

# 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.

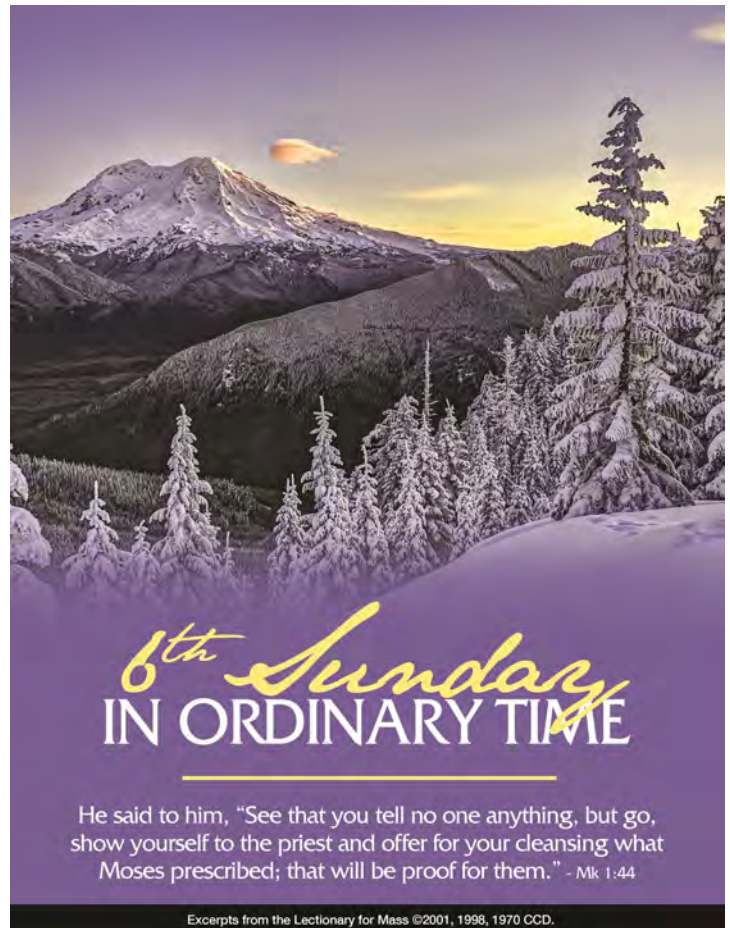
**WELCOME!** We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacons. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

## 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  
**Dn. Paul A. Lewis**  
**Dn. William R. Proulx**  
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**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

## Saturday, February 10

8:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Month's Mind Mariano Marinelli

## Sunday, February 11

8:30 a.m. 6th Anniversary Michael Norton

11:00 a.m. Memorial Maddalena &  
Francesco DiCesare

5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

## Monday, February 12

8:00 a.m. Memorial Maria Francesca  
& Lorenzo Polese

## Tuesday, February 13

8:00 a.m. Healing Mass for David Garcia & his Mom

## Wednesday, February 14

*Ash Wednesday - Masses*

8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

## Thursday, February 15

8:00 a.m.

## Friday, February 16

8:00 a.m. Memorial Dr. John & Mary Monahan  
and John & Hannah Murray

## Saturday, February 17

8:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Memorial Theresa Ann Smith &  
Lorenzo DiNardo

## Sunday, February 18

8:30 a.m. 1st Anniversary Bridget Costello

11:00 a.m. Memorial Mary C. Burke

5:00 p.m. Mass For The People

### 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 February 3/4

Church Collections \$8,684.96

On-Line Giving 703.50

**Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners \$9,388.46**

Weekly Goal overage/shortage **388.46**

This weekend February 10/11 there is one collection. Next weekend February 17/18 there will also be one collection.

This year the collection for Ash Wednesday will support Catholic Charities.

*Thank you for your generosity*

### Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Season

This coming Wednesday, February 14 begins the Season of Lent. On Wednesday we will have three Masses with the distribution of Ashes during the Mass. The **Mass** times on Wednesday are: **8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.**

This Wednesday morning we **will not** be having the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

### Donations:

For the week of February 11 the Bread and wine have been donated in memory of Arlene M. McDonough. 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:

*Pray For...* David J. Mendes, Anne T. Corcoran, Georgiana Fleming, Henry Niklas, Jean M. Hall, Dorothy Cinquini, Gilda Pelletier 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.

### Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

**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.

### 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.

Dear Father Cullen and Father Boyle,

Peace and blessing to you. I pray this message finds you both well.

With a grateful heart I want to extend my deep gratitude for your so very generous offering to have the second Sunday collection for the needs of our Community. Words will never be enough to thank you and the parishioners of your parishes for your act of kindness, loving care and generosity. Your donation came in a time of great need and I received it with deep gratitude to the Lord who has used each one of you and your parishioners as a sign of His divine Providence for our Community. Thank you for being His instruments of mercy. The Daughters and I are deeply indebted to your parishes for your prayers and support. Please be assured of our Community prayers for each one of you, your parishes and your ministries. May God bless you and reward you abundantly.

Peace,  
Mother Olga

**2018 Catholic Appeal**

This past week, many of you received a letter from Cardinal Sean requesting your support of the 2018 Catholic Appeal. Supporting the Catholic Appeal is the most effective way to carry out the work of the Church, both within and beyond parish boundaries. Our parish directly benefits from the ministries supported by the Appeal and your gift will help us reach our 2018 goal. If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider making an early pledge. You may mail your pledge or visit [www.bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org) to give online. Thank you!



Please welcome into our parish and faith community the following child who was baptized in January:

**Hayley Kate Miskell**

**St. John and St. Joseph  
Religious Education  
Classes:**

**Winter Session Begins:**

Sunday, February 11 10:00-10:50 a.m. Class Grades 2-5  
Sunday, February 11 12:00-1:00 p.m. Class Confirmation I  
Monday, February 12 6:30-7:30 p.m. Class Grades 6-8  
Thursday, February 15 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal  
@ St. Joseph's Church

**No Classes Sunday, Feb.18th or Monday, Feb 19th due to School Vacation Week.**



**Early Bird Special  
Boston & South Shore  
Men's Prayer Gathering**

**Saturday, 7:00-8:30 a.m.  
Next meeting: February 17**

Prayer Coffee & Refreshments Presentation & discussion

**Frank Kelly  
Healing Service ~ Women Invited!**

Men, please bring wives, daughters and all friends to Frank's Healing Service  
St. Mary of the Hills Lower Church, 29 St. Mary's Road (off Brook Road), Milton, 617-696-3170 for more information.

**Lector/Eucharistic Minister Meeting & Lunch**

Mark your calendars! There will be a short meeting, followed by lunch for all lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist on Saturday, February 24th at 11:30 a.m. in the lower church. This will be a great opportunity to say thank you for your service, while also taking care of a few housekeeping items, including CORI forms for the new year. Please make every effort to attend! RSVP to Joe Stevens by calling the rectory or email him at [jstevens@stjohnsquinicy.org](mailto:jstevens@stjohnsquinicy.org).

**Saint John's Food Pantry**

The St. John's Food Pantry is open every Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the building located next to the back door of the rectory. If you have any questions or need assistance please call 617-472-4908.

For those who are so generous to the important work of St. John's Food Pantry 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.

**Thanks for all your support!**

**Receipt for Tax Purposes**

If you need a receipt for tax purposes, please fill out the form below and return it to the rectory. Thank you!

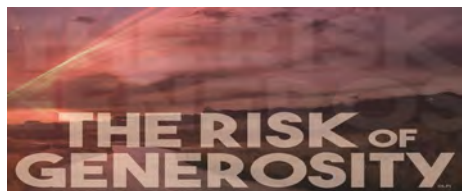
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**TELEPHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Feb. 11, 2018 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



We may not like it, but generosity and risk often go hand –in-hand. At least, that’s what Jesus shows us in today’s Gospel as a leper approaches him for healing. Until the nineteenth century, lepers were shunned to the margins of society for fear of spreading the disease. To touch a leper was to risk becoming unclean yourself. In today’s Gospel, Jesus defies convention. “Moved with pity, he reached out his hand, (and) touched him.” The leper is healed! But this is not the only risk Jesus takes.

Before Jesus heals the man, he knows full well the desperate nature of his situation. Jesus knows that this man will be overjoyed upon being healed and that he just might tell everyone he knows. For a Messiah looking to temporarily fly under the radar, healing this particular leper might not be the best idea. Jesus heals anyway.

It can be easy to become calculated in our giving. If I go out of my way to help this person, how will it affect my reputation? How will this charitable donation affect my budget? How could I possibly make time to volunteer regularly? In today’s Gospel, Jesus casts these concerns aside. He touches the untouchable. He reaches the unreachable. For his efforts, he receives a betrayal of his request for silence. “The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter.” Before long “it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.” Jesus is forced to remain “outside in the deserted places.” It would appear, perhaps, that he is unable to accomplish his mission.

When we take a risk to be generous, things might not follow the prescribed path. We might be disappointed. We also might be surprised! Our witness to radical generosity is attractive to a world in desperate need. Indeed, when Jesus took risks for love, “People kept coming to him from everywhere.”

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, February 10**

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

**Sunday, February 11**

10:00-10:50 a.m. Religious Ed Class Grades 2-5  
Church Hall  
12:00-1:00 p.m. Class Confirmation I (9th grade)  
Church Hall

**Monday, February 12**

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

**Wednesday, February 14**

**Masses with Distribution of Ashes at 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.**



**No Sacrament of Reconciliation today**

6:30-7:30 p.m. St. John’s Food Pantry Open

**Thursday, February 15**

4:30-6:00 p.m. RCIA Meeting  
Church Hall  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal will take place at St. Joseph’s Church

**Friday, February 16**

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

**Saturday, February 17**

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

**Sunday, February 18**

**No Religious Education Classes School Vacation Week**  
12:30 Baptisms  
Upper Church

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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