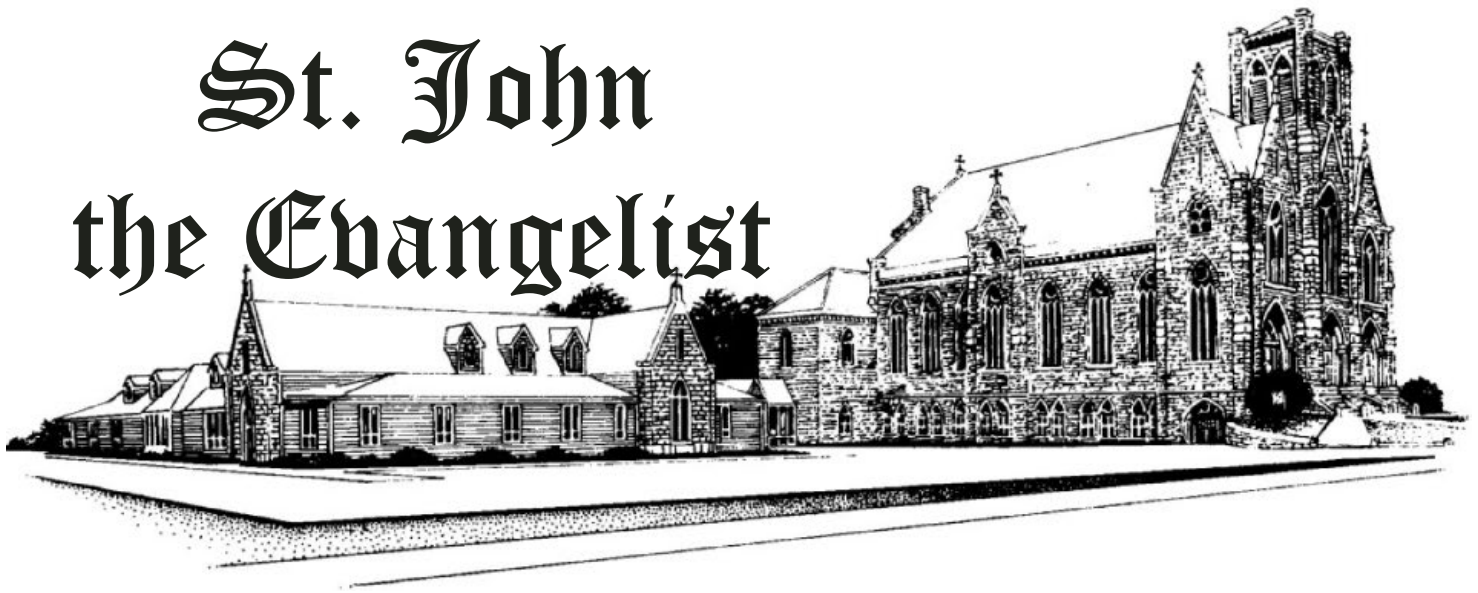


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Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM
Saturday 8:00 AM

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See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

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Saturday 8:30-9:15 AM in the lower chapel

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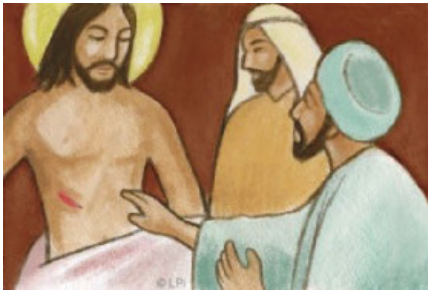
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Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

Readings for NEXT Sunday, April 14, 2024:
 Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/ Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/
 1Jn 2:1-5a/ Lk 24:35-48

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 175 in the pew missal.



SATURDAY, APRIL 6

4:00 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's
 10:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 6:30 PM For our confirmation candidates

MONDAY, APRIL 8

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

9:00 AM Fr. Edward C. McDonagh

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

9:00 AM Carl & Marie Herendeen

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

9:00 AM Special Intention

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

9:00 AM For the conversion of sinners

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

8:00 AM Thomas Brock
 4:00 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

8:00 AM Patrick John Fitzgerald
 10:00 AM John F. R. Kenealy
 6:30 PM Parishioners of St. John's



SUNDAY, APRIL 7

8:45 AM Grades 2-6
 5:15 PM Grade 10

MONDAY, APRIL 8

2:45 PM Grade 6
 4:30 PM Grades 1-5
 7:00 PM Grade 9

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

6:30 PM Grades 7 & 8

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.

COFFEE HOUR

St. John's parish family invites you to join us for coffee and conversation in the parish center following the 10AM Mass this Sunday.

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

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday in the octave of Easter is Mercy Sunday established by Pope John Paul II, on April 30, in the Jubilee Year of 2000, and is to be observed by the universal Church. The schedule for Mercy Sunday, **Sunday, April 7, 2024**, in the afternoon at St. John's will be as follows:

- 1:30 PM** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the rosary.
- 2:00 PM** Confessions will be heard.
- 2:30 PM** Readings from the diary of St. Faustina will be proclaimed.
- 3:00 PM** The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be chanted.
- 3:30 PM** Benediction and Final Blessing.

Divine Mercy Sunday

On the Sunday after Easter, the entire Catholic Church is called to gather throughout the world to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. This beautiful devotion led Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, on the occasion of the canonization of St. Faustina, to officially designate the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday in the Roman liturgical calendar. From Saint Faustina's diary, it is clear that this Octave Day of Easter is a day chosen by Christ as a day of extraordinary graces—a complete outpouring of His mercy upon all who approach Him with great trust and expectant faith. On April 22, 2001, one year after establishing Divine Mercy Sunday, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized its message quoting St. Faustina: "Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: 'Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy.' Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity." The words of Jesus to Saint Faustina: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of my tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My Mercy. **The souls that will go to confession and receive holy communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.** On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of my most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The feast of mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. **It is my desire that it will be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter.** Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the fount of My mercy."

—Divine Mercy Diary of Saint Faustina #699

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church **NEXT Saturday, April 13.**

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, DIVINE MERCY 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.

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.

Monday Zoom Rosary

Monday evenings at 7PM. This 30 minutes once a week provides a quiet and reflective time. You also pray in the comfort of your home but with a community of faith praying with you. Try it out. All are welcome! Contact Deacon Guy (deaconguy@verizon.net) for more information and Zoom link.

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**.



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.

St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative O Font of Life, Unfathomable Divine Mercy!

“If ever a soul was lost it was never from a sin too big, but only from too little trust in God's mercy and forgiveness.”

Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos

Abortion is no exception to this wondrous truth. Yet despite this affirmation, we know that it is quite difficult to open our hearts and souls to this truth, especially when we are feeling ashamed or wounded...Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation we are placing ourselves humbly before Him...to our Lord and Savior alone, allowing Him to guide us out of the darkness and bring us into his healing light.”

Five Steps Toward Post-Abortion Healing by Holly Francis (who writes from personal experience.)

SPRING CLEANING? DECLUTTERING? DOWNSIZING?

Save your unwanted items for St. John's Annual Rummage Sale happening in June. We will be accepting donations of clothes, household items and small furniture. Drop off will start in May. More info to come! **If you would like to volunteer at this year's Rummage Sale, please call the parish office at 508-435-3313x203 and leave your name and contact info.** Thank you!



Religious Education Reminders

Sunday, April 7: Grades 2-6, 8:45AM; Grade 10, 5:15PM

Monday, April 8: Grade 6, 2:45-3:45PM; Grades 1-5, 4:30-5:30PM; Grade 9, 7-8PM

Tuesday, April 9: Grade 7 & 8, 6:30-7:30PM

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Confirmation rehearsal.....**Wednesday, April 24, 7PM**

Confirmation.....**Sunday, April 28, 1PM**

First Communion rehearsal...**Wednesday, May 1, 4:30PM**

First Communion.....**Saturday, May 4, 11AM**

SAVE THE DATE: Baccalaureate Mass & Dinner

High school seniors and their families are invited to attend a Graduation Mass on **Sunday, May 19 at 6:30 PM** followed by a light meal in the Parish Center. Invitations will be sent soon to RSVP.

The St. John the Evangelist George R. Carlino Scholarships

In order to promote and foster the faith of our young people in the one true Church founded by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, the Roman Catholic Church, two \$1,000 scholarships will be available to two graduating seniors from St. John's Parish, who have been accepted to a college, university or trade school.

--The applicant must be a Confirmed, practicing Catholic, i.e., attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation and have fulfilled their Easter Duty.

--Write an essay of not more than 200 words on the following topic: Cardinal Raymond Burke's nine-month novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe. What is the novena about? What are the reasons Cardinal Burke has put forward for this novena? Are the reasons compelling? Why Our Lady of Guadalupe? Is this novena worth praying?

These scholarships are made available through the late Mr. George R. Carlino, who was a very prayerful and devout parishioner of St. John's. Mr. Carlino was concerned with the spiritual welfare of the parish's young people, in an age that can be so challenging to the principles of our Catholic faith.

Please see our website: www.stjohnhopkinton.com for the application form to accompany the essay. Applications should be sent c/o Debbie Lysik, St. John the Evangelist Religious Education, 20 Church Street, Hopkinton, MA 01748, and are due by **April 30, 2024**.

MASS AND CONSECRATION FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Monday, April 8, 2024

St. Mary's Church, 58 Carpenter Street, Foxborough, Mass.

Rosary at 6PM, Mass at 6:30 PM

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APRIL 7, 2024

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

**Acts 4: 32-35; Psalm 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24;
1 John 5: 1-6; John 20: 19-31**

Today is both the second Sunday of Easter, and fittingly Divine Mercy Sunday. All the readings lead us to the principle of living and serving with a heart like Jesus, and his loving mercy. In Acts we see early Christians caring for one another, a community which shared so that everyone could have what they needed. They were united in the Spirit. But being united in the Spirit is more than sharing food, land, and money. More importantly it is sharing and living Faith in the loving mercy of God. That mercy overflows and is showered upon us from the Godhead, through and because of the life, death and resurrection of Christ. That common belief strengthens us to love one another as the adopted children of God, as brothers and sisters in Christ; and living accordingly by keeping the Lord's commandments.

But we all have our fears. The Apostles locked themselves in a room for fear of the Jewish authorities. Yet on the evening of the Resurrection, Jesus entered the room, twice offered them peace, breathed on them to impart the Spirit on them and to give them the authority to forgive sins. These are men, most of whom abandoned or denied Jesus. But here were no rebukes, just loving mercy. It so happened that Thomas was not there that evening. When told of the risen Jesus, Thomas could not bring himself to believe. He needed proof. A week later Jesus appeared in the locked room and Jesus gave Thomas that proof. The so-called doubter was then prompted to proclaim, "My Lord and my God!" Thomas loved and believed Jesus as much as anyone. Some commentators say that he was a very logical person, a planner, somebody who avoided unnecessary risk. When Jesus wanted to go back to Judea after the death of Lazarus, it was Thomas who argued against going there. But, submitting to the will of Jesus, Thomas basically said let us go and die with him.

It was not so much that Thomas lacked faith. After the death of Jesus, it has been said that Thomas' heart was broken. His demanding proof was more of a defense mechanism for fear of his heart being broken again. We all have a little of that in us. In this scene, Jesus was mindful of us: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." The grammar suggests present tense. It is as if Jesus is putting us in the room. The Lord's loving forgiveness is available to all who accept it. Fear not. Trust in Jesus and his mercy always. Accept the peace of mind that He offers us!



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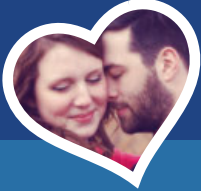
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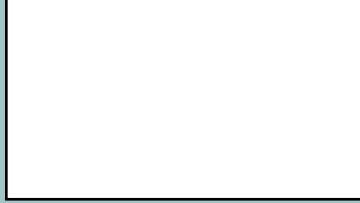
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