

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

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*M*ission 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.

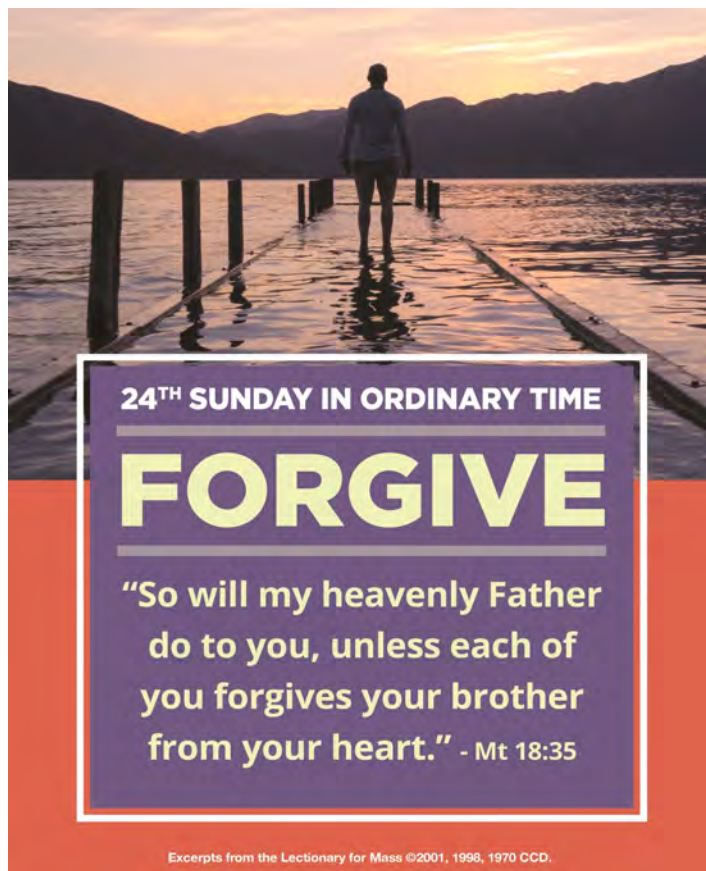
WELCOME! We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacons. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

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
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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FORGIVE

"So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart." - Mt 18:35

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Lower Chapel, Wednesdays, 8:30-9:00am;
Saturdays, 2:30-3:30pm or call 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, September 16

8:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary Russell G. Moscone
4:00 p.m. Memorial Edward F. & Mary E. Regan,
Daniel, Catherine, & John J. Minihane, Helen
E. Regan, Catherine "Kay" Maloney, and
Donald R. Pitts

Sunday, September 17

8:30 a.m. Memorial Quinto Giacomozzi
11:00 a.m. 8th Anniversary Louisa Cunio and
1st Anniversary James Cunio
5:00 p.m. 1st Anniversary Steven Byrne and
3rd Anniversary Kathie Webb

Monday, September 18

8:00 a.m. Birthday Celebration Conan O'doighre

Tuesday, September 19

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, September 20

8:00 a.m.

Thursday, September 21

8:00 a.m.

Friday, September 22

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, September 23

8:00 a.m.
4:00 p.m. Memorial Deceased Members of the
Navicky & Trites Family

Sunday, September 24

8:30 a.m. Memorial Arthur Tonucci
11:00 a.m. Month's Mind Ronnie Glennon
5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

Parish Weekly Goal:	\$9,000.00
Weekend of September 9/10	
Church Collections	\$7,638.40
On-Line Giving	<u>918.50</u>
Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners	\$8,556.90
Weekly Goal overage/shortage	(443.10)

Second Collection - Natural Disaster Relief	
Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners	\$7,666.25

This weekend September 16/17 there are **two causes** of support. The diocese-wide second collection today will support the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust which cares for the health and well-being of our priests. In the Archdiocese of Boston, we are blessed to have 590 men who have devoted their lives to serving Christ and His family. Your gift to this collection will help provide our priests with an appropriate level of care and quality of life so they can continue sharing the good news, performing good works and spreading good faith. Thank you for your generous and prayerful support of our priests. Next weekend September 23/24 there will be one cause for support.

Thank you for your generosity!

Donations:

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).



Your Prayers are Requested for:

Thomas J. "Tommy" O'Brien, Paul G. Johnson, Benjamin DiBona and 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.



September 17, 2017



Picnic Today Sunday, September 17, 2017

Today is our Parish Picnic starting right after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

There will be one change to the Picnic this year, we **Will Not** be having a **White Elephant Table**.

Desserts are most welcome and should be of the finger food variety such as **cookies, brownies, cupcakes** etc.

We hope to see you there!!!

**The Infinite Mercy of God and Addiction
You Are Never Alone
Sunday, September 24, 2017
Pastoral Center, Archdiocese of Boston
66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, MA 02184**

A conference on healthcare and compassion for addicted persons and affected families sponsored by the St. Luke Catholic Physicians' Guild, Archdiocesan Addiction Recovery Pastoral Support Service, Catholic Charities and Healthcare Professionals for divine Mercy

Mass at 10:30 a.m.

(Memorial for those lost to the addiction epidemic)

Presentation by individuals living recovery followed by a panel discussion for healthcare professionals led by people at the forefront of dealing with related issues from different disciplines. Light lunch will be provided.

RSVP to info@guildofstluke.org if you will attend. All are welcome.

Please also forward questions that you would like the panel to address.

Archbishop Williams High School Events

Local-area Catholic High Schools present information at a High School Fair hosted by Archbishop Williams on Sunday, October 1st (11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.).

Two Open House dates for Archbishop Williams (Grades 7-12)
Sunday, October 22nd (11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) and
Thursday, November 2nd (6:00 to 8:00 p.m.).



St. John & St. Joseph Religious Education
Call 617-877-5014 or
Email restjohnquincy@gmail.com

Opening Day Information and Late Registration News:

Classes open up next weekend, **Sunday, September 24th** at **10:00 a.m.** for **Grades 2-5**. We look forward to seeing everyone! Parents please remember to accompany your child into the Lower Church and to come into the Lower Church at the end of class to meet your child.

If you have not yet registered your child please **register** him or her **before classes begin**. The **first day** of class is very busy, and we are **UNABLE to accept registrations** on the first day. After classes begin **late registrations** will be accepted at the Lower Church Hall on Monday, **September 25th from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 617-877-5014 or restjohnquincy@gmail.com.

Sunday, Sept. 24th 10:00 a.m. Grades 2, 3, 4 & 5
Sunday, Sept. 24th 6:00 p.m. Confirmation II Students & Parents
Monday, Sept. 25th 6:30 p.m. Grades 6, 7 & 8
Saturday, Sept. 30th 10:00 a.m. Grade 1
Sunday, Oct. 1st 12:00 p.m. Conf. I & II Students

All Classes Lower Church Hall

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.

Cycle A September 17, 2017
24th Sunday in
Ordinary Time



“I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?” The parable Jesus tells today is the story of a king, but in truth it is about Jesus himself. He is the “king” who has forgiven our debts. We are the “servants” whose sins have earned us chastisement. But when we repent and ask for Christ’s mercy, he grants it to us without hesitation.

The point of the parable, then, is that we too should extend this mercy to others. We should not be like that “wicked servant” who begged for mercy but would not show it to others. Elsewhere, Jesus teaches us to pray, “Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors” (Mt. 6:12). We use different words, but a similar meaning when we pray the Our Father asking God to “forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.” But are we sure that we mean what we say?

It’s important to pause and evaluate how we are doing in this regard. Are we harboring any grudges? Are there people we refuse to forgive? Is there a situation where we are seeking revenge instead of extending mercy? Jesus asks us to do otherwise. He reminds us that we have already been forgiven. We are right now enjoying the benefits of his forgiveness. So we are called to bear in mind our own sins, failings, weaknesses, and “debts” when we deal with others instead of thinking that we are perfectly innocent and acting as if we’ve never been the beneficiary of mercy. So let us do our best to forgive as we have been forgiven. This doesn’t mean approving of wrong behavior; God doesn’t ask us to do that. But he does ask us to let go of bitterness and foster mercy instead.

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 call 617-773-1021.

UP & COMING EVENTS						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Calendar of St. John’s Upcoming Dates and Events

Saturday, September 16

2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Lower Chapel

Sunday, September 17

12:00 p.m. PARISH PICNIC
 Church Grounds

Wednesday, September 20

8:30-9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Lower Chapel
 6:30-7:30 p.m. St. John’s Food Pantry Open

Friday, September 22

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
 Lower Chapel

Saturday, September 23

2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Lower Chapel

Sunday, September 24

10:00 a.m. Classes Open up for Grades 2-5
 Church Hall
 1:00 p.m. Filipino Mass Upper Church
 followed by Reception in the Church Hall

Thinking About Becoming Catholic?

If you’re curious about the Catholic faith or have thought about becoming a Catholic, our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is just for you. Adults from all faith traditions, no religious background at all, and baptized Catholics who were not raised in the Catholic faith are invited to participate. The RCIA journey incorporates faith, instruction, conversion, liturgy, and community. We welcome you to join others while learning about the beauty of our Catholic faith. For more information, contact Deacon Leo at St. Joseph’s Rectory at 617-472-6321.

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 _____

Check if address change

Would you like envelopes? (Please circle) YES NO