

Mass Intentions

**Saturday** July 29th, 2023—Vigil  
**3:45 PM**  
**Sunday** July 30th, 2023 –Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**10:30 AM** + **John Ploxker** by Patricia Fiederer  
+ **Henry Nicholas Sanna** by Henry & Debi Sanna  
+ **Carolyn & Jack Muehl** by Amy & Bernie  
+ **Marylin Zaengle** by Chris Gartung  
**Wednesday** August 2nd, 2023  
**9:00 AM** No Mass  
**Friday** August 4th, 2023  
**11:00 AM** Adoration  
**12:00 PM** No Mass  
**Saturday** August 5th, 2023—Vigil  
**3:45 PM**  
**Sunday** August 6th, 2023 –The Transfiguration of the Lord  
**10:30 AM** + **John Rose** by Henry & Debi Sanna  
+ **Frank Juliano** by Frank & Lorraine Brimlow  
+ **Nicholas Uzenski** by Jim Longendyke

Weekly Offering Table

	Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41		
	July 22nd & 23rd, 2023		
	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$ 793.00	\$ 1,331.00	\$ 2,070.00
Building Fn	\$ 0.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00

“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!

\*\*\*For Healing Rosary—Wednesday 7:00 p.m.\*\*\*  
Meeting I.D. 284 272 6978  
Password: 359189

The Responsorial Psalm

Lord, I love your commands.

Liturgical Ministers

**Lectors:** 08/05/2023 & 08/06/2023  
**3:45 PM:** Diane Fedor  
**10:30 AM:** Janet Wenner  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** 08/05/2023 & 08/06/2023  
**3:45 PM:** Mike Fay  
**10:30 AM:** Chris Gartung  
**Altars Servers—08/06/2023**  
**10:30 AM:** Emily Snyder, Liam Serdy  
**Greeter-08/06/2023**  
**10:30 AM:** Angel Mravlja  
**Ushers—07/30/2023**  
**10:30 AM:** Griffin Kelley, Quinn Serdy

Readings for the week of July 30th, 2023

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46  
Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35  
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43  
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46  
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53  
Friday: Lv 23:4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58  
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12



International Food Festival  
August 25th—Postponed

Due to the lack of interest in participating in the St. Joseph’s International Food Festival, we will be postponing it at this time.

When we have additional information, we let the parishioners know when we will be able to partake in this charitable event.

Distribution of the Blood of Christ

Starting the weekend, of August 13, we will be offering the distribution of the Blood of Christ to our parishioners. Therefore, we will not be needing two EOMOE’s until that weekend.

St. Joseph’s Annual  
Church Picnic



August 20th-10:30 a.m.  
Borst Field—Schenevus, NY  
**Mass —10:30 a.m.**

Delicious barbecue to follow mass.  
Children’s & Adult Games  
Dessert Contest

Please bring a dish to share or a dessert to enter into our contest. See you there!!

**\*\*Please bring a comfortable chair to sit in\*\***

Peter Pence  
2nd Collection



This weekend there will be a 2nd collection for Peter Pence. This collection helps fund not only all the activities of the dicasteries of the Roman Curia that assist the pope in the exercise of his ministry but also solidarity projects to aid those most in need, including his immediate neighbors in Rome.

Sunday Social Hour Sign-Up Sheet

Fr. Joe would like to ask the committees and ministries of St. Joseph to sign up to host some of our Sunday Hospitalitys after the 10:30 Mass throughout the year. A sign-up sheet will be placed on the piano podium.

There are two Things I’ve Learned:  
There is a God—and I’m not Him!

Out of the Office—Reminder

Fr. Joe will be out of the office from July 31st until August 11th. Please make note of this.



AED Training

Many thanks to Bill and Denise Weber, for their informative instruction and training session on how to use the AED machine located in our Church.



Faith Formation Registration

Registration for Faith Formation has begun. Any students that participated previously can pick up envelopes with welcome letter and registration form included on the piano podium.

Please fill out and return the completed forms as soon as possible in the Corinne Connington’s mailbox by the ladies restroom.

Registration form for new students will be left on the Sacristy door.

Any questions, please contact Corinne at 1-845-728-3733 or email her at [caconnington@gmail.com](mailto:caconnington@gmail.com).



Rose & Dan Twomey

“Dan and I were overwhelmed by the help, support, surprises, and, of course, the many ‘Happy Anniversary’ wishes that came our way on the occasion of our 60th wedding anniversary! We are truly grateful for the loving and caring St. Joseph parishioners, for Fr. Joe, the staff members and others who pitched into make it a joyous and very special event!. You are all in our prayers. Thank you so much!”



**Your worst days are never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God’s grace.**  
**Your best days are never so good that you are beyond the need of God’s grace!**



**St. Ignatius Loyola**  
**Feast Day—July 31st**



Founder of the Society of Jesus, St. Ignatius Loyola was born in the castle of Loyola at Azpeitia in Guipuzcoa, Spain, in 1491. His father, Don Beltran, was lord of Onaz and Loyola and head of one of the most ancient and noble families of Spain. Ignatius, christened Inigo, was the youngest of eleven children. He became a page at the court of King Ferdinand V of Aragon, and entered the military under the command of the Duke of Nagara.

In 1521, a cannon ball broke his right shin and tore open his left calf during the battle of Pamplona against France. After being wounded, he was returned to the family castle at Loyola to recuperate. While recovering, he read books about the life of Christ and the lives of saints. He was so inspired by what he had read, that he decided to dedicate his life to Christ. After his recovery, Ignatius made a pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady at Montserrat. For the next two years, he spent time in Manresa, alternating between a pauper's hospice and a cave. It was during this two-year period of prayer and solitude that he began his great book *Spiritual Exercises*.

Ignatius left Manresa in 1523 and went to the Holy Land. He returned to Spain in 1524 and went to Barcelona to study Latin. In 1526, he entered the University of Alcalá. He went to Paris in 1528 and in 1534, at the age of forty-three, received his master of arts degree. While Ignatius was a student in Paris, he became very friendly with six fellow divinity students, one of whom was St. Francis Xavier.

In 1534, Ignatius and his six companions took a vow of chastity and poverty in a chapel on Montmartre. They pledged to preach the Gospel in Palestine and to offer their services directly to Pope Paul III. This is considered to be the founding of the Society of Jesus, or the Jesuits, as they are commonly known.

In 1537, Ignatius and his companions, who now numbered nine, went to Venice and were ordained. As they could not go to the Holy Land, they made a trip to Rome to offer their services directly to Pope Paul III. Thus, the order was officially formed in 1537 and officially recognized by Pope Paul III in a papal bull on September 27, 1540.

Ignatius was chosen the first superior general, and the members of the order made their final vows in 1541. Ignatius spent the rest of his life in Rome, directing the activities of the Society of Jesus. His book, *Spiritual Exercises*, was published in 1548. He died in Rome on July 31, 1556. (reprinted from Book of Saints, Regine Press, 2010).

*Teach us, good Lord,  
to server you as you deserve;  
to give and not to count the costs;  
to fight and not to heed the wounds;  
to toil and not to seek the rest;  
to labor and not to ask for any reward,  
except to know that we do your will;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

**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, and Karlene Tausel (Stokes), David Miller, Ed Cacioppo, Shannon Colin and Alexander Mustico for a speedy recovery.



**Knights of Council 5419**



**Council Meeting**—Tuesday, August 8th at St. Joseph's in Worcester. Eucharistic Adoration begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by Rosary at 6:30. Meeting begins 7:00 p.m.

Find us on the web at:

<https://sites.google.com/view/kofc5419>



**Catholic Men's Conference**

*Giving men the tools needed to grow in holiness in their everyday lives.*



August 12th, 2023-8:30 am-4:00 pm

National Shrine of the North American Martyrs

136 Shrine Road

Fultonville, NY

Auriesville, NY 12072

**Keynote Speakers**

Larry Richards

Deacon Darrell Miller

**Schedule of Events:**

- **8:30 AM** arrival - Continental Breakfast
- **9 AM Start** - Opening Prayer / Welcome
- **First Morning Presentation** - Fr. Larry Richards
- Topic: Confession
- **Second Morning Presentation** - Deacon Darrell Miller
- Topic: TBD
- **Lunch** (Box Lunch & Water Included)
- Reconciliation
- Small Group Connections
- **First Afternoon Presentation:** Fr. Larry Richards
- Topic: TBD
- **Second Afternoon Presentation:** Deacon Darrell Miller
- Topic: TBD
- **Afternoon:** Adoration / Rosary
- **4 PM:** Mass
- **5 PM:** Closing Comments & Departure

Registration: \$50 per person; College age and younger men are FREE

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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!

**What Do We Treasure Most?  
For What Do I Risk Everything?**



**Parish Staff**

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

**Secretary:** Joan DeBenedittis

**Faith Formation Coordinator:** Corinne Connington

**Music Director:** Terry Hait

**Guitarist:** Richard Gruber

**Bookkeeper:** Mike Argiras

**Trustees**

Theresa Clements & William Fredette

**Finance Chairperson**

Amy Muehl

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

**July 30th, 2023**

**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**

Contact the Parish Office

**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!**