

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.

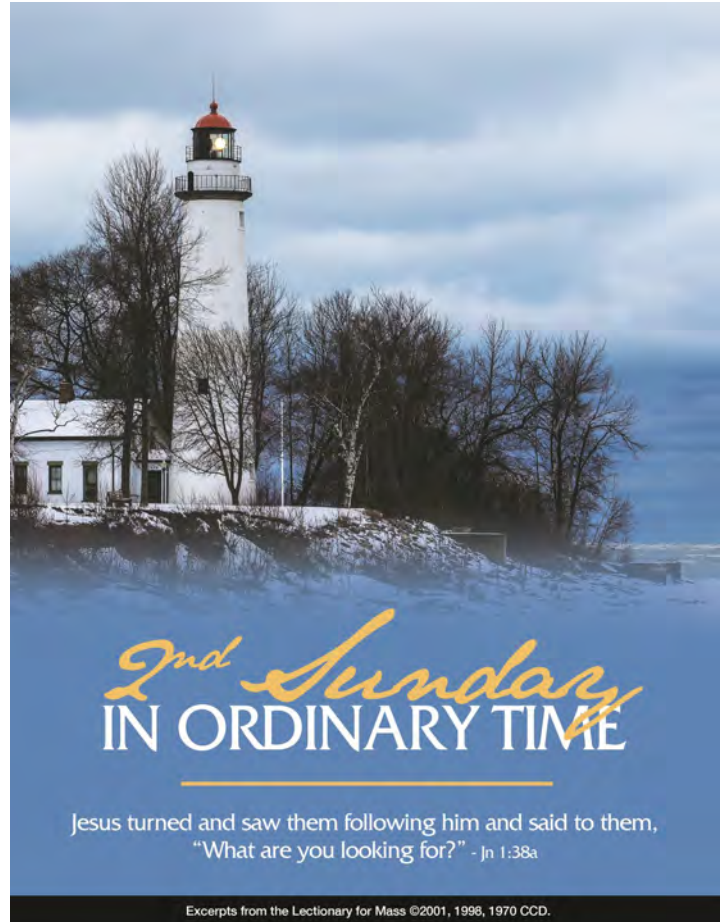
WELCOME! We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacons. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday 8:30AM, 11:00AM & 5:00PM
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 January 6/7

Church Collections	\$7,698.80
On-Line Giving	<u>918.50</u>
Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners	\$8,617.30

Weekly Goal overage/shortage **(382.70)**

This weekend January 13/14 there are two collections. Today's second collection is for the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, who have been a constant presence not only here in our community but throughout Quincy. Thank you in advance for your generosity to the sisters. Next weekend January 20/21 there will be one collection.

Thank you for your generosity

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Reminder:

This coming Monday, January 15th is the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. The parish offices will be closed. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 16th. Have a wonderful long weekend.



Your Prayers are Requested for:



Lois A. Ford, Carole A. Chighisola and all our parishioners who have died recently, and for all our deceased relatives and friends. Also, please remember in prayer all those who are ill and the intentions of our parishioners.

January 14 ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel presents a "best practice" for us about the work of evangelization. In it we hear that Andrew, not only heard about Jesus, but he also stayed with him. Having been so moved by his encounter with Jesus, he went and told his brother Peter about Jesus and brought him to Jesus. We know the "rest of the story" of Peter's discipleship but it is important to remember that Andrew was evangelizer to his brother. What about you? Who are you being called to bring to Jesus?

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.

Saturday, January 13

8:00 a.m. Month's Mind Arlene C. Badessa
4:00 p.m. 17th Anniversary Dominic Lomanno

Sunday, January 14

8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m. 5th Anniversary Venera Donato
5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

Monday, January 15

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, January 16

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, January 17

8:00 a.m.

Thursday, January 18

8:00 a.m. 6th Anniversary Michael D. Callahan

Friday, January 19

8:00 a.m. Month's Mind Gino Ranalli

Saturday, January 20

8:00 a.m. 16th Anniversary Thomas Guerin
4:00 p.m. 7th Anniversary Madeline LeBlanc
& 22nd Anniversary Gilbert LeBlanc

Sunday, January 21

8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m. Memorial Amadio, Elvira &
Maryanne Zaccheo
5:00 p.m. 7th Anniversary Sue Colarusso

Donations:

For the week of January 14th the Bread and Wine have been donated in Memory of Dominic Lomanno. 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).



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 at 617-773-1021.

January 14, 2018

Holy Hour for Life:

A Holy Hour for Life will be held on Sunday, January 21, at 1:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish, in Quincy, MA as part of the Archdiocesan observance of the National Day of Prayer and Penance. This Holy Hour will be held at parishes throughout the Archdiocese so that we will be praying in solidarity with the thousands of pilgrims going to Washington, D.C. for the March for Life. Sponsored by St. John's Parish & St. Joseph Parish, Quincy; we will pray together for those who have been wounded by abortion, for respect for the dignity of human life from conception to natural death, and that those who govern us may be guided by justice, truth, and a love for the gift of life. The Holy Hour is organized by Boston Deacons for Life in collaboration with the Pro Life Office of the Archdiocese of Boston.

Please join us, all are welcome. Any questions, please call Deacon Leo Donoghue, 617-472-6321.



St. John's Food Pantry

The St. John's Food Pantry is open every Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30p.m. in the building located next 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!!

"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved and forgiven." ~ Pope Francis

Project Rachel is the post-abortion ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston which offers hope and healing for women suffering from the pain of a past abortion. **Project Rachel** offers confidential support, retreats and referrals for Sacramental Reconciliation (Confession). Spring 2018 retreat dates will be March 10, May 5 and June 2. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

Sacred Heart Bereavement Support Group

We are pleased to announce that Simone Leary and Cathleen Rowland will co-facilitate the Bereavement Support Group as of January 2018. Please note the meeting's new day and location: The meetings will take place on the third Thursday of every month in the parish hall at Sacred Heart Parish in North Quincy beginning January 18th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Transformed in Love Marriage Prep: Upcoming Dates

Transformed in Love for engaged couples is the Archdiocesan program for marriage preparation. Upcoming dates and locations for TIL include Jan. 26-27 at Sacred Heart, Lynn; Feb. 23 & 24 at the Pastoral Center, Braintree and Mar. 16-17 at the Pastoral Center, Braintree. For registration information and the complete schedule of 2018 programs, visit bostoncatholic.org/familylife or contact Liz Cotrupi at ecotrupi@rcab.org.

St. John and St. Joseph Religious Education Classes:



There are NO Classes this weekend due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Classes will resume starting next week.

Sunday, January 21 10:00-10:50 a.m. Class Grades 2-5
Sunday, January 21 12:00-1:00 p.m. Class Confirmation II
Monday, January 22 6:30-7:30 p.m. Class Grades 6-8
Sunday, January 28 10:00-10:50 a.m. Class Grades 2-5
Monday, January 29 6:30-7:30 p.m. Class Grades 6-8
Saturday, February 3 10:00-10:45 a.m. Class Grade 1

Meeting Christ in Prayer

Meeting Christ in Prayer is an eight-week guided prayer experience based on the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola.

By prayer, reflection and faith sharing Meeting Christ in Prayer can bring people to a new level of discipleship and to a renewed sense of Christian mission. The Meeting Christ in Prayer group meets once a week for eight weeks with Sister Anne D'Arcy. Participants pray with suggested scripture texts daily.

The group will meet at:
Fontbonne Convent
444 Centre Street
Milton, MA 02186

Wednesday evenings 7-8pm
February 21 through April 11, 2018

For further information and to register please call:
617-433-5065 or email: Anne.D'Arcy@csjboston

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Samuel answered, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'" Let us practice listening better to God and our spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jan. 19-21, 2018 in South Kingstown, RI and Mar 9-11, 2018 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

January 14, 2018 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



“He first found his own brother Simon and told him, ‘We have found the Messiah.’” After spending the day in the company of Christ, Andrew took action. He shared the good news! Instead of keeping his newfound friendship with Jesus all to himself, Andrew invited his brother into the fold. Andrew found Simon and “brought him to Jesus.” This was no small matter because Simon would become Peter, the first pope! How important it is to bring others along with us to meet Christ!

Yet, how often do we reach out with the kind of confidence that Andrew had? Are we ready and willing to share our faith with our family and friends? Do we consider our relationship with Jesus a gift to be shared, or a fact to be safely hidden away in our personal prayer corner?

Part of our call as Christians is to evangelize others, to share with them the good news of salvation. Loving Jesus and following his moral commands is essential, of course, but it is not the end of the story. The Gospel message is meant for all people, and we are meant to be its messengers. Sometimes this requires us to step out of our comfort zone. It may mean speaking up when we’d rather be silent. It may mean inviting someone to Mass when they might say no. But it might also mean a conversion for someone we care about. It might mean a new minister for the Church. Ultimately, it might mean another saint in heaven.

None of that is up to us, however. What we can control is only whether we share our faith joyfully and extend the invitation to others to experience the peace that comes from knowing Christ.

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, January 13

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

Tuesday, January 16

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

Wednesday, January 17

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

Thursday, January 18

4:30-6:00 p.m. RCIA Meeting
Church Hall

Friday, January 19

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

Saturday, January 20

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

Sunday, January 21

10:00-10:50 a.m. Religious Ed Classes Grades 2-5
Church Hall
12:00-1:00 p.m. Confirmation II Class (Only)
Church Hall
12:30 p.m. Baptisms
Upper Church

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.

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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