

YOUTH MINISTRY

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Patron Saints

St. Winifred- Feast day - November 3rd was according to legend, the daughter of a wealthy resident of Tegeingl, Flintshire, Wales, and the sister of St. Beuno. She was most impressed by Beuno, was supposedly beheaded when she refused to submit to Caradog, had her head restored by Beuno, and sometime later, became a nun of the convent of a double monastery at Gwytherin in Denbigshire. She succeeded an Abbess Tenoy, as Abbess and died there fifteen years later. A spring supposedly springing up where Winifred's head fell, is called Holy Well or St. Winifred's Well and became a great pilgrimage center where many cures have been reported over the centuries. She is also known as Gwenfrewi. Her feast day is November 3 (anselm.edu).

Mustard Seed

As always, please keep our many volunteers in mind and help out if you can this month by donating to this ministry.

The Sounds of Music

Thanks to everyone for a truly enjoyable evening as we raised funds for our new organ and relocation project. Hopefully you



heard (I know it was not easy to hear in the back) the members of our Youth Ministry as they put on a really beautiful display of what they bring to the Mass when they are with us. The music at the event was provided by Amanda, Clara, Gabriella, Rebecca and Christopher on the piano. We look forward to incorporating more music from this group into our weekend masses as their schedule allows. As you may already know, Clara spends every other Sunday as cantor for the 7:30 am Mass and we are so pleased that she shares her gifts with our parish. We are truly blessed by the presence of this group in our parish and I ask that you keep these young adults in your prayers that they never lose interest in their faith and life of ministry. Thanks also to Bill, Alex and Dave for preparing and supporting them at this event.

This Christmas the youth will be providing all the music for our 4:30 PM Christmas Eve mass. We also plan to provide music prior to the service so feel free to arrive early. Practice is every Monday at 7 pm upstairs in the choir loft.

If you are interested in joining the Youth Ministry, we are always interested in finding new young Catholics to help guide our ministry in new directions. Even if you simply have an idea to share with us, feel free to stop in after 9 am mass or any Monday night at music practice (normally at 7 PM upstairs in the loft).



Mustard Seed and Year of Mercy

Please let Annie Doyle know if you want to see faith in action on a personal level. Saint George parish is a regular provider of free meals at the Mustard Seed in Worcester. If you volunteer, you will find yourself in the kitchen preparing a meal then serving the needy side by side with various youth from local schools, confirmation class, or our own Youth Ministry. If serving is not an option, simply take a card from the donations board and return the item to Annie as we gather food for each night we serve. This is a really great way to remind ourselves of all the blessings we have in our lives, no matter how hard they seem.

And don't forget this is the year of mercy so try and find a way to be merciful this month at the parish or elsewhere. Good luck!

NeWorcester suggests "Brainstorm ideas on your own, with family or friends. Get creative. Consider working with the poor and marginalized; they may even be within your family or neighborhood"

Deconstruction of our old organ

Ever wonder what the loft looks like after you remove the rather large organ? Well it is rather bare but allowed the contemporary group to relocate to the center of the building. This has been a nice change from being crammed into a corner and having to climb over chords every time we moved in our old setup. Mr. White



has done a tremendous job relocating the group to our new space. The deconstruction took just a few hours thanks to the labor provided by Alan (and the use of his truck). We can't wait to relocate to the new space but will miss the fact that we can show up in casual Sunday clothes when we are hidden upstairs.

Upcoming Events in Worcester and Beyond

Sunday, November 20th from 6:30-8 p.m. - Illuminate being held at St. Joseph Parish, 10 H. Putnam Ext., Charlton, MA. There will be praise & worship music, Eucharistic Adoration and an inspirational speaker (Fr. Eric Cadin). **THIS IS A FREE EVENT!**

NE Worcester Make Your Mark Event - PRAISE GOD - This event was a huge success as hundreds of youth from local parishes gathered at St. Peter Marian this past Sunday from 1-6 PM for an inspirational night of music and prayer. As you can see from the packed gymnasium there was a significant turnout for a Sunday afternoon and I hope you and your family can plan to attend one of the future events in the area.

