

Saint Joseph Parish
173 Albion Street, Wakefield MA 01880
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 PM
Sunday Mass
7:30 AM,
9:00 AM (Family Liturgy)
11:00 AM, 5:30 PM

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday Mass
6:45 AM, 9:00 AM
Saturday Mass
9:00 AM

Chapel Hours

7:00 AM - Midnight
Adoration-10:00AM - Midnight
(Weds 10:00 AM-6:00 PM)
Parish Holy Hour Every Sunday:
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Pastoral Team

Fr. Ron Barker, *Pastor*
Fr. Jim Wenzel, OSA, *Visitor*
Merry Nordeen, *Administrative Assist.*
Rose Dittmer, *Faith Formation*
Angelique Bolduc, *Music Dir.*
Anne Grant, *Adult Choir Dir.*
Maureen Miller, *Bulletin Editor*
Caleb, *Parish Dog*
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Confessions

Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 PM or in the
rectory by appointment.

Religious Education

Elizabeth Collins, *Grade 2*
Sharon Keith, *Grades 3-8*
Julie DiAngelis, *Grade 9, Youth Min.*
Fr. Ron Barker, *Grade 10*
Merry Nordeen, *Administration*

Saint Joseph School

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August 29, 2010

Reflection of the Week

The Lord's compassion is personal, continuous and always available. We receive His comfort through the Holy Spirit, who lives within us. There is no situation or time when He is inaccessible to the believer—we can be consoled and reassured at any time, day or night.



HOLY HOUR

A time of quiet music & reflection

Sunday 7:00-8:00 p.m.

PRAYER GROUP

Hour of praise and charismatic prayer

Monday 7:30-8:30 p.m.

BIBLE CLASS

Scripture Reading and Discussion

Tuesday 7:30-8:30 p.m.

HEALING MASS

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

HEALING SOAKING PRAYER

Come meet us to pray for healing

Thursday 2:00 p.m.

SCRIPTURAL TEACHING

Urgent! Many of the teachings of Jesus seem to come from someone who knew his time was short. And Jesus' teachings lead us to the same conclusion: the time is short and we must be about the business of God. As the author of Mark implies in his Gospel, we should not lollygag. We should get busy announcing and building the reign of God!



Read it and see! Take a minute to consider these five passages. (1) In the Temple: Mark 1:15-19. (2) The Tenants: Matthew 21:33-46. (3) The Great Commandment: Matthew 22:34-40. (4) The Fig Tree: Matthew 24:32-35. (5) Watch: Mark 13:32-37. What was the urgent message contained in each?

Not an easy task. Mark serves up a portrait of Jesus as a man who is ready to face his death - but who ultimately dies alone. There are no good thieves here, no faithful disciples. Even the women in Mark were "looking on from a distance." Perhaps Mark is warning us that following Jesus means being counter-cultural. Perhaps Mark is getting us ready for a difficult journey as Christians.

Read it and see! Could this be? Read Mark 8:34-36, for example. Or read Mark 13:9-13.

Think about it! What do you make of the failure of Jesus' disciples to rally on his behalf when he was arrested and led away to his death? What part of Jesus' teaching didn't they get?



Dear Parishioners,

This Wednesday we begin the month of September. It was quite a summer with the heat and humidity, but that is why they call it summer. This time of the year brings to mind the song, "See You in September." This is the time of students returning to school and coming together again with their classmates. I can recall when I went back to school seeing classmates that I hadn't seen all summer. We shared our summer experiences and it was good to see each other as we began a new school year. On the parish level, we see our young people leave us as they go off to different colleges. We pray that the new school year brings them all that is good.

There was a reading from our daily liturgy a few weeks ago that said, "You have forgotten God who gave you birth." Dueteronomy:32:18, I came across this reflection on this reading and I would like to share it with you:

"When we neglect worship that keeps us aware of our true relationship with God, we get absorbed in the activities and achievements that excite us in this world as if they were going to last forever; when we sometimes even disobey God's commandments as if He does not exist, we feel good about our lives. We think things are going well for us. But that is when we should mourn. A voice is saying to us, "You have forgotten God who gave you birth." Then, when the way we are living brings suffering and sorrow into our lives, as is always inevitable when we don't live by the manufacturer's instructions, we give in to sadness and complain. But that is when we should rejoice. We are receiving a wake-up call. If we take it seriously, we can avoid worse misery ahead. We can choose to remember God who "gave us birth."

I am always amazed at how many people do not give one thought about God during their day. God is the source of our lives. The basic reason that we exist is to be friends with God and to share His love with those around us. I have had the occasion to talk to some of our young people who say they don't go to Church while they are on vacation. I thank God that He never takes a vacation from us!

We will be beginning our religious education program in a few weeks and our focus will be to teach the children to develop a personal relationship with God. We are encouraging parents to fulfill their responsibility as being the first teachers of their children in the ways of the faith. We are here to help parents to grow in their faith and to supplement the teaching that is done at home.

With this Wednesday being the first Wednesday of the month, we will be having our Healing Mass beginning with a rosary at 7:00 p.m.

May Jesus continue to shepherd you in all of your needs.

God love you,
Fr. Ron

Teachings on Spiritual Life: Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

We continue the theme of transforming our minds (begun July 11th) so that we can enjoy life more abundantly. One of the most universal experiences of humankind is suffering. It comes to us in a variety of ways – physical, emotional, mental, spiritual, psychological, any way we humans can experience. Suffering comes to us due to our own mistakes or the mistakes or malice of others. Suffering comes as result of original or personal sins. Suffering comes due to natural or man-made disasters. It comes unexpectedly and can last interminably – at least that’s the way we may feel it. Suffering is usually seen primarily as pain but there can be another definition that adds a different perspective.

Suffering in the English language can mean “to endure pain” or “to allow.” A workable definition can be: “Suffering is allowing the falsity in us to be separated from the truth which is us.” Every one of us is created in the image and likeness of God. God is Truth and Love but we have distorted His image in us by our own sin and the sins of others causing us wounds.

Suffering can be used by the Lord to bring us to a deeper sense of our woundedness and creatureliness. It can lead us to a keener awareness that life on this earth is temporary. It can help us get a sense of areas in our lives and relationships that need to be healed. Suffering not only makes us cry out for relief but suffering can also cry out to us to look at areas in our lives and relationships that seek understanding and integration.

Suffering is not easy to embrace, especially if it is the suffering of a loved one, most especially of a loved child. Why innocents suffer is another issue for another time but even the suffering we experience when our innocent loved ones suffer can be embraced by us to bring us to a greater experience of our strength, power and glory. Suffering, no matter how it comes to us, can be used by us to become what God created us to be – His beloved children destined to share abundant peace and joy in His Truth and Love.

RCIA

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Inquiry Sessions: Sept 22nd & Sept 30th
7:30—9:00 p.m. in the Rectory**

St. Joseph Parish will begin its adult faith formation for those interested in becoming members of the Catholic Church or for those Catholics who want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. All who are interested in becoming a Catholic and/or receiving the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation are welcome. If interested please contact Peg Mottola, at 781-438-7310 or the Rectory at 781-245-5770.

St. Joseph Parish Expenses Paid August 9—August 20

Adult Faith Formation	44
Altar Supplies	244
Charitable Works	600
Building & Grounds	1,879
Hospitality	11
Household	92
Insurance	7,593
Office Supplies	2,181
Payroll and Taxes	8,458
Religious Education	25
Utilities	1,775
	\$ 22,902

WAKEFIELD COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by the Lion’s Club

Tuesday, August 31st from 2 pm to 7 pm

St. Joseph Church Hall

6 chocolate covered strawberries for each donor!

Please call 1-800-Red Cross or visit

www.RedCrossBlood.org for an appointment

OFFERTORY:

AUG. 21ST/AUG 22ND: \$10,259.50



The schedule for the remaining **outdoor rosaries** is as follows:

Monday, Sept. 13, 12:30

Wednesday., Oct. 13, 9:30AM



ADULT FOCUS



ARISE Begins

ARISE Together in Christ is a three-year, parish-centered process of spiritual renewal and evangelization that enables people to develop a closer relationship with Christ, grow in community, and reach out in service to others.

ARISE Training Workshops (for facilitators and interested members)

Wednesday, September 15

7-9PM St. Mary of the Annunciation, Melrose-English

Thursday, September 23

7-9PM St. Joseph, Malden- English

Saturday, September 25

10AM-Noon St. Michael, North Andover-English

Interested parishioners call Rose for further info and additional dates

Bereavement Community

There will be **no** meeting Sept. 7th. The Bereavement meeting for September will be rescheduled. Please watch the bulletin for future meeting dates.

Singles, Divorced & Widowed Group

Please see our website at www.stjosephwakefield.org and click on "Events" for information on upcoming activities.

Right to Life

The Prayer/Knitting Community here at St. Joseph will be donating hand knitted baby caps and/or bonnets & afghans to the **Heartbeat Agency**, a pre- and post-counseling center, which provides counseling and material for those experiencing unplanned pregnancies. Patterns & yarn are available. (sizes preemies to 15 lbs)*.Other volunteer services are needed at the agency.

**Parish volunteers are welcome to join in any or all of this effort.*

Please call Rose at 617-697-0888 for further information.



**Religious Education
2010-2011 CCD Registration
Fall CCD Registration ended on
June 30th. Late Registrations should
contact Merry Nordeen.**

Parent Notes

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Establishing Family Chores

Sometimes it easier to just do a job myself than to argue with my children about getting their daily chores done.

Remind me, Lord, that I can't possibly instill good work habits in them by taking over and allowing them to shirk their responsibilities

Help me to make them understand that each person in a family is responsible for contributing to the smooth running of a household—that it is necessary for each of us to do our fair share of chores—even those that are most tedious and least liked.

Help me to make them understand that we cannot always do only the things we like to do.

Give me wisdom and patience, Lord, to instill in my children not only a sense of duty to family life, but also a respect for good, honest work.

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SAVE THE DATE!

Frank Kelly

Thursday, September 23, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Please join us for a Mass and talk by Frank Kelly, who travels throughout the country, sharing his life-changing experience and story, which are the subject of the book, "Short Circuit to God." He has been blessed with many apostolic gifts. Frank's periods of prayer with individuals are powerfully accentuated by his gifts of discerning word of knowledge and healing for these individuals.

Pray For Your prayers are requested for the benefactors of our parish, and the deceased of our community especially Theodore Roache, Miriam McAuliffe & Joseph Connolly. Also, please pray for the sick among us and all those who have asked us to pray for them this week. Their names have been inscribed in our parish Book of Intentions in the Chapel. Please contact the rectory if you wish to add a name.

mass intentions

Saturday, August 28

4:00 Anthony Parise & Angela Froio

Sunday, August 29

7:30 James Maguire Sr.,
Birthday Remembrance

9:00 Vincenzo & Silvia Zingariello,
Memorial Mass

11:00 Jack Hanboyan, 35th Anniversary

5:30 Connie Von Rhee, 46th Anniversary

Monday, August 30

Tuesday, August 31

9:00 Special Intention

Wednesday, September 1

6:45 Mary Mayhew, Memorial Mass

9:00 James McDonnell,
Birthday Remembrance

Thursday, September 2

6:45 Barbara Kiley, Memorial Mass

9:00 Lewis Loud, 39th Anniversary

Friday, September 3

6:45 Georgette Shami, 6 Month Anniversary

9:00 Jack Fasciano, 6th Anniversary

Saturday, September 4

9:00 Walter Pilkons, Memorial Mass

4:00 Arlene Murphy, Memorial Mass

Sunday, September 5

7:30 Elizabeth Ann Joyce Gifford,
Memorial Mass

9:00 John Gallivan, 4th Anniversary

11:00 Claire McLaughlin, Memorial Mass

5:30 Marie Casey, 11th Anniversary



Please pray for those currently serving in the war against terrorism: especially Jim Campbell, Matthew Campbell, Jennifer Coale, Grace Drewes, Mark Gauthier, Shane Harrington, Thomas Hathaway, Joey Hopkins, Jamie Horgan, Ryan Jenks, Thomas Jones, Will King, Andrew Lafferty, Bryan McLennan, Jonathan Murphy, Trevor Nadile, Matthew Peek, Allison Perkins, Timothy Perkins, Michael Rowe, Stephen Rowe, Christian Santos, Bruce Whinery, William White & Mathew Wilkinson.

Next Weekend's Celebrant Schedule

Saturday, September 4

4:00 PM Fr. Ron

Sunday, September 5

7:30 AM Fr. Jim W.

9:00 AM Fr. Ron

11:00 AM Fr. Ron

5:30 PM Fr. Ron

Scripture for the week of August 29th

SUN Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Mon 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11

Tue 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19

Wed Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
or 1:18-23

Thu 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38

Fri 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42

Sat 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49



SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL Is Expanding Its PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM THIS SEPTEMBER Half-Day & Full Day Programs

Students are taught in a safe, nurturing environment. Curriculum includes a Phonics Reading Program, Writing Program, Math, Art, Music and Dance.

~~Limited Openings~~

For more information, please call 781-245-2081.



It is with great joy that we welcome into the family of St. Joseph's the newly baptized:

Lauren Abigail McCarthy, child of Valerie & Donald



III. Suzanne Zani & Philip Hyde