

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.

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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 lower chapel

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/MUSIC DIRECTOR

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



There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus

said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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

MASK MANDATE

Cardinal Seán has mandated that throughout the archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks. This mandate has been extended to March 3, 2022.

St. John's and St. Cecilia's Collaborative

In June of 2023, the parishes of St. John's and St. Cecilia's will become a single working collaborative, meaning there will be one pastor for both parishes. The collaborative process has been ongoing in the Archdiocese for the last ten years or so, and 2023 will be the final year of the implementation of this process. The collaborative plan has come about to help address the shortage of priests in the Archdiocese. More information will be forthcoming throughout the coming year.

Holy Hour for the Conversion of Sinners and Prayers for the Dying

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

Holy Hour for the Sanctification of Priests
January 20 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, January 22.

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.

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, January 23, 2022:
Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/ 1Cor 12:12-30



SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

5:00 PM Yvonne Marchon

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM Marcia Cabral

6:30 AM Kieran Kelly

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

9:00 AM Robert Fischer

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

9:00 AM Sheba Bautista (living intention)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Charles Poirier & Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

9:00 AM Cynthia Cole (living birthday)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

5:00 PM Ivan Almeida

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM Mary & Eugene Daly, Jr.

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 16—NO CLASSES,

MARTIN LUTHER KING WEEKEND

MONDAY, JANUARY 17—NO CLASSES,

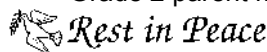
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

4:30 PM Grade 2, First Penance

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22—Confirmation Retreat

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

8:45 AM Grades 1, 2, 3 & 4
Grade 2 parent meeting



Catherine O'Connell
Fred Murphy
Gerald Tuite

SECOND 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.



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.



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.

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.

St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative

Organizers of the **March for Life (Jan. 21)**, which will take place days after Washington D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser's vaccination mandate takes effect, announced Thursday (Jan.6) that the annual event will proceed as planned. "We expect this year's March for Life to be historic, with even higher levels of enthusiasm from participants," March for Life President Jeanne Mancini told The Daily Signal. "With the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization case before the Supreme Court, we are closer than ever to building the culture of life we have all marched for since Roe v. Wade was imposed on our nation nearly 50 years ago." <https://www.dailysignal.com/2022/01/06/march-for-life-2022-abortion-dc-vaccine-mandate-demonstration-pro-life/>
Pray for those attending the March for Life in Washington D.C.!

Religious Education Classes

REMINDERS:

Grade 10 Confirmation retreat: Saturday January 22, 11AM-5PM at Betania II in Medway. **Please arrive at the center at 10:45 AM.**

Grade 2 parent meeting Sunday, January 23 either 8:45AM in Parish Center or 11:30AM Zoom

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

Thank you to all the children who participated in this year's Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. Everyone did a remarkable job. Congratulations to the following winners along with the runners up.

Age 5-7 group – Winner: Edmund Gillis with Honorable Mention to Hayley Ballas, Emily Desrochers and Aileen Pyers

Age 8-10 group – Winner: Charlotte Lawyer with Honorable Mention to Kaitlyn Ballas, Grace Getchell and Allie Tighe

Age 11-14 group – Winner: Nora Gronemeyer with Honorable Mention to Ellie Power

Edmund's, Charlotte's and Nora's posters will advance to the regional contest and possible state level for judging. Great job!

St. John's Safe Environment Request (CORI Clearance)

The Archdiocese of Boston requires that all staff and volunteers complete a CORI (criminal record check) form **each year**. This form applies to all volunteers 18 years of age and older ministering to children, youth, elderly, and the disabled serving within various ministries. The requirement is that each individual completing the CORI request form come to the parish office or parish hall to have their CORI Request **form verified in person** with a government issued picture ID. Please do your part to ensure that we continue to create a safe environment at St. John's. If you have any questions, please contact Crystal Fitzgerald, Parish Center Manager at 508-435-3313 x210 or parishhall-stjn@gmail.com.

Holliston WINGS Winter Program

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit) at St. Mary's in Holliston is pleased to present our 2022 Winter Bible Study via Zoom. **The Winter Season will begin on Wednesday, January 26, from 10AM-11:15AM and conclude on Wednesday, Mar. 2.** Building on the theme of Catholic Social Teaching which we began in the fall, WINGS has chosen Joe Paprocki's book *Amos/Hosea/Micah: A Call to Justice* as our guide. Books may be purchased through [Amazon](#) or [Loyola Press](#). Please note that it is not mandatory to purchase the book to participate in the Winter Bible Study. WINGS will share references to the relevant bible verses with you each week. WINGS requests dues of \$20 per season (unless you have already paid for the year). All women are most welcome regardless of ability to pay. Checks payable to St. Mary's Parish can be mailed to Betty Febo, 41 Holly Lane, Holliston MA 01746. Email stmaryswings-secretary@gmail.com to register or call Jen at 617-852-9632 or Diane at 508-259-7795. More details of the Winter Program will be announced on our Facebook Page. www.facebook.com/WingsHolliston.

JANUARY 16, 2022

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Isaiah 62: 1-5; Psalm 96: 1-3, 7-10;
1 Corinthians 12: 4-11; John 2: 1-11

We, the Church are at the beginning of a new liturgical year. Being the “C” year, we will be hearing mostly Luke’s gospel, except on special occasions, Lent, and Advent. But today we have listened to John’s gospel, the only gospel that tells of the wedding feast at Cana. Today we see Jesus on the threshold of his public ministry. He already has selected disciples and is at a family wedding feast with his mother, and with his disciples who also were invited. Though his Hour has not yet come (his death and resurrection when the fullness of his glory is revealed), when the wine runs short Mary tells Jesus that they have no wine. Though Jesus is somewhat reluctant, Mary tells the servers, “Do whatever he tells you.” In obedience to his mother, and for the sake of beginning to reveal his glory to his disciples, Jesus tells the servers to pour water into six large stone water jugs, each able to hold twenty to thirty gallons. Miraculously the water is transformed into the best of wines, better than the wine which ran short.

Symbolically, don’t we all run out of wine from time to time? That is, in our weakness, don’t we all run short of energy, strength, motivation due to discouragement, illness, injury, responsibilities, emergencies, sadness and such? What should we do? We should pray. Respectfully, reverently, humbly, and hopefully give glory to the Lord for all he has done for us. Seek the intercession of the Blessed Mother. He will give us what we need to be rejuvenated. But there is a caveat. We must follow the instructions of the Mother of God, “Do whatever he tells you.” He tells us to repent, to partake of his body and blood, to love God with all our hearts, mind, and strength, to keep his commandments, and to love one another sacrificially as he does. Like the water that was transformed into the best of wines, we too can be transformed by his grace into something better than we were before.

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