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 ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH

May 31, 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

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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	

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
"Glory and praise for ever!"

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of May 31, 2026

May 30	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Deceased Members of The Dextrateur Family <i>Req by: Pam & Family</i>
May 31	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) Victoria Mailhot <i>Req by: The Family</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) Juanita Fagnoli <i>Req by: Leo & Judy McCaffrey</i>
Jun 01	MONDAY 9:00AM	NO MASS
Jun 02	TUESDAY 9:00AM	NO MASS
Jun 03	WEDNESDAY 9:00AM	NO MASS
Jun 06	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Gary Cusson <i>Req by: Peg Morin</i>
Jun 07	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) In Memory of Edna Casey <i>Req by: Tim, Maria, Fran Laporte</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) Liberina Amidio <i>Req by: Her Granddaughter Christy Warburton</i>

YEAR OF SAINT FRANCIS

Presented by Paula Wood, OFS

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THE LIFE OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

ST. CLARE CONTINUED.....

The Poor Ladies went barefoot, slept on the ground, ate no meat, and observed almost complete silence. Later Clare, like Francis, persuaded her sisters to moderate this rigor: "Our bodies are not made of brass."

The greatest emphasis, of course, was on gospel poverty. They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions. When even the pope tried to persuade Clare to mitigate this practice, she showed her characteristic firmness: "I need to be absolved from my sins, but I do not wish to be absolved from the obligation of following Jesus Christ." Contemporary accounts glow with admiration of Saint Clare of Assisi's life in the convent of San Damiano in Assisi. She served the sick and washed the feet of the begging nuns. She came from prayer, it was said, with her face so shining it dazzled those about her. She suffered serious illness for the last 27 years of her life. Her influence was such that popes, cardinals, and bishops often came to consult her—Clare herself never left the walls of San Damiano. Francis always remained her great friend and inspiration. Saint Clare of Assisi was always obedient to his will and to the great ideal of gospel life which he was making real.

FRANCISCAN MEDIA

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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St Clare of Assisi

REFLECTION: The 41 years of Clare's religious life are scenarios of sanctity: an indomitable resolve to lead the simple, literal gospel life as Francis taught her; courageous resistance to the ever-present pressure to dilute the ideal; a passion for poverty and humility; an ardent life of prayer; and a generous concern for her sisters.

FRANCISCAN MEDIA

Parish Weekly Collection Week of: May 24, 2026	
Envelopes	\$1,488.00
Anonymous Cash	\$345.00
Loose Checks	\$580.00
On-Line Giving	\$316.25
Total	\$2,729.25
Special Collections That Stay in the Parish	
Fuel	\$80.00
Maintenance	\$148.00
Ascension	\$25.00
Flower Offerings	\$10.00
Capital Improvements	\$140.00
First Offering	\$3.00
Mass Stipends	\$20.00
Total	\$426.00
Total Collection	\$3,155.25

Thank You for Your Generosity 



St. Francis of Assisi Parish is called upon to support the work of our Lord made possible through the Annual Partners in Charity Appeal.

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 at www.partners-charity.net. Thank you!



**TUESDAYS AFTER
9:00AM MASS**

EUCCHARISTIC
Adoration



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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