

June 16th, 2019

*The Most Holy
Trinity*

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

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

**Holy Days of Obligation:
See bulletin for details**

CONFESSIONS:

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

PASTOR

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ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 15

4:00 26th Anniversary, Eugenia Delgado, requested, Domingas Alves

Sunday, June 16

10:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary, Kevin Murphy, requested, wife Carol and family

Monday, June 17

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

Tuesday, June 18

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

Thursday, June 20

8:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention or Available

Friday, June 21

8:00 a.m. Memorial, Alfred Desjardins, requested, Lorraine

Saturday, June 22

4:00 p.m. Celebrant's Intention or Available

Sunday, June 23

10:00 a.m. Memorial, Michaelinda and Ralph White, requested, daughter Emily

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, June 22

4:00 p.m. Volunteers

Sunday, June 23

10:00 a.m. Volunteers

LECTORS

Saturday, June 22

4:00 p.m. John Donnelly

Sunday, June 23

10:00 a.m. Jim Baar

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, June 22

4:00 p.m. Jonathan Samit

Sunday, June 23

10:00 a.m. Mike Reilly

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH PERMANENT ENDOWMENT

The Endowment is administered by the Catholic Foundation of Rhode Island. Established in 2000, it receives gifts, memorial bequests, planned gifts, and other estate gifts. ***The 2019 Endowment Appeal "Legacy Sunday" began last weekend June 1st & 2nd and will continue for the next several weeks.***

This Appeal will offer us an opportunity to ***build this lasting legacy for the future of St. Joseph Church.*** Please be as generous as you can. Also consider remembering our parish in your will or trust as a permanent way to enable those who follow us to enjoy the treasure of St. Joseph Church as a home of faith for many more years to come.

Masses will be offered on six Sundays each year for living and deceased members of our St. Joseph Church Legacy Society.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of June 8 & 9

Mass Collections:	\$1,803.00
Parish Giving (EFT)	\$ 554.00
TOTAL	\$2,357.00

Standard Weekly 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.

Is it OK to leave Mass after Communion?

NO IT'S NOT!

The Mass is the “**source and summit of the Christian life.**” (CCC 1324) It is the re-presentation of the one holy sacrifice of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Eucharist is Jesus Christ himself, really, truly, and substantially present. Mass is the most important thing we do every week!

Especially relevant, the Mass is *one long prayer*. Yes, there are parts, but they all go together, and “going to Mass” means going to all of it. We’re not called to simply “get communion” and leave. **Thanking Jesus after receiving communion, the final prayers, the final blessing and the dismissal are all essential parts of Mass!**

“**But what if I have a really good reason to attend late or leave early?**” Of course, if you have a good reason you’re coming in late or leaving early, you can come in late or leave early. Maybe an emergency just came up.

But that’s not why the vast majority of Catholics who come in late and/or leave Mass early are doing it. They are doing this because it’s become their habit. They make little or no effort to be on time or get the Eucharist and think they’re done, and beat the traffic, or get to the restaurant sooner if they leave early. They’ve never been corrected or told otherwise... so why would they stop?

The Mass is important, and if you want to be a **serious** Catholic the Church requires us to attend Mass every Sunday (or Saturday evening) and all **Holy Days of Obligation**. This means, barring a really good reason, being there on time and staying until the very end.

“**But I was taught that we only have to be there from the Gospel reading through communion (or some other similar rule)?**” All such rules are local customs or rules of thumb, but aren’t in Church teachings. In reality, we’re obligated to attend Mass, which means **ALL** of Mass, unless we have a good reason otherwise.

The Mass not only celebrates our faith, it teaches us what we believe and how we are to live. That is why we need to be on time and can’t leave Mass after communion, because communion is not just about us, and our salvation. It’s about the salvation of the world. In celebrating and receiving the Eucharist, “We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.” Who are we professing our faith to? Not just to ourselves but to the world. We become part of the story of how much God loves all people and want them to know God through Christ.

If we leave Mass before the dismissal, we miss out on celebrating and being taught why we celebrate the Eucharist in the first place. We are fed and strengthened on the body and blood of Christ not only for ourselves but also for all those he gave his life for. We are dismissed from Mass not because it’s over, but because we have work to do. We are to go to the world to proclaim Christ. And so we stay to the end of Mass to be blessed and commissioned: “Go and announce the gospel of the Lord.” “Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.” God wants your “**quality**” time not your “leftover” time.

THE BOTTOM LINE IS THIS: *IF YOU WANT GOD TO MAKE “QUALITY” TIME FOR YOU, YOU MUST MAKE “QUALITY” TIME FOR HIM. IT’S THAT SIMPLE!*

Fr. Sousa

2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL ***“Faith and Good Works”***

Thanks to everyone who gave. If you haven’t yet given, please help us reach our 2019 goal of \$65,000.00.

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. Envelopes are available in each of the pews

Total Amount Pledged to Date
\$41,091.00

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp this week will burn in memory of **Manuel Medeiros**

Requested by:
Fr. Sousa

PERMANENT MASS **SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY: 4:00p.m.
SUNDAY: 10:00a.m.

Congratulations to **Rev. Brendan Rowley &** **Rev. Eric Silva.**

Both new priests were ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 8th by Bishop Tobin.

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.