

#### **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 rec55xp@outlook.com

#### DEACON

**Deacon Anthony C. Sicuso** 

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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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

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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



"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, August 5, 2018: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/ Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/ Eph 4:17, 20-24/ Jn 6:24-35



**SATURDAY, JULY 28** 

5:00 PM Bi

Bill McRobert

**SUNDAY, JULY 29** 

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Special Intention

6:30 PM Richard and Mae Nichols

**MONDAY, JULY 30** 

9:00 AM Rose McWilliam

**TUESDAY, JULY 31** 

9:00 AM Itala Taddeo

WEDENSDAY, AUGUST 1

9:00 AM Biago Taddeo

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

9:00 AM Marco Mereggi

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 4** 

8:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 5** 

8:00 AM Florencio Reyes

10:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

6:30 PM Phyllis Francis (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.

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.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church NEXT Saturday, August 4.

#### **New Altar**

Thanks to very, very generous benefactors, St. John's has a new main altar for the upper church. The new main altar is modelled as closely as possible to the high altar, upon which rests the tabernacle. The high altar is original to St. John's and it is very noble and dignified. It ceased being the main altar in 1970. Unfortunately, it is difficult to appreciate the high altar, since most of it was blocked from view by the 1970s main altar. This new altar brings forward the beauty of the original high altar and compliments the recent painted renovation of the sanctuary. We hope to have this new altar blessed by Bishop Reed sometime in the fall. A very special thanks to our kind benefactors.



#### 2018 Catholic Appeal

We are pleased to share that St. John's has raised \$38,816.01 toward our 2018 Catholic Appeal goal of \$44,616 (87%). Thank you to all who have already pledged support. If you have yet to give, we need your help! Please give today to help us reach our goal. Gifts can be made online at **bostoncatholicappeal.org** or by completing a pledge form available in the back of the church. On behalf of Cardinal Sean and the many beneficiaries of the Catholic Appeal, thank you for completing your pledge payments. Every gift is important and appreciated.

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING ROSARY

On Wednesday evenings at <u>6PM in the lower chapel</u>, 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: Anthony Khalife, Brody McDermott, and Sam Buttara. Please also pray for our parishioner, Evan Brooks, who along with his National Guard unit, is deployed in the Middle East. Please keep Evan, the members of his unit, and their families in your prayers.

#### 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.

#### **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 and click on "LPI" under "make an offering" in the lower right hand corner of the page. If you have any questions, please contact Bernie Mitchell (508-435-3313x202).



#### 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.

#### **Has Something Changed?**

Have you moved or changed your phone number? Do you now use online giving and would rather not receive envelopes anymore? Be sure to call the Parish Office at 435 -3313x203 to let us know about the changes in your life so we can update our records. Thanks!

#### **NEW-Join the Knights of Columbus Online!**

The Knights of Columbus are looking for you! If you are a practicing Catholic male over the age of 18, you are eligible to join the Knights. It is now easier than ever to join and you can do so on your time by going to <a href="www.kofc.org/joinus">www.kofc.org/joinus</a>. Registering online provides you access to Knights.net, enrolls you for a subscription to the Adelphia magazine and allows you to attend Council meetings. For full membership privileges it is necessary to complete the First Degree initiation in the future. For more details please contact Chris Alicandro (<a href="mailto:chris.alicandro@comcast.net">chris.alicandro@comcast.net</a> or 617-335-6688).

## SAINT JOHN PAUL THE GREAT His Five Loves By Jason Evert

A French novelist once wrote, "Tell me what you love, and I will tell you who you are." Although there are countless ways to study Saint John Paul the Great, the most direct route is by entering the man's heart. Discover the five greatest loves of Saint John Paul II through remarkable unpublished stories about him from bishops, priests who organized his papal pilgrimages, his students in Poland, Swiss Guards, and others. Mining through a mountain of papal resources, Jason Evert has uncovered the gems and now presents the Church a treasure chest brimming with the jewels of the saint's life. Rekindle your own faith by learning what (and who) captivated the heart of this great saint. For this and other selections, please stop by our Media Kiosk in the Parish Center hallway.

#### **DIGNITY MATTERS**

Help Dignity Matters provide homeless women with bras and feminine hygiene products. These items are not covered by food stamps and are rarely donated to shelters, but these items are DESPERATELY needed. Please donate: brasnew and gently used; female underpants—new with tags; tampons and sanitary napkins. St. John's will be collecting these items to donate. Please place your donations in the bin in the Parish Center hallway.



#### **Middle School Youth Group**

Check back here for upcoming events

#### **High School Youth Group**

The High School Mission was a huge success! Our students and chaperones have returned from Houston, Texas. They had safe travels and much work was done. A huge thank you for all the support the students received from the parish. Stay tuned for information on an upcoming presentation the students will be giving about their trip.



#### **ATTENTION PARENTS!**

This Fall, elementary students will have the opportunity to sign up for classes at the following times, October to May:

- Grade 1 will meet two Wednesdays each month, 4:15-5PM
- Grade 2 will meet every Wednesday, 4:15-5PM with three exceptions when classes will meet on Sundays, 9-9:50AM while parents meet with Carol Zani.
- Grades 3-5: We hope to have classes on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday for grades 3-5 in the hope that we have teachers for those days. Please stay tuned.
- Grade 6 will meet every Monday, 2:15-3:15PM

**Every grade, 1-6**, will have a <u>limited</u> optional choice of attending a Sunday class, 9-9:50AM, depending on catechist availability—first-come, first-served. Sign up will be in September. Every family that has a child registered in the program will receive the information in the mail.

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

#### **Grade 1 Parents**

We anticipate about 50 new registrations for first grade. At this time, we are looking for volunteers to work with groups of 8-10 children. There's training and lots of support. Please call the office to learn more (508-435-3313x208 or x209).

## Please Consider Teaching St. John's Needs More Catechists, Gr. 1-6

Please consider making a commitment to share your faith with our students during the next school year. Many caring people have already indicated they will teach Religious Ed. for grades 1-6 next year. Some of them will teach as a team on alternating weeks. Others will teach together every week. We need teachers for grades 1-6. Help us plan for next year. If you would like to teach with a partner, we will find one for you. Please call us for more information or to say you will teach (508-435-3313x208 or x209). Our students need <u>all</u> of us to grow in the faith.

**PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:** If you are planning to register a child for Religious Education <u>for the very first time</u>, 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.



### Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and the Brown Scapular

Monday, July 16, was the memorial of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Carmel in Hebrew means "Garden of God"). This feast's day is dated through pious tradition as the day in the 13<sup>th</sup> century, that Our Lady of Mt. Carmel gave the brown scapular to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite priest serving in England. St. Simon was exhorted by Our Lady to make available this scapular to the faithful.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will extend her patronage to the faithful who wear the scapular, especially at one's hour of death. The faithful in turn pledge:

- --Devotion to Our Lady and the teachings of the Church,
- --To live a chaste life according to one's station in life,
- --And to say the rosary daily.

One must be vested by a priest or deacon with the accompanying prayers. For those interested, the vesting of the brown scapular will be available after all the Masses this weekend. For those that currently wear the scapular, one's vesture could be renewed.

