

# St John the Evangelist



**Established 1866**

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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**

**Rev. Richard E. Cannon**  
508-435-3313x201  
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### **DEACON**

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### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Carol Zani, 1-6  
Debbie Lysik, 7-10  
Ken Lysik, 9 & 10**

### **PARISH CENTER**

**Maureen Belger, Manager**  
508-435-3313x210  
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## **SUNDAY MASSES:**

**Saturday 5:00 PM**

**8:00 and 10:00 AM\* and 6:30 PM**

\*Beginning January 7, Mass will begin at 10:15 AM and weekend Masses will be held in the Parish Center except for the 8AM Mass which will be in the lower chapel.

## **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**  
[bkenney@stjohnhopkinton.com](mailto:bkenney@stjohnhopkinton.com)  
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



"For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

- Lk 2:30-32

Readings for **NEXT Sunday, January 7, 2018:**  
*Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/*  
*Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12*

## MASS+ INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

5:00 PM John & Helen O'Brien

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Elizabeth Doherty

6:30 PM Clarence MacLaine

### MONDAY, JANUARY 1

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

9:00 AM Salvatore Chirco

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

9:00 AM The Dzerkacz and Zocchi families

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

5:00 PM Gene Zawatski

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Elizabeth Doherty



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES WILL RESUME TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2018

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

4:15 PM Grades 3 and 5

6:30 PM Grade 7

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

4:15 PM Grade 1

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

9:00 AM Grade 2 students and parents

5:00 PM Grade 10 students and parents

### 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.

**Winter Weather Notice:** Please note that if Hopkinton schools are canceled or delayed due to the weather, there will be no morning daily Mass.

## NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY

### PLEASE NOTE: Mass Changes

After the new year, the main nave in the upper church will be painted. **Beginning NEXT WEEKEND**, our Mass schedule will be as follows: **5PM Mass on Saturdays will be held in the parish center and Sunday Masses will be at 8AM in the lower chapel, 10:15 AM\* in the parish center and 6:30 PM in the parish center.** We apologize for the inconvenience these temporary changes may cause our parishioners. **\*Please note the time change of our 10AM Mass to 10:15AM.**

### 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](http://www.stjohnhopkinton.com) and click on ParishPay. If you have any questions, please contact Bernie Mitchell (508-435-3313x202).

### YEAR OUT...YEAR IN

Come join us here at Saint John's in the lower church on **Sunday, December 31, from 11PM to Monday, January 1, 1AM** to thank our Father for His many graces, blessings and constant love on us throughout 2017, and for our Father's continued love, strength and nearness to us in 2018.

Most blessed Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we the people of Saint John the Evangelist Church, entrust our families, our young and old, our needs and concerns, our sick and dying, and all our brothers and sisters in Purgatory to Your Divine Will. With great confidence we give ourselves to Your Most Holy Will which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen. Sponsored by the Divine Mercy Prayer Group.

### 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.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Please pray for the following seriously ill young people in need of healing: Leah Davis, Anthony Khalife, Brody McDermott, and Sam Buttara.

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

**2018 calendars are available at the back of the church.**

## HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH



### **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.

### **The Giving Tree—Global Mission Apostolate**

The Giving Tree is a wonderful Advent tradition here at St. John's. This year's gifts will support the poor in Africa, Haiti, as well as the homeless here in Worcester. A document describing all the missions and gift designations is located on the table with the Giving Tree at the back of the church. Gifts may be brought through January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **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](mailto:maryskniaz@gmail.com)).

### **St. John's St. Vincent De Paul Society**

Are you or someone you know in need of financial help, for example: paying rent, buying food, or paying utilities? If so, please call the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 508-435-3313x207.

### **CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS ENTERTAINING?**

Please save your bottles and cans over the Christmas and New Year's holidays for the St. John's Youth Group. Our High School Youth Group will hold its monthly bottle and can drive on **Saturday, January 6, from 10AM–2PM** at the Ice House Pond Train Depot on West Main Street. Your items help fund a number of youth group events including our end-of-year mission trip. The youth group thanks you for all your support this past year. For more information, contact Liam Maginnis at [liammaginnis@verizon.net](mailto:liammaginnis@verizon.net), [Imaginnis@hillers.org](mailto:Imaginnis@hillers.org) or 508-435-9615. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from everyone at the St. John's Youth Group.

### **MOVING?**

Be sure to notify the Parish office (508-435-3313x203) and the Religious Education office (508-435-3313x208) if your address and/or telephone number changes, OR if you are moving out of town. We appreciate your help in keeping our parish records up to date.

### **TRAVELING?**

FREE ministry to traveling Catholics: You can check out [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) from any internet connection to find out the name, location, and Mass schedule of the nearest Catholic church anywhere in America.



### **Middle School Youth Group**

**Glow in the Dark Epiphany Party**, Friday, January 5. Watch bulletin for more info.

**Event: Martin Luther King Day of Service**, Monday, January 15, 10AM-Noon—Fleece blankets. More info to come.

### **High School Youth Group**

**Next Youth Group Meeting**: January 7 at 7:15 PM in the lower church. All youth and adults interested in helping to plan events are welcome to attend.

**Thursday, January 11, Sign-up Night for Mission Trip to Houston, Texas**

7PM in the Parish Center. Bring completed paperwork, insurance card, and deposit of \$400. If you have any questions, feel free to email [stjohnnythmin@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnnythmin@gmail.com).

**Service, Saturday, January 21**

Join the High School Youth Group as we travel to Boston Common to hand out "blessing bags" to the homeless. More info to come.

### **Donations Needed!**

For the month of December, a box for donations of adult new socks, gloves, and travel size toothpaste will be in the Parish Center. The high school youth group will travel to Boston Common to hand out blessing bags to Boston's homeless on Saturday, January 21. If you can help, please leave your items in the box in the Parish Center. Thank you for your generosity.



### **A JESSE TREE**

***"...a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from its roots a bud shall blossom." Isaiah 11:1***

The sixth grade students and their teachers researched scripture passages from the bible to make ornaments that decorated bare branches in order to create the "family tree of Jesus." Be sure to take notice of it when you are in the Parish Center.

### **GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION**

**REMINDER**: Grade 10 Confirmation meets **Sunday, January 7 from 5-7:15PM**. **This meeting is for both parents and students.**

### **Personal Safety Curriculum**

***Personal Safety & Keeping Children Safe***

The schedule for your child's grade indicates the dates these lessons will be taught. The lessons are available for viewing and questions any time—just ask Carol Zani.

### **WEATHER NOTICE**



Any time the Hopkinton Public School District cancels school due to weather conditions, St. John's Religious Education Classes will also be canceled.



**DECEMBER 31, 2017**

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**FREE GIFT FOR ALL PARISHIONERS**

That gift is a **FREE subscription** to [FORMED.ORG](http://FORMED.ORG), a wonderful website that has been called a “Catholic Netflix.” FORMED has inspiring movies and video-based studies, audio presentations and e-books from the Church's most compelling speakers and authors. Would like to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ? Do you know someone who has fallen away from the Church, perhaps a friend, a family member, a co-worker, and you want reach them but you just don't know how to? This is why our parish has invested in [FORMED.ORG](http://FORMED.ORG) so that each of us might grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and in our desire to share our Faith with others, especially those closest to us. With your free access to FORMED, 24/7 on your television, phone, laptop, ipad, or Kindle, you can: prepare for Mass each week by watching an insightful five-minute video on the Sunday readings; enjoy movies as a family that are both nourishing and entertaining; enrich your marriage with the award-winning video program Beloved; and help your children grow in faith and character with engaging children's materials.

**OUR PARISH ACCESS CODE IS: BNZFH7**

