

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.

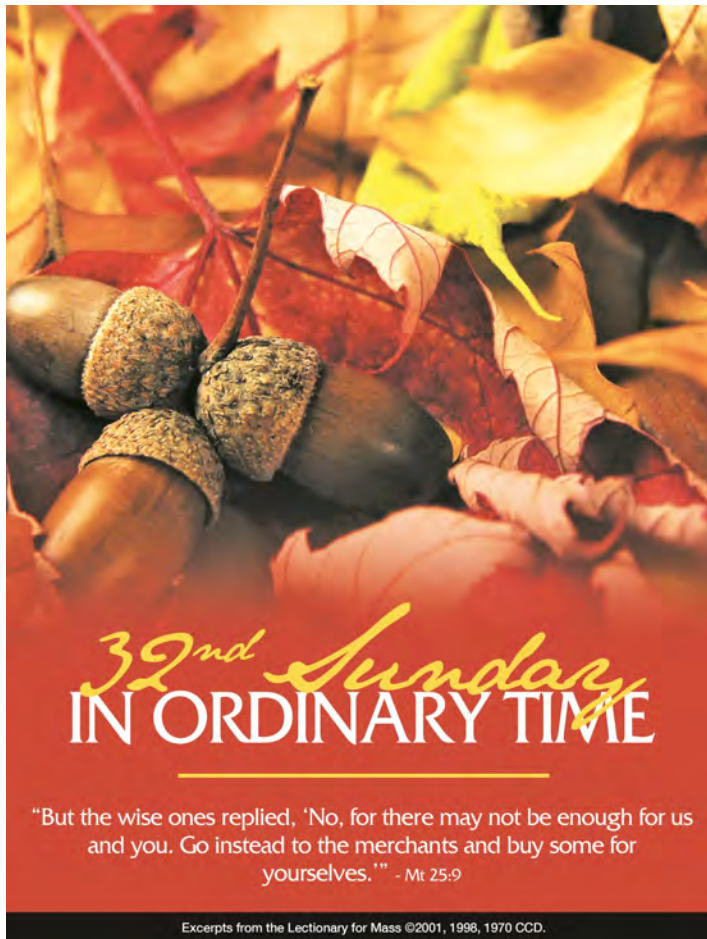
WELCOME! We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacons. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

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
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St. John's Food Pantry 617-472-4908



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

MASST INTENTIONS

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

Parish Weekly Goal:	\$9,000.00
Weekend of November 4/5	
Church Collections	\$7,467.61
On-Line Giving	<u>763.50</u>
Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners	\$8,231.11
Weekly Goal overage/shortage	(768.89)
Second Collection - Campaign Human Development	
Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners	\$2,363.95

This weekend November 11/12 there is one collection. Next weekend November 18/19 there will be two collections. The second collection is for the Retired Religious Sisters.

Next weekend the Archdiocese will take up the Collection for Retired Sisters. Since 1988, the collection has provided needed financial support for religious communities who have served the Archdiocese of Boston as educators and health care and social service providers. Please give generously. Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity!

Donations:



For the week of November 12 the Bread and Wine have been donated in Memory of Maria & Ettore DiCenso and Margaret & Richard T. Sweeney. 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).

November 12 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The parable in today's gospel points out the tragedy of unpreparedness. It can be so easy to let our spiritual lives take a back seat to all the pressures in daily life. It is not that we don't want to pray or go to Confession, or attend Mass. We even know the difference it makes when we do take time to prepare our hearts and draw close to God. What are we waiting for? The invitation is there for us today. Don't put it off - take time in prayer this week so you are prepared for His coming.

Saturday, November 11

8:00 a.m. 50th Wedding Anniversary
Carole & Peter Rossi

4:00 p.m. 1st Anniversary Marion Marani

Sunday, November 12

8:30 a.m. 1st Anniversary Grace Nassif

11:00 a.m. Memorial Thomas J. &
James B. McDonough

5:00 p.m. 3rd Anniversary Nora "Theresa" Forbes

Monday, November 13

8:00 a.m. Healing Mass for Mrs. David & Mrs. Craig

Tuesday, November 14

8:00 a.m. Month's Mind Rev. Robert S. Maloney

Wednesday, November 15

8:00 a.m. Memorial Mr. & Mrs. Joe Avgers
and Mary Lafey

Thursday, November 16

8:00 a.m. Healing for Lucy

Friday, November 17

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, November 18

8:00 a.m. Month's Mind Sharon Keeley

4:00 p.m. 16th Anniversary Albino Peruzzi

Sunday, November 19

8:30 a.m. 45th Anniversary Walter Pero

11:00 a.m. 3rd Anniversary Patricia Gladney LeGrand

5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

Your Prayers are Requested for:

Frederick J. Laracy 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.



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.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance. Please contact the Rectory to set up an appointment (617-773-1021) A Marriage Preparation Program is required.

St. John's Food Pantry Thanksgiving & Christmas Help

The holidays are fast approaching. If you or someone you know from St. John's Parish is in need of assistance with Thanksgiving Dinner or Christmas Gifts for families with young children, please contact St. John's Food Pantry at 617-472-4908.

Volunteers will be filling out information forms on Wednesday evenings between 6:30-7:30 p.m. Cut off time for Thanksgiving help will be on Wednesday, November 15th. The last day to sign up for Christmas help will be on Wednesday, December 6th. A picture ID and proof of address must be shown.

The St. John's Food Pantry is open every Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30p.m. in the building located to the back door of the rectory.

For those who are so generous to the pantry please send donations directly to the rectory or use the blue envelopes in the pews.

Thank you for all your support!!

November is National Adoption Month. Please join us as "Voices for Life Speaker Series" celebrates it with the voices of those deeply involved. We will hear from a birth mother who chose life, an adoptive father of six, and we will hear the voice of the adopted person. Sunday, November 12, (today), 12:45 p.m. at Resurrection Church's Reed Hall, 1057 Main Street, Hingham. Refreshments will be served sponsored by the South Shore Chapter of MCFL, questions call Priscilla at 781-749-1218.

Catholic Memorial School is hosting an Information Night on **Wednesday, November 15, 2017** from 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. Information Night is an opportunity for families to learn about CM through small classroom presentations of your choice. Presentations will touch on all aspects of student life. Student led tours are available.

Visit our website at www.CatholicMemorial.org **or call Admissions at 617-469-8019.**

AUCTION - St. Patrick's Parish, Roxbury will hold its 33rd Annual AUCTION at the I.B.E.W. Hall, 256 Freeport St., in Dorchester on Friday Evening, November 17th from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. (Doors open at 5:00 p.m.) **Hotel Week-ends, Restaurant Gift Certificates, Bruins and Theatre Tickets, Golf Package, Fine China, Themed Gift Baskets, Household Items, Toys, Silent Auction, Gift Tables, etc. etc.** Free Admission, \$100 Door Prize. For more information call 617-445-7645.

St. John & St. Joseph Religious Education

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Sunday, Nov. 12th 10:00-10:50 a.m.

Classes Grades 2-5

Sunday, Nov. 12th 12:00-1:30 p.m. **Class CI & CII**

Monday, Nov. 13th 6:30-7:30 p.m. **Classes Grades 6-8**

Sunday, Nov. 19th (No Classes Today)



The **Holy Trinity** Parish of Quincy will host **A FAIR FOR ALL SEASONS**, on Saturday, November 18th from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall, Darrow St., Quincy. Quality handmade crafts by south shore artisans, raffles, kitchen, baked goods, kids corner, knitted items, and holiday gifts. Admission is a non-perishable food/toiletry item. For more information please contact Eileen 617-479-4107 or 617-481-9153 or email etimcoe@yahoo.com.

Advent Bible Study Begins This Thursday!
Prepare for the upcoming Advent and Christmas seasons by learning more about the birth narratives of Jesus! CHRISM Bible Study will conduct a 4-week course on The Birth Narratives of Jesus this Thursday, November 16th is the second of the 4-week course in the Lower Church from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon. The course will examine how the Gospels of Luke and Matthew present the birth narratives in entirely different ways and will also take a look at the Prologue of John's Gospel. The course, taught by Barbara Sullivan, MTS, November 30 & December 7th dates left after this week. Suggested offering is \$5/session. No registration required - just bring your Bible! For more information call Joe Stevens at 617-773-1021.

Project Rachel Healing Retreat

"Attending the Project Rachel retreat was like finding the final piece in a spiritual puzzle ... My hope is that every woman on this journey will one day find her puzzle completed and know that God is always waiting with outstretched arms to welcome you home." The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a Come to the Waters of Healing one-day retreat on Saturday, November 18. Location is confidential. Limited to ten participants. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

Women's Weekend Retreat: "The Story of My Life" at Miramar Retreat Center in Duxbury, MA. The weekend of January 12-14, 2018. For more details, contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or visit www.timeoutretreats.com.

November 12, 2017
32nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time



“But the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps.” The foolish versus the wise. Today’s parable sets these two groups in stark contrast to one another. Two crowds of young women wait for a wedding feast. One group comes prepared for the unexpected, the other just assumes everything will go according to schedule. But it doesn’t! The Bridegroom is late, and the foolish virgins are left out in the dark--literally--while the wise ones enjoy the feast inside.

The lesson here is not just about having foresight and gathering the corresponding equipment. It’s about being ready for the second coming of Christ. Jesus himself is the “Bridegroom.” Traditionally we refer to the Church as the “Bride of Christ” and we, as the people of God who constitute the Church, are even now awaiting the real feast, the culmination of time when Jesus returns. But are we standing among the wise or the foolish as we wait?

Jesus tells us today, “Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” Are we spiritually awake? Do we have extra oil to see us through, or are we hitting the bottom of the barrel and running on spiritual fumes so to speak? Do we think it’s enough to do the bare minimum as we wait for Christ--stepping into church without really being present, or calling ourselves Christian without really taking up the challenge of the cross? In order to avoid standing outside the feast with the foolish, we will want to make sure we fill our flasks with oil or, in other words, fill our hearts with the love of God, fill our minds with his word and his teachings, and fill our souls with the virtues that unite us to his will. If we stock up on these important supplies, we can count ourselves among the wise!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” Let us appreciate our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jan. 19-21, 2018 in South Kingstown, RI and Mar 9-11 in Duxbury, MA. Call 800-710-9963 for all the information.

Calendar of St. John’s Upcoming Dates and Events

Saturday, November 11

2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
5:00 p.m. Baptism Instruction
Upper Church

Sunday, November 12

10:00-10:50 a.m. Religious Ed Grades 2-5
Church Hall
12:00-1:30 p.m. Religious Ed Class CI & CII
Church Hall
12:30 p.m. Baptisms
Upper Church

Monday, November 13

6:30-7:30 p.m. Religious Ed Classes Grades 6-8
Church Hall

Wednesday, November 15

830-9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
6:30-7:30 p.m. St. John’s Food Pantry Open

Thursday, November 16

10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon Chrism Bible Study
Church Hall
4:30 p.m. RCIA Meeting
Church Hall

Friday, November 17

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

Saturday, November 18

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

Sunday, November 19

No Religious Education Classes Today

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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