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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.)



While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son;

listen to him." - Lk 9:34-35

Readings for **NEXT Sunday, February 28, 2016:**  
 Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/ Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11/ 1Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/  
 Lk 13:1-9

## Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John  
 10:00 AM Steven Aitken

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

9:00 AM Florencio Reyes

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

5:00 PM Members of the Pineau Family

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John  
 10:00 AM Grade 3 children and their families



The Week Ahead

**FEBRUARY 21—**

**SUNDAY, CLASSES RESUME**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

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

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

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

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

4:15 PM Grade 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 welcome.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

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

**Winter Weather Notice:** Please note that if Hopkinton schools are canceled or delayed due to the weather, there will be no morning daily Mass.



St. John's parish family invites you to join us for coffee and conversation following the 10AM Mass hosted this Sunday by Grace Roche's Religious Education class.

2nd collection **THIS** 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 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.



**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.**

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church NEXT Saturday, February 27.**

## SECOND 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.**

### Women of Faith

Ladies, please join us as we begin our Lenten Women of Faith. We will be listening to a short audio talk "I'm Not Being Fed", by Jeff Cavins, with some informal discussions and hospitality to follow. Jeff explores some of the reasons why so many have left the Catholic Church for evangelical Christianity. We will be meeting at **6:30PM in the lower church on Thursday, February 25.**

### Celebrating 150 Years as a Parish: Stories from Our Past

Fr. Ryan hired Patrick Ford to design St. John the Evangelist. According to an informal talk given at St. John's in November 2015 by John Canning, founder and owner of the John Canning Studios and responsible for the "mock up," in the upper church, John Ford came out of the Patrick Keely "school". A major Catholic architect from the mid 1840's to the mid 1890's—Keely designed more than 600 churches in the Eastern United States—his architecture 'spoke' to the Catholic immigrants of the time and became the centers of their communities. Keely's designs reflected a broad range of traditional European 'church' styles and incorporated the best of the contemporary. You can see the work of his 'student', Patrick Ford's original design of St. John the Evangelist, framed on the wall of the basement sacristy. Notice the steeple that was never completed.

### MUSTARD SEED

Thank you for your continued support of the people who come to this Catholic Worker Soup Kitchen for a nourishing meal. Please use the boxes on the tables at the rear of the church for your donation. Thank you for your generosity.



### 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 ([hpetruney@verizon.net](mailto:hpetruney@verizon.net)), or Meg Gaughan (617-823-8696 or [gaughan1family@gmail.com](mailto:gaughan1family@gmail.com)).



### Middle

### School

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

**Friday, March 18**

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

**Friday, February 26:** Soup and Stations

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

**Country Spaghetti Dinner—Calling all adults!**—Come

support our HS Youth Group's mission trip to West Virginia.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9**, at 6PM. Dinner, drinks, drawings and live music plus a 50/50 drawing. Questions or tickets?

Email [stjohnythmin@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnythmin@gmail.com).

### Mystery Night Out

Please join the HS Youth Group on **Saturday, March 12**, at 5PM for a mystery night out to two locations. Return around 12:30AM. Dinner is provided. Cost is \$60 payable to St.

John's Youth Group. Permission slip and money is due to box outside of Rel. Ed. Office or drop off to Mrs. Fairbanks at the High School in Room 215 by February 24.

**Friday, February 26:** Soup and Stations

**Sunday, February 28:** Youth Group Meeting at 7:15PM



### 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.

### 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**

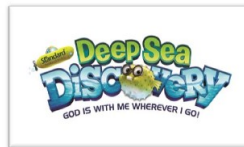
**Friday, July 15th from 9AM-**

**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).



### World Youth Day

### WEEKLY BOTTLE & CAN COLLECTION

**Every Saturday 10AM-2PM @** Ice House Pond Depot, 50 West Main Street. 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 \$56.20! Please keep those bottles & cans coming! Thank you!**

**FEBRUARY 21, 2016**

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Many of us have buried relatives or friends who have had an impact on our lives. Standing there in the funeral home or meditating at their grave, we can recall what they meant to us, how their words or actions touched us in some way, how what they did gave some shape to the person we are today. Often, it is only years later that we recognize in ourselves some of their own character. Every year on the Second Sunday of Lent, we hear a version of the story of the transfiguration of Jesus. Matthew, Mark, and Luke each describe the experience in a rather similar fashion. But Luke adds something that the others leave out. As Jesus converses with Moses and Elijah who have appeared alongside him on the mountain, Luke says that they "spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem." This is pure Lucan theology. Luke constructs his Gospel in such a way that Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem where he will accomplish the fulfillment of his Father's will through his death and resurrection. In doing so, he ushers in the era of the church on which the Holy Spirit is poured out, as a prelude to the triumph of the kingdom of God. For Luke, the exodus of Jesus in Jerusalem is his passover from death to life in the glory of the Resurrection. The Transfiguration is a glimpse of that glory. In a way, at the top of that mountain, Peter, James, and John were already witnessing what could be the impact of this man in their lives. He was going to change everything. As he has done with us! During Lent we take some time to reflect on what the life and teaching of Jesus means to us. We don't stand at his grave, but at an empty tomb, and recall that the One who passed over from death to life holds that promise for us as well.

### **Lenten Regulations for Fasting & 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.

### **SPRING CLEANING? DECLUTTERING?**

Save your unwanted items for St. John's Rummage Sale coming in June. We will also need plastic grocery bags and shoeboxes. Drop off dates will be announced soon!