






**St. Francis of Assisi Parish**  
 ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL  
 ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH

**March 9, 2025**

**FR. JAMIE CALLAHAN | PASTOR**    ✝    **SCOTT COLLEY | DEACON**

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**St. Francis of Assisi Parish Directory**  
**Mass Schedule ▪ Press 1**  
  
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Mass Schedule	
Saturday	Sunday
4PM St. Thomas A Becket	8AM St. Joseph's Chapel  10:30AM St. Thomas A Becket
Daily Mass ▪ Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	
9AM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket  Daily Masses are canceled when school is delayed/canceled due to weather	
Confession ▪ Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Saturday ▪ 3PM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket  Or by appointment	
Eucharist Adoration	
<b>Tuesday After 9:00AM Mass</b>  In the event a cancellation is necessary it will be announced	
Rosary	
For Rosary Information Please Contact Liz via phone or text at 774.364.2158	

*First Sunday of Lent*  
*"Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble."*

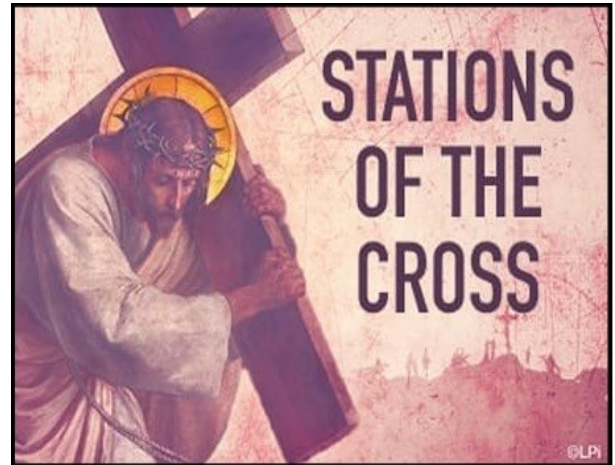
# MASS INTENTIONS

Week of March 9, 2025

Mar 08	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Dominic Pitisci <i>Req by: Dick &amp; Jeanie Whipee</i>
Mar 09	SUNDAY 8:00AM	<b>Mass at St. Thomas A Becket</b> (+) Harry J. Corbett Catherine Corbett <i>Req by: His Wife Isabel</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) Roy Spinney <i>Req by: The Family</i>
Mar 10	MONDAY 9:00AM	(+) Jackie Doherty <i>Req by: Peg Morin</i>
Mar 11	TUESDAY 9:00AM	Votive Offerings
Mar 12	WEDNESDAY 9:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
Mar 15	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Lou & Roger King <i>Req by: Peg Morin</i>
Mar 16	SUNDAY 8:00AM	<b>Mass at St. Thomas A Becket</b> + Marion & John Jannette
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) Deceased Members of the <i>Orzvlak Family</i> <i>Req by: Paul Lizak</i>



ADORATION AND  
BENEDICTION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT  
**St. Thomas A Becket**  
AFTER  
9:00AM MASS  
TUESDAY



Stations of the Cross will be held on all of the Fridays of Lent, beginning March 7, at 6:30PM at St. Thomas-a-Becket Church.  
Good Friday will be Mary's Way of the Cross at 3:00PM at St. Joseph Chapel.

**BEGINNING SUNDAY, MARCH 9**  
**8AM MASS**  
**TEMPORARILY MOVING TO**  
**ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH**

## GUIDELINES FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Lenten fast and abstinence regulations for the Diocese of Worcester are as follows: Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen (14) years of age and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting is to be observed by all Catholics who are eighteen (18) years of age but not yet fifty-nine (59) years of age on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed Lenten penitential practices.

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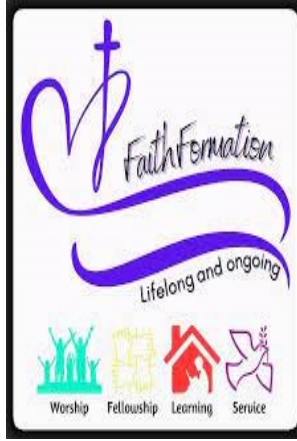
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Parish Weekly Collection Week of: March 2, 2025	
Envelopes	\$2,043.00
Anonymous Cash	\$326.00
Loose Checks	\$355.00
On-Line Giving	\$385.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,109.13</b>
Special Collections That Stay in the Parish	
Fuel	\$515.00
Maintenance	\$75.00
In Memory of Ken Cusson	\$500.00
In Memory of Maryann Watson	\$200.00
Eater Flowers	\$10.00
Catholic Free Press	\$40.00
Parking Lot	\$697.00
Mass Stipends	\$40.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,077.00</b>
Additional Collections That Leave the Parish	
Emergency Assistance Fund	\$20.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$5,216.13</b>



Grades 1-6 meet every Sunday on an alternating schedule  
 Week 1 · Regular Class 9-10am  
 Week 2 · Mass Class 8-9:30am

Grades 7, 8 & 9 meet  
 Sunday Evenings 6:00-7:30pm

All classes are held at  
 St. Joseph's Chapel.

For Information Contact  
 Liz Sansoucy @ 774.364.2158

**SUNDAY, MARCH 9 · MASS CLASS 8AM - 9:30AM**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 16 · CLASS 9AM - 10:00AM**

Walking with Mary to Jerusalem  
**Lenten Discussion**  
**St. Joseph's Hall | Mondays | 6:30pm - 8:00PM**

Each Friday, anyone who has signed up through Flocknote by joining the Group Lent 2025 will receive a short video, either via email or as a text. You can watch the video as many times during the week as you wish. **EVERYONE IS INVITED** to join us each week through Lent where we will all get to watch the Video together. So, if you don't have internet, you can still enjoy the videos and discussion by coming to St. Joseph's on Monday evening throughout Lent.



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Please join us to celebrate

# St. Patrick's Day CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

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5:30PM  
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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

**Join Us at Our Next Meeting  
Wednesday, March 12 · 6:30PM  
St. Joseph's Hall**

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES INCLUDE**

- April · DIY Floral Class
- May · Trip to St. Anne's Shrine
- June · End of Year Dinner

If you have any questions, please contact  
Mary Ann Jordan at 978-808-3371 or via email  
[mjordan92557@gmail.com](mailto:mjordan92557@gmail.com).

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# Thank You


Thank You to Everyone who Helped Make the  
Magic Show a Success

To those who took the time to bake,  
make a basket or work at the show;  
to our local businesses who became Patrons  
and of course to everyone who purchased tickets  
and enjoyed the show we are grateful for your support.

Because of everyone's hard work we were able  
to deposit **\$3,278** into the **Parking Lot Account**.



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Dear Parish Family and Friends,

The Women's Guild of St. Francis of Assisi Parish is creating a custom cookbook featuring family favorite recipes as well as holiday hits! These cookbooks will be professionally published and are sure to be a treasured keepsake.

Please submit 3-5 of your favorite recipes so you can be represented in our cookbook. Many recipes from all members will ensure that our cookbook is a success.

Thank you!

Parish Cookbook Committee

### TO SUBMIT RECIPES ONLINE

- Go to [www.typensave.com](http://www.typensave.com) click **Login**.
- Enter the User Name: **frjamie**
- Enter the Password: **broil165** click **Submit**.
- Enter your name and email address click **Continue**.
- Click **Add Recipes** to begin adding your recipes.

*If you prefer you could email your recipe to [elizabethcunningham68@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethcunningham68@gmail.com) or place a copy of your recipe in the basket at the back of the church.*

### RECIPE WRITING TIPS

- When adding recipes, use standard abbreviations.
  - Only enter 1 ingredient per ingredient line.
    - List ingredients in order of use in the ingredients list and directions.
- Include container sizes, e.g., (16-oz.) pkg., (24-oz.) can.
- Write directions in paragraph form, not in steps.
  - Use names of ingredients in the directions, e.g., "Combine flour and sugar."  
DO NOT use statements like, "Combine first three ingredients."
  - Include temperatures and cooking, chilling, baking, and/or freezing times.

Additional comments about the recipe; history, nutritional data, suggested uses, etc. are not allowed unless a **Recipe Note** field is visible. Enter additional content in that field.

**RECIPES ARE DUE BY MARCH 31, 2025**



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