

St. John the Evangelist



Established 1866

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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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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



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they

opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, January 12, 2020:

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/ Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/ Acts 10:34-38/
Mt 3:13-17

MASS+ INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

5:00 PM Alma Weber

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

6:30 PM Ken Lysik (for healing)

MONDAY, JANUARY 6

9:00 AM Joanne (Susie) Deletti

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

9:00 AM Victor Menke

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

9:00 AM Dzerkacz and Zocchi Families

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

9:00 AM Angela Diliberto (month's mind)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

9:00 AM Angela Alagna Diliberto
(month's mind)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

5:00 PM Gene Zawatski

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John

6:30 PM Mark McNamara

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

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.



SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

9:00 AM Grade 2 Students & Parents

5:00 PM Grade 10 Students & Parents

MONDAY, JANUARY 6

2:15 PM Grade 6

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5

7:00 PM Grade 9

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

4:15 PM Grades 3, 4 and 5

6:30 PM Grade 7

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

4:15 PM Grade 1

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

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 The Blake Family.

BIRTHRIGHT Baby Bottle Project

The Birthright Baby Bottle Project will begin **NEXT** weekend. The project funds Birthright of Framingham. The Birthright center is staffed entirely by volunteers who offer friendship, emotional support and practical assistance to women in a crisis pregnancy. Birthright does not charge for its services, but relies on donations from generous supporters to continue helping pregnant women in need. Your support is deeply appreciated. Simply pick up a baby bottle at the exits of the church, take it home, and over the next two weeks, fill the bottle with loose change and bring it back to church. Checks can be made out to Birthright of Framingham, 79A Main Street, Framingham, 01701. Any and all contributions are gratefully accepted.



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

An ongoing bible study with Fr. Conrad Peceovich continues on Thursday evenings in the lower Church area. On January 9, the session will begin at 7:30PM due to Fr. Conrad's temporary schedule. Our upcoming topic of study will be Genesis, Chapter 1-11. All are invited to attend. Make daily Bible reading a part of your prayer life!

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, January 11.**

 *Rest in Peace*

Rita Davis



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 or email the Parish Office at 435-3313x203 or stjohnshopkinton@verizon.net to let us know about the changes in your life so we can update our records. Thank you!

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of preventive health screenings will be here at St. John's on **Friday, January 24, 2020**. Ultrasound screenings to identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; **Carotid Artery** (plaque buildup—a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation—irregular heartbeat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early. **Register online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!**

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.**

ELECTRONIC GIVING

St. John's offers electronic giving as an alternative to the regular weekly offertory collection. Many parish families are already enjoying the benefits of electronic giving. The process is simple, secure and convenient. To join, please go to www.stjohnshopkinton.com and click on "LPI" under "make an offering" in the lower right hand corner of the page. If you have any questions, please contact Bernie Mitchell (508-435-3313x202).

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.



Middle School Youth Group

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Glow in the Dark Epiphany Party, Friday, evening, **January 10, 2020**. Stay tuned for more details to come.

High School Youth Group

Next Youth Leadership Team Meeting: Sunday, January 12 at 5PM in the lower church area. All high school youth are welcome to attend this monthly meeting.

Sign-up Night for Mission Trip

Thursday, January 9 at 7PM in the Parish Center. Bring completed paperwork, copy of insurance card, and deposit of \$300. Sign up is first-come, first-served. We will be able to take 65 students. Must be in grade 9 or higher. If you have any questions, feel free to email stjohn-ythmin@gmail.com.



GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION

REMINDER: Grade 10 Confirmation meets **THIS Sunday, January 5 from 5-7:15PM**. This meeting is for both parents and students.

Grade 3 Mass

NEXT weekend at the 10AM Mass, students in grade 3 and their catechists will serve as greeters, offer the gifts, and wish you farewell. Families of 3rd graders are encouraged to attend this Mass.

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.

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.

Welcome All High School Students

Join us on **January 11, 7-8PM** with an optional hangout until 9:30PM at the Gaughan Home, 224 Lumber St., Hopkinton. **AGAPE** (Greek for selfless love) offers all High School students an opportunity to continue their journey in their Catholic Faith in a way that is unique, relevant and FUN! The group usually meets for 1 hour once a month on Saturday nights in people's homes for snacks, fellowship, activities, and large/small group discussion. We are delighted to be able to begin our 6th 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, please contact Meg Gaughan at hopa-gape@gmail.com or Heather Petruney at petruneyh@gmail.com.

JANUARY 5, 2020

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Isaiah 60: 1-6; Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-13;

Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2: 1-12

Today is the Epiphany of the Lord. In its ordinary meaning an epiphany is an enlightening realization, a moment when one becomes aware of something important, something that one comes to understand from a new and deeper perspective. Today we celebrate the beginning of the realization through the Magi, that Christ came to save all people.

The Magi had to travel from their respective countries to pay homage and give gifts to Jesus; and then they had to travel to return to their countries. Where we live, most of us need not travel long distances over land and sea to be in the physical presence of Christ. At the nearest Catholic church, we can receive him in the Eucharist, and worship him in the Blessed Sacrament in repose or in vigil. Ours are life-long spiritual journeys of heart and soul that we travel by faith, not by sight. We do not follow a star. We follow Christ who is the way. We can have our own epiphany, learn to bear our crosses, and gain a better understanding of ourselves and of our relationship with Christ, from a deeper perspective.

Saint John Bosco said, "...there are two things the devil is deathly afraid of: fervent Communions and frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament." By doing such regularly, we continue to celebrate the spirit of Christmas and of the Epiphany, we open our hearts to Christ, we give him the gift of our lives, and we can become a light that demonstrates to others where to find Christ and the profound justice and peace promised in the scriptures. We are so blessed to have Christ so easily accessible to us. Much is expected. But, how far are we willing to travel on our spiritual journeys?

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