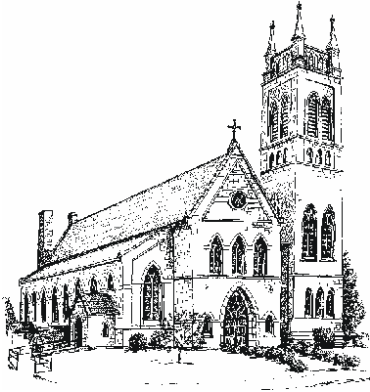


Saint Mary of the Assumption



*Igreja Santa Maria
Da Assunção*

Iglesia Santa María De La Asunción

**Twenty-ninth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
October 16, 2005**

Milford, Massachusetts

**EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS
DCU CENTER (CENTRUM) WORCESTER
OCTOBER 28 - 29**

Bus transportation available

See the registration form in today's bulletin. You can get more information online at:

<http://www.stmarymilford.org/>

The Milford/Hopedale cluster will be providing bus transportation on Saturday for those interested. Please let us know as soon as possible.

FATHER MICHAEL FOLEY TO RECEIVE AWARD AT WHITE MASS MONDAY NIGHT

Father Michael is among those to be honored at this year's White Mass on October 17, 2005. The Mass will take place at 7:00 pm at St. Paul's Cathedral. Reservations are not required and all are welcome to the Mass and to the reception following. Please refer to the invitation insert in this bulletin from Most Reverend Robert McManus.

MARTYR'S MANSION COMING TO SAINT MARY'S SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

What is Martyr's Mansion you say! It is a new and fun way to celebrate our Saints who died for their faith, and it's happening right here at Saint Mary's on Sunday, October 30th, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Come tour the halls of the Parish Center and listen to the saints' stories, and afterwards join us in the large hall for games and refreshments!!!! A fun-filled evening will be had by all!!! A \$2.00 donation grants you entrance into the mansion!! If you would like to help with this event, please call Sandy at 508-478-7440.

LEGACY THANK YOU BRUNCH TODAY

To thank those who have so generously given to our *Legacy 150 Campaign*, Saint Mary of the Assumption is hosting a "Thank You Brunch" today, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 15

4:00 pm...Maria Sousa (Family)

Sunday, October 16

6:00 pm...Robert Baglione (Family)

Monday, October 17

9:00 am...Francisco & Emilia Silva (M/M Manuel Esteves)

Tuesday, October 18

9:00 am...Raymond Morin (Wife)

Wednesday, October 19

9:00 am ...Mario Oliveira (Family)

Thursday, October 20

9:00 am... Souls in Purgatory (Maria Pinto)

Friday, October 21

9:00 am...Kathleen & John Cugini & Leo Pellegrino (Family)

Saturday, October 22

4:00 pm...Karen (Swymer) Shanahan & Laura (Swymer) Clancy (Family)

Sunday, October 23

6:00 pm...Barbara McIsaac (Helen Bodruk)

WEDDING

Saturday, October 22 – 2:00 p.m.

Kevin Earl & Brooke Sebastiao

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

III Kevin Earl & Brooke Sebastiao

II Flaviano Ferreira & Katherine McGee

I Mark Wheeler & Holly Snyder

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, October 16

8:45-10:15 am...First Reconciliation/Eucharist

9:00-10:15...Grades K & 1

10:30 am.....FAMILY MASS

Tuesday, October 18

6:15-8:30 pm...Grades 5 & 6

Wednesday, October 19

6:45-9:00 pm...Grades 7 & 8

Thursday, October 20

3:30-5:00 pm...Grades 3 & 4

Sunday, October 23

8:45-10:15 am...First Reconciliation/Eucharist

9:00-10:15...Grades K & 1

10:30 am.....FAMILY MASS

LOOKING FOR A FUN WAY TO TAKE A HIGH SCHOOL COURSE?

The Religious Education Office is offering a new and exciting way to earn credit for our teens in the high school program this fall. Saint Mary's is hosting a *Martyr's Mansion* on Sunday, October 30th, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Parish Center. This involves researching a saint that was martyred for his/her faith -- then writing a two-page paper about him/her and taking on the character of that person for the *Martyr's Mansion*. For more details, contact Mrs. Piwko at 508-478-7440.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 5-8 ASSEMBLY

We are looking to form a team of a few people who would be willing to help behind the scenes for our assembly-learning process. This team would help in purchasing supplies, i.e., snacks, items needed for upcoming sessions. Also, they would be needed to help with the administration of the sessions prior to the evenings we have the kids.

If you have these skills, we would love to hear from you. We want this process to be a success, but we are finding that we need more volunteers to help with the execution. Call Sandy at the RE Office, if you are interested. Thank you!!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD OFFERED AT 10:30 MASS

Our new children's liturgy of the word started last week at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Children ages 4,5,6 can participate in this special liturgy just for children. KIDS, come give a try – it's just for you!! **If you want to get involved in this exciting new ministry, call Sandy at**

BABYSITTING AVAILABLE AT THE 10:30 A.M. MASS!!!

We are happy to be offering babysitting for our families with young children this year (babies through age 3). The babysitting room will be located off the large hall near the back parking lot. Flyers ARE available AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH describing this new ministry. **We also could use more adults who are willing to help out on a monthly basis. If interested in helping, please call the RE Office at 508-478-7440.**

The Diocese of Worcester
Eucharistic Congress
celebrating the
Year of the Eucharist

The Source and Summit of the Church's Life and Mission
October 28 –29, 2005

Eucharistic Congress Registration

Friday October 28 — Saturday October 29, 2005

Please fill out separate registration form for each person.

Tickets will be used for admission.

Ticket Prices

Tickets will be mailed to you until October 15th. After that, you can pick up your tickets at the door. (Please check ticket option below).

Tickets purchased prior to October 15, 2005 — \$20.00

Tickets purchased after October 15, 2005 — \$25.00

Special Friday evening youth gathering — \$10.00 per person

(Teen groups must be accompanied by an adult chaperone in ratios of 10 teens to 1 adult.)

Price includes lunch. (Lunch may not be guaranteed for on-site registration.)

Check here if you need a vegetarian lunch

Select lunch breakout session —please select 3 choices, indicating 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices.

Doris Donnelly, Ph.D.

Father Peter M. Girard, O.P, S.T.D.

Father Michael Himes, Ph.D.

Father J. Michael Joncas

Ms. Elizabeth Nguyen

Bishop Jorge Solórzano Pérez

Father John Oliveira

Father William Reiser, S.J.

Mr. Rob Surette

If selecting an alternative language session for the afternoon, please indicate your choice below

Bishop Jorge Solórzano Pérez (Spanish)

Father John Oliveira (Portuguese)

Ms. Elizabeth Nguyen (Vietnamese)

Checks are made payable to: R.C. Bishop of Worcester.

If paying by credit card, please fill in the following information:

Please select card type : Visa MasterCard

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date: Mo. _____ Year _____

Name of Cardholder _____

Cardholder's Signature _____

Please return your completed registration form along with payment to your parish contact, or mail to:

Dick Burton

St. Joseph's Church

194 Oxford Street North, Auburn, MA 01501

Name: _____ Phone: () - _____

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Parish: City/Town:

Total amount of payment enclosed: \$ _____

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND SUFFERING, ESPECIALLY: Allan Haig, Mary Byron, Barbara McDonnell, Allison Fishlock, Donald Iadarola, Sue McCallum, Emilia Donahue, Ben Smith, Tina Steward, Nicholas Celozzi, James Ferguson, Manuel Lage, Carolyn Henkel, Tom Flynn, Peter Kantor, Samir Zaki, Joseph Glover, Jr., Bella Vilardo, Drew Iadarola, Bob Mairs, Mary Lou Thompson, Iris de la Rosa, Stephen Piscitello, C.J. DiGiallonnardo, Helen Bucchino, Joaquin Silva, Bob Renaghan, Meghan Hope, Josephine Basile, Virginia McDonough, Sherry Horgan, Catherine Lucier, Bill Donovan, Nancy Ahearn, Lori Tyler, C. Curran, Daniel Smith, Roseanne Kitchens, Andrew Smith, Richard Stapleton, Tony Grillo, Sandra Stapleton, Dotty Belmore, Stephen Brown, . Please let us know when someone is acutely ill so that we can pray for them at Sunday Mass. We will continue to pray for all our sick family, friends and neighbors each day.

Make Music a Part of Your Life

NEW CHOIR MEMBERS WANTED



Interested in singing in the Adult Choir? All who are interested are invited to join regardless of previous music experience. Those unable to make a full year's commitment are also encouraged to consider joining for a season. The Choir rehearses on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. and sings twice a month at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. All who are interested should see the Music Coordinator, Robert Blake, after Mass in the organ loft, or contact Saint Mary's Rectory at 508-473-2000 and leave your name and telephone number.

MASSACHUSETTS MARRIAGE AMENDMENT MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH

Please use one sheet for each name or family

ST. MARY'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The St. Mary's Children's Choir will be forming for the 5:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass on Saturday, December 24. Rehearsal's will begin on Sunday, October 30, and will be held each Sunday in the Parish Center Music Room from 11:45 to 12:30. For further information call Mrs. Hoppe at (508) 634-9651 or Mr. Keay at (508) 278-3341. We look forward to seeing and working with you.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

We will close with Benediction.

This is a means of increasing our devotion in the weeks leading up to our diocesan Eucharistic Congress to be held on October 28/29th.

ST. JOHN'S OPEN HOUSE

Saint John's will be holding an open house for interested 8th graders and their families on Sunday, October 16th and 23rd at 1:00 p.m. The entrance exam for Saint John's will be held on Saturday, October 29th, at 8:30 a.m. See our website www.stjohnshigh.org. or contact the admissions office at 508-842-8934, ext 266, jmorse@stjohnshigh.org. for further information.

Following Jesus: Becoming a Disciple



WOW!

Our first GIFT/Generations of Faith session of the year was absolutely wonderful!

After our meal together, the opening power point set a mood of suspense and awe as we saw the words emerging in the darkened hall: “In The Beginning Was the Word, The Word was with God, and the Word was God ... to those who did accept Him He gave the power to become children of God,” from St. John’s gospel. It was set to beautiful, ethereal, and mesmerizing music. This set the scene for our dramatic presentation of several unlikely suspects who were called by Jesus to follow him. He called Peter and Andrew, Zaccheus the tax collector, the Samaritan Woman at the Well, the Rich Young Man and St. Paul. Jesus’ affect on these people was remarkable. All but one chose to follow Him and spread the good word about Him to others.

A large and enthusiastic group of parishioners enjoyed the beautiful voice of Debbie Fobelle, who led us in song. They also enjoyed some thought provoking and fun activities involving safety cones, sticky notes, footprints and fish. Our own response to Jesus’ call to discipleship was expressed on paper cutouts of fish which began, “Jesus, I will follow you by. . .” You can see some of these fish caught up in nets in the vestibule of church and in the large hall. Our final song, “Lord, You Have Come to the Seashore,” was sung in high spirits by an enthusiastic group of about 150 parishioners.

Our thanks go to the GIFT/Generations of Faith planning team, Sandra Buckley our drama director, Matthew McGrath our keyboard player, Tony Armata and his crack babysitting team, Jack Armata’s family for our wonderful lunch, Father Mike and Father Kevin who led us in prayer, our setup crew and cleanup crew, the window shade brigade, registration and hospitality teams, home kits, audio visual help, catechists, facilitators, artists, carpenters, aides, actors and actresses, seamstresses, and on and on. Our thanks also go to you our participants! Your enthusiastic participation is so very gratifying. Thank you.

BUDGET 2004-2005

Total Collection 10/16/2005:	\$ 11,411.87
Parish Support:	\$ 10,270.87

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH RECEIVES \$1,141.00 TITHE THIS WEEK FOR PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF TOTALS \$14,841.88

This past week our tithes of \$1,141 .00 will be given as the first of two tithes for the Propagation of the Faith. Our tithes this week will be given as the second of two tithes for the Propagation of the Faith. Your generosity makes a world of difference.

THIRD WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

"GAHER US IN 2005" will take place on Saturday, November 5, 2005, at the DCU Center, 50 Foster Street, Worcester (the former Worcester Centrum Centre). All diocesan women and guests are invited to participate in this day-long event featuring presentations and workshops on women's maturing spirituality. Great speakers, plenty of time for discussion—come and be inspired. Lunch is included. The day will close with Mass, which will be celebrated by Bishop McManus. Watch the Catholic Free Press, the diocesan website, www.worcesterdiocese.org, and this space for further information. Gather Us in 2005 is sponsored by the Commission for Women. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Church and on the diocesan website. The Conference fee is \$35.00 (this includes lunch). There will also be a bus available at a fee of \$7.00. For more information, or to reserve a seat on this bus, please call Mary Maffia at 508-473-8041.

Masses: Saturday 4:00 (English) 7:30 PM (Brazilian-chapel)

Sunday, 8:00 (English), 9:15 (Portuguese), 10:30 (English), 11:00 AM (Spanish-chapel) & 6:00 PM (English)

Daily Mass at 9:00 AM with Adoration and Benediction on First Fridays

Miraculous Medal Novena: 1st Monday at 7:00 pm (in lower Church)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm or by personal appointment

Baptisms: Second and Fourth Sunday of each Month

Parish should be contacted prior to the choosing of Godparents. Parents are expected to attend an evening of reflection before the Baptism. Marriages: Couples planning to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the parish twelve months before the proposed wedding date.

We welcome all newcomers to our parish and invite you to register as members of our community. Please call the Parish House (473-2000) during the week. We look forward to meeting you.

PASTOR: Reverend Michael G. Foley

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Reverend Kevin Hartford

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Sister Theresa Lucier, SP

DEACON: George O'Connor

RELIGIOUS ED COORDINATOR: Sandra Piwko MCES PRINCIPAL: Sr. Roberta Salah, S.S.J.

COORDINATOR OF FAITH FORMATION: Robert Daly

ADMINISTRATOR: Steven Jubin

COORDINATOR OF MUSIC: Robert Blake, Jr.

Parish House: 27 Pearl Street (508) 473-2000

Parish Center: 17 Winter Street (508) 478-7440

Catholic Elementary School: 11 East Main Street (508) 473-7303

Portuguese and Spanish Apostolate: (508) 473-2000