

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

MOTHER CHURCH OF THE BERKSHIRES

ESTABLISHED 1849
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM 11:30 AM
Daily Mass	12:10 PM
RCIA	Tuesdays, 6:30 PM
Holy Hour	Monday-Friday, 11:00 AM
Daily Rosary	Monday-Friday, 11:30 AM
Prayer Group	1 st & 3 rd Wednesday, 6:45 PM

The Staff

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St. Joseph's Cemetery

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Sacrament of Baptism:

All new parents are expected to complete a course of instruction.

Please consult the parish office for classes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45PM

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Couples should contact the parish office at least one year prior to the wedding.

New Parishioners should register at the parish office. We look forward to welcoming you to the parish family and hope you will become involved with your time, talent and treasure.

Ministry to the Sick and Parishioners confined to home have visitations that are scheduled on a regular basis. Please notify the parish office to make arrangements.

Religious Education Classes are held at St. Joseph's High School following the 9:00 AM Mass for all public school students, grades K-11, and parochial students preparing for Sacraments.

KINDLY SILENCE ALL PAGERS & CELL PHONES - THANK YOU!

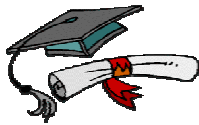
ANOINTING OF THE SICK AT MASS

for all St. Joseph Parishioners who are seriously ill or impeded because of age or disability - this Sunday, June 14 at the 11:30 Mass. A luncheon will be served in the St. Joseph Parish Center immediately following the Mass for those anointed.

We are short a driver for the parish's Food Pantry due to illness of one of our regular helpers. PLEASE, if you have a pickup truck and are available once a month, consider helping the Food Pantry on Tuesdays by getting the food from BCAC on East St. to our pantry. Hours are from 11:30 to 1:30. Notify Michele during the week at [413.445.5789](tel:4134455789). God bless you for helping in this parish ministry.

We have a bus trip planned for Friday, July 24 for Mac-Haydn Theatre to see **WEST SIDE STORY**. There will be dinner before the show at Winding Brook Country Club. The cost for the trip is \$70. Please call the Rectory for reservations.

The Graduation season is coming to an end. We wish all our graduates God's blessings and the best of luck.



MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Saturday, June 13th</i>	4PM
DECEASED MEMBERS OF STRZEMPKO & ZOLADZ FAMILIES Requested by The Zoladz Family	
<i>Sunday, June 14th</i>	9AM
WALTER KACENSKY, Birthday Remembrance Requested by His Wife	
THOMAS & DOROTHY JANES	11:30AM
Requested by Family	
<i>Monday, June 15th</i>	12:10PM
VINCENZO MAZZEO Requested by His Wife & Family	
<i>Tuesday, June 16th</i>	12:10 PM
SHERRI BASTOW Requested by Msgr. Mike & Cemetery Staff	
<i>Wednesday, June 17th</i>	12:10 PM
MARTY MC DONOUGH Requested by Family	
<i>Thursday, June 18th</i>	12:10 PM
JOSE PARALTA & JAMES GIANNOPOLLO Requested by Family	
<i>Friday, June 19th</i>	12:10PM
STEVE HUSKA Requested by Family	
<i>Saturday, June 20th</i>	4PM
MARY HELFER, 29th Anniversary Requested by The Zoladz Family	
<i>Sunday, June 21st (FATHERS' DAY)</i>	9AM
ALL FATHERS	
SANDY SCHOLZ	11:30 AM
Requested by Family	

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday 4PM	<u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</u>	Dave Bouchard, Sheila Bouquet, Nina Mastrangelo, Sheila Christiana, Cheryl Furtek, Barbara Dalo
	<u>LECTORS</u>	Sr. Jean Bostley & Sharyn Fresia
Sunday 9AM	<u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</u>	Ed Boehm, Gene & Jeanne Cornell, Terry Costello, Paul Guillou,, Kurt Haswell
	<u>LECTORS:</u>	Peggy Taylor & Sharon Vincent
Sunday 11:30AM	<u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</u>	Jim McNeice, Ron Pelletier, Jackie Weatherwax, Michael Wood, Pat McDonough, Joe Dahrouge
	<u>LECTORS:</u>	Paul Mays & Anna Stack

Picnic News! Cooking Dates: June 16, & 23. Cooking begins at 4 PM in the Parish Center. On July 14 we will be steaming the cabbage for golumbki & kapusta. We will start at 9 AM. On July 16 we will be making the golumbki. We're asking for donations of the following, if you are able: Coke and Pepsi, both regular and diet, Bottled water, Liquor for the Cheer Basket, Lottery Tickets and Flour.

Father's Day Breakfast, Sunday, June 21 from 8 AM to 11 AM at St. Joseph Parish Center. Serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, orange juice, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. Adults \$8, Children age 5 to 12 \$5. TREAT DAD for FATHER'S DAY. For tickets please call the Rectory or Jack Laviolette 464-6009.

The St. Anne Society will meet on Wednesday, June 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Nomination of Officers will take place. The present slate of officers will continue their respective roles until the close of 2015. After elections the new officers will hold their position for a four year term. Elaine LaPierre and Kay Tournier are in charge of nominations. Any member interested in serving in any capacity should contact either of them. Refreshments will be served following the business meeting.

Our Lady's Kitchen, part of the Take and Eat program which began at Mt. Carmel and now works out of Sacred Heart, is in need of a permanent driver and/or subs for one of our routes. We realize that many of you are involved with this ministry at your own parish, but wonder if there are others out there who would be interested in taking part in this service. We provide meals on the 4th Sunday of the month. Please call Elaine LaPierre (443-5592) for more information- thank you for your consideration.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO CANNOT TOLERATE GLUTEN. PLEASE NOTIFY PRIEST BEFORE MASS.

Scan for our webpage

Our young priest, Fr. David Aufiero, is being transferred to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Northampton. Since ordination two years ago, Fr. Dave has resided at our Rectory and worked at St. Mark's. We wish him the best. He will be missed. Good luck, Fr. Dave!

20/20 CLUB WINNERS

Dorothy Ann Miller
Jim & Fran Devanny



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ST. JOSEPH PRAYER LINE: 443-1221

Readings for the Week of June 14, 2015
Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34
Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34
Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41



CYCLE B JUNE 14, 2015
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"It is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how." In today's parable about the kingdom of God, Jesus gives us the image of something that grows "of its own accord." Yes, the man does the initial planting of the seed, but the real miracle of the seed turning into a full-grown plant happens without the intervention of the farmer. God makes it happen.

So too, with the kingdom of God, we are called to participate to a certain extent, but also to allow God to work. We first do our part when we "scatter seed" of faith, by living out the baptism that made us children of this glorious kingdom. But even as we make our daily choices to follow Christ and live as his children--with all the actions, decision, and commitments that entails--we still get to enjoy the miracle of sitting back and watching God's providence in action.

Just think of the beauty of creation and the seasons. Think about the gift of a newborn baby in the arms of its parents. Think about the surprising situations that resolved themselves in our relationships, jobs, and families. Think of the encouraging stories of forgiveness, reconciliation, and conversion that we have heard or experienced firsthand. Think of the blessings that have somehow come out of the trials and tribulations of our lives. Think of all the sick, poor, and lonely who have been comforted by believers. Think of the moments of peace and insight that we have received in prayer. So it is that God makes our seeds "sprout and grow" when we sincerely take that first step of faith to enter his kingdom.

The St. Joseph Golf Team is holding its annual Golf Tournament on Friday July 17th at the Pon-toosuc Lake Country Club in Pittsfield. The four person Captain and Crew tournament will start at 11:00 with tee times (a shotgun start may happen if enough teams enter). All proceeds from this event benefit the golf team and the Peter Bianchi Memorial Scholarship, honoring the memory of the late member of our team who passed away in 2007. A \$75 fee per person includes Golf, Cart, Buffet Dinner, and Door Prizes. There will be raf-fles, closest to the pin on the 11th hole and a car given away if you get a hole in one. Teams and single players are welcome. Please contact Fran Brilliant at 443-7927 (441-7205), Paul Procopio at 447-7769 or Laura Thurston at 446-9839 for en-try forms. Entry fees are requested by no later than July 10th.

Sacrificial Offering \$ 4,899.66
Many thanks for your generosity!

We still have room for our cruise to Canada this September. If you are in-terested please contact the rectory.



The **PANDA HOUSE RESTAURANT** on Pittsfield Road in Lenox has just offered St. Joseph Church a wonderful offer to raise funds. If anyone dining or ordering take-out mentions the Church by name, the restaurant will send 15% to St. Joe's.