



St. Francis of Assisi Parish
 ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
 ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH

June 14, 2026

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Mass Schedule	
Saturday	Sunday
4PM St. Thomas A Becket	8AM St. Joseph's Chapel 10:30AM St. Thomas A Becket
Daily Mass ▪ Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	
9AM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket Daily Masses are canceled when school is delayed/canceled due to weather	
Confession ▪ Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Saturday ▪ 3PM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket Or by appointment	
Eucharist Adoration	
Tuesday After 9:00AM Mass In the event a cancellation is necessary it will be announced	
Rosary Group	
Tuesday ▪ 6:45PM ▪ St. Joseph's Hall For more information contact Liz via voice or text 774.364.2158	

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
"We are his people: the sheep of his flock."

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of June 14, 2026

Jun 13	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Edward Dextradeur <i>Req By: Pam & Family</i>
Jun 14	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) Harry J. Corbett <i>Req by: His Wife Isabel</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) In Memory of Deceased Members of The Orszulak Family <i>Req By: Paul Lizak</i>
Jun 15	MONDAY 9:00AM	(+) Ann Whalen <i>Req by: Mark & Margaret Brophy</i>
Jun 16	TUESDAY 9:00AM	Votive Offerings
Jun 17	WEDNESDAY 9:00AM	Pastor's Intentions
Jun 20	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Anthony Tancredi <i>Req By: The Family</i>
Jun 21	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) Deceased Members of The Kowal Family <i>Req by: The Family</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	All Fathers

YEAR OF SAINT FRANCIS

Presented by Paula Wood, OFS

Secular Franciscan Order



THE LIFE OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Francis and the Sultan continued.....

St. Francis took the Gospels literally:

“Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you” (Matthew 5:44).

It perfectly shows Francis’ willingness to build bridges. The Crusades were still in full swing at this time. Francis’ willingness to meet with and talk to the sultan showed a level of tolerance that few of his day could match, although Sultan Malik al-Kamil was himself known for his tolerance of other faiths.

They were well matched for this meeting.

The sultan honored him as much as he was able, and having given him many gifts, he tried to bend

Francis’ mind toward the riches of the world.

But when he saw that Francis most vigorously despised all these things as so much dung, he was filled with the greatest admiration, and he looked upon him as a man different from all others. He was deeply moved by his words and he listened to him very willingly.

This meeting between Francis and the sultan has received a great deal of attention in our own century. The need for peace and understanding is as great in our time as it was during the Crusades, and sometimes as little valued.

Francis still sets an example for us.

And Jesus’ command still holds true.

A MASS INTENTION IS A SPECIFIC PETITION FOR WHICH THE MASS IS OFFERED.

Mass intentions can be requested on behalf of another living person; for example, the healing of someone who is sick or to commemorate a wedding anniversary. However, Mass intentions are most commonly offered in remembrance of a person who has died

Please contact Deacon Malcom if you would like to request a Mass.

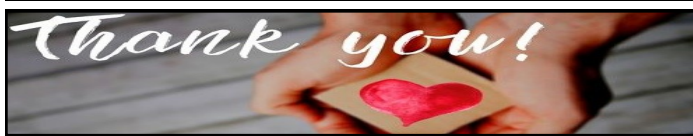
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Lectors

Volunteer Opportunity:
Do you feel that perhaps the Holy Spirit is prompting you try something new?

Have you ever thought about being a Lector?
Please respond to that small voice and either text or call Judy at 508-320-5049.

We need a couple of extra Lectors during the upcoming summer months.

Parish Weekly Collection Week of: June 7, 2026	
Envelopes	\$1,301.00
Anonymous Cash	\$415.00
Loose Checks	\$495.00
On-Line Giving	\$725.50
Total	\$2,936.50
Special Collections That Stay in the Parish	
Fuel	\$289.00
Maintenance	\$80.00
Total	\$369.00
Additional Collections That Leave the Parish	
Charitable Needs Fund	\$15,000.00
Catholic Communications	\$128.00
Total	\$15,128.00
Total Collection	\$18,433.50



As a faith community we are here to share each others experiences and lift each other in prayer.

TO BE ADDED TO OUR PRAYER CHAIN PLEASE CONTACT
 Vickie King 978.355.4830 · vickieking99@gmail.com
 Linda Tomaino 978-355-9057 · tomainol@verizon.net



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To date 56 families have responded, with gifts totaling \$27,145!

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**TUESDAYS AFTER
9:00AM MASS**

**EUCCHARISTIC
Adoration**



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If you have questions please contact Greg Devine at 774-479-8300 or via email at gdevine@worcester.edu

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**CELEBRATING THE SPECIAL FRANCISCAN JUBILEE YEAR
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**for *THE GREAT FOREST FAMILY REUNION,*
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Chris Jeffcoat OFS & Angela Richardson OFS, along with the St. Joseph Franciscan Fraternity of Charlton will lead participants to experience creation with curiosity and wonder, and how to recognize creation as God's family, while practicing noticing, questioning, and listening. They will help you discover ways you can care for creation and community, and leave you with a personal commitment inspired by the question: What is yours to do? Leading you on a forest discovery pilgrimage, participants will learn to listen like **St. Francis** listened to nature. There will also be a story circle under the trees and families will choose a creation care mission.

Participants will reflect on sister water, who gives life to everything and create a parish-wide art installation.

Francis asked, What is yours to do?

You will discover that the answer begins with wonder.

Make a Family Pilgrimage to our Pilgrimage Site. Pope Leo XIV grants the Plenary Indulgence under the usual conditions in this Year of St. Francis.



Preschool Classroom Aide

Are you looking for a spiritually and socially rewarding vocation? Consider joining the Preschool Program at St. Aloysius Catholic School as a Classroom Aide.

Candidates should be dedicated, caring professionals who support the Catholic mission and philosophy of education. The Classroom Aide will assist and take direction from the preschool teacher while helping maintain an active classroom environment. Responsibilities include preparing for the school day, supervising students during all activities, assisting with classroom routines, and maintaining a clean and organized learning environment.

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Please send letter of interest and resume to rmcquaid@staloyusiuscatholicsschool.com

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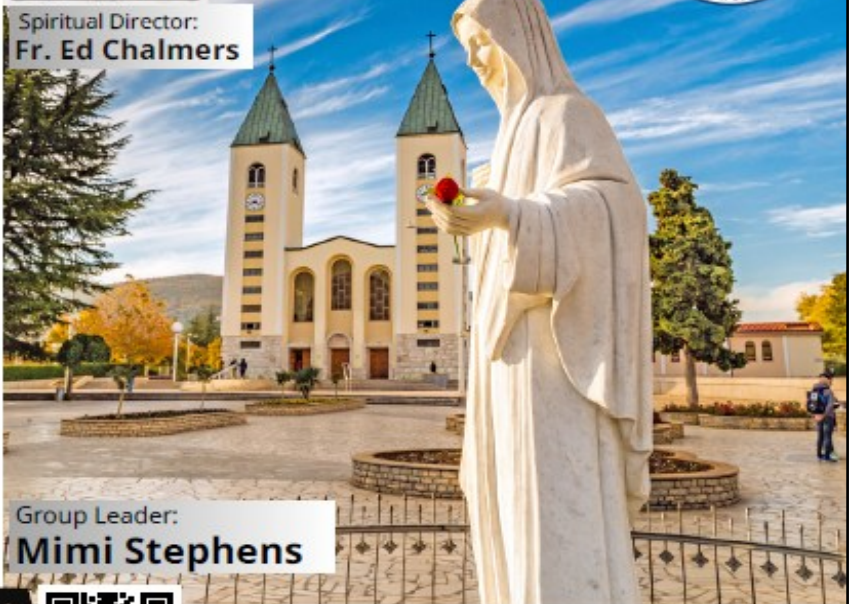
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