

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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DEACON

Deacon Anthony C. Sicuso

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.)



"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents." - Lk 15:10

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, September 18, 2016:
Am 8:4-7/ Ps 113:1-2, 4-8/ 1Tm 2:1-8/ Lk 16:10-13

Mass Intentions

- SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**
5:00 PM Parishioners of St. John
- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**
8:00 AM Frances Cashman
10:00 AM Evan Girardi
6:30 PM Colin Patteson
- MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**
9:00 AM Clint Vaughan (month's mind)
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**
9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**
8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

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.

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, September 17. Additionally, there will be a special evening time for confessions THIS Monday, September 12, from 7-8PM in the lower 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.



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

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

NEXT weekend's second collection will benefit
The Clergy Health and Retirement Trust

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Please join us in celebrating
150 years of faith on
Sunday, October 23, 2016

MASS

MASS: **10AM Mass** will be celebrated by Cardinal O'Malley

RECEPTION: Immediately following the Mass in the Parish Center

DINNER

LOCATION: DoubleTree Hotel
11 Beaver Street, Milford, Mass.

TIME: 2pm Social hour, 3PM Dinner

TICKET PRICE: Adults \$40,
Children (12 & under) \$20

Tickets will be available for sale after Masses. You may also purchase tickets by contacting:
Parish office (508) 435-3313
Louise Donahue (508) 435-6077
Mary Morrissey (508) 435-4909
Mary McRobert (508) 435-3318

Tickets must be purchased by October 1, 2016.

Blessing of Animals

God has done all things wisely,

let us praise his name, now and forever. Amen

According to the providence of the Creator, many animals have a certain role to play in human existence by helping with work and providing food and clothing. Therefore when the occasion arises, for example the Feast Day of St. Francis on October 4, we are invited to participate in the custom of invoking God's blessing on animals. **All are invited Sunday, October 2, following the 10AM Mass to the Blessing of Animals.** Please do not bring your pets to Mass with you. Fr. Cannon will delay the blessing for 15 minutes or so, so that you can go home and get your pets! We'll meet behind the church outside the kitchen doors. Coffee and donuts will be served for this joyful occasion. We hope you will join us!

TWENTY-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.**

St. John's Fleece Jackets

Fleece jackets with a St. John the Evangelist emblem are available for order **through September 30**. Try on for size and choose color and style in the lower church area after all Masses. The jackets are \$40 each and payment is due at the time of order. Checks should be made payable to St. John's.

ST. JOHN'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Welcoming all 3rd through 8th graders. **Weekly Rehearsals begin THIS Thursday, September 15; 6PM-7PM** in the choir room to the right of the sanctuary. The Children's Choir sings one Sunday each month at the 10AM Mass and select liturgies and concerts throughout the year. Our first Mass will be a collaboration with the Adult Choir celebrating the **150th Parish Anniversary Mass on October 23**. For more information contact Lynn Maginnis (508-435-9615 or lynnmaginnis@verizon.net).

GRADES 1-6 CATECHISTS NEEDED

Please consider making a commitment to share your faith with our students during the next school year. Thanks to the people who have recently offered to teach, we now only have needs in the following grades:

Grade 2 needs 1 catechist.

Grade 3 needs 2 catechists to share a class.

Grade 5 needs 1 catechist—Mon. or Tues.

Please call us for more information or to say you will teach (508-435-3313x208). Our students need all of us to grow in the faith.

GRADE 9 CONFIRMATION

Letters have gone out to all Grade 9 Confirmation Candidates. Opening Confirmation meeting is **Monday, October 17, 7-8PM** in the Parish Center. At least one parent and the candidate are asked to attend this meeting. If you are new to the parish and would like to enroll in this program, please call the Religious Ed. Office (435-3313x208, Debbie).

GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION

Letters have gone out to all Grade 10 Confirmation Candidates. Opening Confirmation class is **Sunday, October 16, 5:00-7:15PM** in the Parish Center. This class/meeting is for students only. If you are new to the parish and would like to enroll in this program, please call the Religious Ed. Office (435-3313x208, Debbie).



May God's Blessings be with you for the new school year.

HS/Middle School Youth Group (Gr. 6-8)

Please be on the lookout for our parent kick-off meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, September 28, at 7PM** in the Parish Center. We cannot run our Youth Ministry Programs without our parent volunteers. See you all in the fall!

High School Youth Group

Our High School Mission Trip to Appalachia, West Virginia was a huge success. The students and their chaperones had safe travels, much work was done and a difference was made. The H.S. Youth Group will host a coffee hour **THIS Sunday, September 11, after the 10AM Mass** and would like to say thank you for the parish's support. They will share their experiences and answer any questions you may have for them. Stop by the parish center after the 10AM Mass and meet these awesome students and adult leaders.



ST. JOHN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ONLINE SIGN-UPS

FOR ALL REGISTERED IN GRADES 1-6

The site will open **THIS Monday, September 12, at 6AM** and will close on Friday, September 16, at 6PM. Student sign-ups for fall classes must be done online at: www.stjohnhopkinton.com. Click on the Rel. Ed. Sign-ups on the home page. Students in Grades 7-10 do not need to sign up as they do not have a choice of day or time. (But we do ask that if you are not planning on sending your child to please let us know). **PLEASE NOTE:** If you are registering a child for Religious Education for the very first time, please call the Rel. Ed. Office at 508-435-3313x208 for more information.

ATTENTION PARENTS!

This Fall, elementary students will have the opportunity to sign up for classes at the following times, October to May:

- **Grade 1** will meet two Wednesdays each month, 4:15-5PM
- **Grade 2** will meet every Wednesday, 4:15-5PM with three exceptions when classes will meet on Sundays, 9-9:50AM while parents meet with Carol Zani
- **Grades 3-5** will meet every Monday or Tuesday, 4:15-5:10PM
- **Grade 6** will meet every Monday, 2:10-3:15PM

Every grade, 1-6, will have a limited optional choice of attending a Sunday class, 9-9:50AM, depending on catechist availability – first-come, first-served. Sign-up will be in September. Every family that has a child registered in the program will receive the information in the mail.

GRADES 7-10

Grade 7 Tuesday (6:30-7:30PM) two times a month
Grade 8 Tuesday (6:30-7:30PM) two times a month
Grade 9 Monday (7-8:15PM) two times a month
Grade 10 Sunday (5:00-7:15PM) once a month
Service coordinator needed for Grade 10. Please contact Debbie at dlysikstjn@verizon.net.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

The Heroic Beginnings of Our Parish

Before our 150th Anniversary year draws to close, attend a colorful presentation on the origins of our parish in the 1860's as Irish Catholic immigrants filled Hopkinton's boot and shoe factories. The hour-long slide show, which covers the birth of the parish to the completion and dedication of St. John's, will take place outside the lower church **THIS Wednesday, September 14, at 7PM.**

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

Grace Gannon donated the granite that built St. John's. In 1884, while the upper church of St. John's remained empty and unfinished, Grace's granddaughter, Mary Ann Cunningham, married Daniel Patrick Houlihan. Son of Irish immigrants, Daniel was born in Hopkinton in 1855, the year his father died. In an 1880 census, he is "working in the boot factory", but by 1884, the year of his marriage, he has opened a storefront in Hopkinton. An 1886 directory lists Mary Ann and Daniel as living at 84 Pleasant Street. At that time, their son Frank was one year old. Tragically, that same year on Christmas Day, Mary Ann's second child, a son, passed away. He was six days old. The following day, Mary Ann died from childbirth complications. Three years later, in 1889, Daniel Patrick donated a window "sacred to her memory"—5th on the left facing the sanctuary. Six years later Daniel himself died when he was thrown from a horse. His son, eleven year old Frank, was orphaned. We can thank Frank's grandson, Paul Rattigan, for the family history that has provided St. John's archives with this story and that of the Gannons.

WELCOME ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!

The 2016-2017 AGAPE gatherings begins **Saturday, September 24, from 5-7PM** at the Petruney home, 24 Smith Road, Hopkinton. We are looking forward to seeing the many high schoolers who attended our monthly sessions last year and are eager to welcome many NEW faces! Agape (pronounced uh-Gah-pay) is a new Catholic faith group of teens in grades 9-12 that meets once a month to discuss issues facing the culture today and put them in relation to their Catholic faith through fun activities, videos and small group discussions. If you are interested in learning more about Agape or joining us on September 24th please RSVP to Linda Lane (lindalane13@verizon.net) Heather Petruney (hpetruney@verizon.net) or Meg Gaughan (gaughan1family@gmail.com).

