

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.)



The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve."- Lk 4:6a, 7-8

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, February 21, 2016:  
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/ Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14/ Phil 3:20--4:1/  
Lk 9:28b-36

**Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, 13 FEBRUARY**

5:00 PM Anne Flaherty

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Michael Arena

6:30 PM Thomas Edward Coburn, III

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Steven Aitken



The Week Ahead

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14—**  
**WINTER VACATION BEGINS**  
**CLASSES WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

**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 welcome.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

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.

**NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY**

2nd collection **NEXT** weekend  
Parish Upkeep and Debt Reduction

**SOUP & STATIONS**

All are invited to join us in fellowship and a light meal followed by Stations of the Cross, every Friday evening during Lent. Soup, bread, and drinks are provided for adults, and a kid friendly meal is also provided. Join us at **6PM** in the Parish Center for the meal, and at **7PM** in the upper church for stations, as we engage in a Lenten pilgrimage to the Cross, with Jesus. Hosted by:  
February 12: The Anniversary Committee  
February 19: Eucharistic Ministers and Knights of Columbus  
February 26: Youth Ministry  
March 4: Music Ministry  
March 11: STATIONS ONLY at 7PM, no meal  
March 18: TESTAMENT

**A Lenten Mission on Living the Year of Mercy**

**Monday, March 7, through Wednesday, March 9**

St. John's will have a Lenten Mission on Living the Year of Mercy presented by Fr. Robert Lacombe of Providence. Mass will be at 7PM each evening with an opportunity for confession before and after each Mission. The topics discussed will be as follows:  
**MONDAY: Our Need for Sacramental Reconciliation and the Plenary Indulgence of this Extraordinary Jubilee Year.**  
**TUESDAY: Reflecting the Face of God's Mercy in the Corporal Works of Mercy.**  
**WEDNESDAY: Finding Opportunities to Practice the Spiritual Works of Mercy.**

**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.



**NEW HOURS**

**World Youth Day**

**WEEKLY BOTTLE & CAN COLLECTION**

**Every Saturday 10AM-2PM**

@ 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 \$100! Please keep those bottles & cans coming! Thank you!**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church **NEXT Saturday, February 20.**

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



### 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

Two years after he arrived in Hopkinton as our third pastor, Father Ryan, on July 1st 1874, officiated at the ground-breaking of Ashland's first church on Esty Street. According to St. Cecilia's 100th anniversary commemorative book, "He not only turned the first spadeful of soil but continued until he had uncovered a plot in the shape of a cross. It was a very happy day for the people." Mass was celebrated in the completed basement by Christmas of that year. For lack of funds, further work was suspended. By 1877, the Ashland mission was separated from Hopkinton and joined to South Framingham. Meanwhile, Fr. Ryan was busy raising funds and overseeing work at the quarry on Ash Street for the construction of what would become St. John the Evangelist of Hopkinton.

### WELCOME ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!!

Come join us for a **Night of Mercy** at the McGuire family home, 4 Huckleberry Road, Hopkinton, on **Saturday, February 27 from 5-7PM**. Agape (pronounced uh-Gah-pay) is a group of teens from local parishes that through activities, videos and small group discussions (and countless pieces of pizza, cookies and laughs), tackle hot-button issues facing the teen culture today and put them in relation to their Catholic faith. It is intended to supplement the programs of a local parish, NOT replace them. If you are interested in learning more about Agape or joining us on February 27th, please RSVP to Linda Lane ([lindalane13@verizon.net](mailto:lindalane13@verizon.net)), Heather Petruney ([hpetrune@verizon.net](mailto:hpetrune@verizon.net)), or Meg Gaughan (617-823-8696 or [gaughan1family@gmail.com](mailto:gaughan1family@gmail.com)).

### STEBENVILLE EAST CONFERENCE

A group from St. John's will be attending the Steubenville East Conference this year. Would you like to join us? At a Steubenville Conference, teens will learn what it takes to be great in this life. Teens will come to experience a relationship with Christ that can radically transform everything in their life. The goal of every Steubenville Conference is for teens to open their hearts to Jesus Christ who desires their lives to be fulfilling, exciting, and joyful! Check out the website: <http://lifeteen.com/events/steubenville-east2/>. Here are some highlights: At UMass Lowell, July 15-17th, 2016, price is \$220. There will be national speakers and professional music. Mass, Adoration and Confession are staples of this conference and it makes for a very powerful encounter with God. If you think your child would be interested in attending, please contact Liz Burke: [burkelb@hotmail.com](mailto:burkelb@hotmail.com) to register. This conference sells out quickly!



### Middle

### School

### Youth Group (Gr. 6-8)

**SAVE THE DATE!!: Friday, March 18**

Service Project—We will be putting Easter surprises together for the Mustard Seed. More info to come...

### High School Youth Group (Gr. 9-12)

**Calling all adults!!!!!!! Save the date: SATURDAY, APRIL 9** at 6PM for a Country Spaghetti Dinner.

Where: St. John's Parish Center

Dinner, drinks, drawings and live music by The Fuse.

Tickets are \$10 per person or a 50/50 ticket for \$50 that admits 2 for dinner. Questions or tickets? Email [stjohnythmin@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnythmin@gmail.com). Please come out and support our Youth Group as they travel to West Virginia on the mission trip.

**Calling all high schoolers!!!!**

Join us for a Mystery Night out on **Saturday, March 12, 5PM -12Midnight**. Travel to some mystery locations. \$60 payable to St. John's Youth Group and permission slip due to box outside of Rel. Ed. Office by March 4 or drop off to Mrs. Fairbanks at the High School in Room 215.



### WEATHER NOTICE



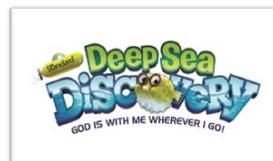
Any time the Hopkinton Public School District cancels school due to weather conditions, St. John's Religious Education Classes will also be canceled.

### GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION RETREAT

The grade 10 confirmation retreat was held on Saturday, February 6. Ninety-five students attended and spent the day at Betania II in Medway. The theme for the retreat was "Belonging". The retreat was well received by the students and teachers. A huge thank you to all our teachers/parents that gave a whole Saturday to assist and be present at this wonderful and important time in these young people's lives. St. John's is truly blessed.

### SUMMER BIBLE ADVENTURE

Although there is snow on the ground, we are already thinking about our under the sea adventure! This year the Summer Bible Adventure theme is Deep Sea Discovery! It will take place **Monday, July 11th through Friday, July 15th from 9AM-12Noon**. 5 year olds through 5th graders as of



September of 2016 can begin to **register on February 15th!!** To register please visit the parish website at <http://www.stjohnhopkinton.com/> under the ministries tab. For more information or any questions please email us at [stjohnsbibleadventure@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsbibleadventure@gmail.com).

**FEBRUARY 14, 2016**

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**Lenten**

**Regulations**

**for**  
**Fasting and Abstinence**

ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY are days of fast and abstinence. FRIDAYS OF LENT are also days of abstinence. FASTING is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other 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 juices, are allowed. ABSTINENCE is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted. Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.



**"Ten**

**Commandments of Love"**

1. Put your spouse before everyone else. Your mate is your lifelong companion.
2. Do not abuse your body with excessive food, tobacco, drink or any foreign substance.
3. Do not forget to say, "I love you" – often.
4. Remember that the approval of your spouse is worth far more than the adoring glances of a hundred strangers.
5. Permit neither your business nor your hobby to make you a stranger to your children. The most precious gift a parent can give is time.
6. Keep your home in good repair, because out of it come the joys of old age (not to mention its resale value).
7. Forgive with grace, because who among us does not need to be forgiven?
8. Honor the Lord your God every day of your life.
9. Go through your closets and give all those unneeded clothes to your favorite charity.
10. Call someone and say, "I'm thinking of you".

