

St. Joseph the Worker Shrine
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 12, 2018

19TH

SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

“Amen, amen, I say to you,
whoever believes has eternal life. “

John 6:47

St. Joseph

The Worker Shrine

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Saint Joseph the Worker Shrine is a place of prayer, reflection, and social action undertaken in the spirit of Jesus Christ and Saint Eugene de Mazenod, founder of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Our mission is based on Matthew 11:28,

“Come to me, all you who labor and are overburdened, and I will give you rest.”

St. Joseph the Worker Shrine is a ministry of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, United States Province.

Shrine Resources

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Masses

Weekdays: 8 AM, 12 Noon & 5:30 PM
Saturday: 8 AM, 12 Noon, & 4 PM
Sunday at 8 AM, 10 AM, & 12 Noon

Confessions (Summer Hours)

Weekdays: 10:30AM - 11:45PM & 4:30PM - 5:15
Saturday: 10 AM- 1 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday: 8:30 AM – 3:45 PM
First Fridays: 8:30 AM – 5:15 PM

Holy Days, Holidays & Special Masses are announced

Oblate Associate Mission Office

(978) 458-6346 X 215

Oblate Historical Museum

Every Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00PM Please visit the Museum after the Saturday noon Mass.
Tours Given 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 12:30 PM

Gift Shop & Bookstore

Monday-Saturday:
9 AM – 5 PM
(978) 459-9522 or Toll Free (800) 287-9522
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Mass Intentions

August 11 - August 19

- Saturday August 11, 2018**
 - 8:00 Stephen Moore & Colleen Miller - Wedding Day
 - 12:00 Rita Burk
 - 4:00 Rita & Gerard Ricard
- Sunday August 12, 2018**
 - 8:00 Joseph Doherty
 - 10:00 Helen & Judy - 5th Ann.
 - 12:00 Norman Sayer - remembrance - deceased Birthday
- Monday August 13, 2018**
 - 8:00 In honor of St. Joseph
 - 12:00 Henry Saucier
 - 5:30 Dorothy Rudy - 15th Ann.
- Tuesday August 14, 2018**
 - 8:00 Diane Timm
 - 12:00 The Kosik Family
 - 5:30 Yvonne Dery - 18th Ann.
- Wednesday August 15, 2018**
 - 8:00 Leona Pleas-Austin
 - 12:00 Shrine Benefactors
 - 5:30 Flora Gianetti
- Thursday August 16, 2018**
 - 8:00 James Foye
 - 12:00 J. Lawrence Dolan
 - 5:30 Antonio Pizzi
- Friday August 17, 2018**
 - 8:00 Fr. Paul Ouellette, O.M.I.
 - 12:00 Michael Goyette
 - 5:30 Darlene Brien
- Saturday August 18, 2018**
 - 8:00 Eric McNulty
 - 12:00 Mass For Life
 - 4:00 Joseph F. Cox Jr. - 25th Ann.
- Sunday August 19, 2018**
 - 8:00 Raymond Chandonnet
 - 10:00 Gerard Bedard
 - 12:00 Robert Berard

<i>FINANCIAL REPORTS</i>	
THANK YOU for all Contributions! We thank you for your generous support of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Remember that our future is in your hands. Please remember St. Joseph the Worker Shrine in your will.	
Week Ending	June 17, 2018
Weekend Total:	\$1,085.90
Weekday Total:	\$667.30
Total Offertory:	\$1,753.20

Music For Sunday, August 12, 2018

CHOIR 8AM

Not available at time of publishing

4pm/10am/12pm
Entrance #530 Lift Up Your Hearts
Offertory #438 God of Mercy
Communion #360 One Love Released & #665 Loving and Forgiving
Sending Forth #423 I Sing The Mighty Power of God

Scripture for the week of August 12, 2018

12	SUN	1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
13	Mon	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Mt 17:22-27
14	Tue	Ez 2:8—3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
15	Wed	Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
16	Thu	Ez 12:1-12/Mt 18:21—19:1
17	Fri	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Mt 19:3-12
18	Sat	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Mt 19:13-15
19	SUN	Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58



AUGUST IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

O Virgin Mary, most powerful Mother of Mercy, Queen of Heaven and earth, in accordance with your wish made known at Fatima, I consecrate myself today to your Immaculate Heart. To you I entrust all that I have, all that I am. Reign over me, dearest Mother, that I may be yours in prosperity, in adversity, in joy and in sorrow, in health and in sickness, in life and in death.

Most compassionate Heart of Mary, Queen of Virgins, watch over my mind and heart and preserve me from the deluge of impurity which you lamented so sorrowfully at Fatima. I want to be pure like you. I want to atone for the many crimes committed against Jesus and you. I want to call down upon this country and the whole world the peace of God in justice and charity.

Mindful of this consecration, I now promise to strive to imitate you by the practice of the Christian virtues without regard for human respect. I resolve to receive Holy Communion on the first Saturday of every month when possible, and to offer daily five decades of the Rosary, with all my sacrifices in the spirit of penance and reparation. Amen.

From: www.rosary-center.org



Holy Day of Obligation
Wednesday, August 15th

Assumption of Mary

Our Mass Schedule is as follows:
Tuesday, August 14th

Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm

Wednesday, August 15th Masses @ 8:00am and 12 Noon & 5:30 pm

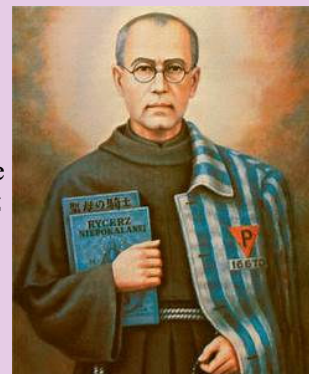
The Feast of the Dormition or Falling-asleep of the Theotokos is celebrated on the fifteenth of August, preceded by a two-week fast. This feast, which is also sometimes called the Assumption, commemorates the death, resurrection and glorification of Christ's mother. It proclaims that Mary has been "assumed" by God into the heavenly kingdom of Christ in the fullness of her spiritual and bodily existence.

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos, who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. For being the Mother of Life, she was translated to life, by the One who dwelt in her virginal womb (Kontakion).

We share this Feast with our Orthodox brothers and sisters. May the love of Mary bring us closer together to love Christ as one household of faith!

St. Maximilian Kolbe
August 14th

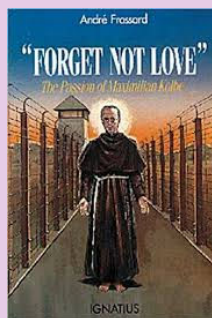
St. Maximilian Kolbe was born as Raymund Kolbe on January 8, 1894, in the Kingdom of Poland, part of the Russian Empire. He was a Polish Conventual Franciscan friar and a martyr in the German death Camp of Auschwitz during World War II. St. Maximilian Kolbe was very active in promoting the Immaculate Virgin Mary and is known as the Apostle of Consecration to Mary.



Much of his life was strongly influenced by a vision he had of the Virgin Mary when he was 12. "That night I asked the Mother of God what was to become of me. Then she came to me holding two crowns, one white, the other red. She asked me if I was willing to accept either of these crowns. The white one meant that I should persevere in purity, and the red that I should become a martyr. I said that I would accept them both." One year after his vision, Kolbe and his elder brother, Francis joined the Conventual Franciscans. In 1910, Kolbe was given the religious name Maximilian, after being allowed to enter the novitiate, and in 1911, he professed his first vows. At the age of 21, Kolbe earned a doctorate in philosophy from the Pontifical Gregorian University. He would also earn a doctorate in theology by the time he was 28.

From: catholic.org

Available in the Gift Shop/Bookstore



The famous French author's unique writing style captivates the reader with the heroic story of St. Maximilian Kolbe, a modern apostle of Catholic evangelization, Marian spirituality, and a martyr of charity. With the encouragement of Pope John Paul II, Frossard chronicles the dramatic life of this Polish Franciscan who volunteered to die in place of a fellow prisoner in Auschwitz.

Forget Not Love: The Passion of Maximilian Kolbe
By: Andre Frossard

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August 2018

Universal: The Treasure of Families

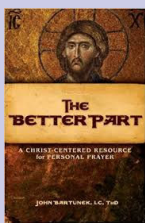
That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.



Gospel - John 6:41-51

Christ the Friend

“Those who believe in Jesus will have “eternal life”; they will “not die” but “will live forever”; those who come to him will be “raised on the last day.” How odd for Jesus to be thinking of that even before he himself has been raised! And yet, it is why he came; it is the goal of all his sufferings and efforts. He wants to bring each of us into the everlasting Kingdom of light and joy, and he never lets that goal drift into the background. Friendship with Christ is not a temporary fix, a psychological gimmick to make our little trip through life a bit livelier. When Jesus Christ extends his hand in friendship (which he never stops doing), he means to walk with us in time and in eternity - if we’re willing.”



Taken from: The Better Part A Christ-Centered Resource for Personal Prayer

The Better Part is available now in the Shrine Gift shop

Further Reflection:

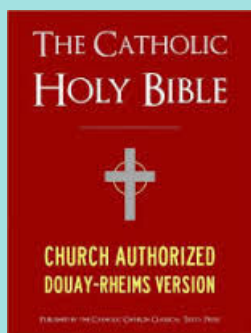
Catechism of The Catholic Church

161 Believing in Jesus Christ and in the One who sent him for our salvation is necessary for obtaining that salvation.⁴² "Since "without faith it is impossible to please [God]" and to attain to the fellowship of his sons, therefore without faith no one has ever attained justification, nor will anyone obtain eternal life 'But he who endures to the end."⁴³

162 Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to man. We can lose this priceless gift, as St. Paul indicated to St. Timothy: "Wage the good warfare, holding faith and a good conscience. By rejecting conscience, certain persons have made shipwreck of their faith."⁴⁴ To live, grow and persevere in the faith until the end we must nourish it with the word of God; we must beg the Lord to increase our faith;⁴⁵ it must be "working through charity,"⁴⁶ abounding in hope, and rooted in the faith of the Church.

Bible and Tradition

There are many Christians who believe that the Bible is the sole source of Christian doctrine. This Belief is often referred to as “Sola Scriptura”, which is Latin for “Scripture Alone.” However, the doctrine of Sola Scriptura is actually an idea that is nowhere to be found in Scripture. The Catholic Church teaches that the Bible is the inspired word of God. However, if the written tradition (Bible) is not coupled with oral tradition, the teachings of the Church that have been passed down orally, it is an incomplete source for Christian beliefs. The Catholic Church is the human reason that Christians have the Bible to read. Protestants decided to delete seven books from their Bible when they thought those books disagreed with some of their theological ideas. Most Protestant Bibles contain 66 books, while Catholic Bibles have 73. The seven books that are missing from Protestant Bibles are: Sirach, Wisdom, 1 and 2 Maccabees, Tobit, Baruch and Judith. They are also missing parts of Daniel and Esther.



From: The Bible Thumper - Volume 1

LOWELL OBLATE VOCATION PROFILE



AUGUST OBLATE VOCATION FOCUS

St. Eugene de Mazenod, founder of the Oblates addressing his Oblate priests and brothers said: “Remember that God is love. Be sufficiently grateful for God’s kindness.” To

whomever he was sent i.e. Cree and Montagnais Indians, French-Canadian Lumberjacks and Franco-Americans of Lowell (1868-1895) Oblate Father André-Marie Garin preached by his words and actions “that God is love.” During his 26-year tenure in Lowell Fr. Garin founded and constructed 16 establishments, some of whom are celebrating their 150th Anniversary this year: St. Joseph Church on Lee

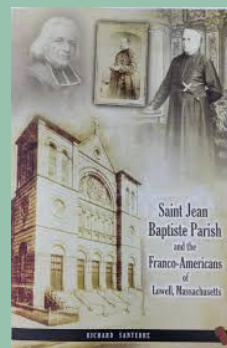


St. Andrew's Church
Talbot Avenue and Colson Street
North Billerica, Massachusetts

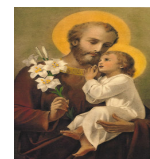
Street (now St. Joseph Shrine), Immaculate Conception Church on E. Merrimack St and St. Andrew Church, N. Billerica. A year after his death the People of Lowell “being

sufficiently grateful for God’s kindness” erected a statue at 725 Merrimack Street to honor “The man who went about doing good.”

More information on Fr. Garin and the Missionary Oblates can be obtained by purchasing Fr. Richard Santerre’s book “St. Jean Baptiste Parish and the Franco-Americans of Lowell, Massachusetts” available in the Gift Shop.



**St. Joseph,
Pillar of families ~ Pray for
us.
~ Litany of St. Joseph**



Your ministry to the abandoned and dying Austrian prisoners of war led you to the point of death through typhus. Through the fervent and constant prayers of the youth you ministered to, the Saviour healed you. - St. Eugene, guide us to the Savior in our time of need. - Litany of St. Eugene de Mazenod



The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is Prayed Monday through Saturday at the Shrine at 3 pm, the hour of mercy.



“We-Share” on-line donations

St. Joseph the Worker Shrine depends on your support. As you vacation this summer, please remember to be generous either before or after your travels. If you would like to learn more about on-line giving using “We-Share”, an easy, safe and secure way of giving, please contact Valerie Gaudet in the Business Office or check out our website at stjosephshrine.org and click on the “Donate” link today! With great success, we have been using we-share for over a year now, and those who donate to the shrine in this manner have great things to say about we-share! The amount and frequency of your donation is always your choice. This is a great way to support the shrine while you are away on vacation!

**“We-Share”
On-line weekly
Total: \$102.13**

St. Stephen of Hungary - August 16th



St. Stephen the Great (977-1038), was the son of the Magyar chieftain Geza, Stephen succeeded him as leader in 997. Already raised a Christian, in 996 he wed the daughter of Duke Henry II of Bavaria and devoted much of his reign to the promotion of the Christian faith.

He gave his patronage to Church leaders, helped build churches, and was a proponent of the rights of the Holy See. Stephen also crushed the pagan counterreaction to Christianity,

forcibly converting the so-called Black Hungarians after their failed rebellion. In recognition of his efforts, Stephen was anointed king of Hungary in 1000, receiving the cross and crown from Pope Sylvester II. The remainder of his reign was taken up with the consolidation of the Christian hold on the region. His crown and regalia became beloved symbols of the Hungarian nation, and Stephen was venerated as the ideal Christian king. Canonized in 1083 by Pope St. Gregory VII, he became the patron saint of Hungary.

From: catholic.org

Knights of Columbus

At this time the Lowell Knights of Columbus are actively recruiting new members.

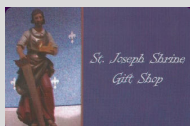
For more information please contact:

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Gift Cards

Gift cards are available in the Shrine Gift Shop. This is a wonderful way to share the faith with family, friends, and loved ones!



**RING the SHRINE BELLS for Your LOVED ONE
Arrange in the Gift Shop at the Mass Counter.**



Hunger Does Not Take a Vacation



The Merrimack Valley Catholic Charities Food Pantry continues to assist all of us in fulfilling the gospel mandate to feed the hungry (see Matthew 25). The pantry

provides food to approximately 600 needy individuals and families each and every month. To fulfill this ministry that so many people count on, the MVCC Food Pantry needs our help and participation. Please pray for the poor and hungry in our midst and consider the following actions:

Place any of these items in the food collection baskets in our lobby: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pasta, **canned goods, such as:** Soup, Tuna, Sauce, Fruits and Vegetables.

Become a pantry volunteer. There are a variety of ways you can help. Call the pantry at 978-454-9946 for more information or to sign up.

(please be mindful of expiration dates)

Remember to check masstimes.org while away on vacation! Masstimes.org is a great way to find churches and mass schedules for any location, with just a few clicks!!

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF BEAURAING



Please join us on August 22, 2018 at:

**St. Mary Magdalene Church
93 Lakeview Ave.
Tyngsboro, MA**

Mass at 6:30 pm as we honor Our Lady of Beauraing on the Feast of the Queenship of Mary. The theme is "Mary Speaks to Children." Come and hear the re-enactment of the apparitions as told by the five visionaries, their first impressions, the people's reactions, interrogations and Mary's message to young people today.

Info contact Irene Tremblay (978) 649-1813

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