

**October 21, 2018
Twenty Ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time.**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
11:15 a.m.**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:
8:00 a.m. in the chapel**

**Holy Day of Obligation:
8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
in the church**

CONFESSIONS:

**Saturday 3:00 p.m.–3:20 p.m.
or by appointment**

PASTOR

Rev. Edward A. Sousa, Jr.

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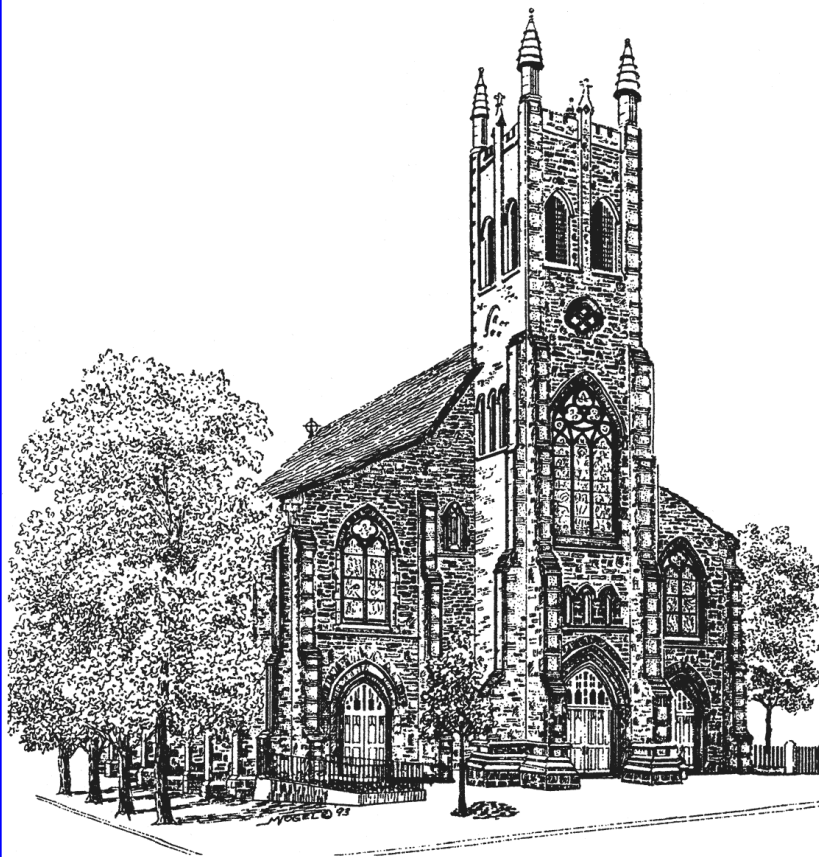
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Parish Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday

(Closed on Civic Holidays)

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Registered parishioners should contact the parish office in advance of the birth of their child to prepare for baptism.

Marriage: Couples must meet Fr. Sousa 12 months in advance of their wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you or a loved one are in the hospital or homebound and wish Father Sousa to make a visit, please call the Rectory and inform the Parish Secretary to make the arrangements for Father to make a visit.

Holy Orders: If you would like to serve God by proclaiming the Word of God, celebrating the Sacraments and by serving those in need, you may have a vocation to the priesthood. Please speak to Fr. Sousa or contact the Office of Vocations at: **401-831-8011.**

Celebrating 167 years of living faith since the foundation of our parish in 1851.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 20

4:00 p.m. 37th Anniversary, Nicola Iapaolo, requested, nephew Thomas Bruzzese, Esq.

Sunday, October 21 *Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m. Available
11:15 a.m. 8th Anniversary Memorial, Rev. Edward F. Boland, requested, family

Monday, October 22

8:00 am. Memorial, Irene Pacheco, requested, Gillis family

Tuesday, October 23

8:00 Intentions for the Parishioners of St. Joseph Church

Thursday, October 25

8:00 a.m. Memorial, Benny and Alice Thibeault, requested, Bob and Pauline Anthony

Friday, October 26

8:00 a.m. Birthday Remembrance, Margaret Gracie, requested, Florence Gracie

Saturday, October 27

4:00 p.m. Memorial, Mary and Joseph Fitzgerald, requested, family

Sunday, October 28 *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m. 22nd Anniversary, Natalie Anthony, requested, Bob and Pauline Anthony
11:15 a.m. Memorial, Hans Peter Olsen, requested, family

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, October 27

4:00 p.m. Kirsten, Grace, Max

Sunday, October 28

9:00 a.m. Laura, Joseph, Daniel
11:15 a.m. Hannah, Michael

LECTORS

Saturday, October 27

4:00 p.m. Jonathan Samit

Sunday, October 28

9:00 a.m. Beverly Baar
11:15 a.m. David Gillis

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, October 27

4:00 p.m. Jan Jaquinto, Florence Gracie, Volunteer

Sunday, October 28

9:00 a.m. Mike Reilly, Bob Anthony, Ginny DiMasi
11:15 a.m. Judy Gillis, Jim Vandermillen, Lorraine Beaudoin

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of October 20 & 21, 2018

Envelopes:	\$ 2,615.00
Loose:	\$ 110.00
Children	\$ 4.50
Parish Giving (EFT)	\$ 1,102.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,831.50

Weekly Budget Goal to Meet Our Expenses: \$5,412.00

- ◇ *Time and Talent — We wish to thank all those parishioners who are always so willing to pitch in and lend a helping hand. Their participation contributes to the vibrancy of our community.*
- ◇ *Treasure — Thank you for your financial support.*

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!

Please notify the Parish Office of any changes in name, address, email, telephone and Parish Giving information, etc.

It is very important that we keep the parish registration data updated.



It's Simple: Log on to the St. Joseph Church website: www.stjosephprovidence.org, click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions.

It's Secure: Parish Giving is Payment Card Industry Compliant and uses the strongest Secure Sockets Layering encryption technology available.

It's Convenient: No more searching for the checkbook on Sunday mornings or stops at the ATM

Tax Benefits: You will be able to print out a detailed report of all your contributions at the end of the year.

Parish Benefits: This provides the Parish with stable monthly Contributions and reduces parish administrative costs.

To sign up for this free service and to begin making secure transactions over the Internet, please go to our website:

www.stjosephprovidence.org, follow the Parish Giving link. Or go to www.parishgiving.org, or call 866-307-7140 and speak to a Parish Giving Representative to walk you through the process.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Boys and Girls in grade 5 and above are eligible to become altar servers and assist at weekend Mass and on special occasions. Altar serving is also a wonderful way to serve the parish. Training will be provided. Please complete the form below and return it to Fr. Sousa as soon as possible.

NEW ALTAR SERVER SIGN UP FORM

Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

School Grade: _____

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Throughout the month of October, St. Joseph Church will sponsor a "Baby Shower" to help support The Gabriel Project, a diocesan program that offers assistance to women and families facing crisis pregnancies. You can contribute to this cause by helping with specific needs such as:

- Diapers: size 2 and up
- New baby clothing
- Baby toiletries (no powder)
- Cribs and strollers

The Gabriel Project is free to the mother-to-be and her family. Envelopes are also provided for financial contributions.

Please make checks payable to:
The Gabriel Project

October is the Month of The Rosary

The Holy Rosary is recited every Tuesday and Thursday after the 8 a.m. daily Mass.

OFFERTORY GIFTS

If you have requested the Mass Intention and wish to bring up the Gifts, please speak to Fr. Sousa before Mass. If there is no Mass Intention or family member to bring up the Gifts of Bread and Wine they will remain on the side table in the Sanctuary.

**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn
this week in memory of:
Benny & Alice Thibeault**

**Requested by:
Bob & Pauline Anthony**

SNOW REMOVAL

Fr. Sousa is currently searching for a reliable & reasonably priced person/contractor for this coming winter for snow plowing of the private Regina Cleri parking lot. Any suggestions or recommendations? Please contact Fr. Sousa at 421-9137.

FR. SOUSA'S PARISH WISH LIST:

1. Parish pilgrimage to Italy
2. Parish day trip to New York City
3. Annual Parish Christmas Bazaar
4. More Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors
5. More volunteers for our beautiful choir

I want to write to you about the importance of the Rosary in our Catholic Life.

Why the Rosary? Why this recitation over and over of the same prayer, the Hail Mary, with the predictable interruption of the Glory Be, Our Father, and Fatima Prayer? The repetition of each of these prayers is to aid us into contemplation. Contemplation is that place of quiet, loving, union with the Trinity, Our Lady, and the Communion of Saints. Contemplation is simply being in the loving presence of Our Lord: no words need be uttered, I listen for Him, and He listens to me.

As we pray the Rosary our contemplation is fixed upon the life (the Joyful and Luminous Mysteries), death (the Sorrowful Mysteries) and resurrection of Christ (the Glorious Mysteries). In our silent meditation upon the life of our Blessed Savior, we learn again and are reminded that it is God alone who changes hearts. "Ask yourself whether this involved any merit, any motivation, any right on your part," asks Saint Augustine, "and see if you find anything but grace?" Our lives are all grace! This is especially true today: we need a radical conversion of hearts! By constantly recalling the grace, power and importance of the Incarnation, Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Christ, we place ourselves with Mary before the One who is pure and faithful love, mercy and Truth, who alone changes hearts and forms us in virtue.

I would think that it is such an awareness that has caused Pope Francis to ask for the daily recitation of the Rosary throughout this Marian Month of October, and also, the recitation of the Prayer of Saint Michael the Archangel at the end of every Mass. By God's Grace and Mercy the Rosary will help to change our hearts, and grant us a new Lepanto in which the victor is not military, but spiritual. May the Prayer to Saint Michael awaken within us an awareness of the reality of evil, protect us from all adversity, and free our world from all that would harm us, without and within.

Until we meet at the altar, *O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us, who have recourse to Thee!*

God bless you and have a great week,

Fr. Sousa