

St. Joseph-St. Pius X Parish

Love God , Love Others, and Make Disciples



St. Joseph-St. Pius X Parish Office

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions are heard by appointment only. Those wishing spiritual direction should phone the rectory to schedule an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Our diocese requires a one-year preparation time for this sacrament. Please contact the rectory at least one year in advance of your planned wedding date.

Care of the Sick: Please advise us of parishioners who are sick or in the hospital, that we might keep them in prayer and, if possible, visit them. Anyone who is unable to celebrate Mass with us in Church is urged to advise us so that we can, if possible, bring the Eucharist to them at home.

Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated the second Sunday of each month. Other times during Mass. Please contact the rectory

If you need help or
Information, call or
Visit the office.

Office Hours

Monday to Wednesday

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Thursday

9:00 am to 12:00pm

September 6, 2020

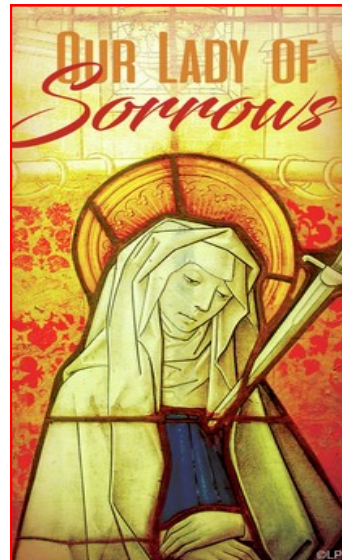
LORD'S DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - 4:00pm, Sunday -9:00am

St. Pius X Church- 1161 Main St. Leicester

DAILY MASS

Monday - Wednesday 8:30am



*Five Simple Rules
to be Happy*

*Free your heart
from hatred
Free your mind
from worries*

*Live simple
Give more
Expect less*

September Month of
The Seven Sorrows of Mary

WELCOME
One another
AS CHRIST WELCOMED YOU

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, your current family or marital situation, or your personal history, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected here

Parish Office Closed

In order to minimize the risk to our staff, the Parish office will remain closed to the public until further notice. We would be happy to assist you and ask that you please contact us either by phone @ 508-859-8083 or email stjosephstpiusx759@gmail.com. You can also refer to our website for any updates as well.



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Bulletin Announcements- should be submitted by 6:00pm on Monday evenings



SATURDAY, September 19 (25th Time in Ordinary Time)

St. Pius X Church

4:00pm Elizabeth & Raymond Fortin, Req. by Family

SUNDAY, September 20 (25th Time In Ordinary Time)

9:00am Joseph Jubinville, 20th anniv., Req. by Family

(Mass also available live on line @ 9:00am)

Week of September 21, 2020

(MOTHER ST. JOHN HOUSE)

MONDAY September 21

8:30am No Mass Celebrated until further notice

TUESDAY September 22

8:30am No Mass Celebrated until further notice

WEDNESDAY September 23

8:30am No Mass Celebrated until further notice

SATURDAY, September 26

St. Pius X Church

4:00pm Odette Sjogre

SUNDAY, September 27 (26th Time In Ordinary Time)

9:00am Andrew Durocher, Req. by Norman & Michelle

REMEMBER IN HEARTFELT PRAYER

Please pray for the healing of our sick, homebound, doctors, nurses, caregivers, military men and women and those who have asked for our prayers. May they be fully restored to good health and comforted at this time.

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| Daniel Bergin | Frances O'Day | Brian Rotolo |
| Yvonne Richard | Bob Maynard | Jackie Gallant |
| Beatrice Boudreau | Tommy Maynard | John Benoit |
| Sarah Bousquet | Maryann Dumont- | Phyllis Whitney |
| Marie Daige | Baby William | Mary Kielly |
| Nora LaPerle | Scott Staruk | Rita Rotolo |
| Harvey LaPerle | Helen Russell | Susie Sullivan |
| | Anne & Joe L. | |

Want to add your name or the name (s) of others to the Prayers for the Sick listing? Or to have a name restored to or removed from the list, please email or contact the Parish office @ 508-859-8083. Thank you!

FOOD OF THE WEEK: COFFEE

Legacy of Hope Campaign Begins

This campaign seeks to raise \$32 million over the next four years from all parishes in the Diocese of Worcester to prepare our faith community for the future. The money will be used for parish support, catholic education, priests retirement and custodial care, parish based evangelization and charitable outreach and the Cathedral of St. Paul

St. Joseph- St. Pius X will retain 40% of every dollar raised in our parish campaign effort to be used for our own local needs

STEWARDSHIP

Prayerfully giving to our Parish community benefits us in so many important ways. Whether your donations come with you to Mass, are mailed in, dropped off at the parish office, or sent electronically via the We Share app, we greatly appreciate your financial support especially during this time!

Parish budget needs per week	
to meet our financial obligations	\$ 4,845.00
Received week of 9-5/6-20	\$ 2,035.00
We Share Electronic giving	\$ 35.00
Fuel	\$ 480.00
Holy Days	<u> </u>
	\$ 2,295 .00
Surplus + / <u>Deficit</u>	-\$ 2,550.00



We are looking for ushers especially for the 4:00pm mass and anyone who would be interested in helping sanitize our church before/after both masses. Please contact Fr. Rob or the parish office if you can help. At this time we are in need of some extra hands and all would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Fall Cemetery Clean Up

Please remove all Spring containers by October 1st so we can get ready for the upcoming season.

Please note: the Cemetery Fall/Winter hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm

Religious Education

From the desk of Lauren Bjork, Director of Religious Education

Please note that we will be running our religious education program this year! While some aspects may be quite different than previous years, we do hope that your family will join us and grow in faith and love in our community. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and under the guidance from the diocesan Office of Religious Education, we will be offering our religious education program in a hybrid format to start off the year. While we realize this is not the ideal for anyone, we are hopeful that our children and families will still be able to learn and grow in faith while staying safe and healthy. Please find a link to the **Google Form for Religious Education Registration for 2020-2021**. You will also find a **tentative calendar** for the year ahead. **The year will begin with classes starting on Sunday, October 4, 2020.**

Some notable changes include that classes for grades k-1 and 3-5 will NOT meet on a weekly basis in person. Instead of weekly class meetings in person, families will receive materials for at home learning. If you choose for your child to do this independently, this work can be completed at home on your own time. If you prefer for you child to connect with their friends and catechist in our program, families will be given information about how to connect virtually on Sunday mornings.

For students preparing to receive First Penance and First Eucharist, we will be holding in person sessions on Sunday mornings (10:15-11:15 am). If your child is in 2nd grade, please register your son/daughter and more information about these classes will be provided. Masks will be worn, and appropriate cleaning and social distancing measures will be practiced.

For middle and high school students, we will be offering at home learning opportunities, as well as regular service project work in person. A specific schedule will be provided for those who register with information on when and where the service opportunities will be taking place. Information about Confirmation preparation will be forthcoming as well for those who register. As in previous years, we anticipate the celebration of Confirmation to take place some time in May 2021.

The cost of registration this year is \$50.00 per child (with a family maximum of \$140). Please bring payment with you at the time of the material pick-up which is scheduled for Sunday, September 27th. Upon receiving your registration form digitally, you will receive an email from me with grade level / family specific information, along with the time for your family to come to St. Joseph's campus to collect the materials for your family.

While we certainly understand that these are challenging and uncertain times, we hope that all families will join us for a new year of learning and faith information.

We look very forward to welcoming back families together at grade level masses throughout the year. Fr. Rob will be doing an additional mass each weekend for a specific group of students and their families which are noted on the calendar. It is our hope that these will serve as a great opportunity to worship and learn together

Please don't hesitate to contact Lauren @ 508-859-8083 x104 or 717-572-2897 if you have any questions in regards to the above... Thank you!

School Supplies for Students and Families in Need

If you need help with school supplies this year, the Leicester Food pantry will hold its annual school supply distribution nights on Tuesday, September 15th from 5:00-7:00pm

If you would like to donate school supplies, please bring them to Mass or drop them off at the food pantry on Tuesdays from 5:00-7:00pm *Especially in need of colored pencils and markers*

Thank you, Crayons to Calculators, for volunteering

Calendar

Saturday, September 19

4:00pm Mass celebrated at St. Pius X Church

Sunday, September 20

9:00am Mass celebrated at St. Pius X Church
(Mass also available online)

Tuesday, September 22

5:00-7:00 Thrift Shop Open/ Food Pantry open

Wednesday, September 23

9:00-12:00pm Thrift Shop Open

Thursday, September 24

2:00-5:00pm Thrift Shop Open

Saturday, September 26

4:00pm Mass celebrated at St. Pius X Church

Sunday, September 27

9:00am Mass celebrated at St. Pius X Church
(Mass also available online)

STORE HOURS

TUESDAY 5pm-7pm
WEDNESDAY 9am-Noon
THURSDAY 2pm-5pm
SATURDAYS 9am-Noon

