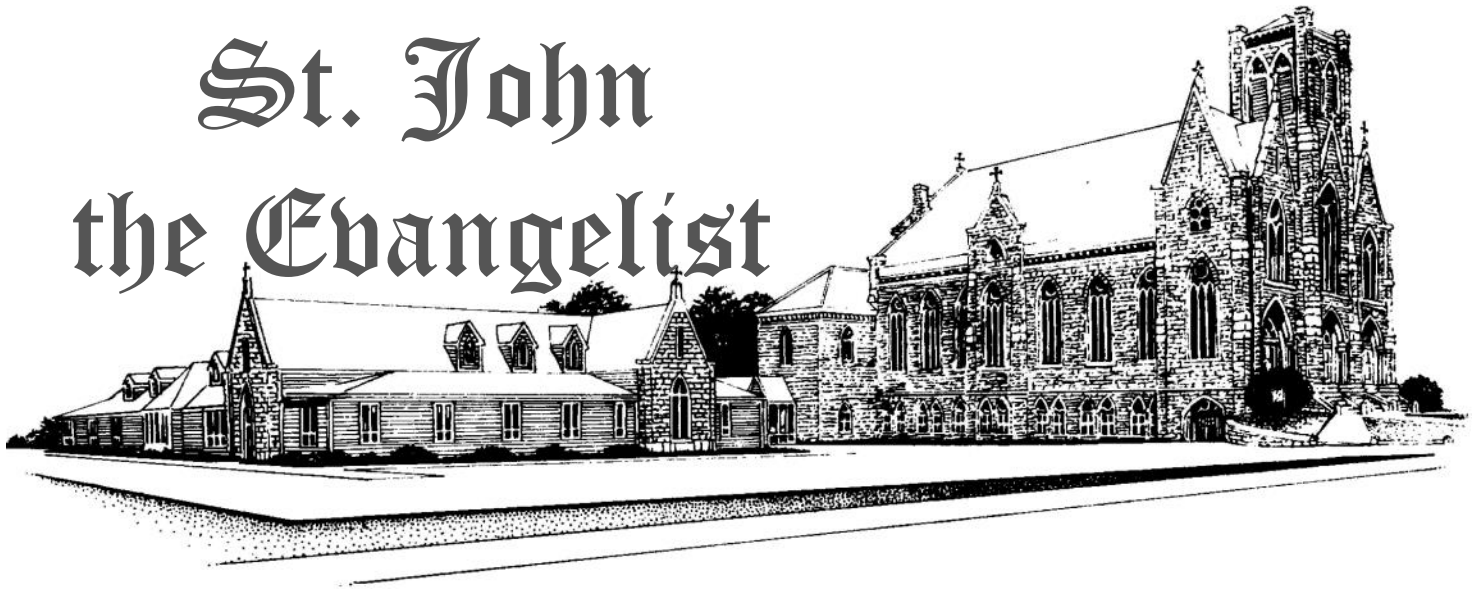


St. John the Evangelist



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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.

PASTOR

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**Mary Pawela, 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 - 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

Bernadette Nadeau
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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



When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quick-

ly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." - Lk 19:5-7

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, November 10, 2019:
2Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/ Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/ 2Thes 2:16—3:5/
Lk 20:27, 34-38

MASS
INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

5:00 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Elizabeth Belger

6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

9:00 AM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

9:00 AM Maureen L. Johnson

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

9:00 AM George M. Johnson

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

5:00 PM Maria Guzman

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

10:00 AM Pilar Campos

6:30 PM Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brunet
(living intention)

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.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

9:00 AM Grade 2 parents and students

5:00 PM Grade 10

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

2:10 PM Grade 6

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 & 5

7:00 PM Grade 9

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

4:15 PM NO CLASSES for Gr. 3-5

6:30 PM Grade 8

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

4:15 PM Grades 1 and 2

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10—NO CLASSES

Join Us For Coffee,
Donuts and Conversation
COFFEE HOUR

St. John's parish family invites you to join us for coffee and conversation in the parish center following the 10AM Mass hosted this Sunday by Brownie Troop 72361.

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word will begin **THIS** Sunday at the 10AM Mass for children in grades K-2 and 3-5.

GRAND ANNUAL

Grand Annual Update THANK YOU!

So far, 78 parish families have returned their Grand Annual commitment forms. These wonderful commitments averaged over \$25121.00 in gifts to the parish's year-end appeal. To those of you that made your commitment, thank you for your generosity and dedication to St. John's. We are now up to \$ raised toward our \$55,000 goal. Thank you very much for this terrific beginning! Our parish has responded with great generosity and enthusiasm. We hope to have all commitments in by Thanksgiving.

Psalm 116:12 *"What return shall I make to the Lord for all He has given to me?"*

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.

BIBLE STUDY

Reading and Praying the Scripture, A Bible Study will be offered here at St. John's. The group will meet **Thursday evenings from 7-8:30PM**. The focus will be on the Sunday Scripture readings and the writings of St. Paul. Fr. Conrad Pecevic will be the instructor and facilitator. This is a wonderful opportunity to become comfortable with the Word of God and better incorporate it into your spirituality. All are welcome to participate.

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.

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



Rest in Peace

Pilar Campos
Ellie Lysik



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.

NOVEMBER

Dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory

In the Catholic Church, the month of November is traditionally given over to prayers for the holy souls. The most powerful form of prayer for the souls in purgatory is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

PURGATORY—A MYSTERY OF LOVE

What does the church teach about Purgatory?

1. There is a Purgatory
2. The holy souls in Purgatory are in a state of grace, are assured of their eternal salvation.
3. They suffer to satisfy the justice of God for past sin which has been forgiven but has not been sufficiently atoned for. Rev. 21:27; Mt. 5:48
4. The Holy Souls in Purgatory cannot help themselves, only the faithful on earth can help to shorten their time of purification by offering up works of penance, prayer, devotions, Eucharist adoration, gaining indulgences for them, but above all having the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered up for them. 2Mac. 12:43-46, CCC 958: 1471-1479

"Praying for one's departed loved ones is a far too immediate urge to be suppressed; it is a most beautiful manifestation of solidarity, love and assistance, reaching beyond the barrier of death. The happiness or unhappiness of a person dear to me, who has now crossed to the other shore, depends in part on whether I remember or forget them; they do not stop needing my love."

—Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Love should not die at death

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.

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.**

St. John's St. Vincent De Paul Society

Are you or someone you know in need of financial help, for example: paying rent, buying food, or paying utilities? If so, please call the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 508-435-3313x207.



High School Youth Group

Next Youth Leadership Team Meeting: November 17 at 5PM in the parish center. All high school youth and adults interested in helping to plan events are welcome to attend.

Middle School Youth Group

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Our annual bake sale will be held on **November 24 after the 10AM Mass** during coffee hour.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Leaders Needed

Please consider making a commitment to share your faith with our young people during this school year.

Pope Francis speaking to catechists in Rome on September 30, 2013 said: *"So as I look out at you, I think who are catechists? They are people who keep the memory of God alive; revive it in others. Let us ask the Lord that we may all be men and women who keep the memory of God alive in ourselves and are able to awaken it in the hearts of others. Amen"*. Please email or call for more information (508-435-3313 x208 or x209, mpawelastjn@gmail.com or dlysikstjn@verizon.net).

Liturgy of the Word needs a leader for grades K-2 & 3-5.



FIRST RECONCILIATION

Please pray for the children, their families and their catechists who are preparing for their first confession this month.



ADVENT WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

Sunday, December 1, 2019

Come anytime between 2-4PM, St. John's Parish Hall
Create Your Own Fresh Advent Wreath for your home.

All materials provided, including assorted fresh greens and candles.

Please bring your own clippers if you have them.
\$25 per wreath, payable by cash or check, at the door.

Refreshments will be served.

Plus Christmas Card Station

There will also be a station for the children to make Christmas cards for the residents of Golden Pond.

St. John's Children's Choir will deliver the cards and sing for them prior to Christmas.

To reserve your wreath* and/or donate a baked good, please RSVP by November 20th to Debra Villani (villani@verizon.net or 508-435-9369).

***We order wreaths based on number reserved, so please reserve yours today!**

NOVEMBER 3, 2019

St. Vincent de Paul

St. John the Evangelist Conference

Since the founding of “our” St. John the Evangelist Conference in 1956, The Society has played a crucial role in supporting the needs of the local Hopkinton community. Through the generosity of parishioner donations and member volunteers, we’ve been able to assist countless Hopkintonians (**304 in fiscal 2019**) with both financial assistance and service referrals. Recent examples of support to clients include: rent, utilities, insurance, medical and food cards. Coming up soon, our Conference will be providing complete meals to families for Thanksgiving and Christmas. If you would like to donate, please feel free to use the envelopes located in the pews or the back of the church. Checks should be made out to **St. Vincent de Paul**. The envelopes can be put in the collection basket or brought to the parish business office. Any donation will help. Gift cards are also helpful, especially Target, gas and Walmart. Thank you in advance for all your support.



CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

**Wisdom 11:22-12:2; Psalm 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14;
2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2; Luke 19:1-10**

The Book of Wisdom reminds us that the God is greater than all of creation. The seemingly infinite vastness of the universe and everything in it, to God is as a "...drop of morning dew...". Yet God loves it all, including us. It all belongs to him. We belong to him. Despite our sinfulness he loves us. He is merciful, kind, and compassionate.

Jesus, God Among Us, came "...to seek and to save what was lost." Today's gospel illustrates this. Jesus is delighted that Zacchaeus climbed a tree to catch a glimpse of him. Zacchaeus turned toward Jesus; and Jesus went all out to spend time with him, to the point of staying at his house. Zacchaeus received Jesus with joy, opening his house and his heart. The crowd grumbled that Jesus was staying with a sinner, losing sight of the fact that they and all of us, to one extent or another, are sinners. Zacchaeus responds by demonstrating repentance, a willingness to do penance by giving alms, a willingness to return "four times over" as reparation to anyone he may have cheated. He was transformed, and salvation came to his house.

We are called to continue Jesus' mission to recover what was lost, which includes us. We are called to turn ever more toward Jesus, to receive Jesus into our homes and our souls with joy. We are called to confess with true repentance, penance, and a commitment always to work to change for the better. We are called to be transformed, and to help others to be transformed. We all are called, each in our own way, to be a sign of God's mercy, and of salvation.