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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Please introduce vourselves. We hope to know and serve you. We hope you become an active part of our Parish Community.

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 PM 8:00 and 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM 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



"Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me.' I tell you, if he

does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence." - Lk 11:5b, 7a, 8

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, August 4, 2019: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/ Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/ Col 3:1-5, 9-11/ Lk 12:13-21



SATURDAY, JULY 27

5:00 PM

PM Bill McRobert and Gail Belmore

SUNDAY, JULY 28

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM The Family of Shawn A. Collins

(living intention)
Marjorie Caldwell

6:30 PM

MONDAY, JULY 29 9:00 AM James Score

TUESDAY, JULY 30

9:00 AM Joe DiMaggio

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

9:00 AM Mary Lou Bueno

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

9:00 AM Arcade Boivin

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

9:00 AM Matilda Flores

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

8:00 AM Eliza Johnson

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Mr. and Mrs. Peter Abbruscato

(living intention)

6:30 PM For the conversion of sinners

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.

THURSDAY MORNING MASSES

We are pleased to announce that we will now have a daily Mass at 9AM on Thursday mornings. Rev. Conrad S. Pecevich will be saying Thursday morning Masses here at St. John's.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no 7PM First Friday Mass this week.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church NEXT Saturday, August 3.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and the Brown Scapular

Monday, July 16th 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 13th 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 and to say the rosary daily.

The requirements of this devotion are:

- To receive the imposition of the scapular and to wear it habitually.
- To guard one's chastity.
- To pray daily the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin. It could be substituted by praying three Hail Marys; or seven Our Fathers with Hail Mary and Glory Be; or the Divine Office.

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.



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated **Thursday, August 15**.

HOLY DAY MASSES

Wednesday, August 14 at 4PM
Thursday, August 15 at 9AM and 7PM

These holy day Masses will be held in the lower chapel.



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.

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.



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 <u>6PM in the lower</u> <u>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.

CROSS ROADSBy Deacon Tony

Genesis 18: 20-32; Psalm 138: 1-3, 6-8; Colossians 2: 12-14; Luke 11: 1-13

Last week emphasized the importance of listening to the Lord, a form of prayer. This week the emphasis is on being persistent in prayer. In bargaining with God, Abraham demonstrates what seems like a daring persistence in prayer to save whatever innocent people there were in Sodom. God granted Abraham's plea; but, reading on, Sodom was destroyed anyway, because ten innocent people could not be found. The people of Sodom chose wrongly. Saint Paul tells us today that we can have trust in God's forgiveness; because through Baptism we died and rose with Christ and our guilt was obliterated. Yet we too are left with choices.

In today's gospel, Jesus gives us a formula for prayer: praising God, submitting to his will, asking for what we need, asking for forgiveness and for the strength to resist temptation. Jesus tells us to be persistent in "asking... seeking...finding." All our prayers are answered, because even though we do not always receive what we want, we always receive what is best for each of us, for there are some good things that we may want that could produce an attachment that hinders our constantly developing relationship with God. The very process of prayer opens us to God, just as ordinary communication opens us to ordinary human relations.

In opening ourselves to God in prayer and submitting to his will, we are given the peace and strength of his Spirit living within us to live well in this very secular and dangerous world, where there are choices to make and battles to win with the help of God. Saint Padre Pio said, "Remember that one does not win the battle without prayer. The choice is yours."

St. Bridget Preschool Go Further With Faith

Developing social, emotional, and motor skills through hands -on play and exploration. St. Bridget's Preschool in Framingham is still enrolling for their 3 year olds program for 2019-2020.



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.



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, 4:15-5:15PM
- **Grade 2** will meet every Wednesday, 4:15-5:15PM with three exceptions when classes will meet on Sundays, 9 -9:50AM while parents meet with Mary Pawela.
- 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 pro-

gram 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

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 all 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.

Important Roe Act Infanticide Bill Update

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).

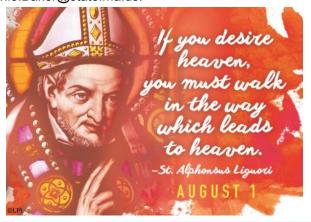
Please take the time to call or write your state legislator and say "No to Roe". Help stop this bill from becoming law in our state and help preserve the sanctity of life.

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.



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