# ST. JOSEPH PARISH MALDEN, MA



# DECEMBER 10, 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## MASS SCHEDULE

<u>Weekday Mass</u> Monday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration Immediately after daily 9:00 a.m. mass on Mon, Tues, Fri, & Sat.

Weekend Mass Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

<u>Sunday:</u> 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Confession Saturday: 3:00 p.m.-3:45 p.m. Tuesday: 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. Or by appointment

Holy Days 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

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# **OUR PARISH**

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## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

We welcome and invite you to become an active member of the St. Joseph Parish Community. Please introduce yourselves to one of the priests after Mass. If you would like to be registered as a member of our parish, our staff can provide you with the forms needed to do so.

#### Welcome to the Beginning of the Year of Grace and the Season of Advent!

Throughout the Advent Season, please know the 'LIGHT IS ON' for you on Tuesdays from 6.30 PM to 8.00 PM. And, on Saturdays, from **3.00 PM to 3.45 PM**, or by appointment for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As there are no more general absolutions, the available openings for individual reconciliation serve as the Sacramental means for us to draw closer to Our Lord Jesus Christ as we seek His forgiveness and spiritual sustenance. When we examine our conscience and confess our sins, we ask Jesus to come to us in his mercy.

On the third Sunday of Advent, Dec. 17th, members of the Religious Education will play the Christmas pageant at 9.00 AM Mass. We shall also mark St. John Paull II's beloved tradition of Bring

Your Baby Jesus to Church Day! It is a beautiful Advent tradition that sanctifies the home with the baby Jesus and makes his arrival in the manger scene even more joyous. We ask that our kids bring their little statue of the baby Jesus that would be placed in their Nativity set at home for blessings. We ask your family to gather around the Crib to sing the sweet carols charged with human and Christian sentiment.

Dear Sisters and Brothers, we belong at the manger just as much as the shepherds, angels, and kings. The Nativity scene is complete once we take our place in it. May the Infant Jesus present in the Crib of your home be the concrete sign of a sincere faith that will enlighten, guide, and direct your life and that of your dear ones.

## **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

#### Due by December 20th at 4:00pm

If you would like to have your loved ones remembered at Christmas, please send the following information to the Parish Office. Donations are \$15.00 and your loved ones' names will be listed in the Church Foyer.

In Memory of:

From:

Phone Number:

## PARISH FINANCE November 25 AND 26

Online Giving ...... \$959.00

Now accepting online and card payments.

Loose	\$1,994.00
Envelopes	\$1,486.00
Coin	\$6.09
Total Offertory	\$3,486.09

Please remember the needy among us by donating to our St. Vincent DePaul Boxes.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

## GIVE ONLINE TODAY!

Please visit our website stjosephparishmalden.com or scan the QR Code to donate online.

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## 2023 GRAND ANNUAL APPEAL Goal: \$50,000

Raised: \$32,676.81

Dearest parishioner, Our 2023 Grand Annual campaign has begun and we want to thank all those who have donated for their generosity! If you would like to donate to the Grand Annual campaign you can find the pledge cards near the doors of the church or donate online through our website. You may place the pledge card in the Sunday collection or return it to the parish by mail. The Grand Annual funds go toward increasing security at the church, including placing cameras around the property and fixing the Church doors. Please consider a gift of \$300 or more. No matter how you donate, your generosity will be much appreciated. Our Parish community benefits from you being here and we are so thankful for your participation and assistance!

## **GIVING TREE**

## Gifts due back by December 10th-TODAY!

Each "ornament" on the tree represents a gift wish for a resident at Tewksbury Hospital. The hospital provides comprehensive treatment, care and comfort to adults with chronic medical and/ or mental illnesses. You are invited to take home an ornament and return it with the gift requested. Please do not wrap the gift, but if you can, include a gift bag or box. If you would like to donate cash and have someone do the shopping for you, please contact Joann at (617)240-7163. The Giving Tree Collection Box will be in the foyer on the weekends of December 2/3 and December 9/10. December 10 is the last day that we can accept gifts! Thank you!

Christmas Weekend Mass Schedule

#### December 23:

Daily Saturday Mass 9:00am Fourth Sunday of Advent Masse 4:00pm

December 24:

Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses 7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am Christmas Eve Mass 4:00pm

December 25:

Christmas Masses 7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am

## SAINT JOSEPH PARISH CHOIRS

Saint Joseph Children's Choir

Practice Sunday Mornings 8:30am by the Piano. Saint Joseph Adult Choir



Practice every Thursday night in the Conference Room at 7:00pm. FILIPINO APOSTOLATE

The Filipino Apostolate Malden Chapter celebrates Mass at our parish on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 1:00pm.



# OUR PARISH

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## **TOYS FOR TOTS**

#### November 1 through December 13

Toys for Tots will have a box in the foyer for donations. Every year we are overwhelmed by the support that this parish gives to the Toys for Tots foundation!

## CASH PRIZE CALENDAR-LAST DAY TO PURHCASE NEXT SUNDAY!

Saint Joseph Parish will be doing a cash prize calendar fundraiser until **December 17th, 2023**! Every purchase has a chance to win cash prizes, every day during the month of January. Calendars are \$15 cash or \$16 credit, see any of our staff members for details. These calendars make great stocking stuffers for Christmas! Good luck!

## AED TRAINING- NEW DATE!

#### February 10, 2024 from 10am-3pm

To reserve your spot we will need your name, phone number and \$15 to hold your spot. Please call the Parish Office at (781) 324-0402 to reserve your spot or if you have any questions. You must reserve your spot by February 1, 2024.

## KIDS' CORNER

#### Every Friday at 10:00am in the Conference Room

Join us every week we will read a story from the Bible and then either do a craft or play a game that connects to the story! Grown ups must stay for the duration of the 1 hour meeting.

## DAUGHTERS OF SAINT PAUL CONCERT

#### December 9 at 7:00pm and December 10 at 3:00pm

The award-winning DAUGHTERS OF ST PAUL CHOIR has a NEW venue – Natick High School Theater, 15 West Street Natick, MA 01760for their "Come to Bethlehem Christmas Concert" on Saturday, December 9 at 7:00 PM or Sunday, December 10 at 3:00 PM. Join the Sisters for an evening of joyful music, stories & prayer! For details & ticket information, visit pauline.org/concert or call 617-676-4458.

## EARLY SUBMISSION THROUGH THE END OF THE YEAR

Bulletin Date	Announcement Due
December 24, 2023	December 11, 2023
December 31, 2023	December 17, 2023

# SACRAMENTS

#### Baptism

1:00 p.m. on the 3rd Sunday of every month. An interview with parents is required. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment

#### Marriage

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call 800-710-9963 or visit them at wwmema.org

## THE MARRIAGE GROUP

The marriage group has online, on-demand Catholic Marriage Prep! The courses are promoted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Visit their website at themarrriagegroup.com or call 810-957-1550.

## DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 10 IS 40:1-5,9-11 | PS 85:9-10-11-12,13-14 | 2 PT 3:8-14 | MK 1:1-8

Monday, December 11 Is 35:1-10 | Ps 85:9ab and 10,11-12,13-14 | Lk 5:17-26

#### Tuesday, December 12 ZEC 2:14-17 or RV 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab | JUDITH 13:18BCDE,19 | Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday, December 13 Is 40:25-31 | Ps 103:1-2,3-4, 8 and 10 | Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, December 14 Is 41:13-20 | Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab | Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 15 Is 48:17-19 | Ps 1:1-2,3,4 and 6 | Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 16 Sir 48:1-4,9-11 | Ps 80:2ac and 3b,15-16,18-19 | Mt 17:9a, 10-13

## PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE LISTED

Collette Scalli Maryann Perrine Claire Cafarelli Adam Kuzinski Annie Iannarone Jessica Potter Richard Spartichino Lakeisha Maurose Dominick Maurose Nalliam Fortune Gabyanna Fortune Jesula Demes Marrio Fortune Margarita Rodas

Ryan Lathem Linda Kelley Harold Kingsbury Linda Johnson Maggie William Roderick Mark Joseph Flores Supre' Paul Arnone John Schultz Capraro Family Joe H. and Family

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE TURKEYRAMA!

The TurkeyRama was a huge success! We made \$9,618! That was due to the many donations that we received and especially all the Market Basket giftcards that we used in place of turkeys. We were able to use the surplus of giftcards in to buy the other food items that we needed. I would like to thank everyone for donating and all those that helped make it a success. –Kathy

# 2023 SCHEDULE OF ARCHDIOCESAN COLLECTIONS (2ND COLLECTIONS)

**Monthly** - First Weekend each month **December 8**– Immaculate Conception **December 25**- Christmas Collection: Clergy Trust Please keep in mind the collections that are now added into one group will be split between the listed (formerly separate) collections. Thank you for your generosity.



Wednesday Nights at 6:45p.m. in the Parish Hall Air Conditioned, Full Kitchen, No Smoking MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER TO PLAY For further details such as prices, please visit our website stjosephparishmalden.com/bingo

# MASS INTENTIONS

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# Please remember in your prayers the following friends and family for whom we offer these Masses:

Saturday, December 9: 9:00AM - Robert Fischer Jr. 4:00PM - Victor Lemmo Sunday, December 10: 7:30AM - For the People 9:00AM - William Sidor 10:30AM - Prisco Imbriano

Monday, December 11: 9:00AM -

Tuesday, December 12: 9:00AM -

Wednesday, December 13: 9:00AM - Joseph, Carmela and Mary Giardiello Thursday, December 14:

9:00AM -Friday, December 15: 9:00AM - For the Health of Maryann Harold Next Saturday, December 16: 9:00AM - William "Michael" Silkes 4:00PM - In Thanksgiving- Carline Next Sunday, December 17: 7:30AM - For the People 9:00AM - Bunny Walsh 10:30AM - John Troy

If you would like to have a Mass said in the name of a loved one, deceased or living, please contact the Parish Office at 781-324-0402. The requested donation is \$10.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like flowers on the Altar in remembrance of a loved one, please contact the Parish Office at 781-324-0402. There is a fee of \$15 per flower order.

## **BULLETIN NOTICE**

Our weekly bulletin must be submitted for print by Monday at 9:00a.m. Therefore there may be instances where an intention booked after the submit time will not make the bulletin. However, the name will still be mentioned during mass.

# PRAYERS FOR OUR HEROS

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## IN SUPPORT OF OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Please remember in your prayers our sisters and brothers in the military who are the ultimate safeguards of our freedom and democracy. Prayers have been requested for the following members of the United States Military:

Col. Vincent Amerena, U.S. Army P01 Josh Beemer, U.S. Navy SFC. Stephanie Blazo, U.S. Army CPO Robert G. Bruce, U.S. Navy 1st Lt. Matthew J. Campbell, U.S. Army PO2 MacKenzie Curtis, U.S. Navy SPC Joseph DiLeo, U.S. Army PFC Nicolas DiLeo, U.S. Army PFC Thomas M. Donahue, U.S. Army Airman Joshua Dube, U.S.A.F. LCPL Travis Gagnon, U.S.M.C. SPC Jack Geraci, U.S. Army SSG Tyler Harlston, U.S. Army 1st Lt. Christian M. Kinnon, U.S Army Pvt. Christina Maria Manley, U.S.M.C. ME3 Nicholas Martorana, U.S.C.G. Capt. Brian Molloy, U.S. Army Patrick William Mullis, U.S.C.G. Sqt. Galvin J. Murphy, U.S.M.C. SSgt Benjamin Pierce, U.S.A.F. HN3 Justin Pierce, U.S. Navy Sqt. Lauren Rinaldi, U.S. Army Sgt. Steven P. Wardynski, U.S. Army Sqt. Vincent M. Wardynski, U.S. Army Pvt. Joshua White, U.S. Army

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." - John 14:27

If a member of your family is currently serving in the U.S. Military and you would like to add them to this list, or would like to update a listed name above with a new rank, please contact the Parish Office at 781-324-0402 with their name, rank, and branch of service.

# **SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS**

### (Mass Cards)

Spiritual bouquets/ Mass Cards for both the living and the deceased, are available for purchase in the Parish Office for \$10.



