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 ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
 ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH

June 7, 2026

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St. Francis of Assisi Parish Directory
Mass Schedule ▪ Press 1

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Our Pastor | Father James Callahan
Press 3

 Baptism and Marriage Preparation
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by Thursday to be included in the upcoming weekend
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| Mass Schedule | |
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| 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 | |

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
"Praise the Lord, Jerusalem."

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of June 07, 2026

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|--------|---------------------|---|
| Jun 06 | SATURDAY 4:00PM | (+) Gary Cusson <i>Req by: Peg Morin</i> |
| Jun 07 | SUNDAY 8:00AM | (+) In Memory of Joe & Edna Casey <i>Req by: Tim Mara & Fran Laporte</i> |
| | SUNDAY 10:30AM | (+) Liberina Amidio <i>Req by: Her Granddaughter Christy Warburton</i> |
| Jun 08 | MONDAY 9:00AM | Peace in the World <i>Req by: Flame of Love Rosary Group</i> |
| Jun 09 | TUESDAY 9:00AM | (+) Fr. Richard Jakubauskas <i>Req by: Peg Morin</i> |
| Jun 10 | WEDNESDAY 9:00AM | Pastor's Intentions |
| 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 | (+) Ann Whalen <i>Req by: Mark & Margaret Brophy</i> |

YEAR OF SAINT FRANCIS

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THE LIFE OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

St. Bonaventure's Life of St. Francis of Assisi includes fantastic accounts of Francis' travels in the Middle East. Francis purportedly traveled to Morocco, Egypt, and finally to Jerusalem. The dates of Francis' journey to the Holy Land are somewhat in dispute, but he left Franciscan friars behind him to care for the Christians of Palestine. These friars became the Custodia Terrae Sanctae, and, for over 700 years, have served as guardians both of the holy places of Galilee and Jerusalem, and have also cared for the local Christian congregation. *Faith ND*

How did St. Francis of Assisi and Sultan Malik al-Kamil become friends?

They met only once in late 1219, for about two weeks. Francis and Brother Illuminato went to preach the Gospel to the sultan, who immediately recognized Francis as a very spiritual man. The sultan was a very devout Sunni Muslim. He gave Francis an ivory horn that is displayed in Assisi's Basilica of St. Francis. Francis died in 1226; the sultan died 12 years later.
To be continued.....

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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| Parish Weekly Collection Week of: May 31, 2026 | |
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| Envelopes | \$1,811.00 |
| Anonymous Cash | \$281.00 |
| Loose Checks | \$535.00 |
| On-Line Giving | \$285.00 |
| Total | \$2,912.00 |
| Special Collections That Stay in the Parish | |
| Fuel | \$170.00 |
| Maintenance | \$25.00 |
| Ascension | \$20.00 |
| Capital Improvements | \$75.00 |
| Total | \$290.00 |
| Additional Collections That Leave the Parish | |
| Charitable Needs Fund | \$50.00 |
| Total | \$50.00 |
| Total Collection | \$3,252.00 |

Thank You for Your Generosity 

*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

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Thank you to those who have made a gift to the Annual Partners in Charity Appeal. Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal of \$31,000.

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

We need everyone's support to be successful. If you have not yet completed a gift envelope, please complete one found in the pews and return in the collection basket. Gifts may also be made online at www.partners-charity.net. Thank you!



MONDAY, JUNE 8 - 6:30
ST. JOSEPHS CHURCH
29 SOUTH ST. BARRE, MA
(In the hall-use the side door)

**CELEBRATING THE SPECIAL
FRANCISCAN JUBILEE YEAR**

We invite you to join St. Francis of Assisi Parish,
for a reflection on St. Francis and Sultan Malik in 1219:

AN INVITATION TO KINSHIP BY DIANA MACKIEWIEZ OFS.

Diana is a member of the St. Joseph's Franciscan Fraternity in Charlton, MA and part of the larger Blessed Solanus Casey Region. She has worked and studied overseas in many countries including Israel, where she traveled to Akko-the Crusader City on the coast. Her overall teaching philosophy is to understand how geography and politics have affected those who lived there and to walk in their footsteps. She was an educator for more than 35 years.

In her talk Diana will discuss the historical events of that time, who is Sultan Malik and why did St. Francis decide to sail to Egypt to "talk" with the Sultan. She will share with us the results of their three-week spiritual and social discussions. Then she'll bring us through to the present times, to Pope Francis and his encyclical, Fratelli Tutti released in Oct. 3, 2020. Its emphasis is on fraternity, social friendship, human dignity to build a compassionate and peaceful world and a rejection of a throwaway culture.

The Year of Saint Francis: Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed a Special Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi, running from January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027, to mark the 800th anniversary of the saint's death.

The jubilee year will emphasize peace, conversion, and the "transitus" (passing) of the saint. The Pope invites all to make pious pilgrimages to Franciscan churches and St. Francis Assisi Parish in Barre, is one of the Franciscan pilgrimage sites, here in the Worcester Diocese.

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