

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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PARISH CENTER

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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



Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, March 31, 2019:
 Jos 5:9a, 10-12/ Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/ 2Cor 5:17-21/
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



SATURDAY, MARCH 23

5:00 PM Peter Winkler

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Tim and Helen Sparks

6:30 PM James Donahue

MONDAY, MARCH 25

9:00 AM Karl and Marie Herendeen

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

9:00 AM Anna Marie Duffy (living birthday)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

9:00 AM Dzerkacz and Zocchi Families

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

9:00 AM Jamie Fors

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

8:00 AM Loretta Petrilli

5:00 PM For the persecuted church in China

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Ross Meehan

6:30 PM Mary and Philip McLaughlin

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.



MONDAY, MARCH 25

2:10 PM Grade 6

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 & 5

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 & 5

6:30 PM Grade 8

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

4:15 PM Grades 1 & 2

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

Loretta Petrilli
 Lady Phyllis M. MacNeil
 Fr. Charles Connelly, S.J.

NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY

Best Wishes for Carol Zani

As you all know Carol Zani will be retiring this year as of May. Please join us to greet and thank Carol for her many years of dedicated service to St. John's Rel. Ed. program. We will come together on **Sunday, April 7** after the 10AM Mass in the Parish Center. Please come and wish Carol well in her retirement. All are welcome and invited to send Carol forth with our love and prayers.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

In addition to the regular Saturday morning confessions from 8:30-9:15AM, confessions will also be heard **Monday, April 8, 6:30-7:30PM, Wednesday, April 17, 6:30-8PM**, and on **Holy Saturday, April 20, 2-3PM**.

Lenten Meditation

Please join us for a Lenten meditation with Fr. Robert Lacombe **THIS Thursday, March 28**, at 7PM in the lower chapel. There will also be an opportunity for confession.

SOUP AND STATIONS

All are invited to join us in fellowship and a light meal followed by Stations of the Cross, on the following Fridays during Lent. Soup, bread, and drinks are provided for adults, and a kid-friendly meal is also provided. Join us at **6PM** in the Parish Center for the meal, and at **7PM** in the upper church for stations. Hosted by:

March 29: Knights of Columbus

April 5: STATIONS ONLY at 7PM, no meal

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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 6:00 PM

FRIDAY 8:35 AM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS 7:00 PM

RECONCILIATION (lower church)

SATURDAYS 8:30-9:15 AM

MONDAY, April 8, 6:30-7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, April 17 6:30-8:00 PM

SATURDAY, April 20 2:00-3:00 PM.

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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.

Food for Families

Luke 3:11: And he answered them "Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise." **NEXT Saturday and Sunday, March 30th and 31st**, the Knights of Columbus Ashland/Hopkinton council will be collecting food for its annual "Food for Families" drive. This program is targeted at helping local families at this critical time of year when supplies are running low, yet the need is great. The Project Just Because Food Pantry of Hopkinton needs your help! Shopping bags with a list of needed items will be distributed the week prior and collection boxes will be at the rear of the church all weekend long. Frequently needed items include canned meat, fruit, vegetables, meals, juice bottles and boxes, school snack items, paper products, laundry detergent, toiletries, toothpaste and brushes, etc. Thank you for your continued generosity!



DAILY MASS

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM

CONFESSION

WEDNESDAY, April 17 6:30-8PM

HOLY THURSDAY

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY

NO 9AM MASS

ECUMENICAL SERVICE 12:00 PM

THE LORD'S PASSION 3:00 PM

THE LORD'S PASSION 7:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY*

NO 8AM MASS

CONFESSIONS 8:30-9:15 AM

CONFESSIONS 2:00-3:00 PM

EASTER VIGIL MASS 7:45 PM

EASTER SUNDAY*

EASTER SUNDAY MASS 8AM, 10AM & 11:45 AM

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (April 28)

MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS 1:30-3:30 PM

***Please note there will be NO 5PM Mass on Holy Saturday and NO 6:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday.**



Middle School Youth Group

Check back here for upcoming events.

High School Youth Group

Next Youth Leadership Team Meeting:

Sunday, 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.

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.

SAVE THE DATE: Baccalaureate Mass

Sunday, May 19, 6:30 PM

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



First Communion Retreats

Please pray for the 73 children and their families who will attend their retreat at the end of this month to learn more about the Mass and the Eucharist, and create a banner for their pew for their First Holy Communion Mass in May.

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.

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.

Msgr. Haddad Middle School

Do you have a child attending middle school next year? Monsignor Haddad Middle School in Needham still has a few openings for the 2019-2020 school year. Academic rigor * Faith and Character Development * Dedicated Faculty * Sports, Speech, Drama * High Acceptance Rates to the Area's Top High Schools * 1 Block From Needham Center Commuter Rail * 15 Communities * **New tour dates added**, or call 781-449-0133 to schedule your personal tour! www.mhmsneedham.com

MARCH 24, 2019

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

**Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15; Psalm 103: 1-4, 6-8, 11;
1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12; Luke 13: 1-9**

Today's readings tell us something about God, ourselves, and life. In Exodus, we see a God who says to Moses, "I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt." Then He commissions Moses to lead the people out. The Psalm tells us that God pardons, redeems, secures justice, and abounds in kindness. Today, St. Paul also reminds of these things; but he also warns us not to grumble or to feel too secure in ourselves.

Sometimes we forget what God has done for us. We can sulk or grumble when things are not going as we had hoped. We can become a little too pleased with ourselves and self-righteous, which can lead to complacency. Also, some of us are prone to think too little of ourselves, which can lead to unwarranted timidity. These states of mind and behaviors reduce our defenses and make us prone to attack by the Devil when we least expect it. Today's gospel reminds us that we are here to be fruitful by bringing ourselves and others in ever closer relationship to Christ. It reminds us that, like the gardener in the parable, Jesus pleads for us to have another chance. In that regard, remember the confessional is extremely helpful.

We have been given life and are watched over by a kind and generous God who is slow to anger. But life in relationship with Him is a life-long process. We are human: both stronger than we think, and weaker than we think. Every day we build on the day before or we start over. But if we trust ourselves to God, He will show each of us how best to be fruitful. One of the keys is something St. Paul said: Your inmost being must be renewed, and you must put on the new man (Ephesians 4: 23-24). **Every day!**

BSA Troop 4 Pancake Breakfast

St. John's sponsored BSA Troop 4 Hopkinton will hold its Annual Pancake Breakfast on **Saturday, April 6th, 2019**. Breakfast will be served from 7:30AM-11AM in the parish hall. The scouts will serve original and chocolate chip pancakes, as well gluten/dairy/nut free pancakes! Breakfast will include sausage, juice, coffee, and more. While you're there, take time to bid on the amazing silent auction items donated by our generous sponsors! General admission is \$6, \$4 for senior citizens and our veterans eat free. Tickets are available in advance from your local scouts, or at the door. Proceeds from the pancake breakfast will support high adventure trips for Troop 4 scouts including hiking in our national parks and camping and biking opportunities. It is programs like these that provide Hopkinton youth with a quality scouting experience and builds model leaders in our community.

Fatal FLAWS

Legalizing Assisted Death

Film and discussion with Kris Correia at St. Luke Parish Center, 1 Ruggles St., Westborough, on **Tuesday, March 26, 9:45-11:15AM AND 7-8:30PM. Free and open to the public.** Reserve seats at witnessforlife.com or call St. Luke's parish at 508-366-5502