

St. André Bessette Parish
Star of the Sea Church  *St. Joseph Church*
Salisbury *Amesbury*

October 20, 2024



Photo: Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P.

30TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Mark 10:52



St. André Bessette Parish

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St. Joseph Church Amesbury, MA Star of the Sea Church Salisbury, MA

October 2024

Dear faithful parishioners and friends,

Here I come once again, knocking at your door seeking your help. Your generosity towards the **Grand Annual** has kept our parish in the black these last few years. I thank you for your support in these difficult financial times.

In the last few months, we have incurred several unexpected bills:

- At St. Joseph Church, large chunks of falling plaster required a lift with repairs for \$4,700.
- At Star of the Sea Town Church, we needed to remove more asbestos and test air quality for \$14,000.
- At St. Joseph's Rectory, the cast iron sewage pipes were leaking and needed to be replaced for \$4,500.

None of these items were on our budget. All our revered buildings are old and need attention. We are grateful to past generations for their achievements and our stewardship is for the next generation.

Last week, I met with an architect and building engineers to plan for a new heating system at St. Joseph's Church. The money pledged from the "Inspiring Hope Campaign" is in a restricted account to help us with this project. Unfortunately, more funds will be required to complete this necessary heating project.

Your Finance Council and I have looked at all the bills. There is one bill that stands out and it is the fire insurance for our six buildings. The bill is \$93,756. Our faith calls us to trust in God and to be prudent. Just as you need home insurance coverage, we likewise need fire insurance. All six of our buildings are worth millions of dollars and on our own we would not be able to rebuild.

Being uninsured is not an option.

The Grand Annual collection at Star of the Sea has for years been held in July and at St. Joseph's Church, in October. The annual fire insurance bill covers all six buildings, the three churches along with the Parish Center, Rectory and Hall in Amesbury. Both communities utilize these buildings.

The goal for Star of the Sea is \$30,000. To date we have collected \$17,564. Thank you.

The goal for St. Joseph's Church is \$63,756.

Please pray and ask the Lord for guidance on what a fair donation would be. I too have prayed and have made a \$400 donation. Anyone who gives more than your pastor will be invited to a special reception at the Rectory in November.

Your past generosity leads me to believe we will reach our goal. Thank you!

Peace and blessings to your family.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald Abner".



**All Saints Day
Holy Day of Obligation
Friday November 1,**

Masses will be celebrated at:
**9:00 a.m. - Star of the Sea
7:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Church**

**Service of Remembrance
Sunday, November 3, 7:00 p.m.
at St. Joseph Church**

There will be a Service of Remembrance to acknowledge all who have died this past year at both Churches. This special service is not a Mass but a moving prayer experience!
Come remember you family and friends who have died during this past year.

Book of Remembrance

Book of Remembrance will be available at both Churches for you to inscribe the names of your loved ones who have died. If you have printed their names in the book previously, they will be remembered once again this year.
If you wish to bring in a picture (4x6) of a loved who has died, we will display them during the month of November near the altar.

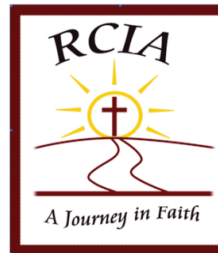


**Remember
Daylight Savings Ends
Sunday, November 3rd!
Turn your clocks back
on Saturday night!**

RCIA - RITE OF CATHOLIC INITIATION OF ADULTS

Do you know someone who may be seeking a relationship with Jesus in the Catholic Church? Tell them about RCIA—

What is the RCIA Journey?



- ♦A journey for those who have never be baptized
- ♦♦They were baptized in another faith and would like to inquire about the Catholic Faith
- ♦♦♦OR, they are baptized Catholic but have never finished their initiation.

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For more information, please call Chris Moore at (978)815-4341

**A SPECIAL REQUEST FROM DIANA and the
FAITH FORMATION TEAM**



Our Faith Formation Program is requesting a variety of food snacks and drinks. Snacks that are individually packaged and small bottles of water or juices, which will be handed out **bi-weekly** to approximately ninety to hundred children while attending classes.

Contributions can be dropped off at the parish office during the week Please contact Diana with any inquiries.

**Your support and generosity
is very much appreciated.**



PRAY OF PEACE



MILITARY FAMILY OUTREACH
*Please remember in your prayers
the men and women of our parishes
who are serving our country.*

- SSGT Ben Dignard, USAF, & wife Aurora
- 1LT Nicholas Fortuna, US Army National Guard
- SGT Keagan Gorman, USMC
- SPC Zachary Zbierajewski, US Army
- SSG Heath Coburn, US Army
- TSGT Meaghan Zieske, USAF
- CAPT William Austin, US Army
- SGT Jonathan Krafton, US Air National Guard
- CAPT Olyia Bashaw, USAF
- 1LT Mark C. Bashaw, US Army
- SGT Nicholas Everett, US Army Reserves
- GM Cody Russell Morin, US Navy
- 2LT Evan King USMC
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- SGT Anthony J. Tomkiewicz Jr., USMC
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- SGT Alec V. Salzer, US Army
- PFC Matthew DiBona, US Army
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- PFC Joseph Desprez, US Army

Heavenly Father, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick in our Parish
May the Spirit of Christ renew the gift of life within them and bring healing to their minds, body and spirit.

- Pat Ponticelli, Edward Kelleher, Paul Palen, Hannah M., James Blood, Carole Young, Brian Donahue, Julio Folgar, Jennifer Campano, Joan Ferraro, Armand Hyatt, Sandra & Cliff Buttry, Jeanine Fowler, Paula Klein, Patrick Willwerth, Sue James, Evelyn Gebala, Michele Langford, Donna & Frank O'Neil, Sue Roy, Deacon Chuck Hall, Linda Graham, Renee Fowler, Linda Follansbee, Matthew Specht

*St. André Bessette...Pray for us
Pray for us...St. André Bessette*



PRAYING FOR OUR FUTURE PRIESTS

Please include in your prayers, an Archdiocese of Boston seminarian by name every day and at every Mass.



Seminarian:

- Sunday, October 27 - Deacon Dong Huy Pham
- Monday, October 28 - Deacon Edward Rodriguez
- Tuesday, October 29 - Deacon Mateus Martin
- Wednesday, October 30 - Daniel Waldron
- Thursday, October 31 - Ulises Diaz
- Friday, November 1 - Deacon George Bastedo
- Saturday, November 2 - Deacon Vincenzo Caruso



**Knights of Columbus
Tootsie Roll Drive**



The Knight of Columbus Council 16437 will be Holding their **Tootsie Roll Drive** after Mass on

October 26 & 27

at Star of the Sea Town Church



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE**

**ST. ANDRÉ PARISH
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FOOD DRIVE: NOVEMBER 2-3

On the first weekend of the month, please bring a bag or two of groceries when you come to Mass, and place at the main entrances to one of our churches. Cereal; juice boxes; vegetable, fruit, tuna, and chicken canned goods; as well as snacks for kids; and personal care products for families are all needed.

"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat..."

Matt. 25:35

Village of Church Fairs

The 27th annual Village of Church Fairs is just around the corner and **we need your help**. It will be held **Saturday Nov. 2nd, 2024, 9am-3pm, Set up Nov. 1st.**

Jewelry-Marcella Nichols 978-388-2530

(drop-off at parish office and we need help sorting the jewelry. Please call Marcella or Kliggie)

Knitting-Paula Klein 508-361-6590 (after 4:00 p.m.) (In need of new knitted items example baby outfits, mittens, hats, scarfs, sweaters, afghans, etc..)

Candy-Terry Beecroft 603-498-4535

(looking for Fudge as well as candy donations especially Thanksgiving and Christmas themed)

Holiday crafts-Ann Cote 978-388-0772

General Store-Karen Iworsky 978-388-3374;

(potpourri booth of new and homemade items)

Bakery-Kathy Quinn 978-504-1811 or Annmary Connor 978-388-8295

(cakes, pies, breads, cookies and more)

Grannie's Attic-Laurie Driscoll 978-388-6168 or Marie Packer 978-388-3378 (drop-offs closed)

Country Store Basket Raffles- Lynne Terry 603-475-2057 or email lterry0914@gmail.com

(looking for monetary donations or specific items for theme baskets)

Volunteers and work schedule-Kliggie 978-388-0459 (We need your help)

Santa's Workshop will be open!

With everyone's help, the Fair will be a success; we are so blessed and grateful for your continued support! Thank-you!!

Kliggie & Karen Iworsky Co-chairs - Smile

St Andre Bessette Parish
27th Annual Village of Church Fairs



COME TO THE FAIR
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND
9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

BASKET RAFFLE, SANTA'S RAFFLE
FOOD, CRAFTS
SANTA'S WORKSHOP
CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOPPING AND MORE...
FUN FOR ALL



St. André Bessette

Combined Weekly Offertory

Star of the Sea and St. Joseph Churches

Saturday / Sunday October 12-13, 2024

Offertory

99 Envelopes:	\$3,608.00
Loose:	\$1,536.20
Online Giving	<u>\$1,693.40.</u>
Total:	\$6,837.60

Second Collection - Evangelization

Envelopes & Loose:	\$1,011.68
Online Giving	<u>\$ 0</u>
Total:	\$1,011.68

Additional Grand Annual - \$400.00

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Upcoming 2nd Collections

October 27 - Grand Annual—St. Joseph's

November 3 - Evangelization

November 10 - Parish Projects

November 17 - Retired Religious Sisters

Star of the Sea Grand Annual



This is an **ongoing collection** and there are yellow envelopes located on the tables at the back and side doors of the church. Place the envelope with your donation in the weekend collection basket or mailed to the parish office, 11 Sparhawk St., Amesbury, MA. Thank you. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

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WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS - 2024

Saturday, October 26

4:00 pm St. Joseph - Leo J. Pouliot

6:00 pm Star of the Sea - Joseph Walsh

Sunday, October 27

8:00 am Star of the Sea - Robert Patrick Reilly

9:30 am St. Joseph - Rose & Frank McGloin

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS - 2024

Monday, October 28

9:00 am St. Joseph - Gloria Nowlton

Tuesday, October 29

9:00 am Star of the Sea - Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday, October 30

9:00 am St. Joseph - Robert A. Gonthier Sr.

Saturday, November 2

4:00 pm St. Joseph - Margaret Quinn & Susan Quinn Yelle

6:00 pm Star of the Sea - Phillip Callahan

Sunday, November 3

8:00 am Star of the Sea - Joseph Loughlin

9:30 am St. Joseph - Arlene Mooers

Monday, November 4

9:00 am St. Joseph - Gloria Nowlton

Tuesday, November 5

9:00 am Star of the Sea -

Wednesday, November 6

9:00 am St. Joseph - Marie Bernier



St. Joseph Church, October 2024

In Memory

Host & Wine

Gloria Walker
By the Kligerman Family

Sanctuary Candle

Paulette L. Doucette
By the Doucette & Trudelle Family



Star of the Sea Church, October 2024

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