



St. Francis of Assisi Parish

ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH

November 30, 2025

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St. Francis of Assisi Parish Directory

Mass Schedule ▪ Press 1

Office Manager | Deacon Malcolm Colgate

Press 2 ▪ OFFICE HOURS ▪ WED ▪ 2PM - 4PM

Our Pastor | Father James Callahan

Press 3

Baptism and Marriage Preparation

Father Jamie ▪ Press 3

Faith Formation Office

Liz Sansoucy ▪ Press 5

St. Joseph's Cemetery Inquiries

Brian Cirelli ▪ Press 6

Emergency Assistance Coordinator

Paula Wood ▪ Press 7

Bulletin Submissions

Email information to bulletinsfb@gmail.com

by Thursday to be included in the upcoming weekend



BarreStFrancisParish@gmail.com



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Mass Schedule

Saturday

4PM

St. Thomas A Becket

Sunday

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

Tuesday After 9:00AM Mass

In the event a cancellation is necessary it will be announced

Rosary Group

Tuesday ▪ 6:45PM ▪ St. Joseph's Hall

For more information contact Liz
via voice or text 774.364.2158

First Sunday of Advent

"Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of November 30, 2025



ADORATION AND
BENEDICTION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
TUESDAYS AFTER
9:00AM MASS

Nov 29	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Dolly Thorne Birthday Remembrance <i>Req by: Pat Kowal</i>
Nov 30	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) William Robinson Jr. <i>Req by: The Family</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) Arthur Brooks <i>Req by: His Wife Gloria</i>
Dec 01	MONDAY 9:00AM	(+) Tina Johnson <i>Req by: Bill & Vickie King</i>
Dec 02	TUESDAY 9:00AM	Votive Offerings
Dec 03	WEDNESDAY 9:00AM	Pastor's Intentions
Dec 06	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Deceased Family Members of The Charles Jordan Family <i>Req by: The Family</i>
Dec 07	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) Joseph & Beatrice Jannette and Deceased Members of Their Family <i>Req by: The Family</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) David and Susie Thompson <i>Req by: The Family</i>

A MASS INTENTION IS A SPECIFIC PETITION FOR WHICH THE MASS IS OFFERED.

Mass intentions can be requested on behalf of another living person; for example, the healing of someone who is sick or to commemorate a wedding anniversary.

However, Mass intentions are most commonly offered in remembrance of a person who has died.

Please contact Deacon Malcom if you would like to request a Mass.



The Women's Guild

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, Dec 10 6:30PM St. Joseph's Hall

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Jordan
at 978.355.4606 or mjordan92557@gmail.com

Meetings are held monthly from September through June
on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.



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The Parish Council of Knight's of Columbus -
St. Cleophas meets the 2nd Wednesday of each
month at 7PM at St. Thomas a Becket Church

If you have questions please contact

Greg Devine at 774-479-8300 or
via email at gdevine@worcester.edu

THE **100** CLUB

All 100 tickets are sold, the 10 weekly drawings
began Friday, 11/7. The winner each week will win
\$100. The winning number is whoever matches the
last two numbers of the Friday EVENING drawing of
the Mass Lottery Daily Numbers Game.

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WINNER #4 Mary Ann Jordan #19

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Parish Weekly Collection Week of: November 23, 2025	
Envelopes	\$1,256.00
Anonymous Cash	\$334.00
Loose Checks	\$480.00
On-Line Giving	\$306.50
Total	\$2,376.50
Special Collections That Stay in the Parish	
Fuel	\$90.00
Maintenance	\$25.00
All Souls	\$10.00
CCD	\$70.00
Parking Lot	\$55.00
Mass Stipends	\$30.00
Total	\$280.00
Additional Collections That Leave the Parish	
Charitable Needs Fund	\$30.00
Joining Hands Community Walk	\$0.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$145.00
Total	\$175.00
Total Collection	\$2,831.50

Thank You for Your Generosity 

We received the following note from Elizabeth Ortiz, Family Resource Liaison for Quabbin Regional School District.
Dear Church Family and Parishioners,
As the holiday season approaches, we are reaching out to ask for your generous support for the students and families within our community. Many of our families are currently facing significant financial difficulties, and this time of year can add considerable stress to already burdened households. To help alleviate some of this pressure and ensure our students can experience a little holiday joy, we believe that gift cards would be the most practical and beneficial form of assistance. These cards, whether for groceries, essentials, or general merchandise, will offer families the flexibility they need to purchase necessary items or a special treat for their children. Please know that any contribution, large or small, will be immensely appreciated and will make a real difference in the lives of our students. Thank you for your continued compassion and generosity. Again, thank you so much for your support in helping our families in need this holiday season. Liz Ortiz



FAITH FORMATION

ELEMENTARY GRADES MEET

SUNDAY MORNINGS ON AN ALTERNATING SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 30 NO CLASS Thanksgiving Break

Sunday, December 7 9AM - 10AM Regular Class

MS/HS/CONFIRMATION PREP GRADES MEET

SUNDAY EVENINGS 6PM -7:30PM

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.saintfrancisofassisparish.com to register online or mail in. Please call/text Liz Sansoucy at 774-364-2158 for further assistance.

**THE CANDY CANE FAIR AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
HAS LOTS OF FUN FOR KIDS! STOP BY ON 12/6**



December is a month of waiting, faith, and joy.

We prepare our hearts for Jesus while preparing our homes and sharing hope

THE GIVING TREES are UP!

This year we will have tags requesting,

GIFT CARDS of any amount for students

going to Quabbin Regional Middle/ High School.

We will also have tags for requested gifts for children going to Ruggles Lane. Please return all gift cards by December 13 so there is time to distribute before Christmas.

THANK YOU FOR SPREADING JOY THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON

Christmas Open House at The Rectory

Sunday, December 14 · 2PM





Just ONE WEEK Until Our Candy Cane Fair!

The Annual Christmas Fair presented by The Women's Guild

CANDY CANE FAIR • Saturday Dec 6 • 9 AM - 2PM

HERE'S A SNEAK PEAK OF WHAT IS PLANNED FOR THE DAY!

1. **Cash for Gold is Back.** Get all of your broken gold, silver & platinum jewelry together and bring it anytime during fair hours. You can walk out with a check if you decide to sell. **Anthony from Cash for Gold of Worcester County** will be with us to give you the highest price for your gold, diamonds, silver, gold coins, junk silver/constitutional silver, dental gold, luxury watches silver flatware, tea sets.

2. Once again, we have a **beautiful quilt made by Beth Cunningham.**

Entitled **Sparkling Chrysanthemum** it measures 66" x 66" It is stunning, easily can be displayed with classic or contemporary décor



3. **Candy Cane Fair Grand Raffle:**

1st Prize \$1,000 CASH

2nd Prize 100 Gallons of Heating Oil

3rd Prize Handcrafted Doll House

Plus Many More Prizes!

4. **Plus Traditional Favorites** Bake Shoppe, Theme Basket & Gift Card Raffles, Crafts, Games for the Kids, Hot Cocoa Bar and Our Famous Delicious Soup and Sandwich Lunch!

Don' Forget to get your Grand Raffle tickets from a Guild member this weekend!

Grand Raffle Tickets for you to sell or purchase. Please take a pack or two, the **Grand Raffle** helps make our parish fair a big success every year.

Did you see this year's **Quilt**. It is entitled "Sparkling Chrysanthemum" ***It is Beautiful!***

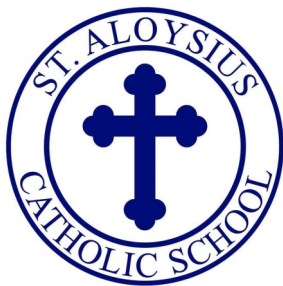
Be sure to get your ticket to have that quilt keep you cozy all season!

You can sign up as of this weekend for your Cemetery Baskets. There are clip boards at the entrance of each of our churches. Please look for them.

Bake Shoppe Update This year those who have baked before and are signed up for flocknote should be getting a flocknote giving them a chance to sign up to bake for this year's Fair.

THEME BASKETS NEEDED! Contact Shelly Clark via phone or text at 508.208.4417 or via email at shellyclark2006@gmail.com if you would like to create a basket for the Fair.

Pick up and wrapping available. All Baskets needed by Thursday, December 4



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The Grade 2 teacher will work independently as well as in collaboration with the Grade 1 teacher to insure that the curriculum is taught effectively and classroom management is well executed.

If you are interested in applying for the position please send a letter of interest and resume to Robert McQuaid at rmcquaid@staloyiuscatholicsschool.com or call the school for more information, 413-477-1268.



BARRE
FOOD PANTRY

Donations of nonperishable food items and health & beauty aids may be left at each church

Distribution is at the Barre Congregational Church

2nd Wednesday of Every Month

10:00AM - 11:30AM

3rd Thursday of Every Month

5:30PM - 7:00PM

You can help the Barre Food Panty's work in the community by Sponsoring a Food Drive, by making a Donation or by giving of your time.

info@barrefoodbank.org

Office of Healing & Prevention

As a reminder, our parish follows the guidelines of the National Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the policies of the Diocese of Worcester.

If you have been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church, we encourage you to come forward and speak out. The Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Worcester is Judith Audette. A report can be made by phone to a confidential line, 508-726-2880 or by email jaudette@worcesterdiocese.org If the report is made by mail, please send it to: Judith Audette, Victim Assistance Coordinator, The Diocese of Worcester, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609

St. Francis of Assisi

CHARITABLE NEEDS & RESOURCES FUND

Donations may be placed in an envelope marked *Emergency Fund* in the basket with the offertory envelopes. For more information please contact Paula Wood at 978.355.2228 ext.7. *Thank You for Your Generosity.*



Prayer
Requests



As a faith community, we're here to share in each others' experiences and lift each other in prayer. Whatever you're facing - whether it's a cause for joy, a challenge weighing you down, or a particular intention you're holding close to your heart we want to join you in prayer.

To be added to the St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Line please contact

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