

ST. JULIA PARISH



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
142 LINCOLN ROAD LINCOLN, MA

DECEMBER 15, 2019

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374 BOSTON POST ROAD WESTON, MA

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm (St. Julia)
Sunday: 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.

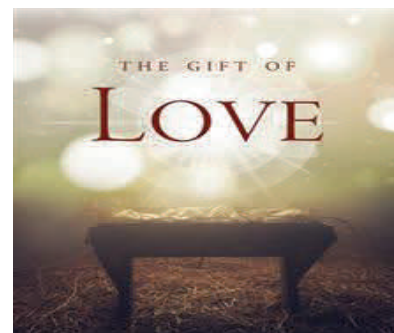
BULLETIN NOTICES should be proposed, by e-mail if possible, to the Parish Office by Monday **morning**.



**THIRD SUDAY OF ADVENT
GOSPEL MEDITATION**

Who did you come to see? A version of this question is posed by Jesus many times in the Gospels. He asks it of Andrew and John when they begin to follow him. He asks it of Mary Magdalene in the garden of the resurrection. He asks it in today's Gospel. "What did you go out to the desert to see?" There is something innately human about "seeing." Animals have eyes — some with much more powerful vision than our own — but that's not the kind of seeing Jesus is talking about. We could phrase the question several other ways. "What are you looking for?" "What are you longing for?" "Whom do you seek?" It is in seeing for ourselves that our suspicions or hypotheses are confirmed, that our desires discover their fulfillment, and that we can rest for a moment in certainty. John the Baptist sought certainty of Jesus' identity. "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" Jesus sends word to him based on the testimony of sight, observations of the mighty deeds Jesus has begun to work. "Go and tell John what you hear and see."

God recognizes our desire to see. In the Incarnation, the Word is made flesh. The invisible is made visible. The supernatural is made manifest in an infant who can do little more than the most natural of movements as he feeds, cries, sleeps. We don't need to wait for Christmas to see God. The work of God is all around us. Those blinded by sin "regain their sight." People overcome backgrounds of poverty and violence to make world-changing contributions. Addicts grow and heal. Truth is spoken, and people listen. Let's pray for the grace to see God's movement in our lives this week. How have you seen the work of God?



This Week

Masses as Scheduled

Sunday, December 15

Speaker, Tim Muldoon, 10:15AM,
Café Julia, St. Julia Parish
Center

4th Grade Bake Sale, 10:00AM,
St. Julia Parish Center

Christmas Pops, 3:00PM, St. Julia
Parish Center

Friday, December 20

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

ALL ARE INVITED!!

Please join us for a Christmas Coffee on Sunday, December



15th at St. Joseph House following the 7:30 and 10:30 Masses

* Bring the children to create a special craft

Christmas pageant rehearsal will be Wednesday December 18th at 5 pm at St Julia's Church, Weston.

Dear Friends,
Saint Julia's Grand Annual Appeal contributions have now reached a little less than half of our budgeted goal of \$300,000.00. I am very grateful to those who have already responded to help provide for our parish's financial stability. The Grand Annual Appeal constitutes a significant part of the ordinary income necessary for our various ministries, utilities, property maintenance, salaries and evangelization efforts. I encourage all to assist our parish in meeting its fiscal obligations by generously contributing to our Grand Annual Appeal. Copies of our 2019 Financial Report are available at the entrances of our churches. Thank you to all who help and support our parish in so many ways!

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 14/15, 2019

MASS INTENTIONS And Prayers Requested

Sun., Dec. 15	12:00PM	Pierre Forgacs
Mon., Dec. 16	7:00AM	Ruth Donahue
Thurs., Dec. 19	7:00AM	Charles & Eunice Callahan

CONFESSORS: December 21 Fr. Mahoney
December 28 Fr. Mahoney

THE CHRISTMAS POPS CONCERT AND SING ALONG

will be held Sunday, December 15th at 3pm in the Parish Hall. Please join us to celebrate the spirit of Christmas through song and music.



This year we will be featuring Alexandra Whitfield, soprano, and John Egan, viola.

This is a wonderful program for all ages. Everyone welcome!
Refreshments will be served.



4TH GRADE BAKE SALE TODAY AFTER THE 9am MASS. PLEASE STOP BY!!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27
 Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17
 Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25
 Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25
 Friday: Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38
 Saturday: Sg 2:8-14/Lk 1:39-45
 Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

DECEMBER 22

First Reading: Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel. (Is 7:14)

Psalm: Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory. (Ps 24)

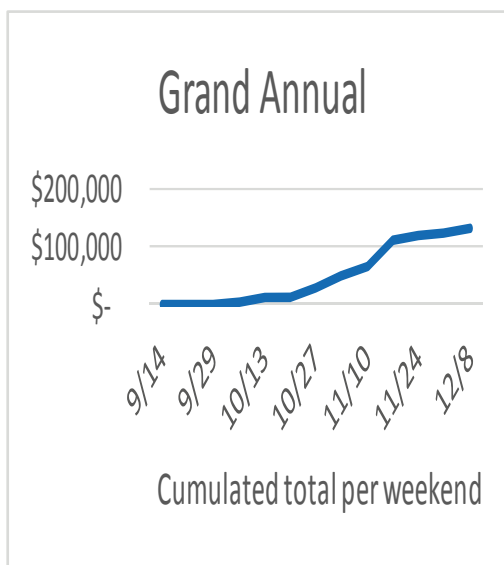
Second Reading: Through him we have received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith. (Rom 1:5a)

Gospel: “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus.” (Mt 1:20b-21a)



SUPPORTING OUR PARISH'S MISSION

Weekend of Dec. 7/8 [\$2,167 in 58 Envelopes]	\$6,193
Weekend of 11/30/12/1 [\$1,881 in 59 Envelopes]	\$7,028
Weekend of Nov. 23/24 [\$1,890 in 55 Envelopes]	\$10,412
Weekend of Nov. 16/17 [\$2,077 in 51 Envelopes]	\$5,521
July 7—Dec 8 <i>Includes Mail-Ins</i>	\$125,636
Online Giving Total <i>July 7—Dec 1</i>	\$77,289
Grand Total	\$202,925
Y-T-D Offertory Avg	\$8,822
Budgeted Total for FY20	\$440,000
Budgeted Avg/Wk	\$8,462
Grand Annual Budget	\$300,000
Grand Annual Received to Date	\$129,807





GRADES 1-6

Upcoming Events:

December 15: Grade 4 Hosts 9:00 Family Mass and Café Julia—the students in Grade 4 and at least one parent are to meet in the Parish Center Kitchen at 8:15, to start setting up for Café Julia. More details will be mailed out to Grade 4 families.

December 15/16: Classes

SAVE THE DATE! The Christmas Pageant Rehearsal will be on **Wednesday, December 18, at 5:00 pm**. The Pageant will take place during the homily at the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass. Details to follow!

December 22/23 and 29/30: No classes

Did you know...

That there are only nine more days left to Advent? Here are some ways to spend the rest of your “waiting” time:



Third Sunday of Advent

Start making a comfortable bed for Baby Jesus! Every time you do something kind and loving for someone else, you place a piece of straw (strips of paper works as well) on the manger where Baby Jesus will lie on Christmas Eve. The more good deeds you do, the softer his bed will be!

Make a list of ways to be a better Christian, such as help a family member with something, or read a Bible Story, or donate food to the food pantry, or visit an elderly person with cookies and conversation. Put each idea on a piece of paper, and put those papers in a jar. Every morning, pull out a piece of paper, and do that idea!

Learn the words to “Come, All Ye Faithful”, and “Joy to the World”, so you can sing them at Mass at Christmas!

4. Think about Jesus every day!!



Please note the photographs of the children sponsored by St Julia's families displayed on the wall leading upstairs in the parish center.



4th Graders are sponsoring a bake sale after the 9 O' Clock Mass this weekend and they chose NPH as the recipients for funds raised.

The deposit due date for our parish trip to the Dominican Republic during the Public school vacation is December 20th. What an amazing Christmas gift for a young person to receive!!

Please consider this life changing immersion experience as your family plans the New year

Take a look at the Bristol Lodge packing crew. Great effort by all who help out at Bristol Ledge!!!! Thanks!



CHRISTMAS COLLECTION: CLERGY HEALTH & RETIREMENT TRUST—At all Christmas Masses, the only collection taken will be to support the retirement, medical and financial needs of the active and senior priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. Thank you in advance for your generosity. For more information visit www.clergyfunds.org.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: If you would like to donate a Poinsettia in memory of loved ones, **in Lincoln**, please place their names in an envelope with an offering of \$15.00. Envelopes marked “Christmas Flowers, St. Joseph” may be placed in the collection basket or in the collection box at the entrance of the church. Please make the checks payable to St. Julia Parish.



In Weston: The provided envelope can be used to make Christmas Flower donations of any amount.



In the months of October and November, we welcomed:

John Bennett Kinlan
Son of Robert & Kate

Charlotte Marley Bernard
Daughter of James & Brittany

Nolan Gottschalk Bail
Son of Andrew & Catherine

Connor Ryan Dern
Son of Ryan & Michelle



**St. Julia Parish
Christmas Mass Schedule**

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24

4:00 PM in St. Julia Church with pageant

4:00 PM in St. Julia Parish Center Hall

6:00 PM in St. Joseph Church

8:00PM in St. Julia Church with choir
[Music beginning at 7:30PM]

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25

7:30AM, St. Joseph Church

9:00AM, St. Julia Church

10:30AM, St. Joseph Church

12:00PM, St. Julia Church

No 5:00PM Mass on Christmas Day



Thank you for returning so many Christmas gifts for SVdP families and children in Dorchester. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU FROM NPH USA

We cannot begin to thank the St. Julia’s community enough for ensuring our children have hope for a brighter future. We are touched beyond words that we have achieved our goal of finding 30 new sponsors who are providing ongoing support to children in need and allowing these 30 children to break the cycle of poverty from which they come! On behalf of our children, thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Tempie Thompson, Elizabeth Caletka, & Casey Rector
NPH USA Team, Mid/Atlantic/Northeast Region



NPH International