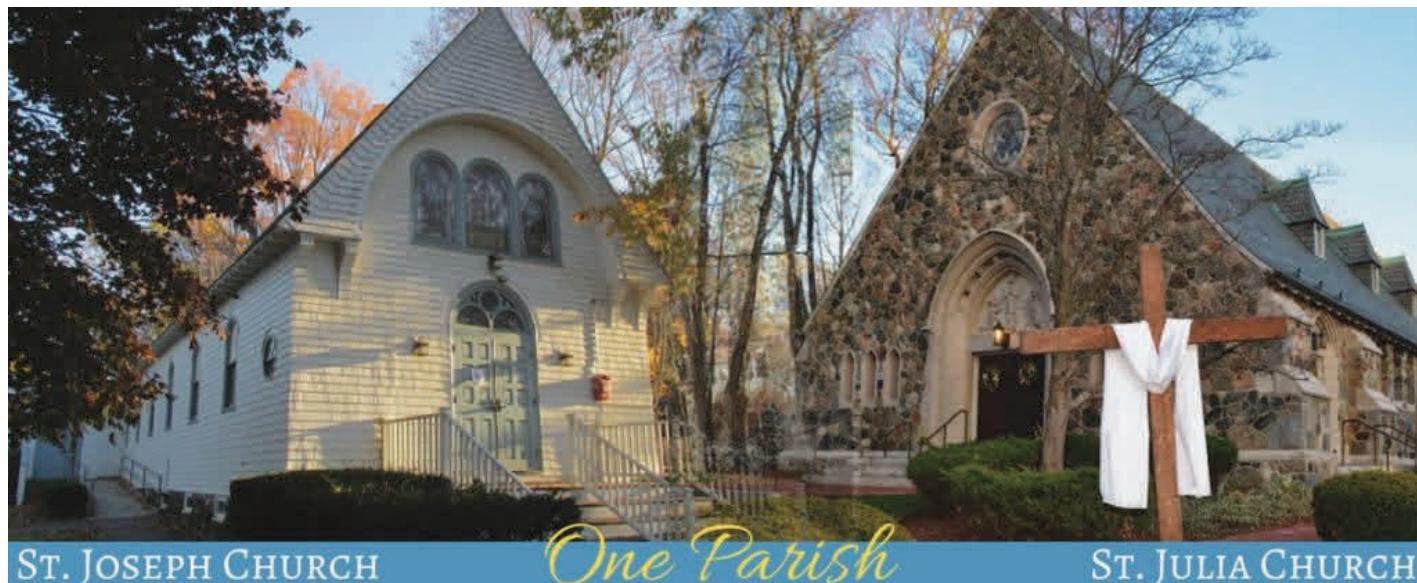


ST. JULIA PARISH



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
142 LINCOLN ROAD LINCOLN, MA

MARCH 1, 2020

ST. JULIA CHURCH
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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Find us on Facebook at: "Saint Julia Parish - Weston & Lincoln" and on Instagram at: "St Julia Parish".

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.

EUCCHARIST AND VISITS TO THE SICK

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

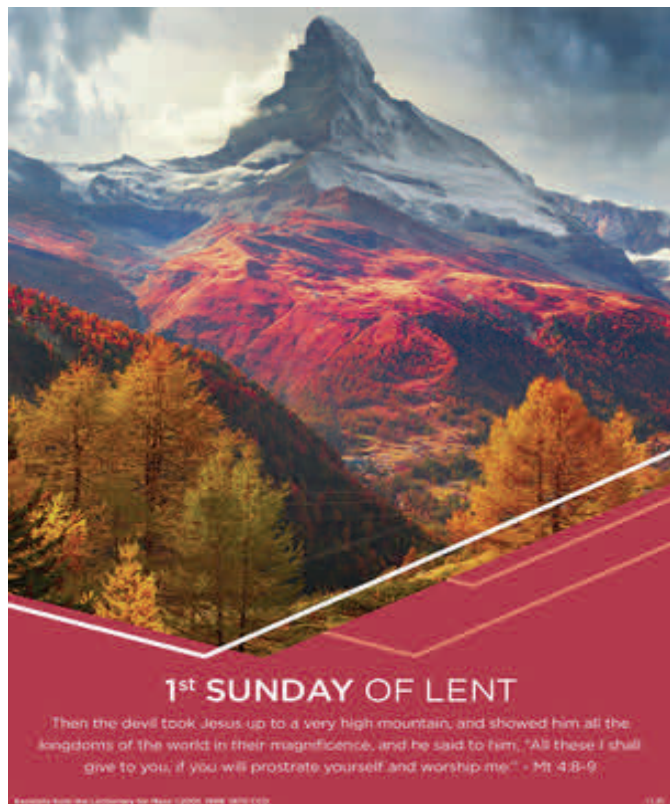
ROSARY IN ST JULIA CHURCH:

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**.



1st SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Life can easily spin us out of control. While there are so many wonderful opportunities before us, we can also get easily distracted and exhausted. There is always something to do, respond to, or check. The clutter of our lives can take us off course, and the best remedy for getting back on track is the experience of the desert. Here we can face our demons square on, resist them, and get back on course. We desperately need the season of Lent. This simple time of year forces us into greater awareness and grounds us in what is good and true.

What weighs you down and keeps you trapped? Maybe you are trying to do too much and please too many people. It could be that your fragile self-image is always pushing you to prove yourself and find success. Anxiety and worry, ultimately due to a lack of faith, can quickly tempt you with despair. It could be that you are listening to too many voices and allowing all of the negativity that is present erode the genuine goodness in your heart and in all of God's creation. Or maybe you struggle too much with fear. Perhaps so much so that you are far too preoccupied with your own agenda and goals and left with little psychological or spiritual room to consider and respond to the plight of your neighbor. Do anger, bitterness, stubbornness, and hatred have homes in your heart? How about greed, gluttony, pride, apathy, or lust?

For many, their passions and what can be found on the internet are their downfall, and they are robbed of their inner life and freedom. What is it, specifically, that tempts you away from a childlike trust in God? Define this and use the next few weeks to allow God to chart you a course away from them. Silence, being alone, grace, honesty, struggle, tears, and dryness are all found in the desert. You will also find God and your true self in this holy place. Ready to go?



This Week

Masses as Scheduled

Wednesday, March 4

"The Light is On", 6:30PM,
St. Julia Church

Thursday, March 5

Lenten Lecture Series, 10AM,
St. Julia Parish Hall

Friday, March 6

Adoration, 9:30-10:30AM, St. Joseph
Church; 12:00 Noon—1PM,
St. Julia Church

Sunday, March 8

JustFaith Ministries, 6PM, St. Julia
Parish Center

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 29/MARCH 1, 2020

MASS And Prayers Requested INTENTIONS

We pray for Robert Watral, Sr. and Laura Raffo,
whose funerals were celebrated recently.

Sun., March 1	9:00AM	Dr. John & Ann Wells
Fri., March 6	9:00AM	Raymond Dunn
Sat., March 7	4:00PM	Eugene Balerna

CONFESSORS: March 7 Fr. Mahoney
March 14 Fr. Mahoney



Please join us for a
**St. Patrick's
Coffee**

**St. Joseph
House, Lincoln**

March 15th following
the 7:30 & 10:30 Masses

Food  **Friendship**  **Fun !!**
(and crafts for the kiddos)

The World Day of Prayer, with input from the
women of Zimbabwe will be held on Friday
march 6th at the Methodist Church in Weston at
11.30am. All are welcome

Dear Friends,

Saint Julia's Grand Annual Appeal contribu-
tions have now reached more than two-thirds
of our budgeted goal of \$300,000.00. I am
very grateful to those who have already re-
sponded to help provide for our parish's fi-
nancial 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 as-
sist our parish in meeting its fiscal obliga-
tions 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!

With gratitude,
Fr. Mark



**American
Red Cross**

To all our
parishioners
who donated
blood at our
recent St.
Julia Parish

community blood drive, **THANK YOU!** The
drive was a success.

There were **22** registered donors, **1** deferral
and **23** units of blood collected along
with **1** first-time donor. The next blood drive
will be in August. Please watch the bulletin
for details as the time approaches.

LENT
prayer • fasting • almsgiving

READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16/Mt 7:7-12
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
 Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

MARCH 8

First Reading: "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you." (Gn 12:2a)

Psalms: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33)

Second Reading: He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design. (2 Tm 1:9a)

Gospel: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." (Mt 17:5b)



PRAYING FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS AT ST JULIA PARISH

Betsy, Cheryl, David, George, Jane, Linda, Pat, Semima, Susan, Tom.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

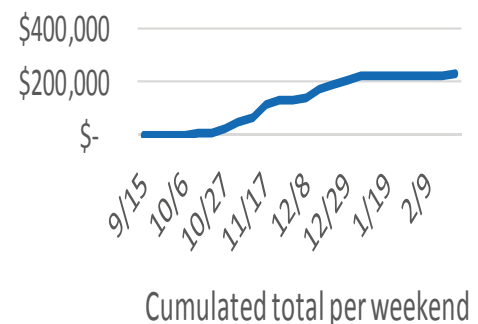
Abstinence -- Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent**. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used at all.

Fast -- Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH'S MISSION

Weekend of Feb. 22/23 [\$2,541 in 59 Envelopes]	\$4,831
Weekend of Feb. 15/16 [\$1,734 in 47 Envelopes]	\$6,712
Weekend of Feb. 8/9 [\$1,840 in 49 Envelopes]	\$4,875
Weekend of Feb. 1/2 [\$1,857 in 47 Envelopes]	\$5,765
Church in Latin America	\$1,576
July 7—Feb 23 <i>Includes Mail-Ins</i>	\$186,310
Online Giving Total <i>July 7—Feb 23</i>	\$94,588
Grand Total	\$280,899
Y-T-D Offertory Avg	\$8,261
Budgeted Total for FY20	\$440,000
Budgeted Avg/Wk	\$8,300
Grand Annual Budget	\$300,000
Grand Annual Received to Date	\$225,069

Grand Annual





GRADES 1-6

Upcoming Events:

March 1/2: Classes Grades 1-6

March 8/9: Classes Grades 1-6

View of Judean desert from the top of Masada.



Did you know...that the desert that Jesus wandered in for forty days is called the Judean desert? It can get very cold in the desert at night (@ 40 degrees) and very hot

during the day (it was 113 degrees when I visited this past June!) We do not know what time of the year Jesus actually spent time in the desert, but besides being hungry, at times he was probably very warm and very cold! There are some animals that live in the desert. We saw these Ibex wandering near the road as we traveled to Jericho.



There are few shrubs, insects and small desert animals, with some small brooks passing through parts of the desert. For the most part, it is very rocky and sandy, with an occasional olive tree or coconut tree found miles apart. Any human being would be easily tempted to do whatever it takes to eat something delicious after 40 days of fasting, dry heat, and cold, dark nights. Jesus has showed us over and over again that being faithful to God brings far better benefits than succumbing to evil. This Lent, we are to practice saying "No!" to any of our bad habits, finding ways to turn away from evil, and instead turning to the will of God.

Pray to Jesus daily, asking him to help you with this plan. Then practice daily!!



Curious about what JustFaith Ministries programs can bring to your community? Learn more about how over 50,000 people and 1,500 churches and communities have answered the call to compassion and participated in the JustFaith experience.

Bring a friend and join us for a dynamic and inspiring conversation to learn more with JustFaith Ministries founder Jack Jezreel, M.Div., who is a nationally known speaker in the area of Social Justice and our Church.

Tools for Transformation

Sunday, March 8 6:00-6:30 pm Social Time
6:30-8:00 pm Program
St. Julia Parish Center

For further information, contact Colm at cmcgarry@stjulia.org.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION—March 7th: 8AM Mass in St. Julia Church, Litany + Rosary, Movie and Refreshments in the Parish Center Conference Room. This year we will be showing the movie, "Fatima: A Message of Hope" 100th Anniversary Special Edition. All are welcome. Contact Carol Wells for more information. 617-538-4610.



Small Groups are one of the primary ways our parish evangelizes by reaching out to others for faith sharing and to grow closer to Jesus in the context of a small community. They take place in people's homes and in the parish center.

Sacrament of Reconciliation every **Wednesday evening** from 6.30pm to 8pm at St Julia's Church. All are welcome.

Fr Bob Braunreuther will lead us in an examination of the main **documents of Vatican II**. Every **Thursday morning in lent**, 10am - 11.30am (exception of March 12th) If you have an extra copy of the council documents and wouldn't mind if participants used them for lent please drop them off in the Faith Formation office.

March 8th at 6pm when JustFaith Ministries founder Jack Jezreel M.Div will lead a dynamic discussion about answering the call to compassion in the JUst Faith Experience. Join us in the Parish Hall

March 20th, Mass at St Julia's Church at 7pm and a Healing service with Frank Kelly. Frank is a very popular speaker and his Ministry has touched the hearts of many in Boston and beyond.

Frank will also be at St Mary's Church in Waltham on March 11th at 7pm for a similar service.

March 27th Friday evening Soup and Stations at St Julia's Church at 6pm . Join us after the Stations to enjoy some delicious soups in the Parish Center.

March 29th 1015AM in the parish hall: Cafe Julia Speaker is Marjean Perhot from Catholic Charities who will provide an update about the refugee families supported by the community here at St Julia's and the future of this important program.

April 4th at 3pm Special event featuring the talents of our own Mara Bonde with Brian Moll in accompaniment. Also including Monson Solomon's Jazz band for an afternoon of music, song, dancing and food. Proceeds will benefit Fr Richard Odour and the charity ROTA "Reaching out to Africa". Save the Date!