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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

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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 another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:61-62

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, July 7, 2019: Is 66:10-14c/ Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/ Gal 6:14-18/ Lk 10:1-9



SATURDAY, JUNE 29

5:00 PM Frances Mitchell

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

8:00 AM Joseph Musa Frances Mitchell 10:00 AM Parishioners of St. John 6:30 PM

MONDAY, JULY 1

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, JULY 2

9:00 AM Phyllis Francis (1 year anniversary)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

9:00 AM Special Intention

FRIDAY, JULY 5

9:00 AM Ray Benoit

SATURDAY, JULY 6

8:00 AM Edward and Alice Cannon Helen Cannon Ward

Matthew O'Leary

5:00 PM SUNDAY, JULY 7

> Parishioners of St. John 8:00 AM

10:00 AM Patricia Oliver

6:30 PM Mr. and Mrs. Jerome McDvre

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.



Please Remember in Prayer

All confined, all in need of healing... Please pray for all deceased and their families... Our servicemen and women, and their families. and all who suffer in embattled countries.



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.

First Friday Masses in Honor of the Sacred Heart And Spiritual Reparation Friday, July 5 at 7PM in the Lower Church

Why?: To make reparation for our sins, the sins and failures of Church leadership; and for the sins of the world; 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.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church **NEXT Saturday, July 6.**



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. Thank you!

TRAVELING?

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

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: bras-new 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.



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Middle School Youth Group

Check back here for upcoming events for the fall.

High School Youth Group

The High School Mission was a huge success! Our students and chaperones have returned from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 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.



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. We need teachers for grades 1-6. Help us plan for next year. 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 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.



INDEPENDENCE DAY

On July 4 throughout the United States, we celebrate our freedom. Our rights are protected and opportunities abound. We recognize that freedom has a cost, one we celebrate and honor on days such as this. It's good to honor those who fight for our country, who may well pay the ultimate price for the liberties we're afforded. As faithful Catholics, we recognize that there is more to freedom than simply being at liberty to make our lives what we want them to be. St. John Paul II reminds us: "Freedom is not just doing what we can, it is doing what we ought." We become freer within ourselves and within our relationships when we choose what is right and good. When we choose sin, we become trapped in egoism - less free, not more. This Independence Day, let's continue to pursue virtue and good character and encourage others to do this same.

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

1 Kings 19: 16, 19-21; Psalm 16: 1-2, 5, 7-11; Galatians 5: 1, 13-18; Luke 9: 51-62

In the reading from Kings, Elisha burned his plowing equipment, slaughtered his oxen, fed his people and departed to serve and ultimately to succeed Elijah, though he knew it would not be an easy life. Saint Paul tells us today that the freedom Jesus won for us is not a license to attach ourselves slavishly to the things of this world or to sin. Saint Paul experienced hardship, persecution and martyrdom. Jesus, rejected once in his hometown of Nazareth and once in a Samaritan village, was determined to continue his journey and mission to Jerusalem to free us from sin. He knew he would not have a place of his own to lay down his head, that he would face difficulties, resistance, and death on the Cross.

To this day it can be difficult to be a Christian, particularly to be a Catholic Christian. Today's readings are not requiring us to abandon family and friends. What is required is total commitment, devotion to the things of the Spirit, detachment from the things of this world, service of God through service to one another. We are required to love our neighbor as we love ourselves and to cultivate a broader perspective regarding the meaning of neighbor and of family.

Through his Spirit Jesus gives us refuge, counsel, peace, joy, and a path to eternal life. In turn we are to be totally committed to life in the Spirit, and to the goal of eternal life with God for ourselves and others. Doing so, each of us can have the faith expressed in Psalm 16, "You will show me the path to life, fullness of joys in your presence, ... forever."

<u>Important Roe Act Infanticide Bill Update</u>

The Roe Act Infanticide bill could come up for a committee hearing any day now. If passed, The Roe Act would allow all of the following:

- Remove provisions requiring the giving of life saving care of an infant born alive after a failed abortion, legalizing infanticide. (With proper medical care, babies can survive).
- Eliminate the parental consent and notification system entirely, so girls as young as 12 can get abortions without any adult involvement.
- Expand late term abortion through all 9 months with no restrictions.
- Remove requirements that late term abortions be performed in hospitals (many abortion clinics do not have life-saving equipment).

Please take the time to call or write your state legislator and say "No to Roe". Help stop this bill from becoming law in our state and help preserve the sanctity of life.

Below are the names and phone numbers of your MA State Legislators:

Your State Senator: Karen E. Spilka (617) 722-1500

Karen.Spilka@masenate.gov

Your State Representative: Carolyn C. Dykema (617) 722-2680, Carolyn.Dykema@mahouse.gov MA Governor: Charlie Baker (617) 725-4005 Charlie.Baker@state.ma.us.