



St. John the Baptist Parish

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MASSES

SATURDAYS: 4:00 PM
SUNDAYS: 8:00 AM AND 10:00 AM
DAILY: WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS AT 8:30 AM
HOLY DAY MASSES: 7:00 PM VIGIL, AND 8:30 AM

FOOD PANTRY

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH FOOD PANTRY
(ALSO SERVING RESIDENTS OF EAST BROOKFIELD)
ADDRESS: 296 MAIN ST., NORTH BROOKFIELD
HOURS: FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH: 6:00-7:15PM
THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH: 12:00 NOON-1:15PM.
PLEASE COME TO ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH DURING
THESE HOURS FOR REQUESTS FOR FOOD ASSISTANCE.



REGISTRATION OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Welcome to Saint John the Baptist Parish !

If you would like to register or you have changed your address, please fill out the following information and submit it to the parish office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
SATURDAYS AT 3:15 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT

BAPTISM

BAPTISMS ARE USUALLY HELD
AFTER THE SUNDAY 10:00 AM MASS

MARRIAGE

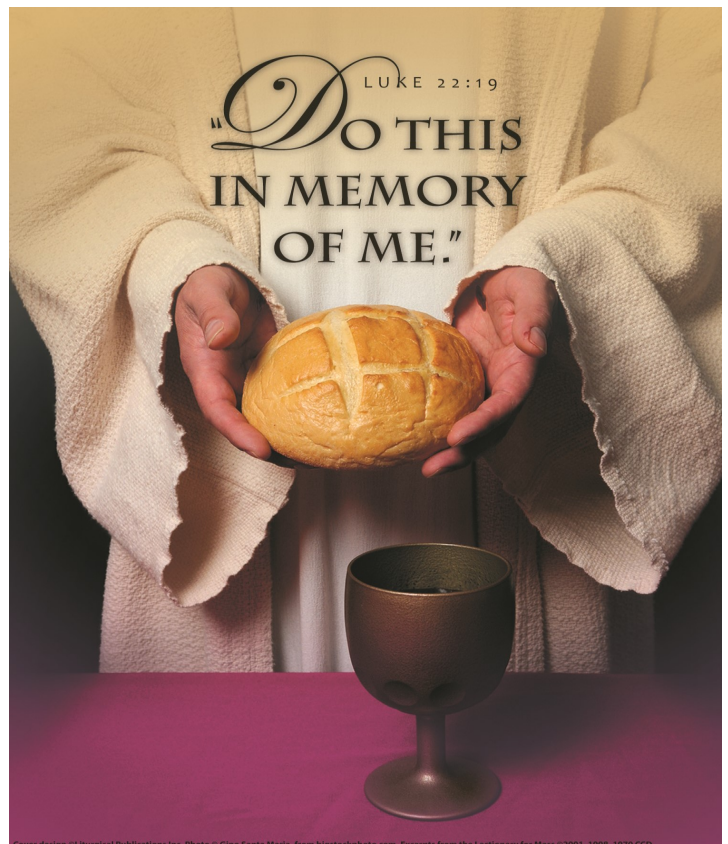
PLEASE CONTACT EITHER PRIEST AT THE RECTORY
AT LEAST 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE DESIRED DATE
OF THE WEDDING SO AS TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS.

MINISTRIES

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR
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KEN WOOD



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Sacraments and other events

Saturday, June 2, 2018

4:00pm Rev. Paul T. Foley, req. by the parish

Sunday, June 3, 2018

8:00 am Special Intention

10:00 am Rev. Pasquale D. Biscardi, req. by the parish

Monday, June 4, 2018

8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph's, N. Brookfield

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph's, N. Brookfield

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

8:30 am Rev. John P. O'Flaherty, req. by the parish

Thursday, June 7

8:30 am Rev. John P. Kochanowski, req. by the parish

Friday, June 8, 2018

8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph's, N. Brookfield

Saturday, June 9, 2018

4:00pm Janet Lambert (1st anniv)
req. by Donald and Donna Ryel

Sunday, June 10, 2018

8:00 am Lester and Lorraine Forgit
req. by the family

10:00 am Janet Lambert 1st anniv.
req. by the family

Parish Support

Week of May, 2018

Weekly \$ 2,118.00

Monthly \$ 70.00

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Readings for the Week of June 3, 2018

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/

Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7/Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16 [cf. 2b]/
Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16 [1]/
Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef [1b]/
Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [4]/
Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/
Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37

Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22
[cf. 15ab]/ Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday:
Gn 3:9-15/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7bc]/
Cor 4:13--5:1/Mk 3:20-35

Nourished by God Eternally

The feast that we celebrate this weekend, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, traditionally called Corpus Christi, is one of significance. What other experience allows us to share in the life of the divine, unite us with one another, and share in the celestial banquet? As members of the Body of Christ, we are united with those who have preceded us in faith. It is clearly much more than simple bread and wine, as it is truly the Body and Blood of Christ. Answering "Amen" when we receive the Eucharist at Mass, is an affirmation of our belief in the Lord. We also need to be reminded that our receiving Communion is not a personal or private experience, but primarily a sharing for all of us.

In some communities, this day is celebrated with a colorful procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the town streets or at least through the grounds of a parish church. Locally, I know of such a procession that occurs annually in Worcester, going from the Cathedral to St. Peter's Parish. It is a great public witness which displays Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Our challenge is to celebrate this feast and every time that we celebrate the Mass as a fulfilling experience, open to the living God. If we come to Mass wondering only what we will get from it, we may be disappointed. Can we come in a spirit of mutual giving and sharing? If we do so, then we can truly "become what we receive." That is to say, that we will become more like Christ. From Sacred Space, a Jesuit website offering reflections from Scripture, I quote: "Without the Eucharist, all Christian living dies and without Christian living, the Eucharist dies. The celebration of the Body and Blood of the Lord is in our own hands. It is what we make it just as, properly celebrated, it makes us."

Have a wonderful feast and enjoyable week ahead.

Fr. Don

Right to Life

"If we are filled with the love of God, a culture of encounter and solidarity will begin to bloom."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
"Serene Attentiveness to God's Creation"
www.bit.ly/serene-attentiveness

Home Care Aides

Catholic Charities Home Care program is looking for aides to care for elders and handicapped individuals in their own homes. Aides provide light housekeeping, laundry, shopping and personal care. Candidates must be reliable, compassionate and have transportation. Please call for an appointment at 1-800-649-4364.

Elaine Koleshis
Regional Supervisor of Home Care



St. Joseph's Strawberry Festival
Saturday June 16th at 5:30 PM



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 in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a Church employee or volunteer in the past, please contact **the Victim Services Coordinator** for our diocese at **508-929-4363** (direct line & confidential voicemail.) If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.

Join The Fun!



St. John's Annual Chicken BBQ
Saturday, June 23rd at 5:00 pm

June 22-29 Religious Freedom Week.

Our Annual Chicken BBQ

The St. John's Parish Chicken BBQ
awaits you! Sat. June 23rd
starting at 5:00pm

Tickets are available after Masses
or by calling the rectory at 508.867.3738.
Adults, \$12.00, Children \$ 5.00.



27th Annual Strawberry Festival

Saturday, June 16th at 5:00 PM
St. Joseph's Hall

One Seating – Takeout Available
Adults \$12.00 & Children ages 5-10, \$5.00
Menu: Baked Ham, Homemade Baked Beans,
Rolls, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw
Strawberry Shortcake, Coffee, Iced Tea.

Tickets are on sale now. Please call St. Joseph's
Rectory at 508.867.6811 for more information.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting— May 20th
Excerpts from the meeting
·Spiritual Development
Programs being considered –
A Bible Study Group, a course on the Mass
Dynamic Catholic daily reflections;
Best Advent Ever, Best Lent Ever,
Matthew Kelly books
·Lending Library – A library for religious books,
related topics and media is being developed. The
library It will be located in the church. We will be
pursuing donated items for this library soon.
·Parish Website update– In arrangement with the
Communications Office in our Diocese, eCatholic has
established a parish website for each parish in our
diocese. St. John's website is nearing completion,
and will be available in these next few weeks.

