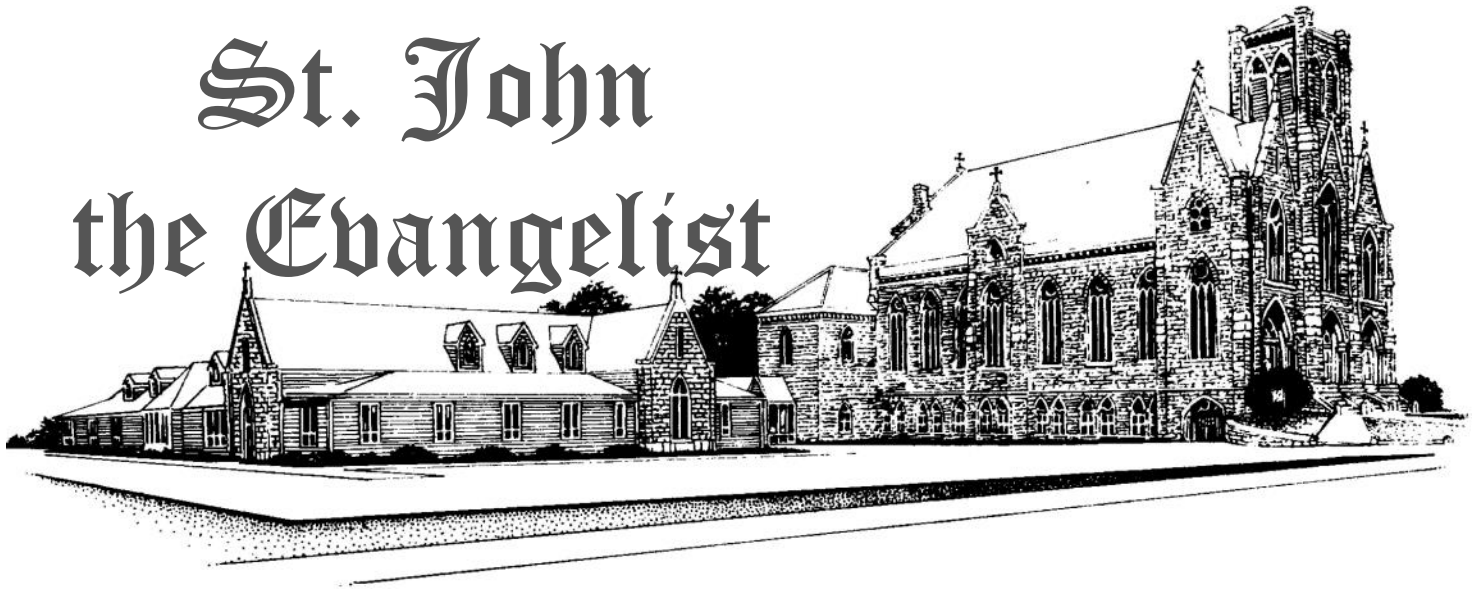


St. John the Evangelist



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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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**Carol Zani, 1-6
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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



"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, March 10, 2019:
Dt 26:4-10/ Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/
Rom 10:8-13/ Lk 4:1-13

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

8:00 AM Donald & Phyllis Francis
10:00 AM Glenn Lisciotto
6:30 PM Parishioners of St. John

MONDAY, MARCH 4

9:00 AM Special Intention

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

9:00 AM Josephine Wengert

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John
7:00 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

9:00 AM William Remillard

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

8:00 AM Special Intention

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John
10:00 AM Special Intention

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



SUNDAY, MARCH 3

5:00 PM Grade 10

MONDAY, MARCH 4

2:10 PM Grade 6
4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 & 5
7:00 PM Grade 9

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 & 5
6:30 PM Grade 7

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6—NO CLASSES
ASH WEDNESDAY

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.



Rest in Peace

James E. Donahue

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 O'Leary Family.

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

Catholic Appeal

In the Gospel today, Jesus reminds us that we are known by the fruits of our generosity. In opening the doors of our hearts to this season of Lent, may we consider supporting those who turn to the Church for assistance, through life-changing ministries such as Addiction Recovery Services or the Faith Community Nursing program. **Your gift to the 2019 Catholic Appeal provides half of the funding for many important programs that enrich parish life, our Catholic schools, and the lives of many. Every gift has an immediate impact in our parish communities.** Please find more information about this life-changing work in the envelope in your pew or visit our website at bostoncatholicappeal.org to view our latest video about the Appeal. Thank you!



ASH WEDNESDAY

A Day of Fasting, A Day of Prayer

THIS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

8:00 AM	MASS & ASHES
12:10 PM	MASS & ASHES
4:30 PM	ASHES (no Mass)
7:00 PM	MASS & ASHES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent we will have Stations of the Cross and Benediction every Friday evening beginning at **7PM in the lower chapel**. Join us as we engage in a Lenten pilgrimage to the Cross with Jesus.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Ash Wednesday.....**March 6**
Easter Sunday.....April 21
Confirmation (2 Masses).....April 27

LENTEN SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS (lower church)

MONDAY—WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM
FRIDAY	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	8:00 AM

ROSARY (lower church)

MONDAY—WEDNESDAY	8:35 AM
WEDNESDAY	8:35 AM
FRIDAY	8:35 AM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION

FRIDAYS	7:00 PM
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RECONCILIATION (lower church)

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



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!

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.

SPRING CLEANING? DECLUTTERING? DOWNSIZING?

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. Drop off dates will be announced soon!

AGAPE GATHERING

Welcome all High School students to the next AGAPE!!

**THIS Saturday, March 9, 6:30-8PM
at the Burdulis Home**

3 Sterling Drive, Hopkinton

AGAPE offers all 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. We are delighted to be able to begin our 5th year with this program. It's designed to accommodate everyone's busy schedules as 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 hopagape@gmail.com, Heather Petruney at petruneyh@gmail.com, or Linda Lane at lindalane13@verizon.net.

Project Just Because

3rd Annual Shamrock Shindig Fundraiser

Friday, March 8, 2019, 7-10PM at The Hopkinton Center for the Arts, 99 Hayden Rowe Street, Hopkinton. Delicious food by local Chef McFall, refreshments, Irish entertainment, great auction items, mystery packages and more! Visit www.projectjustbecause.org to purchase tickets.

Middle School Youth Group

Service Project: Preparing Easter bags for the Mustard Seed soup kitchen, **Friday, March 22, 11:30AM-1PM**. More info to come.

High School Youth Group

Next Youth Leadership Team Meetings:

Sundays, March 3, and March 31, at 7:15PM in the church hall. All high school youth and adults interested in helping to plan events are welcome to attend.

Mystery All-Nighter: Saturday, March 16

Calling all High School Youth: Looking for a fun night out? Join us for our Mystery All-Nighter on **Saturday, March 16**. We will meet at the church at **4:15PM** and travel to 2 mystery locations, including dinner. We will return to the church around midnight. You may choose to be picked up then or hang out with games, music, food, and fun until 6AM. The cost for this is \$70, check payable to St. John's Youth Group. St. John's permission slip linked in the sign up. Hand in permission slip and money to Religious Ed door slot or Mrs. Fairbanks in room 215 at the High School by Wednesday, March 13.

Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/MysteryNight2019> Questions? Email: stjohnythmin@gmail.com

HS Youth Ministry Annual Fundraiser

Fundraiser Dinner: A Feast for Philly on **Saturday, April 6**, from 6-10PM at the church hall. All-You-Can-Eat Pasta dinner. \$10pp. Tickets on sale after Masses March 9th and 20th and at Coffee Hour on March 10. Live music, drawings, silent auction, 50/50, friends, and fun. This is the one fundraiser the High School Youth Group does. The money helps defray costs to our students and chaperones for many of the various activities, including the mission trip.



Faith Formation Coordinator

We have an employment opening for a dynamic part-time Faith Formation Coordinator who will be responsible for Grades 1-6 (approximately 300 students). Prior experience preferred. Please see our website: stjohnhopkinton.com for more details.

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.

Summer Bible Adventure

Roar: Life is Wild and God is Good!

July 8-July 12, 2019, 9AM-Noon

4 year-olds to 5th graders (as of Fall 2019), \$75/child. Have fun learning music, doing crafts, hearing Bible stories, playing games, and watching video clips all about how God is good! The first 75 elementary-aged children and 15 four year-olds with completed online signup, physical, and registration fee paid will be registered. Online registration can be accessed under the ministry tab on the St. John's Parish website: www.stjohnhopkinton.com.

MARCH 3, 2019

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

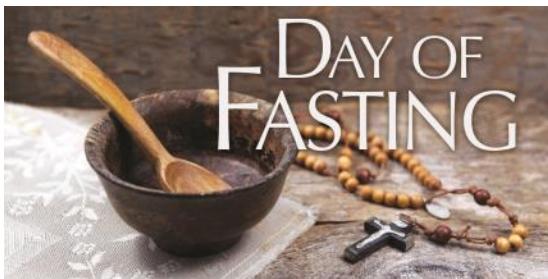
Sirach 27: 4-7; Psalm 92: 2-3, 13-16;

1 Corinthians 15: 54-58; Luke 6: 39-45

I will concentrate on two of the messages from today's readings: first, to see ourselves and others clearly, we must remove the beam from our own eye (that thing or things that can harm our relationship with the Lord and his people); second, our actions and speech should reflect the Lord for our good and the good of others.

Sirach and today's Gospel remind us that our speech reveals who we really are. Yet speech is inherently an action also. God used the Word to create. Jesus used words to heal, console, admonish, and forgive. I think we can all remember times when we have said something impulsively that hurt somebody. At other times we have used words to encourage, console, and to express love.

We begin Lent in three days. Let us use Lent to remove the beam from our eyes so that we can see clearly and speak, act, and be fruitful for the good of all. How? Use the tools that Christ has given us: the Eucharist and Confession. Cultivate the fruits of the Holy Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity. Follow Paul's advice in Ephesians 4: 29-32: "Never let evil talk pass your lips; say only the good things...that will really help...be kind to one another, compassionate, and mutually forgiving, just as God has forgiven you in Christ." Thus, as Paul suggests today, you will clothe yourself with immortality, and your efforts in the Lord will not be in vain, and you will bear good fruit.



**Lenten Regulations for
Fasting and Abstinence**

ASH WEDNESDAY and **GOOD FRIDAY** are days of fast and abstinence. **FRIDAYS OF LENT** are also days of abstinence. **FASTING** is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed. **ABSTINENCE** is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted. Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.