

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.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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PARISH CENTER

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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
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508-435-3313x214

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



He said to them in reply, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." - Mk 3:33-35

Readings for **NEXT Sunday, June 17, 2018:**
 Ez 17:22-24/ Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/ 2Cor 5:6-10/
 Mk 4:26-34



- SATURDAY, JUNE 9**
5:00 PM Helen O'Brien
- SUNDAY, JUNE 10**
8:00 AM Kara Westcott MacDonald
10:00 AM Louise Creswell
and Nancy Ciceroni
Parishioners of St. John
- 6:30 PM
- MONDAY, JUNE 11**
9:00 AM Special Intention
- TUESDAY, JUNE 12**
9:00 AM John Dzerkacz and Anna Galluzzo
(one year anniversary) and family
- WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13**
9:00 AM Angelo Spinosa
- FRIDAY, JUNE 15**
9:00 AM Maureen McIntyre
- SATURDAY, JUNE 16**
8:00 AM Kermit Smith
5:00 PM Salvatore Palmer and
William L. Ripley
- SUNDAY, JUNE 17**
8:00 AM Timothy Sullivan
10:00 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.

2nd collection **NEXT** weekend
 Parish Upkeep and Maintenance

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.

Thank You

A very special thank you to Boy Scout Troop 4 for cleaning up St. John's cemetery recently. We greatly appreciate all their hard work.

Parish Support
May 2018

In seat collections:	\$33,374
Electronic donations	7,949
Total:	\$41,323
Comprehensive Campaign	\$25,079

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

St. John's offers electronic giving as an alternative to the regular weekly offertory collection. Many parish families are already enjoying the benefits of electronic giving. The process is simple, secure and convenient. To join, please go to www.stjohnhopkinton.com and click on "LPI" under "make an offering" in the lower right hand corner of the page. If you have any questions, please contact Bernie Mitchell (508-435-3313x202).

Fireman's Memorial Sunday
A Firefighter's Prayer

When I am called to duty, God, whenever flames may rage;
 Give me strength to save some life,
 whatever be its age.
 Help me embrace a little child before it is too late;
 Or save an older person from the horror of that fate.
 I want to fill by calling and to give the best in me;
 To guard my every neighbor and protect his property.
 And if, according to my fate, I am to lose my life;
 Please bless with your protecting hand my children and my wife.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church NEXT Saturday, June 16.



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.

Has Something Changed?

Have you moved or changed your phone number? Do you now use online giving and would rather not receive envelopes anymore? Be sure to call the Parish Office at 435-3313x203 to let us know about the changes in your life so we can update our records. Thanks!

Please Remember in Prayer

Please pray for the following seriously ill young people in need of healing: Anthony Khalife, Brody McDermott, and Sam Buttara. Please also pray for our parishioner, Evan Brooks, who along with his National Guard unit, is deployed in the Middle East. Please keep Evan, the members of his unit, and their families in your prayers.

Science, the Origin of the Universe, and God

All too often, science is falsely pitted against Faith to disprove the tenants of Christianity. In this informative talk, Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ – expert in physics, philosophy, and theology – debunks this powerful myth as he discusses the Big Bang and the Origin of the Universe with sound reason, credible science, and faithful theology. This talk is a must-listen for anyone wrestling with the biggest questions regarding Science and Faith. **For this and other selections, please stop by our Media Kiosk in the Parish Center hallway.**

DIGNITY MATTERS

Help Dignity Matters provide homeless women with bras and feminine hygiene products. These items are not covered by food stamps and are rarely donated to shelters, but these items are **DESPERATELY** needed. Please donate: bras—new and gently used; female underpants—new with tags; tampons and sanitary napkins. **St. John's will be collecting these items to donate. Please place your donations in the bin in the Parish Center hallway.**

Women's Group

Women of St. John's meet in the church library on the **first and third Tuesday mornings of each month from 10-11AM**. A group also meets monthly on the **first Wednesday evening from 7-8PM** in the church library. Both groups discuss a chapter of our current text, "That Nothing May Be Lost," followed by prayer in the lower church. Please feel free to drop in. No commitment is necessary and it is not necessary to have read the text beforehand. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Kniaz (508-380-2358 or maryskniaz@gmail.com).



High School Youth Group

Mission Trip: June 24 through June 29, Houston, Texas
Please keep our youth in your prayers as they travel to Houston, Texas.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

Thank You

Teachers, Grade Coordinators & Children's Liturgy Leaders

After all is said and done, it does **not** make much difference which curriculum, how many DVD's, or how many square feet of floor space per student, if we have not recognized that the most critical factor determining the success of religious education is the teacher, the catechist, or Children's Liturgy leader. Catechists do what no curriculum or media resource will ever be able to do—smile, laugh, relate, show interest and surprise, love, forgive, cry, pray, shout, whisper and have the ability to inform, form, and transform their students' lives. To change their lives forever, that is what a catechist can do for a student. **For all the lives you have touched, changed and made fall in love with God, WE THANK YOU! Our parish is truly blessed to have each and every one of you.**



Our parish family welcomed some new members in the holy sacrament of Baptism in the past couple of months. We join their families in thanking God for these children and for the great gift of faith that we share with each one of them.

APRIL

Gavin Richard Bailey
Sophia Grace Dell'Orco
David James Goehry

Aimee Bridget Ballas
Emma Andrea Futtrell
Issa Marina Gonzalez

MAY

Major Lazer McIntosh
Ryan Matthew Godinho

Dominic Robert Cellupica
Hames Daniel Hurley

RUMMAGE SALE NEWS

A special thank you to **The Eagle Leasing Company** for their generosity in loaning us a storage container for our upcoming rummage sale.

St. John's Annual Rummage Sale

St. John's Annual Rummage Sale is currently underway! **The sale will continue THIS week, Monday through Friday, 9AM-5PM.**

ST. JOHN'S CLOTHING

St. John's jackets and golf shirts are available for purchase. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in ordering.

JUNE 10, 2018

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Genesis 3: 9-15; Psalm 130: 1-8; 2 Corinthians 4: 13---5: 1; Mark 3: 20-35

Sometimes I think that we are not kind enough to ourselves. In our fallen nature, we don't allow ourselves to recognize that the world and the bodies we inhabit are fleeting realities, a moment in time on the way to something better where there is no time. Consequently, we sometimes can get discouraged with the human condition with society, with the world, and with ourselves. Though we should not allow ourselves to get too discouraged, discouragement is part of the human condition, and it can be a healthy reminder that we are meant for better things...that there is good news.

Today, God reminds us through Holy Scripture that with God there is kindness, forgiveness, and plenteous redemption. We are reminded that everyone is our brother, sister, mother and father. We are reminded that there is no need to be discouraged when we make mistakes, and sometimes the same mistakes over and over again. If we allow the Holy Spirit to do his work in us as individuals we will be renewed every single day, and perhaps many times throughout each day. Renewed, we can pass on that renewal to others. Then we all can be reminded that we are vital individual components in the living Mystical Body of Christ in which the Spirit dwells, that our failures and successes are shared by all. We are reminded that despite losing some battles, the faithful are blessed with Sacraments that help us to cooperate with the Spirit, to begin again to strive to follow the Way, the Truth, and the Life. We are reminded that if we cooperate with these blessings, ultimate victory over evil is guaranteed. That is the GOSPEL TRUTH; and it is VERY GOOD NEWS!



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