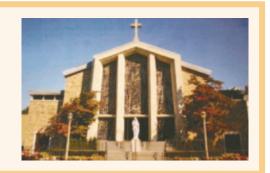
ST. JOSEPH PARISH

MALDEN, MA



DECEMBER 31, 2023

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

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.

Sunday:

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

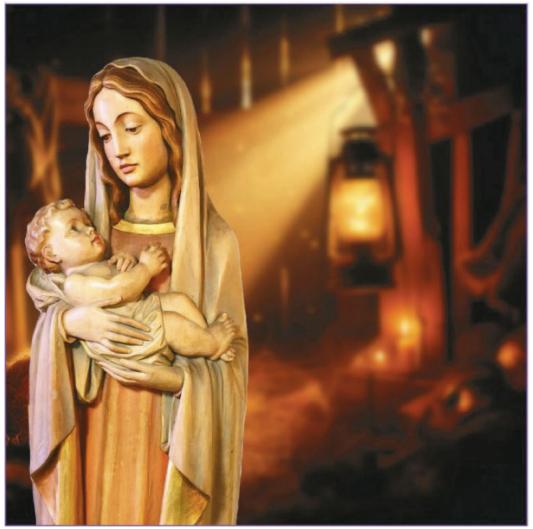
Confession

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.

FR. ANTHONY'S DESK

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

During this holiday season, I want to send a message of appreciation to you all. I thank each of you for your dedication, perseverance, and hard work all year. The holidays are primarily about hope, goodwill, and renewal. The Christmas season is so unique. It brings happiness -the priority of life's purpose, that happiness comes from following the teachings of Our Lord Jesus Christ, holding family extra close, and loving others more than ourselves.

As we near the year's end, it seems the right time to draw on the Lord's strength to continue serving our neighbors. So, go out of your way to make someone else's Christmas special by doing something extraordinary. Our trust in the Lord prompts us to be generous in our service. Now is the time to ask the Lord to renew our active love so we can be channels of grace and care to others and help them through the Winter. Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

JANUARY CALENDARS

Starting January 1st

Thank you to everyone who purchased the January Raffle Calendars. We were able to raise \$933.47 for the church! Names will start being pulled on January 1st and if your name is pulled, you will be called by one of the Administrative Assistants, Cheyenne or Devin. You can decide to either have your check mailed to you or to come to the Parish Office to pick it up. Raffle Slips are being accepted until December 31st at 4pm. If you have any questions, please call (781)324-0402.

New Years Day Mass Schedule Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God January 1, 2024 9:00am and 10:30am Parish Office is Closed.

PARISH FINANCE

December 16 and 17

Loose	\$2,000.00
	\$1,904.00
Coin	\$5.71
Total Offertory	\$3,909.71

Online Giving \$959.00

Now accepting online and card payments.

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

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

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PARISH COUNCIL

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2023 GRAND ANNUAL APPEAL

Goal: \$50,000 Raised: \$39,026.81

781-424-5316

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!

PENNIES FOR THE UNBORN

January 6 & 7 and January 13 & 14

The Catholic Daughters of America Court Maplewood #510 of Saint Joseph Parish will be collecting donations t all the entrances the weekends of January 6 & 7 and January 13 & 14. Any monetary donation is greatly accepted.

BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE

January 13 and 14

Please save after Christmas and New Years! Cub Scout Pack 609 will have their Bottle and Can Drive fundraiser on Saturday January 13 from 3:30-5:00pm and Sunday January 14 from 8:00am-11:30am; before and after all masses. Please bring your donations downstairs or leave them outside and we will get them for you. Thank you!



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.



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank everyone for your generous response to helping the needy in our community. Below is a summary of our financials for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

10/1/22 - 9/30/23		
Income		
Church Baskets & Other Donations	\$8,712	
Fundraiser	\$1,137	
Reimbursements from Boston Council	\$2,022	
Total Income	\$11,871	
Expenses		
Bread of Life dinners (16 meals x approx. 125 individuals)	\$5,752	
Food Vouchers (for 62 adults & 40 children)	\$3,656	
Rent (for 5 adults)	\$3,800	
Utilities (for 3 adults & 3 children)	\$1,587	
Furniture (1 family)	\$280	
Dues (to Archdiocesan Council)	\$200	
Administrative (stamps, env, fundraising exp)	\$342	
Total Expenses	\$15,617	

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a world-wide lay Catholic organization that addresses the two great commandments: love of God and love of neighbor. We are a network of friends inspired by Gospel values to grow spiritually and offer person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering.

We are looking for new members. If you are interested, please leave your name and number at the rectory.

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

Fridays at 10:00am in the Conference Room

No meeting due to Christmas and New Years! Please join us on January 5! Merry Christmas and we are looking forward to seeing you in the New Year!

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 31

Sir 3:2-6,12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 | Ps 128:1-2,3,4-5 or Ps 105:1-2,3-4,5-6.8-9 | Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8.11-12.17-19 | Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40

Monday, January 1

Nm 6:22-27 | Ps Ps 67:2-3,5,6,8 | Gal 4:4-7 | Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday, January 2

1 JN 2:22-28 | 98:1,2-3AB,3CD-4 | Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday, January 3

1 JN 2:29-3:6 | Ps 98:1,3CD-4,5-6 | Jn 1:29-34

Thursday, January 4

1 Jn 3:7-10 | Ps 98:1,7-8,9 | Jn 1:35-42

Friday, January 5

1 Jn 3:11-21 | PS 100:1b-2,3,4,5 | Jn 1:43-51

Saturday, January 6

1 Jn 5:5-13 | PS147:12-13,14-15,19-20 | Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or Lk 3:23,31-34,36,38

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE LISTED

Collette Scalli Maryann Perrine Claire Cafarelli Adam Kuzinski Annie lannarone 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

2023 AND 2024 SCHEDULE OF ARCHDIOCESAN COLLECTIONS (2ND COLLECTIONS)

Monthly - First Weekend each month

December 25- Christmas Collection: Clergy Trust

January 28- Support the Church in Latin America

February 14- Catholic Charities

February 25- Support the Church around the World

March 3- Utility and Energy Costs

March 29– Holy Land/ Good Friday
March 31– Easter Collection: Clergy Trust

May 9- Ascension of the Lord

May 19- Pentecost Collection: Seminarians

June 16- Promoting the Gospel August 15- Assumption of Mary

September 15- Clergy Benefit Trust

October 13– Grand Annual Collection October 20– World Mission Sunday

October 27 - Holy Father and Apostolic Works

November 1- All Saints Day

November 24- Retired Religious Sisters

December 8– Immaculate Conception

December 25- Christmas Collection: Clergy Trust



MASS INTENTIONS

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

Saturday, December 30:

9:00AM -

4:00PM - Cheryl Bombard, Kristin Bombard and Laura Hoxie

Sunday, December 31:

7:30AM - For the People

9:00AM -

10:30AM - In Memory of Dobec Obidoza

Monday, January 1

9:00AM - Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God

10:30AM - Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God

Tuesday, January 2

9:00AM -

Wednesday, January 3:

9:00AM -

Thursday, January 4:

9:00AM -

Friday, January 5:

9:00AM - Gerard Edouard

Next Saturday, January 6:

9:00AM - Jennie Renzella

4:00PM - Mary and Doug Lacau

Next Sunday, January 7:

7:30AM - For the People

9:00AM -

10:30AM - Anna M. Troy

Please pray for those who were buried the week of December 10: Robert Giardino

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. Sgt. Galvin J. Murphy, U.S.M.C. SSgt Benjamin Pierce, U.S.A.F. HN3 Justin Pierce, U.S. Navy Sgt. 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.

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