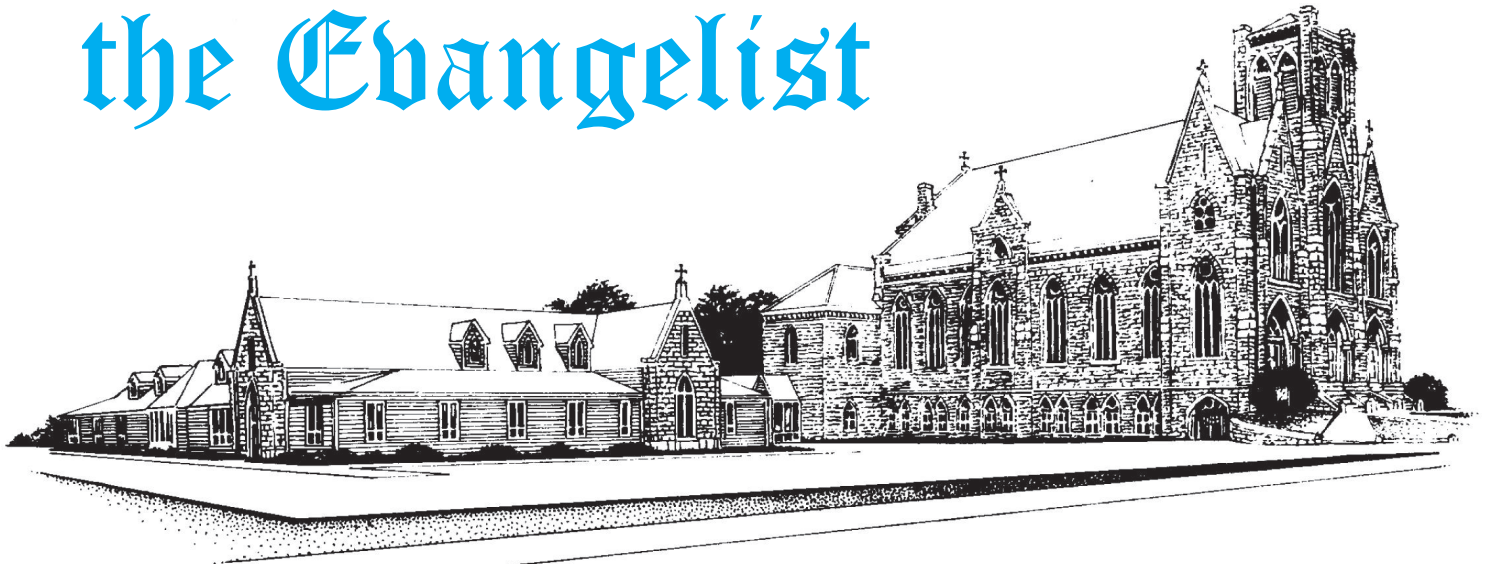


# St. John the Evangelist



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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**  
508-435-3313x201  
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### DEACON

**Deacon Anthony C. Sicuso**  
508-435-3313x206

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Carol Zani, 1-6  
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Ken Lysik, 9 & 10**

### PARISH CENTER

**Maureen Belger, Manager**  
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### 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**  
[bkenney@stjohnhopkinton.com](mailto:bkenney@stjohnhopkinton.com)  
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### PARISH "NEWS" DEADLINE

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

### ST. JOHN'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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



Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Mt 17:4-5

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, March 19, 2017:  
 Ex 17:3-7/ Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/ Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ Jn 4:5-42



- SATURDAY, MARCH 11**  
 5:00 PM Christos & Gertrude Bezdaris
- SUNDAY, MARCH 12**  
 8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John  
 10:00 AM Timothy Sparks
- MONDAY, MARCH 13**  
 9:00 AM William Rogers
- TUESDAY, MARCH 14**  
 9:00 AM Michael J. Duffy, Anna Marie Duffy, and Mary Jo Duffy (living birthday intentions)  
 Jack Duffy
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**  
 9:00 AM William Holly
- FRIDAY, MARCH 17**  
 9:00 AM Timothy Sullivan
- SATURDAY, MARCH 18**  
 5:00 PM Matthew O'Leary
- SUNDAY, MARCH 19**  
 8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John  
 10:00 AM Rafael Garcia  
 6:30 PM Joseph Villani



- SUNDAY, MARCH 12**  
 11:10 AM Grade 2 mini retreat
- MONDAY, MARCH 13**  
 2:10 PM Grade 6  
 4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5  
 7:00 PM Grade 9
- TUESDAY, MARCH 14**  
 4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5  
 6:30 PM Grade 8
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**  
 4:15 PM Grade 1

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- Easter Sunday.....April 16
- First Communions.....April 29, May 13, May 14
- Confirmation (2 Masses).....May 6
- Ascension Thursday.....May 25

**NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY**

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

**SOUP & STATIONS**

Every Friday evening during Lent the parish offers Soup & Stations. It is a wonderful way to come together for fellowship while having a light supper and then to join others in the Lenten devotion of the Stations of the Cross. Each week a different ministry in the parish will host the dinner portion, providing soup, bread, drinks and kid-friendly options. All in the parish are welcome to join in both the soup and the stations. 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. We hope to see you there. This week's Soup & Stations will be hosted by the High School Youth Ministry.

**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

**DAILY MASS (lower church)**

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM  
 FRIDAY 9:00 AM  
 SATURDAY 8:00 AM

**ROSARY (lower church)**

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY 8:35 AM  
 WEDNESDAY 6:00 PM  
 FRIDAY 8:35 AM

**SOUP & STATIONS**

FRIDAY EVENINGS (6PM-Soup, 7PM-Stations)

**RECONCILIATION (lower church)**

SATURDAYS 8:30-9:15AM

**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, March 18.**



Joyce Tomasz  
 William A. Stevens  
 Glenn Lisciotto

## 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.**

### 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.

### Men, Women, & The Mystery of Love by Dr. Edward Sri

In today's culture we're constantly bombarded with a secular notion of love and intimacy, instead of the kind of love that God intended for his children. In this presentation, Dr. Edward Sri explains how Saint John Paul II teachings of the Theology of the Body can help us prepare for our future marriage, by showing us how to live as selfless, authentic men and women. For this and other selections, please stop by our Media Kiosk in the Parish Hall.

### SPRING CLEANING? DECLUTTERING?

Save your unwanted items for St. John's Rummage Sale coming in June. We will also need plastic grocery bags. Drop off dates will be announced soon! If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 508-435-3313x203.



### 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.



### Middle School Youth Group

**SAVE THE DATE: Service project—Friday, March 24**  
We will be putting together Easter surprises for the Mustard Seed soup kitchen. 11:45AM-2PM.

### High School Youth Group

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

### HS Youth Ministry Annual Fundraiser

**"A Starry Night" Spaghetti Dinner**

**Calling all adults!**—Come support our HS Youth Group's mission trip to the Adirondacks in N.Y. **Saturday, April 8,** at 6PM. Dinner, drinks, drawings and live music plus a 50/50 drawing. If you have any questions, email [stjohnythmin@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnythmin@gmail.com). Tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses.



### First Communion Retreats

Please pray for the sixty-eight children and their families who attended their retreat last Sunday or will attend this Sunday to learn more about the Mass and the Eucharist and create a banner for their pew for their First Holy Communion Mass in the Spring.

### 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 14-16th, 2017**, price is \$240. 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 Laura Connolly ([lconnolly@comcast.net](mailto:lconnolly@comcast.net)) to register. This conference sells out quickly!

### SUMMER BIBLE ADVENTURE IS BACK!!

**Monday, July 10-Friday, July 14,** from 9AM-Noon at St. John's Parish Hall. Bible lessons, crafts, music, outdoor games, Bible videos, and snacks each day. New this year: we are accepting fifteen 4 year-olds to our week-long program. Registration now open for children 4 years old to grade 5. Please register through St. John's website: <http://www.stjohnhopkinton.com/> (under the "Ministry" tab). If you have any questions, please email [stjohnsbibleadventure@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsbibleadventure@gmail.com).

***MARCH 12, 2017***

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**St. John the Evangelist Parish**

**Lenten Mission**

**March 13-15, 7PM**

**Come and Celebrate the Great Love Jesus has for  
you through Our Mother Mary**

A parish mission is a time for renewal and re-energizing the life of faith. It is for people of all ages and backgrounds within the community. Our Lenten mission encourages us to remember the foundations of our faith, our confidence in the mercy of God and reconciliation, and the sacredness of Christ within us in the Eucharist. As the church reflects on the one hundredth anniversary of Fatima, our parish will consider Mary's role as Mother of the Church, Mother of Mercy, and Mother of Jesus. We invite all members of the parish, especially those who have found themselves wandering from an active participation in the faith or who have become discouraged in their faith. **Each evening will begin at 7PM in the upper church.**

**Monday:** Mary, Mother of the Church, will invite us to reflect on the place of the Church and the people of God in our life of faith. This evening we will have Benediction.

**Tuesday:** Mary, Mother of Mercy, will invite us to the theme of mercy so central to the message of Pope Francis with a communal celebration of the sacrament of reconciliation.

**Wednesday:** Mary, Mother of Jesus, and hence, the Mother of the Eucharist, will invite us to celebrate the salvation given to us in the Eucharist. Following Wednesday's Mission Mass, we will have refreshments in the parish center.

For those unable to attend the evening services, the missionaries will present the mission talks each day after the 9AM Masses. The priests will also be available one-half hour before the morning Masses and after Mass as needed. Appointments may be made to speak with the missionaries through the parish office.

As we look forward to a renewal of heart and spirit next week, you may wonder who our spiritual leaders will be. Here is a brief bio of each of them:

**Father Ted Dorcey** is the son of parishioners, Tom & Gerda Dorcey. He was ordained in 2012, and began his ministry at Holy Ghost parish in Houston before becoming a part of the founding team of the Redemptorist Missionary Initiative in Greenwood, MS. He works in the formation leadership for Hispanic communities in the Delta of Mississippi. He has given several missions over the past three years and recently returned from a six-month mission in Veracruz, Mexico.

**Father Michael McAndrew** was ordained in 1973, and served in parishes in Wichita, Minneapolis and Denver. He was vocation director for seven years, and he has worked in Hispanic Ministry for over 25 years including being the diocesan Director for Multicultural and Campesino Ministry in Fresno, CA from 2009-2013. He has given missions in English and Spanish since 1995, and has pioneered in programs of religious formation and sacramental preparation for people with extraordinary obstacles to participation in church programs, especially in agricultural communities.

Both priests are vibrant speakers whose own faith and vocation are filled with the Holy Spirit. They will guide us to recall the foundations of our faith, renew our confidence in the Mercy of God & Reconciliation, and the sacredness of Christ in the Eucharist. Please plan to join us **THIS WEEK, March 13-15 at 7PM in the upper church.** Additionally, Fr. Dorcey and Fr. McAndrew will be with us for all the Masses THIS weekend, **March 11 and 12.**