

# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

Est. 1863

Phone (617) 773-1021 Fax (617) 773-5608

21 Gay Street • Quincy, Massachusetts • 02169-6602

Email: [stjohns@stjohnsquinicy.org](mailto:stjohns@stjohnsquinicy.org)  
Website: [www.stjohnsquinicy.org](http://www.stjohnsquinicy.org)



## *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**  
**Dn. William R. Proulx**  
**Joe Stevens**, Pastoral Associate  
**Joanne Curry**, Religious Education Director,  
K-9 Religious Education Office 617-877-5014  
**Email:** [restjohnquinicy@gmail.com](mailto:restjohnquinicy@gmail.com)  
**Donna Niosi**, Administrative Assistant/Religious  
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*

Due to the early transmission date requested for this weeks bulletin the figures for the weekend of November 18/19 will be posted in next weeks bulletin.

This weekend November 25/26 there is one collection. Next weekend December 2/3 there will also be one collection.

### Saturday, November 25

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

### Sunday, November 26

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

### Monday, November 27

8:00 a.m. Memorial Dibi & Rita DiStefano and  
Edward, Ellen, & Edie Saunders, Jr.

### Tuesday, November 28

8:00 a.m. Special Intentions for Stella

### Wednesday, November 29

8:00 a.m.

### Thursday, November 30

8:00 a.m.

### Friday, December 1

8:00 a.m.

### Saturday, December 2

8:00 a.m. Month's Mind Angela Galante  
4:00 p.m. 1st Anniversary Catherine S. Rogers

### Sunday, December 3

8:30 a.m. Month's Mind Arnold Chinetti  
11:00 a.m. Memorial Francesca & Lorenzo Valeri,  
Antonio & Lisetta Agnitti, and  
13th Anniversary Armando Agnitti  
5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

## Donations:



For the week of November 26 the Bread and Wine have been donated in Memory of Ralph Tutela. 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 26 - The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Today's parable is one of the most vivid parables Jesus spoke. We will not be judged on the knowledge we have amassed, or the fame that we have acquired, or the fortune that we have gained, but on the help that we have given. The lesson is crystal clear - God will judge us according to our reaction to human need. This means giving simple help to the people we meet every day - to the hungry, the thirsty, the sick, the stranger, the prisoner - to Christ himself!

## 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.

## 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 held in the Lower Church from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon.

## BULLETIN NOTICES

Bulletin notices must be received by the Rectory no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday afternoons, to appear in the following Sunday bulletin and by 3:00 p.m. on the Wednesday afternoons before a holiday.

**A Note from Father Cullen**

**Collaborative Information**

It's been a while since any new information on the proposed collaborative of St. John the Baptist and St. Joseph's has been made available. What I do know is that the Archdiocese recently posted the 19 new collaboratives to the priests of the Archdiocese so that they could apply for the open pastor positions. Priests were asked to post for those positions by October 31st. Now the Archdiocese personnel office and personnel board will review the applications and make recommendations to the Cardinal. He will then appoint the pastors to those open collaboratives. The hope is that the process will be completed sometime in early 2018. We will communicate to all of you who has been appointed to our collaborative as soon as we know. The new pastor will begin on June 1, 2018. My assignment to St. John's will end on that date and I will receive a new assignment. I know change is always difficult but it also can be a great opportunity for growth for both the parish and the priests. For now we will remain in each other's prayers, serving God and one another.

Peace

Fr. Bob

**St. John & St. Joseph Religious Education**

**UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, November 26th**

*No Religious Education Classes Today*

**Monday, November 27th**

**6:30-7:30 p.m. Classes Grades 6-8**

**Saturday, December 2 10:00-10:45 a.m. Class Grade 1**

**Sunday, December 3 10:00-10:50 a.m. Class Grades 2-5**

**Sunday, December 3 12-1:30 p.m. Class CI & CII**



**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.



**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



**New Senior Social Group**

To kickoff the group, you are invited to join us for a light lunch, provided by St. John the Baptist Parish, on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 12:00 noon. This meeting, as well as future meetings will take place in the lower church hall of St John the Baptist, 44 School Street, Quincy. There is ample parking adjacent to the church.

For this kickoff meeting, we are inviting all former members of St. John's Senior Group roster and all Ward-4 Community members who used to meet at the Della Chiesa Center. We'd also like to welcome others from nearby parishes or community groups who would like to attend.

In order to arrange for food and beverages, we are asking all who will join us for the luncheon on December 13th to please call Joe Stevens at St. John's Rectory at 617-773-1021 Ext. 11 by December 6th.

We will begin the meeting with registration and a proposed schedule of future meetings for the new group, followed by the luncheon social where old and new friends can catch-up.

**November 26, 2017 - Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe**



“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Today we celebrate the feast of an unusual kind of king. Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, does not run his kingdom in the standard fashion. Instead of insisting upon the pomp and circumstance that usually surrounds earthly royalty, Jesus has a different focus. He thinks not of himself, but of those he loves. And in today’s Gospel, his interest is especially focused on the poor and suffering in our midst.

Our King asks us to care for those in need--the hungry, the homeless, the foreigner, the sick and suffering. But then, he goes farther; he tells us that in caring for these brethren, we will be ministering to HIM! What an incredible promise. Not only do we carry out the command to love our neighbor when we protect those in need, but we also show our love for Jesus in a direct and concrete way. This love for Christ through others is so real that Jesus actually tells us that our place on Judgment Day will depend on it: “What you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.” And these will go off to eternal punishment.” On the other hand, the “righteous” who ministered to the weak and poor will enjoy eternal life. Our King has spoken loud and clear. Now comes the question of whether or not we are obeying his orders?

Each of us is called to examine how well we are caring for the least among us. Sometimes, this means giving our time and energy for special ministries or missions, but often it means caring for those right in front of us --the sick or suffering in our own homes, families, neighborhoods, or parishes. Whatever our situation, may we have the eyes to see Christ in our midst and serve him.

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

**Saturday, November 25**

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

**Sunday, November 26**

*No Religious Education Classes Thanksgiving Weekend*

**Monday, November 27**

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

**Wednesday, November 29**

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

**Thursday, November 30**

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Chrism Bible Study  
Church Hall

**First Friday, December 1**

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

**First Saturday, December 2**

8:30-9:45 a.m. First Saturday Devotions  
Lower Chapel  
10:00-10:45 a.m. Religious Ed Class Grade 1  
Church Hall  
2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Lower Chapel

**Sunday, December 3**

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

**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).

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