

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 25, 2022

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 24- 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, September 25 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, September 25 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's  
Bertha Gonet by Pat Gale & family**

Sunday, September 25 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Monday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent

Thursday - 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, October 1- 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, October 2 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, October 2 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's  
Roy & Beverly Bushey by Steve & Barbara White**

Sunday, October 2 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

**September 18 weekly collection: \$803**

**Second Collection This Week: Catholic Schools**

### PRAY FOR SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Philip Lefebvre, Thomas Lupaczyk, Chris Scott, Mark Hanks, Kate Nicholson, Maryann Robinson, Marguerite Pouliot, Raymond Emond, Janet Clark, Marie Quader, Trey Niles, Sandy Kulvete, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Anne Marie Beliveau, Alicia Wieszorek, Emma Blais, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc... and all those affected by the Corona virus.

*Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.*

### PRAY THE ROSARY

Come to church 30 minutes before Mass to join in praying the Rosary each Sunday.

### MASS INTENTIONS

To schedule a Mass in memory of a loved one, an anniversary or special intention, see Pat Gale after Mass or call the Rectory at 978-939-5588 and leave a message.

### CCD CLASSES

Please contact Elizabeth Schroeder at [hcchurchet@gmail.com](mailto:hcchurchet@gmail.com) or at (978) 413-8833 with any questions.

### NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

*Get more out of Sunday Mass, by reading ahead...*

October 2, 2022 - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**HEBREWS 1:2-3, 2:2-4 • 2 TIMOTHY 1:6-8, 13-14 • LUKE 17: 5-10**

### FEAST OF ST. THERESE MASS IN GARDNER

Annunciation Parish will host a Mass of the Roses in honor of the Feast of St. Therese on Saturday October 1st at 9 a.m. in Ho-ly Rosary Church 135 Nichols St. Gardner. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Thiago Ibiapina, who will share a first class Relic of St. Therese. All are welcomed to bring a rose to be blessed and touch the Relic.

### DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RETREAT

All 6-8th graders are invited to sign up for the Diocesan Middle School Retreat on October 28-30 at Prindle Pond in Charlton, MA. Don't miss out on this amazing weekend! The retreat will include fun & games, exploring the outdoors, dynamic music, inspiring talks/witnesses from the Diocesan high school Discipleship Team, Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, and Mass! To get the full details or to sign up a group, go to [neworchester.org/middle-school-retreat](http://neworchester.org/middle-school-retreat). Deadline to sign up is Oct. 7.

### WORD OF LIFE

"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'" USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

### DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY MASS

Bishop Robert J. McManus will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, Oct. 23 at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Worcester. This liturgy of thanksgiving honors couples who are marking significant anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, etc.) this year. A light reception will follow downstairs in the Cenacle. Family and friends are welcome! Couples wishing to attend should pre-register no later than October 12. To register, visit [www.worcesterdiocese.org/wedding-anniversary-mass](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/wedding-anniversary-mass), or call the Office of Marriage and Family at 508-929-4311.

### 2022 DIOCESAN CELEBRATE PRIESTHOOD

The Diocese of Worcester will hold the 9th Annual Celebrate Priesthood – Taste of the Diocese Gala on Thursday, Oct. 20, at St. Paul Diocesan Jr./ Sr. High School. Watch for notices on how you can support this important fundraiser for Priests' Retirement with sponsorships, program book ads, food tables and tickets. Visit [worcesterdiocese.org](http://worcesterdiocese.org).

*Abraham replied,  
'My child, remember that you received what was good  
during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received  
what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas  
you are tormented. — Lk 16:25*



### ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN

All are invited to join the annual Life Chain, Rain or Shine on Sunday, Oct. 2 from 2:00 - 3:30 pm. This event of peaceful, prayerful witness to the sacredness of human life is held annually on Respect Life Sunday across the nation. Life Chain stations will be located at Elm Park/Highland St. and at Denny's Restaurant on Lincoln St. in Worcester and at White City Plaza in Shrewsbury. Signs will be available at the local Life Chain stations. For more information, contact Joe Godek at 508-614-5971.

### 120 CLUB

Last Week's Winner was #9, Jim Alie (the boys). There are open numbers available. If you would like to join this parish fund-raiser, please speak to Linda Columbus.

### TEMPLETON FOOD PANTRY

Donations of non-perishable foods may be brought to church any Sunday, and will be delivered to the pantry. **Current needs include Taco Kits, Italian dressing, jelly, laundry detergent, dish liquid, and mayonnaise. Grocery store gift cards and cash donations are always appreciated.** Thank you to all who continue to contribute to the Pantry to help our neighbors in need.

The Templeton Food Pantry is located at the rear of the Templeton Senior Community Center, off Bridge Street in Baldwinville. It's open from 9 am - noon on Tuesdays; noon - 3 pm and 5 - 7 pm on Thursdays; and from noon - 3 pm on Saturdays. Anyone in need of food is welcome to visit this community resource

### PARISH LIST UPDATE

At this time each year, we update our parishioner list, including information for our weekly parish envelopes. St. Martin's envelopes are prepared for the full year, so this is your opportunity to ensure that we have correct information on your envelopes. If you would like to be added to the parish list, or update your information, please speak to Pat Gale by September 25.

### DIOCESAN CATHOLIC SCOUT RETREAT

All Catholic Scouts are invited to join us for the Diocesan Catholic Scouting Retreat on Saturday, November 12, 2022 at the North American Martyrs in Auburn, MA. Join us for a day of fun, faith, and fellowship with other scouts from around the Diocese of Worcester. The theme is Exploring Our Faith Journey Through Scouting. The retreat will run from 9am-5:30pm (check-in begins 8am) and will include a light continental breakfast, lunch, keynote speakers, various activities, prayer, Adoration, confessions, and Mass.

The retreat is open to youth ages 10 and up from Scouts BSA, Girl Scouts, and American Heritage Girls. Cost to attend is \$25/person. To sign up, go to the following link: [neworchester.org/scouting](http://neworchester.org/scouting).

### PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY

Saturday ~ October 15, 2022

12 Noon at the Uptown Common, Main Street, Athol  
For more info, call Cora at: 978-249-9569 or 978-857-8306



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#### Rosary

30 minutes before Sunday Mass

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

During this pandemic, please contact the rectory at Holy Cross Church, 978-632-2121, for an appointment

#### Sacrament of Christian Marriage

Plans may be made by contacting the Pastor at least one year prior to the intended wedding date.

#### Ministry to the Sick and Elderly

Please notify us when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized so that we may visit the confined person and offer the sacraments of the Church.

#### Parish Registration

If you are new to the area, we welcome you to join our parish family. Please introduce yourself after Mass and register in the parish. We want to know and serve you.