

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
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



“From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.” - Lk 1:48b-49, 52

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, August 22, 2021:
 Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/ Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/ Eph 5:2a, 25-32/ Jn 6:60-69



SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

5:00 PM Janice Geromin

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's
 10:00 AM Joseph & Dorothea Murray
 6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

9:00 AM For the conversion of sinners

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

9:00 AM Clarence & Lucinda MacLaine

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

9:00 AM Mary & Eugene Daly, Jr.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

9:00 AM Fr. John Henault and the missionaries in Haiti (living intention)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

9:00 AM Bradley Smith

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

8:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 5:00 PM Kathy Quigley DeMore

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's
 10:00 AM Special Intention
 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.**

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.

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

FROM OUR ARCHIVES

Milford Daily News, 1889

“Large crowds went into the church yesterday to view the magnificent oil paintings and the elaborate windows which are being placed there. All say that they surpass any of the paintings in the churches of the surrounding towns.”



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.



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.

HELPING JESUS FIND

“THE ONE” WHO IS LOST

“We do not know the number of souls that is ours to save through our prayers and sacrifices; therefore, let us always pray for sinners.”

—Divine Mercy of Saint Faustina #1783

Holy Hour for the Sanctification of Priests

August 19 at 7PM

On the **third Thursday of every month at 7PM** in the lower chapel, we will be offering a Holy Hour for the Sanctification of Priests. This is something recommended by the Congregation of the Clergy and, in this our day and age, sorely needed. This secular age of ours presents some unique challenges to the Church and to Her ministerial priesthood. The current priest shortage adds to the stress that many priests feel and can be a challenge to their spiritual life and pastoral service. Thursday of Holy Week our Lord instituted the Holy Eucharist and priesthood, it is an ideal day to pray for priests before the Blessed Sacrament. The Holy Hour will consist of: adoration; the rosary; litany and prayer of petitions; silent prayer and benediction. “During that month I met with many holy Priests, and yet I saw that even though the sublime dignity of Priesthood raises them higher than the Angels, they are still but weak and imperfect men. If holy Priests, whom Our Lord in the Gospel calls the salt of the earth, have need of our prayers, how much more the struggling and the lukewarm?”

--St. Therese of Lisieux, The Story of a Soul, chap. VI

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church NEXT Saturday, August 21.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



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!

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.

MUSTARD SEED



Thank you for your continued support of the people who come to this Catholic Worker Soup Kitchen for a nourishing meal. Please use the boxes on the tables at the rear of the church for your donation. Thank you for your generosity.

DIGNITY MATTERS

Help Dignity Matters provide homeless women with undergarments 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 Pro-life Initiative: Called to the Culture of Life

"Last month, Mississippi presented a brief to the Supreme Court arguing that our national charter, The Constitution of the United States, does not confer a right to abortion. This is irrefutably true. No such right can be found in the text of the Constitution, or in its structure, logic or original understanding." Ryan T. Anderson, President of the Ethics and Public Policy Center and Robert P. George, McCormick Professor of Jurisprudence and director of the James Madison Program in American Ideals and Institutions, Princeton University **USA TODAY: "Abortion: Roe v. Wade appears nowhere in the Constitution"**

St. John's Pro-Life Prayer Chain – Supreme Court Prayer Request: Please pray that the Supreme Court, guided by the Holy Spirit, may reverse Roe v. Wade when the justices hear Mississippi 's 2020 appeal this October.



Religious Education Registration

Registration is ongoing for new students. For those wanting to enter their child/children into our program for the first time, you must fill out a one-time registration form and provide a copy of their baptismal certificate if not baptized at St. John's. The registration form can be found on our website (stjohnshopkinton.com) under the "RELIGIOUS EDUCATION" tab. For more information please contact Debbie Lysik at (508) 435-3313 x208 or dlysikstjn@verizon.net.

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!



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.



St. John School Wellesley is now enrolling Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten classes for the 2021-2022 school year. Please visit our website www.SaintJohnSchool.net for more information. Contact Pamela Cook, Director of Enrollment, pcook@saintjohnschool.net.

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World

For information on Eucharistic miracles, check out this website: www.miracolieucaaristici.org created by Blessed Carlo Acutis.

AUGUST 15, 2021

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

**Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6, 10; Psalm 45:10-12,16;
1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1: 39-56**

“Now have salvation and power come, and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of his Anointed One.” (Revelation 12: 10). This came about through Mary’s faith, holiness, trust, and docility to the will of God. Today we celebrate her Assumption into heaven to take her place at the right hand of her Son, the Anointed One. Mary was a believer when she said yes before conceiving the Son of God by the power of the Holy Spirit. She was a believer as an expectant mother. She believed when she gave birth and welcomed the shepherds and the Magi. She believed when the Holy Family fled to Egypt. Every day she believed as she watched and helped the Son of God grow to manhood. She believed when he was presented at the temple and heard the ominous prediction that a sword would pierce her heart. She believed when she and Joseph found their missing twelve-year-old Jesus teaching in the temple. Mary believed at the wedding feast of Cana, throughout Christ’s ministry, on the road to the cross and to his crucifixion. She believed at his resurrection, and in the upper room with other believers awaiting the promised coming of the Holy Spirit. All these moments she cherished and stored in her Immaculate Heart.

In today’s gospel, The Canticle of Mary (The Magnificat) is a confirmation of Elizabeth’s inspired statement, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” Bold as it is regarding the rising of the poor and the lowly, Mary’s Magnificat simply confirms the truth. But she does so in all humility as she proclaims the greatness of the Lord and rejoices in the Lord who “...looked with favor on his lowly servant.” Thus, before Christ is born, Mary and Elizabeth are the first to proclaim the good news of the Lord keeping his promise of salvation. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven is a sign of hope in the Lord’s promise of our own resurrection to eternal happiness with Him. Mary is the perfect example on how to be Christlike with full faith, trust, and compliance with the will of God. May we, in our efforts to be more Christlike, imitate the life of Mary, seek her intercession, and pray the Rosary every day, that we too might proclaim the greatness of the Lord, and rejoice in God our Savior.

