

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.

PASTOR

Rev. Richard E. Cannon
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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



When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, July 11, 2021:
 Am 7:12-15/ Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/ Eph 1:3-10/
 Mk 6:7-1



SATURDAY, JULY 3	5:00 PM	Matthew O'Leary
SUNDAY, JULY 4	8:00 AM	Parishioners of St. John's
	10:00 AM	Helen Mahon and Michael Mahon
	6:30 PM	For the conversion of sinners
MONDAY, JULY 5	9:00 AM	Lisa Cronin
TUESDAY, JULY 6	9:00 AM	For the spiritual welfare of the clergy
WEDNESDAY, JULY 7	9:00 AM	Carl White (living intention)
THURSDAY, JULY 8	9:00 AM	All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
FRIDAY, JULY 9	9:00 AM	Debbie Vorwerk
SATURDAY, JULY 10	8:00 AM	Edward F & Alice Cannon, Helen Cannon Ward John E. Fitzgerald
	5:00 PM	
SUNDAY, JULY 11	8:00 AM	Parishioners of St. John's
	10:00 AM	Edward V. Cannon
	6:30 PM	The Crohan Family

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



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.

HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

-Love Lasts Forever-

Knowing them...Praying for them...Helping them get to Heaven!

The holy souls need our help throughout the whole year. The best way to help our brothers and sisters in Purgatory is to have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered up for them or devoutly assist at Holy Mass for their relief. Make the stations of the cross for their consolation. Pray the rosary, the chaplet of Divine Mercy. By gaining indulgences (CCC. 1471-1479). Offering up our pain, self denials and sufferings, Eucharistic adoration, offer up works of mercy, almsgiving and fasting.

"Enter into Purgatory often, because they need you there."

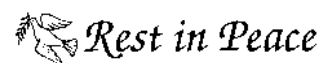
—Jesus to Saint Faustina, Divine Mercy Diary #1738
O Holy Souls, I promise never to forget you.

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.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church NEXT Saturday, July 10.

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.



Sharon Schiloski
 Bradley Smith

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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.

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**.



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.

***"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.



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. Please join us! If you wish to receive the link and be on our participant list, send your email request to rusoire@aol.com.

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.

Called to the Gospel of Life

Pro-life Initiative at St. John the Evangelist

"In 2023 our nation will mark the 50th anniversary of the infamous Roe decision. Generations of Americans have grown up not knowing what it is like to live in a country that values and protects the lives of the smallest, most defenseless and vulnerable members of its society."

--Archbishop Cordileone "Before I Formed You in the Womb"

"Watch their minds change on abortion" Check out live-action videos on St. John the Evangelist's website <http://www.stjohnhopkinton.com/pro-life>. To join our initiative or for more information, contact: maryskniaz@gmail.com.



Congratulations to the class of 2021! May God continue to guide you and be with you as you continue your life journey.

At Home Faith Formation Resource

Looking for something new and uplifting to watch with your children? The faith formation resource Formed.org has many options for children's programs. There are many resources for teens and adults as well.

The best Catholic content. All in one place.

It's EASY and FREE to Register!

1. Go to formed.org/register
2. Enter Access Code: **BNZFH7**
3. Enter your email and create a password (you need this to login later)
4. Enjoy and share with others in our local community!



Summer Bible Adventure is happening this year!!

Treasured: Discovering You're Priceless to God!

July 12-July 16, 2021

9:30AM-12:30PM

(please note slight time change from other years)

4 year-olds to 5th graders (as of Fall 2021)

\$100/child

(scholarships available: please contact Bernie Mitchell at bmitchellstjn@verizon.net)

Have fun learning music, doing crafts, hearing Bible stories, playing games, and doing mini service projects for others! The first 90 elementary-aged children with completed online signup, will be registered. Register online via this link: <https://forms.gle/w3Z22BZkQ2R6mQby7> or on St. John's Parish website: www.stjohnhopkinton.com. If you have any questions, email stjohnsbibleadventure@gmail.com.

JULY 4, 2021

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Ezekiel 2: 2-5; Psalm 123: 1-4;

2 Corinthians 12: 7-10; Mark 6: 1-6

The LORD GOD spoke to Ezekiel and sent him on a mission to the Israelites who, in their obstinance, were rebelling against God. The message would be simple, but probably would be met with opposition: "Thus says the LORD GOD! Whether they heed or resist...they shall know that a prophet has been among them." People who act and speak prophetically, in the past and in our own time, often are not treated well. Why? Because being prophetic is not primarily about what the future may hold, it is about delivering a message that people need to hear, but do not want to hear; especially when it means changing their perspective or their behavior.

Saint Paul faced opposition, as he describes it, "a thorn in the flesh...an angel of Satan..." Footnotes to that phrase compare it to what in English is "a thorn in my side." Most likely Paul is referring to a rival who opposed Paul and his preaching with "insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints..." Paul tells us that he asked the Lord three times to remove that thorn, but that relief was denied because as the Lord told him, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, Paul became content to suffer humiliations for the sake of Christ, as he puts it, "for when I am weak, then I am strong." That sounds counter intuitive. But weakness requires us to practice humility, and humility makes room in our souls for the power of God to rush in to help us to endure, and to realize that it is not we who accomplish good things. When we have faith and hope in God, it is God abiding in us, who accomplishes good things, and we are God's instruments.

In today's gospel, Jesus goes to Nazareth. "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." That is what Jesus says, comparing his situation to that of the prophets, as he faced resistance and insults from the populace of his hometown, including from some of his own relatives. Though astonished by his knowledge and what they may have heard about the wonders he performed, they were offended; and perhaps out of jealousy, envy, or not wanting to hear the message, they mocked and rejected him. They would not believe in this "carpenter, the son of Mary..." Even Jesus was amazed at their lack of faith. Jesus would move on, and he would preach on. We are called to do the same in our families, parishes, and communities. Do not be discouraged by rejection. Give it to the Lord in prayer. For faith is a gift that individuals accept or reject. The Lord does not impose faith and its rewards on humanity. As Saint Thomas Aquinas said, "To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible."

