

# 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.

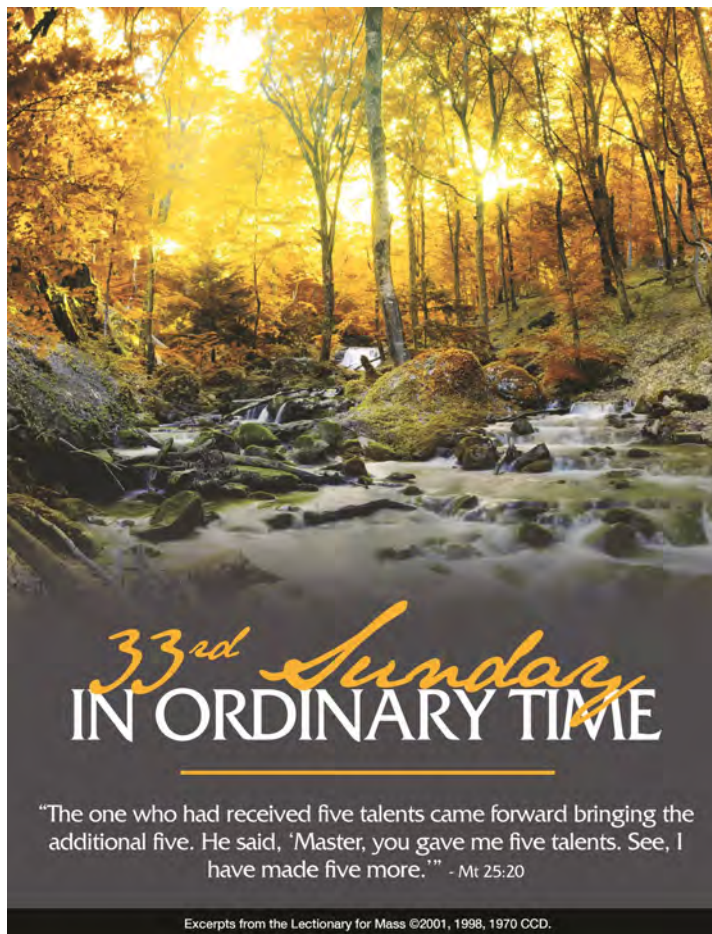
**WELCOME!** We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacons. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

## 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  
**Rev. W. Chris Palladino**, J.C.L., in Residence  
**Dn. Paul A. Lewis**  
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Education Secretary  
**Paul Kelly**, Music Director  
**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*

<b>Parish Weekly Goal:</b>	<b>\$9,000.00</b>
<b>Weekend of November 11/12</b>	
Church Collections	\$7,399.04
On-Line Giving	<u>938.50</u>
<b>Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners</b>	<b>\$8,337.54</b>
 Weekly Goal overage/shortage	 <b>(662.46)</b>

This weekend November 18/19 there are two collections. Next weekend November 25/26 there will be one collection.

Today's second collection helps to provide for the needs of our 2,000 retired sisters. These beloved women served and continue to serve people in the parishes, schools, hospitals and social services of the Archdiocese. Please take this opportunity to thank the sisters who embraced the call to serve us so faithfully over the years. In their time of need now, every contribution makes a difference. Today, 80% of the sisters' healthcare and retirement expenses go unmet by social security benefits. Thank you for your generosity and prayerful support of the sisters.

***Thank you for your generosity!***

### 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

### Monday, November 20

8:00 a.m.

### Tuesday, November 21

8:00 a.m. 10th Anniversary Dorothy T. Manning

### Wednesday, November 22

8:00 a.m. 64th Anniversary William "Babe" Lawson

### Thursday, November 23

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Corcoran Family

### Friday, November 24

8:00 a.m. Memorial Mary Tieso

### Saturday, November 25

8:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary George Knasas  
4:00 p.m. Birthday & 1st Anniversary Jean Gamble

### Sunday, November 26

8:30 a.m. 30th Anniversary Richard Miller,  
William Marston, Timothy Tobin, and Matthew Tobin  
11:00 a.m. 6th Anniversary Matthew E. O'Brien  
5:00 p.m. 4th Anniversary Krystle Clifford

## 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.



**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.

## Donations:



For the week of November 19 the Bread and Wine have been donated in Memory of Dominic Lomanno, 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).

## November 19 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God has given each of us different gifts. It is not the number of gifts/talents that matter. What matters is how each one of us uses the gifts God has given. God never demands from us what we do not have; but God does demand that we use to the fullest the gifts which we do possess. Today's parable tells us that whatever our gift or talent, be it little or big, great or small, we must lay it at the service of God. Where are you putting your gifts at the service of God and others?

# Thanksgiving Blessings



## A Note from Father Cullen

Happy Thanksgiving to all. I pray that your day is filled with peace and gratitude, and the blessing of family and friends.

Here is a Meal Blessing I thought I would share with you for your gatherings.

God of all goodness,  
we thank you for the food your bounty has given us,  
your gathered family and ask in your fatherly care to bless us and these gifts.

Grant that we also may freely give to others  
what you have so generously provided for us  
and that we may all share one day  
in the banquet of heaven

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Prayers & Blessings  
Father Bob

## St. John's Food Pantry Christmas Help

The holidays are fast approaching. If you or someone you know from St. John's Parish is in need of assistance with 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 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!!*

## Austria & Switzerland Trip

Join Father Joe Raeke on a Tour of Austria & Switzerland  
5 Nights Austria and 4 Nights Switzerland  
April 29-May 9, 2018

There will be an informational meeting with a Marion Pilgrimage Representative on Thursday, November 30th, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Edith Stein Parish, 631 North Main Street, Brockton, MA

## St. John & St. Joseph Religious Education

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

**Sunday, Nov. 19th**

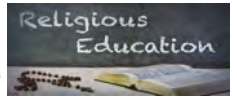
*No Religious Education Classes Today*

**Monday, Nov. 20th 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

**Classes Grades 6-8**

**Sunday, Nov. 26th**

*No Religious Education Classes Thanksgiving Weekend*



## Baby Jesus Birthday Party



We just wanted to let you know that this year our Baby Jesus Party will be on the second Saturday of December, December 9, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Pauline Book and Media Center on 885 Providence Hwy. in Dedham. Once again there will be pictures with Baby Jesus (costumes provided, bring your own camera), face painting, birthday cake, door prizes and other fun activities. For more information, call 781-326-5385 or check out our website: [www.pauline.org](http://www.pauline.org). Thank you.

## Advent Bible Study Continues

Prepare for the upcoming Advent and Christmas seasons by learning more about the birth narratives of Jesus! CHRISM Bible Study is conducting a 4-week course on The Birth Narratives of Jesus. Two weeks are left (Thursday, November 30th and Thursday, December 7th) in this 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, is taught by Barbara Sullivan, MTS. Suggested offering is \$5/session. No registration required - just bring your Bible! For more information call Joe Stevens at 617-773-1021.

## Pieta

*An ongoing Support Group for Bereaved Parents*

Pieta, a support group of bereaved parents who have suffered a loss of a child of any age, will be holding their 34th Annual Lighting Service on Sunday, November 26th, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. The service will be at Blessed Sacrament Church, 10 Diamond Street, Walpole, MA. Parents who have lost a child will come together in prayer, song and support as we light a candle in memory of each child.

A reception will be held immediately following the service in the Blessed Sacrament School Cafeteria.

Everyone is welcome.

For further information, please call: Pauline Medeiros at 508-359-2953 or Janet McLaughlin 505-272-5415.

**November 19, 2017**  
**33rd Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**



“But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master’s money.” This servant was scared. He didn’t want to take any risks and just wanted to play everything safe. As he confesses to his master, “Out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground.” And the master was not pleased. The other servants who invested the money he gave them were richly rewarded for their efforts to produce more. But this servant was punished for letting his fear rule the day.

What factors are keeping us from making a return on God’s investment in us? He has given us all life, and each of us also has a special collection of “talents” to make use of. We have certain gifts, skills, experiences, resources, and abilities that (though we may not often think about it) come from God. He calls us to make the most of these things, not just to take them for granted or bury them in the ground, so to speak. Our gifts are meant not just for our own enjoyment, but to help others, to spread truth and goodness and beauty to the world around us.

Sometimes, however, we fail to really capitalize on our potential. Laziness, distraction, or self-pity can get in the way if we are unwilling to put in the hard work to improve our natural gifts, if we allow ourselves to zone out with entertainment or frivolous pastimes instead of making good use of the time entrusted to us, or if we wallow in negativity by focusing on what we don’t have instead of embracing what we do.

Each moment is a gift from God. May we seize every opportunity to multiply the investment God has made in us so that we may be worthy to hear God tell us, “Well done, my good and faithful servant.”

**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](http://www.timeoutretreats.com).

 **Weekly Schedule**

**Calendar of St. John’s Upcoming Dates and Events**

**Saturday, November 18**

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

**Sunday, November 19**

*No Religious Education Classes Today*

**Monday, November 20**

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

**Tuesday, November 21**

7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Holy Hour  
 Upper Church

**Wednesday, November 22**

830-9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 Lower Chapel

*St. John’s Food Pantry Closed Tonight*

**Thursday, November 23**

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**



**Friday, November 24**

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

**Saturday, November 25**

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

*No Prayer Group Meeting Tonight*

**Sunday, November 26**

*No Religious Education Classes Today*  
**Thanksgiving Weekend!!**

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. # \_\_\_\_\_

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