to contribute food and desserts for our dinner.

A sign-up sheet is on the piano podium listing the dishes we would like to have made.

If you cannot cook for the dinner, monetary donations will be greatly appreciated to be put toward the cost of additional items we will need to purchase.

Our goal again this year is to raise money to support programs, maintenance and unexpected costs that the parish may incur during the year 2024-2025.

**Cantata Choir**



We will begin rehearsals for this year’s Cantata on Wednesdays starting on September 18 from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph’s Church. The presentation will be December 15 at 3:00 p.m. with a snow date of December 22. We will start with split rehearsals alternating higher voices and lower voices as follows:

September 18—Sopranos and Altos

September 25—Tenors and Basses

October 2—Sopranos and Altos

October 9—Tenors and Basses

All parts: October 16, 23, 30 and November 6

With accompaniment: November 13, 20, 27, December 4th and 11th.

Presentation: Sunday, December 15 at 3:00 p.m. (snow date 12/22)

There will be a signup sheet on the music platform. If you have any questions, please see Terry Hait or call her at 607-652-3347.

**St. Rose of Viterbo**  
**Feast Day—September 4th**



St. Rose of Viterbo was a prophetic young girl who inspired her homeland to stand with the Vatican in a dispute with an emperor.

Frederick II was emperor of the Holy Roman Empire in the 13th century. He came into conflict with the pope, who excommunicated him. In response, Frederick began attacking the papal states. In 1240, he conquered the region of Viterbo, Italy.

Rose was born in Viterbo and lived there with her poor parents during this conflict. When she was 8 years old, Rose fell ill, and during her sickness, she received a vision from Mary, who told her that she was to give her life to pursuing holiness just as St. Francis did. Mary told the girl that she was to take the habit of the Franciscans, but that she was not to live in a convent—she should stay at home and set an example by her words and deeds.

After she recovered, Rose took on the rough cloak of a penitent and continued to ponder this vision. When she was 12, she began preaching in the streets against Frederick's occupation, in an effort to incite the city to overthrow the regime. Rumors spread that she worked miracles as she spoke, and soon a crowd began to gather around her house.

The attention made Rose's father nervous, and he forbade her from leaving the house under threat of a beating. "If Jesus could be beaten for me, I can be beaten for him," she replied. "I do what he has told me to do, and I must not disobey him." When their parish priest insisted that she be free to preach, he relented.

For two more years, she continued to speak in public about the occupation. As her popularity grew, authorities called for her execution, but the city's magistrate sent her and her family into exile instead.

When Frederick died in 1250, the Vatican's forces won the day and Rose and her parents moved back to Viterbo. Rose sought entrance into the local convent, but was denied because she did not have a dowry. "Very well," she replied with a smile. "You will not have me now, but perhaps you will be more willing when I am dead."

She continued to live with her parents, leading a life of prayer and service, but she died young, at the age of 17. Six years later, due to her popularity, her body was transferred to the chapel of the convent she once tried to enter. The church burned down in 1357, but her body was preserved and was carried through the city in a procession every year.



**K of C Council 5419**



**Council Meeting**—Tuesday, September 10th at St. Joseph's in Worcester. Eucharistic Adoration begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by Rosary at 6:30. Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

For more information, visit us on the web at: <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc5419>

**10,000 Holy Hours For 150th Jubilee**

Please join us in celebrating St. Joseph's 150th Jubilee 10,000 Holy Hours by setting time aside to be with our Lord. Please, come and spend your time with the Lord in order to prepare for the Jubilee Celebration. Our parish has a 10,000 Holy Hours Program to help the people to become one with the Lord. Through St. Joseph with his humble works and his saying "Yes" to God, may we receive the graces that were bestowed on him and the profound love of our Lord.

There are sign up sheets on the piano podium to be completed after spending your time with the Lord.

If you have any questions, please call the rectory at 607-397-9373.

God bless!!

**Prayer Remembrance**

Please, remember all of our homebound, sick and dying, hospitalized, and the needy! Pray for all the cancer patients and COVID 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, Joseph Fedor, Alfred Staudohar, Judy Staruck, JoAnn Barnhart, Grace D. Leggio, Frances Florance, Nick Wicowski, William Libasci, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Ed Cacioppo, Shannon Colin, Alexander Mustico, Jim Bender, Tessa Rheingold, Bob Colichio, Beverly Erway, Jill Scott, Sharon Heller, Alice Hughes, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire, Felix Dziembowski, Karl Hoecker, Fred Kirch, Justin Deas, Claudia LaPierre, George Olsen, Mike Fay, Robin Von Langen and Jeanne Chase 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!

**The Spirit of the Law**



**Parish Staff**

**Pastor:** Fr. Joe X. Arockiasamy

**Secretary:** Joan DeBenedittis

**Cemetery Manager:** Kelly Daniels

**Coordinator for Discipleship Formation for Children:** Corinne Connington

**Music Director:** Terry Hait

**Guitarist:** Richard Gruber

**Bookkeeper:** Mike Argiras

**Trustees**

Diane Fedor & William Fredette

**Finance Chairperson**

Amy Muehl

Will you please remember "**St. Joseph's Church**" in your **Last Will?**

**September 1st, 2024**

**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

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Please call the Parish Office

**All are Welcome to St. Joseph!**