

# 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**

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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**

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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



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

**Easter Collection**

From offering First Communion and daily Eucharist to blessing our marriages or our loved ones as they are called home to God, our priests in good standing, especially our senior priests, have always answered our calls. Like us, they are troubled by the current events taking place in the Church, yet they are still there for us. Help us care for the health and well-being of our senior priests in good standing by graciously supporting them in our annual Easter collection next week.



**"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest."- Lk 19:38**

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, April 21, 2019:  
*Acts 10:34a, 37-43/ Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/ 1Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12*



**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

5:00 PM Maureen McIntyre and Eileen O'Brien

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14**

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John  
10:00 AM Joseph & Eva Campbell  
6:30 PM Edward F. & Alice Cannon

**MONDAY, APRIL 15**

8:00 AM Helen Kavanaugh Ward

**TUESDAY, APRIL 16**

9:00 AM Donald J. Belger

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17**

9:00 AM Paul Zukas

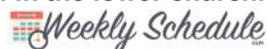
**MARATHON DAY—MONDAY, APRIL 15**  
**MASS WILL BE AT 8AM**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Good Friday.....April 19  
Easter Sunday.....April 21  
Confirmation (2 Masses).....April 27  
First Communions May 4, May 11, May 12

**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.



**SUNDAY, APRIL 14—NO CLASSES, SPRING VACATION BEGINS. CLASSES RESUME APRIL 22.**

**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.**

**DAILY MASS**

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM

**CONFESSION**

WEDNESDAY, April 17 6:30-8PM

**HOLY THURSDAY**

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:00 PM

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**NO 9AM MASS**

ECUMENICAL SERVICE 12:00 PM

THE LORD'S PASSION 3:00 PM

THE LORD'S PASSION 7:00 PM

**HOLY SATURDAY\***

**NO 8AM MASS**

CONFESSIONS 8:30-9:15 AM

CONFESSIONS 2:00-3:00 PM

EASTER VIGIL MASS 7:45 PM

**EASTER SUNDAY\***

EASTER SUNDAY MASS 8AM, 10AM & 11:45 AM

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** (April 28)

MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS 1:30-3:30 PM

**\*Please note there will be NO 5PM Mass on Holy Saturday and NO 6:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday.**

**LITURGICAL NOTES FOR HOLY WEEK**

**Holy Thursday: General Notes**

The Mass is, first of all, the memorial of the institution of the Most Holy Eucharist, that is, of the memorial of the Lord's Passover, by which under sacramental signs He perpetuated among us by the sacrifice of the New Covenant. The Mass of the Lord's Supper is also the memorial of the institution of the priesthood, by which Christ's mission and sacrifice are perpetuated in the world. The tabernacle is empty before the liturgy begins. Communion under both forms will be made available as it is highly recommended by the Church. With the ending of Mass, a Eucharistic procession, in which the whole congregation is invited to join, will proceed to the lower chapel and the altar of reposition. The faithful are encouraged to spend some time in adoration. Holy Thursday will conclude liturgically with compline, which will take place at 10PM.

**Good Friday**

The holy water fonts are emptied. The altar is completely bare: without a cross, without candles and without cloths. This is the only day in the entire calendar year when Mass is not celebrated anywhere in the Catholic World.

**The Easter Vigil**

The Easter Vigil takes place after night fall and is composed of four parts: the Liturgy of the Light; the Liturgy of the Word; the renewal of baptismal vows and the baptism and confirmation of the catechumens; and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



### 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.

### MUSTARD SEED



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.

### EASTER TO DIVINE MERCY Mercy Beyond Belief

Eight days of extraordinary graces—a complete outpouring of God's mercy upon all who approach Him with great trust and expectant faith. On the Sunday after Easter, the entire Catholic Church is called to gather throughout the world to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. **The souls that will go to confession and receive holy communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.**

### Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday in the octave of Easter is Mercy Sunday established by Pope John Paul II, on April 30, in the Jubilee Year of 2000, and is to be observed by the universal Church. The schedule for Mercy Sunday, Sunday, April 28, 2019 in the afternoon at St. John's will be as follows:

**1:30 PM** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the rosary.

**2:00 PM** Confessions will be heard.

**2:30 PM** Readings from the diary of St. Faustina will be proclaimed.

**3:00 PM** The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be chanted.

**3:30 PM** Benediction and Final Blessing.

### AGAPE GATHERING

**Saturday, May 4, 6:30-8PM**

**Location: TBD**

All High School students are invited to attend the next AGAPE!! AGAPE offers 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. It is not necessary to attend every gathering in order to benefit! Come when you can and bring a friend or two!! If you have any questions, contact: Meg Gaughan at [hpagape@gmail.com](mailto:hpagape@gmail.com), Heather Petruney at [petruneyh@gmail.com](mailto:petruneyh@gmail.com), or Linda Lane at [lindalane13@verizon.net](mailto:lindalane13@verizon.net).



### Middle School Youth Group

Check back here for upcoming events.

### High School Youth Group

#### Next Youth Leadership Team Meeting:

**Sunday, May 5 at 7:15PM** in the church hall. All high school youth and adults interested in helping to plan events are welcome to attend.

### SAVE THE DATE: Baccalaureate Mass

**Sunday, May 19, 6:30 PM**

Parents and high school seniors are invited to attend a Baccalaureate Mass followed by dinner in the Parish Center. Invitations to come.

### High School Youth Ministry Fundraiser

Kudo's to our high school youth ministers, Jen Fairbanks and Mary Pawela for putting on another successful fundraiser this past Saturday night. We would like to thank all of those who helped make our fundraising event a huge success. We are so very grateful to the many families and individuals who donated items for our drawings and silent auction. In particular we would like to thank "The Fuse" for the great music, Olive Garden for the donations of breadsticks, T.J's in Ashland for the hand in the Kitchen (Peter) (the spaghetti was awesome), the Knights of Columbus in helping with the cost of food, Bill Maginnis for the paper products, Keefe Tech for printing the flyers and tickets, Deb Andrews for her hard work in getting donations for the raffles, Glenn Strickland for tending the bar, Denise Antaki for the decorations, Debbie Lysik, Laura Sheeran kitchen help and support, Val McGuire, Mary Maffiore for help with set up, Sharon Burdulis center pieces and to all those that came out to enjoy the evening in support of the youth of St. John's. It certainly does take a village! What a great community we have!

### SUMMER BIBLE ADVENTURE UPDATE!

**Roar: Life is Wild and God is Good!**



A limited number of spots for pre-schoolers and K-5th graders are still available for this summer's St. John's Summer Bible Adventure! **Monday-Friday, July 8-12th from 9AM-12 Noon** at St John's Parish Hall. Includes great fun with middle and high schoolers doing activities,

music, crafts, special videos and Bible stories. Our most received comment from prior children who attended: "It's my favorite week of the summer!" Come join the fun by registering at St. John's website: [stjohnhopkinton.com](http://stjohnhopkinton.com) under the "Summer Bible Adventure" tab. Send any questions to: [stjohnsbibleadventure@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsbibleadventure@gmail.com).

**APRIL 14, 2019**

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**CROSS ROADS**

**By Deacon Tony**

**Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019**

**Luke 19: 28-40; Isaiah 50: 4-7; Psalm 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Philippians 2: 6-11; Luke 22: 14-23:56**

It is Palm Sunday, and Holy Week begins with a procession into Jerusalem and the proclaiming of the Kingship of Christ. Necessary as it was, however, that proclamation leads to Jesus' being betrayed, denied, abandoned, ridiculed and tortured; and ultimately to His Death. But Jesus did not come to be glorified as an earthly king. As God among us, Jesus came to serve the Father and us by reconciling us to the Father. I suggest a few themes to bring to prayer during Holy Week.

Humility: "I gave my back to those who beat me." "...he humbled himself to the point of death, even death on a cross." Forgiveness: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do" and "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." Service: "...let the greatest among you be as the youngest, and the leader as the servant." Obedience and Trust: "Father...still not my will but yours be done" and "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Prayer: Jesus always prayed, even on the cross while forgiving his enemies, and to his last breath when He gave up His spirit. Love: Jesus died so that we could live; and He gave us the Eucharist to feed our souls.

Jesus teaches us how to live, how to die, how to lead, how to sacrifice, how to bear our own crosses. Pray always as our Savior did. Forgive, and allow yourself to be forgiven. Serve the Lord with humility by serving one another. Nourish yourself with the Eucharist. Live in Christ and he will live in you now and in eternity.

**The Veiling of Crosses and Statues**

According to the Roman Missal, the practice of covering crosses and images in the church may be observed, beginning on the Saturday before the fifth Sunday of Lent. In 1988, the Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship, in Paschale Solemnitatis, encouraged the practice, though it is not mandatory. This practice was obligatory in the Church for centuries, up until 1970. Why does the Church encourage this practice? To heighten our Lenten awareness and sharpen our spiritual focus on the great mysteries of our faith that Holy Week makes present: the passion, death, and resurrection of our beloved Savior. In the words of the noted Benedictine liturgist Abbot Dom Gueranger, "The presentiment of that awful hour of our Savior's passion leads the afflicted mother, the Church, to veil the image of her Jesus: the cross is hidden from the eyes of the faithful. The statues of the saints, too, are covered; for it is but just that, if the glory of the Master be eclipsed, the servant should not appear."

**SPRING CLEANING? DECLUTTERING?**

Save your unwanted items for St. John's Rummage Sale coming in June. We will be accepting donations of clothes, household items and small furniture beginning on **May 20**. Any parishioners who are interested in volunteering to help with the rummage sale, please contact the parish office at 508-435-3313x203 and leave your name and contact information.