

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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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Carol Zani, 1-6
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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



And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"-that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, September 16, 2018:
Is 50:5-9a/ Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/ Jas 2:14-18/
Mk 8:27-35



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 AM Doris Belle Cooke

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 AM Mary Jane Rogers

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9:00 AM Amy Altman

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. John

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00 AM David Bilodeau
(12 year 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. Please note that **THIS Monday, September 10**, the Divine Mercy Prayer Group will meet in the upper church.

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 Anthony Khalife and Brody McDermott, seriously ill young people in need of healing. 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.

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.



Rest in Peace

Marjorie F. Langdon

Mission Appeal Weekend

The annual Propagation of the Faith Missionary Appeal Weekend will take place **THIS WEEKEND, September 8 & 9th**. We are very pleased to welcome Fr. William Ojulo, who originally hails from Uganda. Fr. William will be speaking at all the Masses.

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

First Friday Masses in Honor of the Sacred Heart And Spiritual Reparation 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, September 10**. Confessions will be offered from 6:30-7:30 PM in the lower chapel.

St. John's Children's Choir 2018-19

All 3rd thru 8th graders are welcome to join. Weekly rehearsals will begin on **Thursday, 9/20; 6-7PM**; upper church, in the rehearsal room to the right of the church sanctuary. The Children's Choir sings at the 10AM Mass one Sunday a month; collaborates with the Parish Choir on select feast days; and sings during other devotions and concerts throughout the year. Additionally, our choir will once again have the opportunity to participate with hundreds of other young choristers in the Pueri Cantores Festival and Mass; this Spring 2019, to be held at St. Mary's Church, Newport, RI. Choir registration will take place at rehearsal. For more information on St. John's Children's Choir please contact Lynn Maginnis at 508-435-9615 or lynnmaginnis@verizon.net.

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

TWENTY-THIRD 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.

CROSS ROADS By Deacon Tony

**Isaiah 35: 4-7; Psalm 146: 6-10; James 2: 1-5;
Mark 7: 31-37**

The Lord reigns in eternity, in timelessness. Yet he interacts with us in time. He became the Word Made Flesh. When he walked the Earth, Jesus spent most of his time with those in need: the poor, the blind, the mute, the fearful, the lame, the weak, the sinful, the oppressed, the meek. That is why we believe that the Lord continues to interact with us in time, through the Eucharist, through the sacraments, through all of us in the Mystical Body of Christ who are open to the possibilities. The Lord in his mercy gives us time to cooperate with his grace in this age of salvation.

The Lord wants us to love as he loves, to be impartial in the good that we do in his name. He is with all of us, because if there is one thing about the human condition, no matter how well off we may seem, whether we realize it or not we all suffer. We all have infirmities of body, mind and soul. We all need healing. The healing and consolation we receive from the Lord, with his help, we can pass on to others.

It was said of Jesus that "He has done all things well." Can that be said of us? Unlikely, because we are not perfect; but we can imitate the example that Jesus gives us. We must pray, make frequent use of the sacraments, be poor in spirit, simplify, refrain from making distinctions among ourselves, in word and deed treat others as we want to be treated, allow the Lord to remove our individual impediments, and use our gifts for good. As Jesus said to the deaf man in today's gospel. "Be Opened!"

GRADES 1-6 CATECHISTS NEEDED

PARENTS, PLEASE! There are not enough catechists to offer many students a place in a class. Please take notice of the number of catechists that are needed below, and the days on which they're needed. At this time some grades cannot be offered on certain days because there are no volunteer catechists willing to teach on those days. **Parents, you are the Religious Education Staff at St. John's. There cannot be a parish program without you.** Please consider making a commitment to share your faith with our students during the next school year. Share a class with a partner. Thanks to the people who have recently offered to teach, we now need catechists in the following grades:

Grade 1 needs 2 catechists: two Wednesdays per month

Grade 2 needs 2 catechists: Wednesdays

Grade 3 needs 2 catechists: to partner with someone; one for Mondays; one for Tuesdays

Grade 4 needs 2 catechists: one for Mondays; one for Tuesdays

Grade 5 needs 3 catechists: Mondays or Tuesdays

Grade 6 needs 1 catechist: Mondays

Please email or call us for more information or to say that you will teach (508-435-3313 x209 or x208, czanistj@verizon.net or dlysikstj@verizon.net). Our students need all of us to grow in their faith.

Catechetical Sunday will be celebrated **September 16**. This year's theme is "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ".

High School Youth Group

The High School mission trip to Houston, Texas, was a huge success! The students and their chaperones had safe travels, much work was done, and a difference was made. **The H.S. Youth Group will host a coffee hour on Sunday, September 16, after the 10AM Mass** and they would like to say thank you for the parish's support. They will share their experiences and answer any questions you may have for them. Stop by the parish center after the 10AM Mass and meet these awesome students and adult leaders.

HS/MS Youth Group

Please be on the lookout for our parent kick-off meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, September 26, at 7PM** in the Parish Center. We cannot run our Youth Ministry Programs without our parent volunteers. We hope to see you at the meeting!



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

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 limited 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.

GRADES 7-10

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

ST. JOHN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ONLINE SIGN-UPS

FOR ALL REGISTERED IN GRADES 1-6

The site will open **THIS Sunday, September 9, at 1PM** and will close on Wednesday, September 12, at 6PM. Student sign-ups for fall classes must be done online at: www.stjohnhopkinton.com. Click on the Rel. Ed. Sign-ups on the home page. Students in Grades 7-10 do not need to sign up as they do not have a choice of day or time. (But we do ask that if you are not planning on sending your child, to please let us know).

Grades 1-6 Catechists

Catechist Training will take place **Sunday, September 23, 3-6PM** for catechists who have never taught at St. John's, **4-6PM** for returning catechists.

SEPTEMBER 9, 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 Sacred Heart of Jesus,
R. Have mercy on us.

P. Most Immaculate Heart of Mary,
R. Pray for us.

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

