

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

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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



At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me." - Mk 9:38-39

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, October 7, 2018:
Gn 2:18-24/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/ Heb 2:9-11/
Mk 10:2-12



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

5:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Philip John McGrath

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

8:00 AM Raymond and Rose Leveille

10:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 AM Agnes Petzold

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00 AM Phyllis Francis

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

9:00 AM Daly Soligon

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

5:00 PM Lourdes Banson

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Maureen L. Johnson and

Kenneth James McGrath

6:30 PM Mr. and Mrs. Dan Twomey
(living intention—1st wedding anniversary)

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.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated **8:30-9:15AM** in the lower church **NEXT Saturday, October 6.**

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 **THIS** weekend
Clergy Health and Retirement Trust

First Friday Masses in Honor of the Sacred Heart And Spiritual Reparation

Friday, October 5 at 7PM in the Lower Church

Why?: To make reparation for the sins of the clergy and failures in Church leadership; to pray for the spiritual healing of those that have been hurt; to deepen our own relationship to Our Savior through His most Sacred Heart.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart, as we know it, began about the year 1672. On repeated occasions, Jesus appeared to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, a Visitation nun, in France, and during these apparitions He explained to her the devotion to His Sacred Heart as He wanted people to practice it. He asked to be honored in the symbol of His Heart of flesh. Our Lord asked for acts of reparation, Communion on the First Friday of the month, and the keeping of the Holy Hour.

When the Catholic Church approved the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, She did not base Her action only on the visions of Saint Margaret Mary. The Church approved the devotion on its own merits. There is only one Person in Jesus, and that Person was at the same time God and Man. His Heart, too, is Divine -- it is the Heart of God.

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.

EVENING CONFESSIONS

There will be an evening time for confessions **THIS Monday, October 1**. Confessions will be offered from 6:30-7:30 PM in the lower chapel.

Blessing of Animals

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 NEXT Sunday, October 7, 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 10 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!

St. John's Children's Choir 2018-2019

All 3rd thru 8th graders welcome. Weekly rehearsals are on **Thursdays, 6-7PM**, upper church, rehearsal room to the right of the church sanctuary. The Children's Choir sings at the 10AM Mass one Sunday a month, other devotions and concerts throughout the year, and collaborates with the Parish Choir on select feast days. The choir will have the opportunity to participate with hundreds of other young choristers in the Pueri Cantores Festival and Mass this spring, to be held at St. Mary's Church, Newport, RI. Children's Choir registration will take place at rehearsal. For more information please contact Lynn Maginnis at 508-435-9615 or lynnmaginnis@verizon.net.

TWENTY-SIXTH 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.

Fr. Henault Visit

As many of you know, Father John Henault, Missionary Oblate of Mary Immaculate serving in Gonaives Haiti, celebrated 10AM Mass with us on August 19. Fr. Henault is in the process of outfitting the clinic for diseases of the skin, including Hansen's disease (leprosy), that he finally got permission from the Haitian government to open. We were able to raise \$5,025 from donations plus another \$500 donated by the parish for a total of \$5,525. This, in addition to funds donated by other local parishes, will allow Father Henault to purchase some of the needed laboratory equipment for the clinic. St. John's Parish Global Mission Apostolate thanks all who donated, all who stopped by to chat with Fr. Henault during his visit, and special thanks to those of you who keep the people of Haiti and Fr. Henault in your daily prayers.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus is holding its annual Tootsie Roll Drive to raise money to help intellectually challenged individuals worldwide. The Knights will be outside after all Masses **NEXT WEEKEND, October 6th and 7th**, collecting spare change to support this worthy cause. Please consider sparing what you can to support their mission. For information on joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Chris Alicandro (chris.alicandro@comcast.net or 617-335-6688) or visit www.kofc.org/joinus.

LIVE4EVAN

The 2018 Live4Evan 5K Run + Fun Octoberfest will be held on **Saturday, October 6th 2018**, at the Hopkinton High School from 9:30AM-1PM. The **Run + Fun Octoberfest** kicks-off at 10AM with its USA Track & Field certified **Evan Girardi Memorial 5k Road Race** and **3 Mile Heart Walk** starting from behind the Hopkinton High School. These events are followed by the **LiveTough Obstacle Course, Cornhole Tournament**, and a few new events including an **Animal Show, Food Trucks and Beer Garden**. Throughout the **Fun Octoberfest** there will be plenty of fun, food, vendors, and live music provided by the Cape's famous "The Boston Naturals". All proceeds go to the organization's mission of providing temporary housing for families of children with congenital heart disease. For more information about the organization, the event, registration or to donate, please visit <http://www.live4evan.org>.

SAVE THE DATE: The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a blood drive at St. John's on **Friday, October 12**.

CATECHISTS NEEDED

PARENTS, PLEASE! We are still in need of a couple of catechists to share a class. 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 need catechists in the following grades: Grade 3 needs 2 catechists to partner with someone; one for Mondays; one for Tuesdays. Grade 5 needs 1 catechist to partner with someone on 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 or dlysikstjn@verizon.net). Our students need all of us to grow in their faith.



Attention Parents, Please Read!

After 7 years, Jennifer Fairbanks and Mary Pawela, our volunteer High School Youth Ministers, are calling this year their last. They will work with the youth this coming 2018-2019 and then will be moving on to the next chapter in their lives. Do you hear God calling you to something new? Are you interested in serving God by helping our high school teens? If yes, then maybe you would like to help run our youth group. We are looking for a new team who would be willing to work with them throughout this school year to learn how the program works. It is all volunteer and the kids make it worth it! You get to spend time with amazing young adults and provide them with opportunities to serve through fun, prayer and service activities. You will not be on your own, you will have parish support. If you have been hearing God calling you to join us, let us know at stjohn-ythmin@gmail.com.

St. John's Middle School Youth Group

On **Friday, October 19, from 11:30-3:15 PM**, the Middle School Youth Group will go to the Hopkinton YMCA for some activities including games, problem-solving challenge, and low ropes course. They will be led by Abby Biser and her Adventure Education staff for two hours of ground-based learning. We hope that your middle schooler can join us! **Pizza will be provided at St. John's before we head over to the YMCA. Transportation to and from the YMCA will be provided. Pick up at St. John's promptly at 3:15. To sign up, email nina.bouffard@gmail.com. Also, drivers/chaperones are needed.**

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 **1st Saturday of each month beginning THIS 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 or 508-435-9615).



CLASSES BEGIN

GRADES 1-6

Sun. Sept. 30	Grade 2	9-10AM (parents & students)
Sun., Oct. 14	various classes	
Mon. Oct. 1	Grades 3-5	4:15-5:10PM (students)
Mon., Oct. 1	Grade 6	2:15-3:15PM (students)
Tues., Oct. 2	Grades 3, 4 & 5	4:15-5:10PM (students)
Wed., Oct. 3	Grade 2	4:15-5PM (students)
Wed. Oct. 10	Grade 1	4:15-5PM (parents & students)

GRADES 7-10

Grade 7	Tuesday (6:30-7:30PM) two times a month Starting October 9
Grade 8	Tuesday (6:30-7:30PM) two times a month Starting October 16
Grade 9	Monday (7-8:15PM) two times a month starting October 15 with a <u>meeting for students and parents</u>
Grade 10	Sunday (5-7:15PM) once a month starting October 14 with a <u>meeting for students only</u>

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

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 Immaculate Heart of Mary,
R. Pray for us.

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

CROSS ROADS By Deacon Tony

Numbers 11: 25-29; Psalm 19: 8, 10, 12-14; James 5: 1-6;

Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

Have you ever admired people who do certain jobs, or who are involved in certain ministries, or who seem to have certain gifts, or who are involved in so many things that you wonder where they get the energy? I know I have had these thoughts. I think that we all have experienced this phenomenon at one time or another. Sometimes we can become saddened when we try to compare ourselves to others. We think that we could never be that accomplished, that selfless, etc.

Let not your heart be troubled. It is a trick of the Evil One. One of the worst things we can do is to compare ourselves unfavorably or favorably to others. Sometimes, instead of allowing the Spirit to inspire us, comparisons can discourage us from trying, or make us envious, or it could make us complacent in what we are doing. The fact is that the Spirit goes where it will, including to each of us. However, discouragement, a self-centered sadness, envy, or complacency can be stumbling blocks between us and the Spirit.

We each can rid ourselves of such obstacles by humbly and prayerfully cooperating with the Spirit to be the person that God wants each of us to be. Not one of us is the same as anyone else. We are all special projects of the Spirit of the Lord. We sometimes allow possessions, fears, worries and such to get in the way. Not one of us is perfect; but if we loosen our grips on the things that hold us back, and if we "walk by faith and not by sight," and if we "let go and let God," we can better cooperate with the Spirit acting in us to be the uniquely gifted person that the Lord intends each us to be.

As Moses says to us today, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!" That is the will of the Lord. Let it be so!