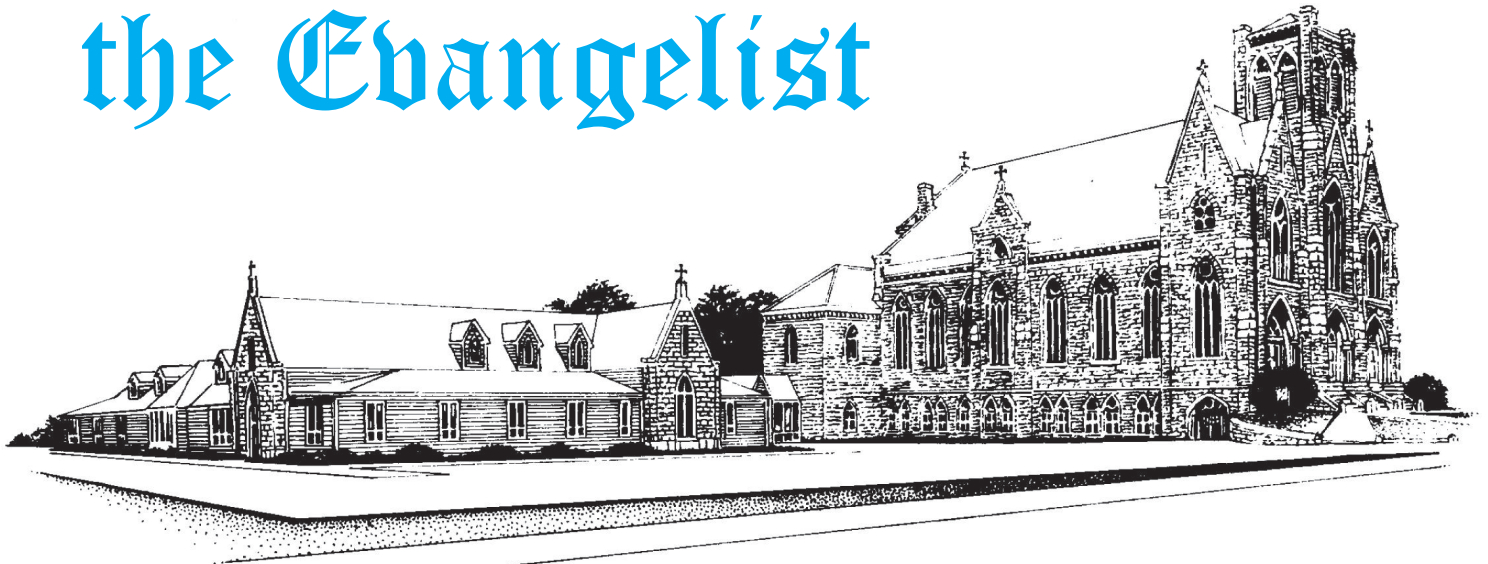


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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

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

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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



"Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him,

"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:27b-29

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, April 30, 2017:
 Acts 2:14, 22-33/ Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/ 1Pt 1:17-21/
 Lk 24:13-35



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

5:00 PM Special intention

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John
 10:00 AM Rita and Frank Brenna
 6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, APRIL 24

9:00 AM Michael Anderson

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

9:00 AM Thomas Bagley

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

9:00 AM Jack Morrissey

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

9:00 AM Umberto Tosti

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

8:00 AM Ernie and Rita Fecteau
 5:00 PM Frank and Rita Brenna

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John
 10:00 AM Special Intention
 6:30 PM Eileen Ward (for healing)



SUNDAY, APRIL 23—CLASSES RESUME

MONDAY, APRIL 24

2:10 PM Grade 6
 4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

4:00 PM First Communion Rehearsal
 for students receiving on 4/29

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

4:00 PM First Communion Rehearsal
 for parents and students receiving
 on 4/29

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 The Mann Family.



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 **THIS Sunday** 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.

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated
 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church
 NEXT Saturday, April 29.**



Sam DePaolo

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



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.**

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.

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR

St. John's has installed an AED—Automated External Defibrillator. We hope that this life-saving device will never need to be used, but we feel that so many of us gather together so frequently, that this device was warranted. The AED is located in a white cabinet on the wall in the lower sacristy. The AED is designed to be used in the event of sudden cardiac arrest which can occur in anyone; infant, child, adult, male or female. The device is designed to be used by anyone.

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.

St. John's Annual Rummage Sale

St. John's Annual Rummage Sale will take place June 12-16. At this time we are accepting donations of household items and small furniture only (such as small tables, chairs, lamps). Drop off at back of church at the storage container. **Every Monday 4-7PM** (April 24, May 1, May 8, May 15 and May 22). Daily drop off for a wider range of items will begin at the end of May. For more information or questions, call 508-435-3313x203.



Middle School Youth Group

Check back here for upcoming events.

High School Youth Group

SAVE THE DATE: Baccalaureate Mass
Sunday, May 21, 6:30 PM

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

Mission Trip

Mandatory youth and parent meeting on **Wednesday, April 26, at 6:30 PM** in the parish center. Final payment of \$200 is due at this time.

High School Youth Ministry Fundraiser

Kudos to our high school youth ministers, Jen Fairbanks, Liz Burke, Margaret Driscoll, Mary Pawela, and Laura Sheeran for putting on a very 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, Ken and Debbie Lysik, Denise Antaki and Trinh Dembinski for their hard work in the kitchen, Bernie Mitchell for bartending, Olive Garden in Marlborough for their donation of salad and breadsticks, Bill Maginnis for paper products, Keefe Tech for printing the flyers and tickets, and Starbucks of Hopkinton for their generous donation of coffee and desserts. It certainly does take a village! What a great community we have! We are already looking forward to next year!

WELCOME ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS TO AGAPE!!

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, April 29

Agape gathering: 5-7PM at the McCann home, 13 John Matthew Road, Hopkinton. **AGAPE** (pronounced uh-Gah-pay) is a Catholic high school faith group that meets once a month to discuss issues facing the culture today and put them in relation to their Catholic faith through fun activities, videos and small group discussions. If you are interested in learning more about Agape or would like to attend the April gathering, please R.S.V.P. by April 28 to Linda Lane (lindalane13@verizon.net), Heather Petruney (hpetruney@verizon.net), or Meg Gaughan (gaughan1family@gmail.com).

"CHILDREN OF EDEN"

at Hopkinton Middle School

The Stephen Schwartz musical "Children of Eden" will be performed at Hopkinton Middle School on **April 28 and 29 at 7PM and on April 30 at 2PM**. A number of students from St. John's will be participating in the show, which tells many Bible stories, including Adam and Eve's banishment from Eden, and Noah and the flood. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for students, and senior citizens are admitted free.



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Divine Mercy Sunday

On the Sunday after Easter, the entire Catholic Church is called to gather throughout the world to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. This beautiful devotion led Pope John Paul, II on April 30, 2000, on the occasion of the canonization of St. Faustina, to officially designate the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday in the Roman liturgical calendar. From Saint Faustina's diary, it is clear that this Octave Day of Easter is a day chosen by Christ as a day of extraordinary graces—a complete outpouring of His mercy upon all who approach Him with great trust and expectant faith. On April 22, 2001, one year after establishing Divine Mercy Sunday, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized its message quoting St. Faustina: "Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: 'Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy'. Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity."

The words of Jesus to Saint Faustina: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of my tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My Mercy. **The souls that will go to confession and receive holy communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.** On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of my most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The feast of mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. **It is my desire that it will be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter.** Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the fount of My mercy."

—Divine Mercy Diary of Saint Faustina #699