

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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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

508-435-3313x208
Mary Pawela, 1-6
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Ken Lysik, 9 & 10

SUNDAY MASSES:

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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM
Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 8:30-9:15 AM in the parish center

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11:30 AM
Please call for information

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arranged at least 6 months in advance

ORGANIST

Bernadette Nadeau

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



“I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me.”

- Jn 16:12-14a

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, May 30, 2021:

*Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/ Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/
Rom 8:14-17/ Mt 28:16-20*



SATURDAY, MAY 22

5:00 PM Michael Pedrolì

SUNDAY, MAY 23

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM The Duffy Family

6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, MAY 24

9:00 AM Michael W. Duffy (living birthday)

TUESDAY, MAY 25

9:00 AM Rev. James M. Broderick

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

9:00 AM Yolanda Femia

THURSDAY, MAY 27

9:00 AM Sr. Ramon Savige

FRIDAY, MAY 28

9:00 AM Lucille White

SATURDAY, MAY 29

8:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. John's

SUNDAY, MAY 30

8:00 AM Yolanda Femia

10:00 AM David Hunt

6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

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.

Holy Hour for Conversion of Sinners

There is a holy hour here at St. John's parish for the conversion of sinners on **Thursdays at 6:30PM in the lower church.**

PLEASE NOTE: Face masks are required to be worn during Mass at St. John's except in the case of a medical exemption. We thank you for your cooperation in following the guidelines and in helping to make everyone feel safe and welcome at Mass.

2nd collection **THIS** weekend
Seminarians

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Do you know St. John's offers electronic giving as an alternative to the regular weekly offertory collection? Many parish families enjoy the benefits of electronic giving. The process is simple, secure and convenient. Simply go to our website, www.stjohnhopkinton.com and click on the **“WeShare online giving”** square on the right side of the page to get started. If you have any questions, please contact Bernie Mitchell at 508-435-3313x202. Thank you for your generous support of St. John's.



Memorial Day and Purgatory

On this day we remember our departed loved ones by visits to cemeteries, with prayers, love, and memories, and going to Holy Mass for them. We also remember those who served our country and gave the ultimate sacrifice, their lives for our freedom. Along with our loved ones and those who served our country, there are also countless souls waiting for our prayers, sacrifices, and Holy Masses, all our brothers and sisters in Purgatory who are part of our extended family, the Communion of Saints. They all need our daily prayers and Holy Masses.

—Catechism of the Catholic Church 958

“Love should not die at death”

Please Remember in Prayer

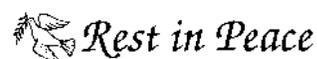
All confined, all in need of healing...Please pray for all deceased and their families...Our servicemen and women, and their families, and all who suffer in embattled countries.

**“One day, through the Rosary and the Scapular,
She will save the world.”**

—St. Dominic's Prophecy of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Rosary and the Scapular, AD 1208.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated **8:30-9:15AM** in the parish center
NEXT Saturday, May 29.

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.



Debra A. Scanlon

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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.

St. John's Bible Study

Our Parish Bible Study is now virtual. We meet **every Tuesday evening at 7:30PM** for one hour via Zoom under the direction of Fr. Conrad. If you wish to receive the link and be on our participant list, send your email request to rusoire@aol.com.

Called to the Culture of Life Pro-Life Initiatives at St. John's

What to expect if you call or write your representative:

If you call your representative, most likely you will be answered by an automated voice messaging system asking you to leave a brief message. State your full name and your town along with a brief comment on your issue. Make clear which bill or issue you are calling about along with how you wish the representative to vote on your behalf. Example: "Please let (representative's name) know I wish him/her to vote ("no" or "yes") on (bill name and bill #)". If you choose to email your representative, follow the same outline as above. You will receive an email reply as confirmation that your email has been received. Some voters choose to both write *and* call their representative. *"Some people may question why the topic of abortion should be addressed at this time, with all of the other crises our country is facing right now....Abortion, after all, has been a contested topic for very many decades now. But it is for good reason that the U.S. bishops call it the preeminent issue of our time, for abortion is a specific act that perpetuates a grave moral evil....Indeed, when one looks directly at what actually happens in an abortion, it is hard to imagine anything more heinously evil. One such thing is genocide. But with almost one out of five pregnancies in the U.S. ending in abortion, what we are witness before our very eyes is, effectively, a genocide against the unborn."* From: "Before I Knew You in the Womb" Pastoral Letter by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, May 1, 2021 <https://sfarch.org/inthewomb>



CONFIRMATION

The confirmation of our 10th grade students will take place **THIS Tuesday, May 25, at 6PM** with Bishop Robert Reed officiating.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the following students who received Jesus for the first time last weekend:

Jack Alexandre	Tanvi Balaaji
Joseph Barrantes	Derek Bartley
Ella Carter	Jack Castonguay
Thomas Cotter	Dylan DeCosta
Chloe Errera	Isabel Ferreyra
Sofia Guidetti	Mason Herman
Matthew Jean	Madison Jones
Lauren Kelly	Oliver Lombardi
Michael Mathot	Sawyer McCarthy
Olivia Nickerson	Carson O'Donnell
Piper Perrelli	Robert Refrigeri
Natalie Remsen	Andrew Schneider
Gregory Stephan	Alexandra Tighe
Landon Weable	Charles Wiley
Maura Wilk	Luca Yurewicz

Thank You

To all our volunteers!

The biggest thank you for volunteering your time and energy to St. John's Parish this past year. Your help and talent do not go unnoticed. Our parish is lucky and grateful to have you in whatever area you volunteer. You have made our parish better and have possibly changed the lives of some. We wish you all well. We look forward to seeing you as a parish family as the church begins to open up more in the coming months.

April Collections

	4/3 - 4/4 Easter	4/10 - 4/11	4/17 - 4/18	4/24 - 4/25	Ave.	Chge +/-
Head Count	574	285	287	269	354	63
				Total		
In Seat	2,056	3,107	3,839	2,712	11,714	
Mail-in	1,394	1,486	1,210	649	4,739	
Electronic	2,029	2,029	2,029	2,029	8,117	
Total	5,479	6,622	7,078	5,390	24,570	
Prior Yr.	7,734	7,734	7,734	7,734	30,936	
	(2,255)	(1,112)	(656)	(2,344)	(6,366)	
	-29%	-14%	-8%	-30%	-21%	
Prior Mo.	6,819	7,991	9,021	6,023	29,854	
	(1,340)	(1,369)	(1,943)	(633)	(5,284)	

-20%

Note: Easter Wknd - Clergy Benefit Trust Collection \$7,766.00

MAY 23, 2021

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Acts 2: 1-11; Psalm 104: 1, 24, 29-31, 34;

1 Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13; John 20: 19-23

Occasionally I experience a moment when I realize that I have not paid enough attention to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. In that same moment I realize that it was the Holy Spirit who produced that moment as a reminder to PAY ATTENTION! The Holy Spirit is persuasive but does not force his will upon us. We have the choice to accept, to listen, to cooperate or not. The prime example is that at a pivotal moment in salvation history, when it was time for the Word of God to be made flesh, it was Mary who had to trust enough to give her fiat, her yes for it to be done.

The Pentecost scene of the Holy Spirit coming with “a noise like a strong driving wind” and appearing to the disciples in “tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them” is certainly dramatic. Then there was the double miracle of the disciples proclaiming the good news in different languages, and the large crowd of people from every nation hearing the word of God in their own language. Thus was the prediction in the Book of Joel 3:1 fulfilled, “I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.” This was the beginning of the fulfillment of Christ’s command to his disciples before his Ascension to preach and to baptize people of all nations; and the fulfillment of Christ’s promise before he was arrested, that he would send The Spirit of Truth to his disciples. A commentary states, “Pentecost anticipates the goal of the missionary effort which the Spirit will inspire in the Church.”

Through the Holy Spirit each of us has received spiritual gifts. The Holy Spirit prompts us to use those gifts to evangelize and to serve. It is through the Holy Spirit that the Godhead dwells in the Church; and in each of us from our Baptism. To participate in the work of the Spirit, Saint Paul tells us that we must seek what is of the Spirit, not what is of the flesh. What is of the flesh can lead to some very unsavory results as Saint Paul explains in Galatians 5:16-25. When we live by and follow the Spirit, we receive and demonstrate the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The fruits of the flesh are but shadows and dust in comparison. The Holy Spirit counsels, instructs, inspires, guides, consoles, and strengthens. But are we paying attention? Do we trust enough to say, “yes?” Let us pray, “Come Holy Spirit. Fill our hearts and souls, that we may use our spiritual gifts to assist in the mission to renew the face of the earth.”

