

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

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Mission Statement of St. John's Parish

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the community of St. John's Parish works to spread the Gospel message through a ministry of compassion, education and stewardship. Our life as believers is centered in the Eucharist, which encourages and fosters a deep sense of identity in Christ Jesus and the mission the Lord Jesus calls us to embrace.

WELCOME! We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacons. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday 8:30AM, 11:00AM & 5:00 PM
Weekdays 8:00AM Mon.-Sat.
Holy Days & Holidays: As announced

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Robert J. Cullen, Administrator
Rev. W. Chris Palladino, J.C.L., in Residence
Dn. Paul A. Lewis,
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St. John's Food Pantry 617-472-4908



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. *Mt 15:26b-28*

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION **(CONFESSION)**

Lower Chapel, Wednesdays, 8:30-9:00am;
Saturdays, 2:30-3:30pm or by calling the rectory to
make an appointment with a priest.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Before you enter the hospital for any major surgery or
in case of an emergency, we encourage you to receive
the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. For this
Sacrament, please contact the Rectory.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE LOWER CHURCH **CHAPEL**

Friday: 8:30am - 3:30pm
1st Saturdays: 8:30am-9:45am



The Spirituality of Stewardship

Receiving God's Gifts gratefully;
Nurturing God's Gifts responsibly;
Sharing God's Gifts in love and justice;
Returning God's Gifts generously

Saturday, August 19

8:00 a.m. 4th Anniversary Michael Joyce
4:00 p.m. 13th Anniversary Vinnie Peruzzi

Sunday, August 20

8:30 a.m. 5th Anniversary Jean M. Reis
11:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary Theresa Kilrain
5:00 p.m. Mass For the People

Monday, August 21

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 22

8:00 a.m. Memorial Cresencia Las

Wednesday, August 23

8:00 a.m.

Thursday, August 24

8:00 a.m.

Friday, August 25

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 26

8:00 a.m.
4:00 p.m. Birthday Mass Garrett Fitzgerald

Sunday, August 27

8:30 a.m. 19th Anniversary Carol Tobin Labadie
11:00 a.m. 6th Anniversary Judith Maloney
5:00 p.m. Mass For The People

Parish Weekly Goal:

\$9,000.00

Weekend of August 12/13

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Rows: Church Collections (\$7,487.00), On-Line Giving (828.50), Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners (\$8,315.50)

Weekly Goal overage/shortage (684.50)

Second Collection - Mission Appeal

Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners \$4,929.46

This weekend August 19/20 there is one collection. Next weekend, August 26/27 there will also be one collection.

Thank you for your generosity!



Please welcome into our parish and faith community the following children who were baptized in July:

- Leo David Andronico
Tori MacKellie Blanchette
Hadley Marie McDonald
Maddison Rose Parker
Noah Reilly

Your Prayers are Requested for:

All our parishioners who have died recently, and for all our deceased relatives and friends. Also, please remember all those who are ill and pray for the intentions of all our parishioners.



Donations:

For the week of August 20 the Bread and Wine have been donated in Memory of Nancy & Domenic Cicerone. If you would like to make a memorial donation for the altar bread and/or the altar wine in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please call the rectory at 617-773-1021. The donation for the altar bread or the altar wine is \$30 each for one week (\$60 for both).



August 20, 2017

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Take a moment and look around you at Mass today. Are there people there whom you have never met or come from a different culture? Today's scripture make it clear that the message of God's love is not to be squandered and kept to ourselves - it is for everyone! How will you be a welcoming presence to the stranger or immigrant in your midst? Pray for the grace to do your part to make your parish a "house of prayer for all people," where all are welcome!

August 20, 2017

**You're Invited to the
EWTN Family Celebration in Worcester, MA!**

EWTN Global Catholic Network invites you to our Family Celebration at the DCU Convention Center in Worcester, MA on Saturday & Sunday, September 9 & 10 for an inspiring weekend for your entire family! The theme will be "Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Fatima." Be renewed in your faith with inspirational talks by your favorite EWTN hosts, Fr. Mitch Pacwa, S.J, Marcus Grodi, Susan Conroy, Fr. Maurice Emelu and Donna Marie Cooper O'Boyle. Bishop Robert J. McManus of the Diocese of Worcester, MA will serve as the celebrant and homilist at Sunday's Holy Mass. Admission is free, no tickets required! Log onto ewtn.com/familycelebration for more information.

Theological Institute of St. John's Seminary

Fall classes begin September 5th for the Theological Institute of St. John's Seminary at the new location 66 Brooks Drive Braintree in the Pastoral Center. It is not too late to apply to be a student or to register for classes. Please call or e-mail Dr. Aldona Lingertat (Aldona.Lingertat@sjs.edu) if you are interested in the MAM Program or Dr. Stephen Fahrig (Stephen.Fahrig@sjs.edu) if you are interested in the MTS Program. Visit www.sjs.edu for online registration. The Catechetical Certificate Program offered monthly on Saturdays is also accepting registrations online at www.sjs.edu. Come and deepen your knowledge of the faith. Call the office for more information at 617-779-4104. Auditors are welcome.

Musical Talent Needed!

The Atrium in Quincy is looking for volunteers to provide musical entertainment for their residents. If you love to sing or play an instrument - your talents can bring a lot of joy to those struggling with Alzheimer's disease. Musical accompaniment is also needed at twice monthly communion services held at the nursing home. If you're interested, contact Joe Stevens at the Rectory at 617-773-1021.

Thank you!

Filipino Mass

The **Filipino Mass** will be **starting back** up next **Sunday, August 27th** at 1:00 p.m. The Mass is held on the Fourth Sunday of the Month in the Upper Church. After Mass there is a reception in the Lower Church Hall.



St. John & St. Joseph
Religious Education Call 617-877-5014

Adult Confirmation

Do you Know of anyone who has postponed receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? Contact Mary Ellen Cassani at maryellen.cassani@gmail.com to receive up-to-date information on when classes begin or just to have your questions answered.

The Fall Adult Confirmation program begins Sunday, October 29, 2017 with the 5:00 p.m. Mass at Saint Jerome Church. Class follows in the Church Hall. Please email maryellen.cassani@gmail.com for further details or to register. This class is intended for Adults who have already been Baptized and received First Holy Communion.

Infant Baptisms: The Baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of the month at 12:30 p.m. Baptismal preparation is required. Please call the rectory for registration and further information. (617-773-1021)

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance. Please contact the Rectory for an appointment. A Marriage Preparation Program is required.

Saint John's Food Pantry

The St. John's Food Pantry is open every Wednesday evening from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. located next to the back door of the Rectory. For those who are so generous to the important work of St. John's please send donations directly to the Rectory or use the blue envelopes marked SJFP and drop them into the regular parish collection. Our Pantry is sustained through the generous donations of our Parishioners.



St. John the Baptist now has an Official Facebook Page! To help personalize our site please feel free to send us parish event photos (and descriptions) for possible posting to our page. Email photos to stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org.



Cycle A August 20, 2017
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” This woman was an outsider. She was a Canaanite, not an Israelite, and as such she would have been considered ritually unclean. But she approached Jesus nonetheless and asked for his help. And Jesus used this opportunity to teach his disciples an important lesson.

In the verses directly before today’s passage, Jesus had told Peter that what defiles a person comes from the heart, not from ignoring external purity practices. Then, Jesus traveled with his disciples from Galilee to the region of Tyre and Sidon where they were much more likely to encounter someone considered to be unclean.

At first it appeared that Jesus wasn’t going to acknowledge the woman who begged for help. His comment, “It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs,” was a common comparison between Jews (the children) and Canaanites (the dogs). But, in fact, Jesus said this only to go right ahead and break this social code! He showed by his actions that it did not matter whether someone was Jewish or not, what mattered was the faith in a person’s heart. And this woman proved to Jesus and the doubting disciples that she had great faith. How many others would have even approached Jesus to ask for his help? How many others would have persevered when he appeared unresponsive? By pausing in his response, and first mentioning the standard reply, Jesus gave this woman the opportunity to demonstrate her great faith. And then, he answered her request and praised her extraordinary faith. What a lesson for his prejudiced disciples! And what a lesson for us, both to persevere in faith, and never to judge others on mere appearances.

| UP & COMING EVENTS | | | | | | |
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Calendar of St. John’s Upcoming Dates and Events

- Saturday, August 19**
2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
- Wednesday, August 23**
8:30-9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
6:30-7:30 p.m. St. John’s Food Pantry Open
- Friday, August 25**
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
Lower Chapel
- Saturday, August 26**
2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
- Sunday, August 27**
1:00 p.m. Filipino Mass
followed by Reception Church Hall

Communion Calls to the Sick & Elderly

In addition to our outreach to Quincy’s nursing and rehab facilities, St. John’s makes Communion calls to the homebound. If you, a family member or friend are homebound, recovering from surgery, or are too ill to attend Sunday Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Joe Stevens at the Rectory to set up a time for a visit.

Joe Stevens, Pastoral Associate
 St. John the Baptist Parish, Quincy
 617-773-1021
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Welcome to St. John’s! We encourage all our parishioners who worship with us to register. Please call the Rectory, 617-773-1021, or return this form to the Rectory by the collection basket, mail, or in person.

Would you like to have the bulletin emailed to you? If you would, please give us your email: _____

Name: _____ Tel. # _____
 Address: _____ City _____ ZIP _____

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