

# 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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**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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**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 summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."** - Mk 8:34-35

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, September 23, 2018:  
Wis 2:12, 17-20/ Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/ Jas 3:16--4:3/  
Mk 9:30-37

## MAS<sup>t</sup> INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. John

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00 AM David Bilodeau  
(12 year anniversary)

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:00 AM George Hill

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00 AM Anna Villani (2 year anniversary)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

9:00 AM Special Intention

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:00 AM Maureen McIntyre and  
Eileen O'Brien

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:00 AM Melissa Bachman  
5:00 PM David and Kevin Beattie

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John  
10:00 AM Eileen O'Brien (month's mind)

### 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.

### 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.

### First Friday Mass

#### **7PM in the Lower Church**

We will have first Friday Masses, in honor of our Lord's Most Sacred Heart, especially for the reparation of sins and sacrileges that so offend our heavenly Father: for our sins; the sins of the Church; and sins of the world. Following the Mass, we will pray the litany to Our Lord's Most Sacred Heart.

**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.

### COFFEE HOUR

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

### Parish Support July 2018

In seat collections:	\$30,383
Electronic donations	7,835
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$38,218</b>
Comprehensive Campaign	\$ 6,337

The weekly average for in seat collections is \$7,596 and the weekly average for electronic donations is \$1,959. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

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

### Altar Server Training

All young people, in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and older, who would like to be altar servers, are invited to attend an instruction either **THIS Sunday, September 16 or NEXT Sunday, September 23, after the 10AM Mass** in the upper church. The instruction will last about 1 hour.

### CROSS ROADS By Deacon Tony

**Isaiah 50: 4-9; Psalm 116: 1-6, 8-9; James 2: 14-18;  
Mark 8: 27-35**

In today's gospel Jesus asked His disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" He continued by asking them, "But who do you say that I am?" All the disciples had been with Jesus for some time, but it was Peter who was graced enough to answer, "You are the Christ." It was then that Jesus revealed the essence of His mission. He must suffer greatly, die and rise. As graced as Peter was, he could not accept this, and Jesus rebuked him. Jesus went on to warn Peter, His disciples, and us, that to save our immortal lives we must lose our lives by giving ourselves over to Him, not just to serve, but to live an active Faith by serving sacrificially. They would not totally understand this until much later.

However, the seed was planted. The seed also was planted in each of us at our Baptism. By the grace of God each of us can come to understand, even if it takes a lifetime, what each of us is called to do. As His disciples had a relationship with Him, so do we. We must nurture it with prayer, Word, and Eucharist. He gives us the strength, the wisdom, the perseverance, and the grace we need to see and to follow our individual Cross Road. In the end we will not be asked if we successfully did it our way. We will be asked if we chose to be faithful by doing it God's way.

### St. John's Children's Choir 2018-19

All 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to join. Weekly rehearsals will begin on **Thursday, 9/20; 6-7PM;** upper church, in the rehearsal room to the right of the church sanctuary. The Children's Choir sings at the 10AM Mass one Sunday a month; collaborates with the Parish Choir on select feast days; and sings during other devotions and concerts throughout the year. Additionally, our choir will once again have the opportunity to participate with hundreds of other young choristers in the Pueri Cantores Festival and Mass; this Spring 2019, to be held at St. Mary's Church, Newport, RI. Choir registration will take place at rehearsal. For more information on St. John's Children's Choir please contact Lynn Maginnis at 508-435-9615 or [lynnmaginnis@verizon.net](mailto:lynnmaginnis@verizon.net).

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church**

**NEXT Saturday, September 22.**

## **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.



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.

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### **All High School Students Are Welcomed to AGAPE!**

**September 29, 6:30-8PM**

**at the Petruney Home, 24 Smith Road**

AGAPE (Greek for "selfless love") offers all High School students an opportunity to continue their journey in their Catholic Faith in a way that is unique, relevant and FUN! Each month's theme is aimed at teaching and inspiring you to respond to God's grace in circumstances of your daily life and ultimately bring you to a deeper, more dynamic relationship with God and the Catholic Faith. The group usually meets for two hours once a month on Saturday nights in people's homes for pizza/dessert, fellowship, videos, activities, and large/small group discussion. We are delighted to be able to begin our 5th year with this program. It's designed to accommodate everyone's busy schedules as it is not necessary to attend every gathering to benefit! Come when you can and bring a friend or two! If you have any questions, email Meg Gaughan ([hopagape@gmail.com](mailto:hopagape@gmail.com)), Heather Petruney ([petruneyh@gmail.com](mailto:petruneyh@gmail.com)), or Linda Lane at [lindalane13@verizon.net](mailto:lindalane13@verizon.net).

### **GRADES 1-6 CATECHISTS NEEDED**

**PARENTS, PLEASE!** There are not enough catechists to offer many students a place in a class. Please take notice of the number of catechists that are needed below, and the days on which they're needed. At this time some grades cannot be offered on certain days because there are no volunteer catechists willing to teach on those days. **Parents, you are the Religious Education Staff at St. John's. There cannot be a parish program without you.** Please consider making a commitment to share your faith with our students during the next school year. Share a class with a partner. Thanks to the people who have recently offered to teach, we now need catechists in the following grades:

Grade 1 needs 2 catechists: two Wednesdays per month  
Grade 2 needs 1 catechist: Sundays  
Grade 3 needs 2 catechists: to partner with someone; one for Mondays; one for Tuesdays  
Grade 4 needs 2 catechists: one for Mondays; one for Tuesdays  
Grade 5 needs 2 catechists: Mondays or Tuesdays  
Grade 6 needs 1 catechist: Mondays

Please email or call us for more information or to say that you will teach (508-435-3313 x209 or x208, [czanistjn@verizon.net](mailto:czanistjn@verizon.net) or [dlyskstjn@verizon.net](mailto:dlyskstjn@verizon.net)). Our students need all of us to grow in their faith.

**Catechetical Sunday** will be celebrated **September 16**. This year's theme is "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ".

### **High School Youth Group**

The High School mission trip to Houston, Texas, 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 16, after the 10AM Mass and they 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.

### **HS/MS Youth Group**

Please be on the lookout for our parent kick-off meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, September 26, at 7PM** in the Parish Center. We cannot run our Youth Ministry Programs without our parent volunteers. We hope to see you at the meeting!

### **HS Youth Group Bottles & Cans Collection**

If you have been storing your bottles and cans all summer, GOOD NEWS: St. John's HS Youth Group will be collecting bottles and cans again on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month beginning **Saturday, October 6, from 10AM-2PM** at the Train Depot on West Main Street at Ice House Pond. The collections from these drives help fund the different activities for the HS Youth Group including our annual mission trip. Your help is greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Liam Maginnis ([lmaginnis@hillers.org](mailto:lmaginnis@hillers.org) or 508-435-9615).



### **GRADE 9 CONFIRMATION**

Letters have gone out to all Grade 9 Confirmation Candidates. Opening Confirmation meeting is **Monday, October 15, 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 Debbie at the Religious Ed. Office (508-435-3313x208)

### **GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION**

Letters have gone out to all Grade 10 Confirmation Candidates. Opening Confirmation class is **Sunday, October 14, 5-7:15 PM** 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 Debbie at the Religious Ed. Office (508-435-3313x208).

**PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:** If you are planning to register a child for Religious Education for the very first time, please call the Rel. Ed. Office at 508-435-3313x208 for more information. We are currently in the process of planning for the next school year.

### **GRADES 7-10**

<b>Grade 7</b>	Tuesday (6:30-7:30PM) two times a month
<b>Grade 8</b>	Tuesday (6:30-7:30PM) two times a month
<b>Grade 9</b>	Monday (7-8:15PM) two times a month
<b>Grade 10</b>	Sunday (5-7:15PM) once a month

### **Grades 1-6 Catechists**

Catechist Training will take place **Sunday, September 23, 3-6PM** for catechists who have never taught at St. John's, **4-6PM** for returning catechists.

### **GRADES 1-10 CATHECHISTS**

Thank you so much to the many parents who offered to each a class this year. Your commitment and sacrifice of time and talent are so appreciated. Our parish is fortunate to have you. We still need a few more catechists.



### **St. Michael the Archangel Prayer**

The St. Michael the Archangel Prayer, which was prayed for decades after every Mass throughout the Catholic world, up until 1964, will be resumed at St. John's after all the Masses: the spiritual and moral renewal of the Church warrants it. The prayer reminds us that there is an intelligent force of evil we call Satan or the Devil that actively seeks the ruin of souls (1Peter 5:8). This prayer, composed by Pope Leo XIII, also reminds us that spiritual warfare is a part of our Christian journey and further reminds us of our duty to engage in this essential struggle.

We also make an appeal to the Sacred Heart of our Lord and to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for special help and protection, as well as an invocation to St. Joseph, the patron saint of the universal Church.

**Saint Michael the Archangel,**

defend us in battle.

Be our protection against  
the wickedness and snares  
of the devil.

May God rebuke him,  
we humbly pray;  
and do Thou,

O Prince of the Heavenly Host –  
by the Power of God –  
cast into hell, satan and all the evil spirits,  
who prowl about the world  
seeking the ruin of souls.

**Amen.**

--Pope Leo XIII

P. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
R. Have mercy on us.

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P. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
R. Have mercy on us.

P. Most Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
R. Pray for us.

P. Good Saint Joseph,  
R. Pray for us.

### **Knights of Columbus**

#### **"Special People's Field Day"**

The Knights of Columbus, Bishop Rice Council will host its annual "Special People's Field Day" **NEXT Sunday, September 23**, at the Ashland Fish and Game Club from 1-4PM. This event brings together members of the special needs community to enjoy an afternoon of activities and events. The event is meant to be a day of fun and includes sports activities for all, pony/horse rides, fire truck rides, a barbecue lunch, ice cream, and giveaway prizes. If interested in attending or helping, please contact Deputy Grand Knight, Bill Muench (508-259-3382 or [william.muench@comcast.net](mailto:wiliam.muench@comcast.net)).