

1866

150th Anniversary

2016

St. John the Evangelist



Established 1866

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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Please introduce yourselves. We hope to know and serve you. We hope you become an active part of our Parish Community.

PASTOR

Rev. Richard E. Cannon

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Carol Zani, 1-6
Debbie Lysik, 7 & 8
Ken Lysik, 9 & 10

PARISH CENTER

Maureen Belger, Manager

ST. JOHN'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those that need a little help,
please call: **508-435-3313x207**

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 PM
8:00 and 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday - Wednesday & Friday 9:00 AM
No Mass on Thursday
Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 12 Noon
Please call for information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 8:30-9:15 AM in the lower church

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arranged at least 6 months in advance.

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

Brendan Kenney

PARISH "NEWS" DEADLINE

All copy must be submitted in writing no later than
Monday noon. (Holiday weeks may require a longer
lead time.)



He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed

at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" - Lk 4:21-22

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, February 7, 2016:
Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/ Ps 138:1-5, 7-8/ 1Cor 15:3-8, 11/ Lk 5:1-11

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

9:00 AM Florencio Reyes

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:00 AM Robert Bagley

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

2:15 PM Grade 6
4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5
7:00 PM Grade 9

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5
6:30 PM Grade 7

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

4:15 PM Grades 1 and 2

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

There will be a holy hour of Divine Mercy every Monday from 6:30-7:30PM in the lower church. All are welcomed.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Ash Wednesday.....February 10
Easter Sunday.....March 27
First Communions.....May 7, May 8, May 14
Ascension Thursday.....May 5
Confirmation (2 Masses).....April 30

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 9AM Mass in the lower church every Friday, beginning with the Litany to our Blessed Mother. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited at 11:45AM followed by Benediction. Please feel free to drop in for a visit.

Coffee Hour



St. John's parish family invites you to join us for coffee and conversation following the 10AM Mass hosted this Sunday by Catholic Radio.

Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed!

Please consider supporting one of the parish's community building activities, the St. John's Coffee Hour, by volunteering to host for just one Sunday morning. Specifically, we need volunteers to host Coffee Hour after the 10AM Mass between now and the middle of June. Coffee Hour volunteers can include individual families, groups of neighbors, community groups, parish ministries, religious education classes, and more. It is a simple process with easy step-by-step instructions. The parish provides the coffee and will reimburse you for the cost of donuts. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Janet Ceddia at jbcceddia@comcast.net/jcceddia@security-construction.com or 781-316-6359.



BLESSING OF SAINT BLASE

We will offer a Blessing of Throats **THIS** weekend after all the Masses for those who would like to participate.

ASH WEDNESDAY

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A Day of Fasting, A Day of Prayer

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8:00 AM	MASS & ASHES
12:10 PM	MASS & ASHES
4:30 PM	ASHES (no Mass)
7:00 PM	MASS & ASHES

All in the upper church

WEDNESDAY EVENING ROSARY

On Wednesday evenings at **6PM in the lower chapel**, the rosary will be offered. This will be held every Wednesday evening throughout the year. Please feel free to come on down, and don't be afraid to let your children join in. Rosary booklets will be made available for those who need a refresher in this beautiful Marian devotion.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated
8:30-9:15AM in the lower church
NEXT Saturday, February 6.



Rest in Peace

William J. Lazott

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish, please introduce yourself. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will support your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents. **Please call the Parish Office (435-3313x203) to register.**

Celebrating 150 Years as a Parish: Stories from Our Past

In the Boston Diocesan Archives in Braintree, by appointment, one can page through the volume of the "Episcopal Register" that covers the years 1865-1888. The register records, week by week, in a few terse, handwritten lines what were then significant events in the Archdiocese. Sometimes it is difficult to read the scrawl in blue ink. June 30, 1866: "The Rev. Thos. Barry of Milford is appointed pastor of Hopkinton, Ashland, Southville, Cordaville." That day Hopkinton became a parish. April 11, 1870: "Rev. Peter Menitti is appointed Pastor of Hopkinton and Southboro in place of Rev. Thos. Barry removed." Our second pastor. Nov. 4, 1872: "New Pastor in Hopkinton. Rev. J.P. Ryan late asst. in St. Joseph in Roxbury is appointed pastor of Hopkinton loco Rev. P. Menitti who has requested leave to return to Italy." Enter our beloved, third pastor who will build St. John the Evangelist and be buried there at the age of 36.

SEEKING PARISH CHOIR MEMBERS

Having just finished the glorious celebration of Christmas a few weeks ago, it seems hard to believe that it is already time to begin looking ahead to Lent, Holy Week, and Easter, but the Parish Choir has already begun preliminary rehearsals! We have just started to rehearse some truly excellent music, but we **cannot do it without you!** Although the choir has grown over the past months, we are still in need of additional voices. We are especially in need of lower-voiced men (Basses), and lower-voiced women (altos). Even if you do not regularly attend the 10AM Sunday Mass, you are welcome to join the choir for special occasions like Holy Week and Holy Day Masses. No prior experience is necessary. Please contact Brendan Kenney, Director of Music, by leaving a phone message or email with the Parish Office, or speak to him after the 5PM, 8AM, or 10AM Masses. You can also speak with any of our current choir members - or simply show up to rehearsal on **Thursdays, 7:30PM-9:00PM.** Thank you for considering your participation in this vital liturgical ministry.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest

The Knights of Columbus is holding its annual free throw competition on **Saturday, February 6, at 2PM** at Keefe Tech HS in Framingham. registration begins at 1:30PM. The competition is FREE and is open to all boys and girls between ages 9-14. Each participant will receive a T-shirt and certificate of participation. Trophies and medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for each age group for both boys and girls. First place winners advance to district finals and ultimately a chance to participate in state finals.



Middle School Youth Group (Gr. 6-8)

Watch the bulletin for upcoming events.

High School Youth Group (Gr. 9-12)

Youth Group Meeting

The next youth group meeting is **Sunday, January 31, at 7:15PM.** All are welcome.

HS Youth Ministry Annual Fundraiser

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, April 9, at 6PM

This is the one fundraiser the High School Youth Group does. The money helps defray costs to our students and chaperones for many of the various activities. **We are desperately seeking adult volunteers.** Please contact stjohnythmin@gmail.com.



WEATHER NOTICE



Any time the Hopkinton Public School District cancels school due to weather conditions, St. John's Religious Education Classes will also be canceled.

10TH GRADE CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Our 10th Grade Confirmation Retreat is **Saturday, February 6, from 10:45AM-5PM** at the Marian Center/Betania II in Medway, Mass. Every student and parent has received a letter with the details of the retreat. Please be prompt in arriving. Questions? Please contact Debbie at 435-3313x208 or dlysikstjn@verizon.net.

Please pray for our 95 10th grade Confirmation students who will be on retreat THIS Saturday, February 6.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Seventy children in grade two experienced God's loving mercy and forgiveness as they went to confession for the first time last weekend. They were joined by parents, some older siblings, their catechists, and even some grandparents, some of whom also went to confession. We congratulate them and their parents and catechists who spent the last four months helping them prepare for this joyful moment.

WE NEED YOUR BOTTLES & CANS!

World Youth Day

WEEKLY BOTTLE & CAN COLLECTION

Every Saturday 8AM-12Noon

@ Ice House Pond Depot, 50 West Main St.

Your donations benefit our parish youth who will be traveling to Krakow, Poland, for World Youth Day, July 2016, with our Holy Father, Pope Francis!

Last week we earned \$41.10. Please keep those bottles & cans coming! Thank you!

JANUARY 31, 2015

RENEW, RESTORE, REJOICE
St. John's Comprehensive Campaign

Thanks to everyone's generosity during Commitment Weekend and beyond, St. John's has raised \$1,001,000 towards this historic effort which is \$250,000 over our campaign goal of \$750,000! This is an incredible accomplishment for a parish that has not conducted a campaign in over a decade. We still have more to do though, as we have yet to receive a decision from EVERYONE at St. John's.

It is our hope that everyone in the parish will prayerfully consider making a contribution to the campaign. With each pledge received, we can complete these projects to address the needs of our parish today and prepare for future generations of St. John's parishioners. Please know that our goal for this campaign is not to simply raise money, but to also receive an informed decision from each and every parishioner. Please know that this is a 3-5 year commitment and families are able to begin their commitment after the New Year.

This initiative has been an exciting opportunity for St. John's. Please consider joining us in this historic and momentous effort as we want everyone to be a part of our achievement! If you would like more information, please contact St. John's Parish Office at 508-435-3313.

Sample Five-Year Gift Plans

Weekly Sacrifice	Monthly Sacrifice	Annual Sacrifice	Total Pledge
\$100	\$416	\$5,000	\$25,000 (5 years)
\$50	\$200	\$2,400	\$12,000 (5 years)
\$25	\$100	\$1,200	\$6,000 (5 years)
\$15 (\$2 a day)	\$60	\$720	(\$3,600 (5 years)

We are grateful for the leadership of our campaign committee in this endeavor. In addition to Father Cannon, please reach out to any one of these parishioners to ask questions you may have about the campaign and your participation.

Janet Ceddia
Peter Kniaz
Bill Maginnis
Grace Roche
Thomas Shambo
Paul and Denise St. Jean

Thank you to all of the generous donors!