

**March 3, 2019
Eighth 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.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

or by appointment

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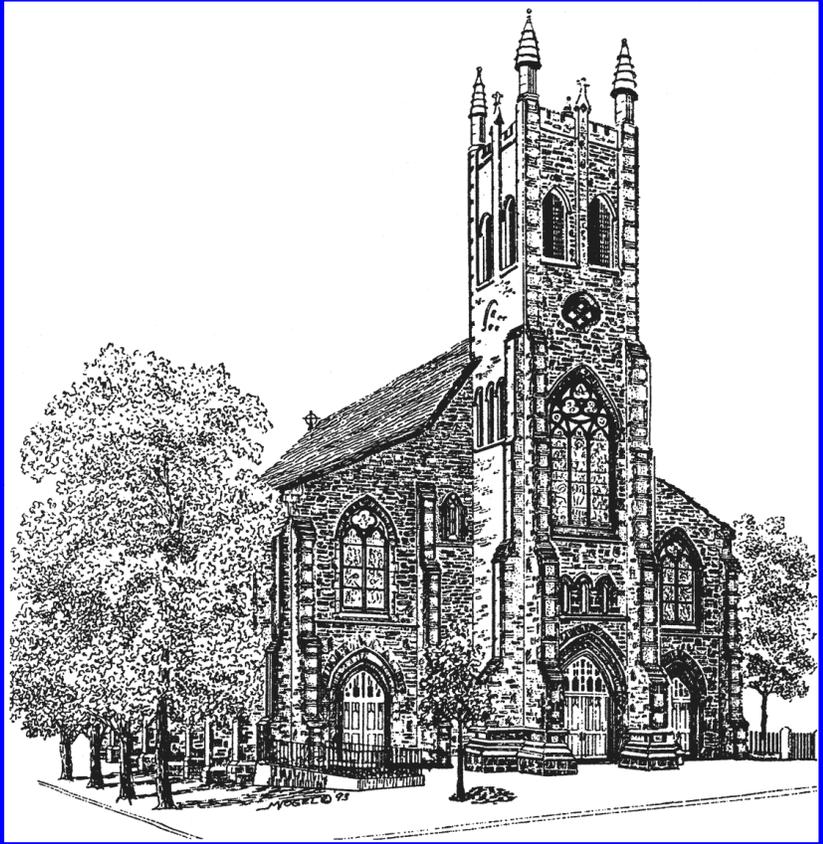
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Parish Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

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, March 2

4:00 p.m. Fr. Sousa's Intention

Sunday, March 3

9:00 a.m. Available

11:15 a.m. Month's Mind, Vincent A. Bruzzese, requested, son
Thomas Bruzzese

Monday, March 4

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

Tuesday, March 5

8:00 a.m. Fr. Sousa's Intention

Wednesday March 6 Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m. Fr. Sousa's Intention

6:30 p.m. Special Intention

Thursday, March 7

8:00 a.m. Fr. Sousa's Intention

Friday, March 8

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, March 9

4:00 p.m. Fr. Sousa's Intention

Sunday, March 10

9:00 a.m. Fr. Sousa's Intention

11:15 a.m. For the deceased members of the Ancient Order of
Hibernians, requested, Providence County-Division #1

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of February 16 & 17

Envelopes:	\$3,326.00
Loose:	\$ 75.00
Children	\$ —
Parish Giving (EFT)	\$ 529.00
TOTAL	\$3,930.00

- ◇ *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.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, March 9

4:00 p.m. Max, Grace

Sunday, March 10

9:00 a.m. —

11:15 a.m. Will, Lily

LECTORS

Saturday, March 9

4:00 p.m. John Donnelly

Sunday, March 10

9:00 a.m. Beverly Baar

11:15 a.m. David Gillis

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, March 9

4:00 p.m. Pam DeLuca

Sunday, March 10

9:00 a.m. Florence Gracie

11:15 a.m. Judy Gillis

SAVE THE DATE!

Our St. Joseph Feast Day Brunch will be held on Sunday, March 17th, 2019. More info coming.

One of the major components of our annual brunch is the Silent Auction, during which attendees bid on gift baskets that are filled with goods based on various themes — for example, Italian Basket, Beauty Basket, etc... If you would like to donate a basket to this year's event, *Please see the board at the back of the church or contact the rectory at 421-9137.*

Program book advertising

We are also now beginning to solicit advertising for the program book that is handed out at our Feast Day Brunch. Ads are in three sizes:

One Line Memorial: \$15

Half-page: \$35

Full-page: \$60

Ads can be placed for any purpose — typically memorials for deceased loved ones, for special intentions, for a thank-you, or to promote upcoming events or to showcase businesses. Because the program book is a helpful fund-raiser for our parish, please consider buying an ad and also encourage others to do so. If you would like to place an ad, please contact the parish office at 421-9137.

Ash Wednesday

March 6th

A day of fasting and abstinence

1. Catholics who are 18 and not yet 60 are to observe the two fast days established by the Church: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. The Church has also established Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent as days of abstinence.
3. Abstinence means not eating any meat. Dairy products as well as fish and seafood are taken.
4. All Catholics older than 14 must abstain on the abstinence days established by the Church.
5. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, we both fast and abstain. We do not eat any meat, we only eat one full meal, and two smaller meals are taken; we do not eat between meals on these days.

Masses on Ash Wednesday:

8:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Both Masses will be in the Church

Rosary

Please join us in saying the Rosary during Lent:
Tuesdays and Thursdays in the chapel following the 8 a.m. Mass.

Confessions

Confessions are held on Saturdays from 3:30 to 3:30 p.m.
They can also take place after the 8 a.m. daily Mass
and anytime by appointment. Contact Fr. Sousa
There will be no separate evening Penance Service.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross can be attended at **St. Sebastian Church**
(one of our Providence parishes in very close proximity to St. Joseph's)
67 Cole Ave. (Wayland Square area)
on Friday's during Lent at 6:00 p.m.

St. Sebastian Church is also offering a weekday evening Mass during Lent at 5:30 p.m.

Rice Bowls

These are an annual reminder of the social dimension of Lenten fasting. If you have not received a rice bowl, they are available on the tables at the church entrance. As we fast from one meal or activity we place the dollar value in these bowls to support Catholic Relief Services in more than 40 countries, with 25 percent remaining in the United States. The collection will be taken on the weekend of Palm Sunday. Please participate in this sacrifice with your family.

2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

“Faith and Good Works”

The start of the 2019 Catholic Charity Appeal is fast approaching. Many of our parishioners will receive a mailing from Bishop Tobin asking for your support of the 2019 Appeal. For your convenience, a pledge card has been enclosed with this mailing. Please be assured that your parish will receive credit for the gift that you make through the mail. Your gift to the 2019 Appeal reaches out to countless people in need throughout our diocese. No matter where you turn, you find someone who will benefit from your kindness.

The first in-pew collection will be on the weekend of March 16th & 17th

The second in pew collection will be on March 23rd & 24th

Electronic Giving!

Saint Joseph has enlisted Parish Giving to provide its members with the opportunity to use Electronic Funds Transfer as an alternative method for giving. Parish Giving is being offered to you free of charge. At the same time, **St. Joseph Parish** will benefit from a reliable, more efficient and more convenient means to process the contributions that make it possible to support its mission. On this giving site, you will be able to select from the various opportunities to contribute to our parish and other initiatives. Keep in mind that all contributions are processed once a month. Following is an overview of some of the features:

- Ability to make one-time contributions
- Ability to make recurring contributions
- Ability to select your billing date
- Ability to use Credit Card or Bank Transfer
- Ability to access end of year contribution reports

Create or login to your Parish Giving account: www.stjosephprovidence.org, follow the Parish Giving link. Or go to www.paritygiving.org, or call 866-307-7140 and speak to a Parish Giving Representative to walk you through the process.