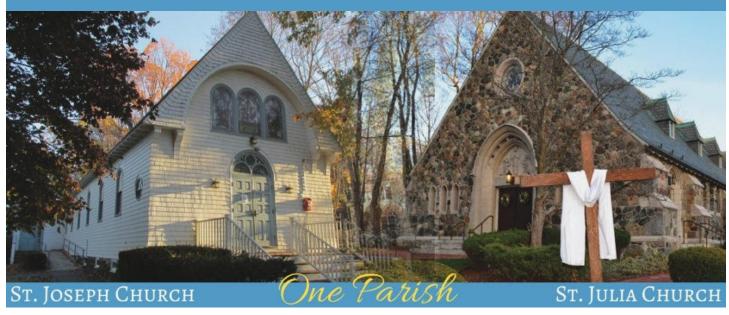
## St. Julia Parish



**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH** 142 LINCOLN ROAD LINCOLN, MA

November 10, 2019

**ST. JULIA CHURCH** 374 BOSTON POST ROAD WESTON, MA

Saturday Vigil: Sunday: 4:00pm (St. Julia) 7:30am (St. Joseph) 9:00am (St. Julia) 10:30am (St. Joseph) 12:00pm [St. Julia] 5:00pm (St. Julia) Daily: Monday 7 AM (St. Julia)

Tuesday 9 AM (St. Joseph) Wednesday 7 AM (St. Julia) Thursday 7 AM (St. Julia) Friday 9 AM (St. Joseph)

Saturday/Holiday 8 AM (St. Julia)

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#### COME AND WORSHIP THE LORD WITH US!

#### THE MISSION OF SAINT JULIA PARISH

We, the parishioners of Saint Julia Parish, seek to live our belief in Christ as we worship and serve Him according to His example and teachings. With appreciation of the diverse gifts of our individual members, we strive to gain the participation of each parishioner and work to ensure that everyone feels welcome in our community of faithful. We do this while mindful of God's love for us and the power of His Spirit that makes us holy, heals our brokenness and sustains us in all the good we do. We are committed in the spirit of Christian stewardship to share generously our time, talent, and treasure.

**OFFICE HOURS** 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Mon. through Friday.

#### RECONCILIATION

Parish Center Conference Room, Saturday: 3:15-3:45 PM

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

After the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass; or contact Parish Office.

#### **EUCHARIST AND VISITS TO THE SICK**

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, homebound or hospitalized.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Julia Church: Every Friday, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

First Friday, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

St. Joseph Church: Every First Friday, 9:30 to

10:30 AM.

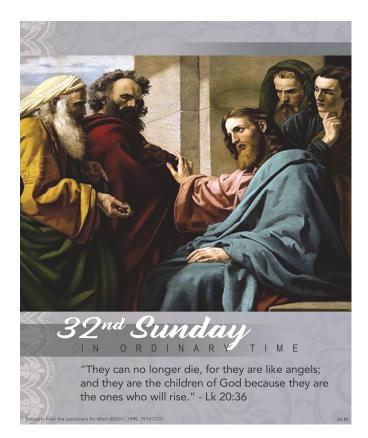
#### **ROSARY IN ST JULIA CHURCH:**

After daily Mass.

#### **BAPTISM**

Please contact the Parish Office in advance to make arrangements.

**BULLETIN NOTICES** should be proposed, by e-mail if possible, to the Parish Office by Monday **morning.** 



# GOSPEL MEDITATION 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Some Saducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, came forward and put this question to Jesus ..." In this Sunday's Gospel, the Saducees avoid their real question. Is there a resurrection from the dead or not? Rather than ask this question point blank, the Saducees try to prove their point through a roundabout, unrealistic scenario. Jesus cuts straight to the question behind the question, citing Scripture passages relating to the resurrection.

The Saducees are trying to trick Jesus. While we may not intend to stump God, our doubts and questions may have more in common with the Saducees than we care to admit. Doubts are part and parcel of life in a fallen world. Still, there are different ways we can word our doubts to ourselves, God, and others. When we're struggling, truly struggling, about some article of faith, do we admit it? Or do we cloak it with other, obtuse questions to hide the nature of our concern?

Have you considered leaving the Church over the hypocrisy of some of her members and leaders? Perhaps the real question is: "How can a place blessed by God and instituted by Christ have this evil in it? Can I reconcile with the concept that an institution has an admixture of good and bad? What do I expect from others, from myself? What responsibility do I have to try and remedy evil in an institution I'm part of?" Perhaps you've wondered about the nature of romantic love, and if God is love. does He really care so much about the details of this particular scenario? Perhaps the real question is: "Can my mind wrap around the concept of a God whose law seems — on the surface, in this situation to make people unhappy? What is the relationship between the moral law and human flourishing?" These aren't easy questions, but they are more honest ones. This week, don't be afraid of your deeper questions! Bring them to God, to someone you trust, and to yourself.



Masses as Scheduled

Tuesday, November 12

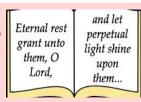
Bible Study, 9:00AM, St. Julia Parish Center

Friday, November 15

Adoration, 12:00 Noon— 1PM, St. Julia Church

#### REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

November is when we traditionally take time to remember our loved ones who have died. During the month of November, in St. Joseph



Church and St. Julia Church, there will be a "Book of Remembrance" for everyone to enter in the names of your deceased loved ones, so we may keep them close in our hearts through prayer.

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 9/10, 2019



### **And Prayers Requested**

Sun., Nov. 10 9:00AM Margaret McDonald 12:00PM Richard & Marilyn

Federico

5:00PM Miguel Angel

Cardenas

Sun., Nov. 17 9:00AM Margaret McDonald

**CONFESSORS:** November 16 Fr. Mahoney

November 23 Fr. Mahoney



## Thanksgiving Basket Service Project

We will be collecting food and monetary donations to provide 30 families with a tasty Thanksgiving Dinner.

#### Grade Levels Please Bring:

Grade 1: Cans of corn

Grades 2 and 3: Cans of Green Beans Grade 4: Boxed/Bagged Stuffing Mixes Grade 5: Cans/Jars of Turkey Gravy

Grade 6: Cranberry Sauce

Grades 7 & 8: 64 oz. bottles of Cranberry or Apple Juice

High School: Manual Can Openers

Monetary donations are needed to purchase the turkeys and other supplies to complete the meal. Donations may be given to Kathy Dolan in the Main Office, or any staff member in the Faith Formation Office. Checks should be made payable to "St. Julia Parish", memo: Thanksgiving Baskets. **November 24**th is the **FINAL date for Thanksgiving items.** Thank you for your generosity!

Bins are located near the literature rack in Lincoln and the Parish Center Lobby in Weston.

Please contact Colm at <a href="mailto:cmcgarry@stjulia.org">cmcgarry@stjulia.org</a> to gain access via e-mail of photographs of parish events. Prem Menachery has maintained an extensive digital record and parishioners are welcome to peruse and enjoy these wonderful images of community and liturgical events.



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6 Tuesday: Wis 2:23—3:9/Lk 17:7-10 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19 Thursday: Wis 7:22b—8:1/Lk 17:20-25 Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8 Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Thes 3:7-12/Lk

21:5-19

#### **NOVEMBER 17**

**First Reading:** But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays. (Mal 3:20a)

**Psalm:** The Lord comes to rule the earth with

justice. (Ps 98)

**Second Reading:** In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. (2 Thes 3:10) **Gospel:** "You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be

destroyed." (Lk 21:17-18)



The Third Grade students assisted Deacon Rafe with the Homily, sharing posters of Saints they had studied, and afterwards, with their parents, took a tour of the Stained Glass Windows of the Saints in our Church.

#### SUPPORTING OUR PARISH'S MISSION

Weekend of Nov. 2/3 [\$1,845 in 50 Envelopes]	\$5,735
Weekend of Oct 26/27 [\$1,722 in 51 Envelopes]	\$6,927
Weekend of Oct 19/20 [\$1,959 in 50 Envelopes]	\$5,280
Weekend of Oct 12/13 [\$1,650 in 45 Envelopes]	\$4,289
Feast of All Saints Offering	\$403
July 7—Nov 3 Includes Mail-Ins	\$90,666
Online Giving Total July 7—Oct 20	\$53,914
Grand Total	\$144,580
Y-T-D Offertory Avg	\$8,032
Budgeted Total for FY20 Budgeted Avg/Wk	<b>\$440,000</b> \$8,462
<b>Grand Annual Budget</b> Grand Annual Received to Date	<b>\$300,000</b> \$47,052







#### **GRADES 1-6**

**Upcoming Events:** 

**November 10/11:** No Classes, Veterans Day Weekend

**November 17**: Grade 1 Hosts 9:00 am Mass, followed by a Family Gathering of a Church Tour at 10:15-11:10.

**November 18**: Classes for Grade 2-5

**November 24:** Grade 5 will host the 9:00 Family Mass and Café Julia.

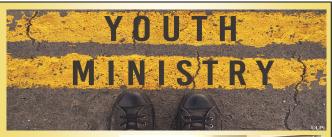
**November 24/25**: Classes for Grades 1-6



Do you know...why the Sadducees did not believe in the Resurrection? The promise of the Resurrection can be found in the Old Testament, in the Book of the Macca-

bees. The Sadducees only followed the promises and laws found in the Torah (The Law), the first five books in our Old Testament. They believed that these books came from Moses, their greatest prophet, and so they did not associate with anyone who taught or believed in the teaching of the Resurrection. The Sadducees were in charge of the Temple, and spent time defending their beliefs, making certain that all sacrifices and laws were followed exactly as how it was found in the Torah. Some Pharisees, the Synagogue leaders, did believe in the Resurrection.

The promise of the Resurrection is this: once everyone has passed away, Jesus will choose those of us who are Holy to come back to life fully. We will live in a world where there is no pain, or sadness, or completion or jealousy—everyone will love one another as God loves us. I want to someday be resurrected! Do you?



Thank you to all the students and parents who travelled to Pine St Inn on Monday November 4th to serve food to



hundreds of men and women.

St julia's has had a long history of support for Pine St and teenagers and their families have to make a special effort because of school schedules and co-curricular activities during the week. Every 1st Monday of the month, teens (and family members)

This is how works......Pastoral and Youth Minister gather in the grotto to say a prayer in the grotto (weather permitting) reminding us that the entire trip is an encounter with Christ. The drive usually lasts 35 minutes because of traffic and we unload the van which has ingredients for future meals. We also provide desserts for the evening meal as well. Special thanks this month to Paola Cross for providing an assortment of Italian cookies and pasta dishes) Closed toe shoes and hats are required because we are dealing with food and after donning aprons, and gloves we are ready to "staff the line". 3 people are needed for the women's side where it is a little less busy and the ladies are given more choice about the contents of their meal. The 300 or so men usually receive the same food but it is always plentiful.

Volunteers often comment that the time between 5pm and 6pm goes very rapidly because there is a lot to do. The most important ingredient of every meal (and every service opportunity) is a warm smile and friendly greeting for all the guests of Pine St. Most of the volunteer groups tend to be adults, Churches, corporate groups etc so it is unusual for guests to see young people behind the counter and they are truly very appreciative. We return between 6.40 and 6.50pm depending on traffic, tired but grateful. All St Julia's parishioners are very welcome to participate, especially in the summer months when teens are even less available. Sign up on the website or email Colm cmcgarry@stjulia.org

#### MISSION TRIP REFLECTION

Our parish is planning another trip to the NPH ranch in the Dominican Republic. It is open to everyone and takes place during the public school vacation April 18- 24. There is an information evening on Tuesday November 19th at 7.30pm - e-mail Colm for more details). Tomasina and her family travelled with us in June 2019 and wrote this reflection. (We will print the second half in the bulletin next weekend)...

NPH: Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos ("Our Little Brothers and Sisters")

It's hard to believe we've been home from the Dominican Republic for over a month now. As we continue with our summer activities, thoughts of our trip continue to pop into our minds. Often one of my kids will burst into laughter, recalling a funny story. A few times someone has made an astute observation or comparison, sparking a sometimes difficult, but always worthwhile conversation. And regularly, one of us will mention a child from the orphanage - somehow affirming our connectedness to him or her. These connections are now deep within our hearts. The friendships we made with these children are what will keep our experiences alive.

So many of our friends and family have asked us 'how was the trip?' It is just so hard for me to put it all into words, because there were so many experiences all rolled into that one week. But for me, the word that I go back to is "grateful". I am first and foremost grateful that I had the opportunity to experience this as a family. Grateful that NPH exists – we were so impressed with this organization and the care they give to each and every one of their "pequeños". Grateful that we were welcomed with wide-open arms, allowing us to become part of their family with such ease, if even for a short time. Grateful for the warm and exuberant Dominican culture and people. Grateful for the kind, optimistic and fun group of teens and adults we traveled, worked and played with – we now have an entirely new group of friends. And as a mother, I am grateful for my children's curiosity and willingness. They were open to every experience put in front of them without hesitation (and for the most part without complaints!). They were all in. Jude, Anna and Violet each loved this trip for their own reasons ... and are all asking when we can go back.

Much to our surprise, by the time we arrived in June the pequeños were already on summer break and we happened upon their graduation week. Therefor our chores were more sporadic than expected, so we could participate in the end-of-the-year festivities. I came to see this as a gift. Not because we'd forgo some of our very hot, outdoor chores, but because we really got to be a part of the family. Celebrating with them, allowed us to get to know the children better. We celebrated their achievements and milestones, the way we would at home with our own children. The older children (some of them young women and men now) informally mentor the younger ones in their casas and school - the NPH program is designed this way to build responsibility and unity. And this came alive during the graduation activities, where all ages were celebrated, teaching, building trust, and outlining the expectations and goals for achievement. The baccalaureate mass brought me to tears, as I was so touched by the depth of their relationships. It was easy to witness the love between the priest, teachers, sponsors, "aunties" (the women who live in the casas with the kids), and each of the children. Although a good majority of these children are growing from trauma-ridden pasts and are without families in the traditional sense, they are now fully embraced in a loving, encouraging and safe environment. It didn't take long for Jude to comment that "these kids were the lucky ones, to be living at NPH." They had what they needed and were well cared for. Each child had tasty, nutritious food, his or her own bed, clean clothing, means to solid healthcare and education. But just as important, each child now has a strong family, filled with love and security, predictable schedules, expected chores and behaviors ... exactly the way Jim and I have tried to cultivate our own little unit here.

To be continued next week.