

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.

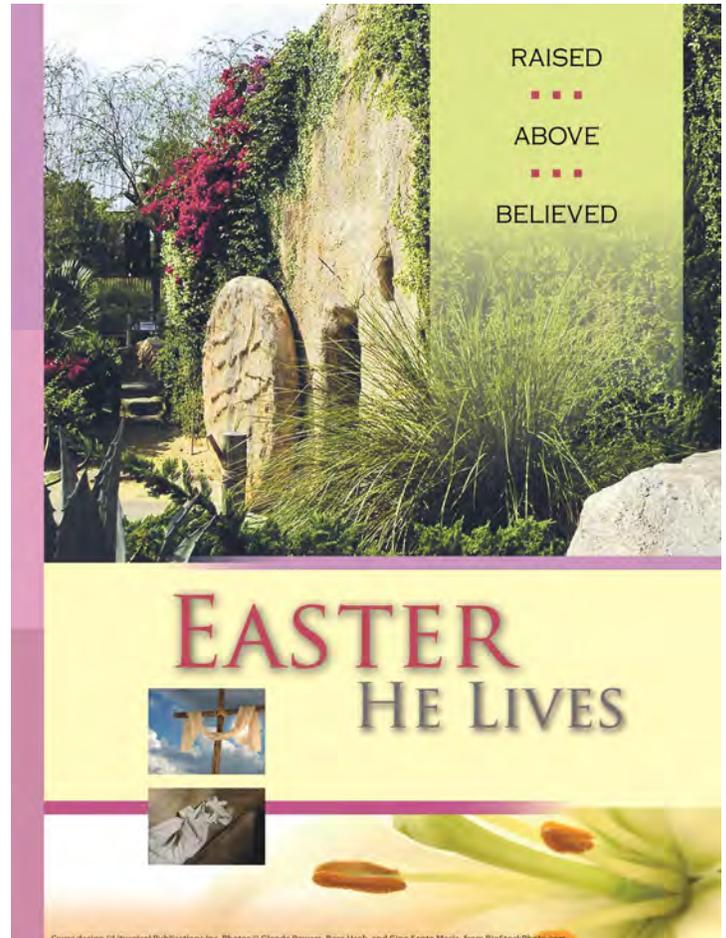
WELCOME! We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacons. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

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
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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**

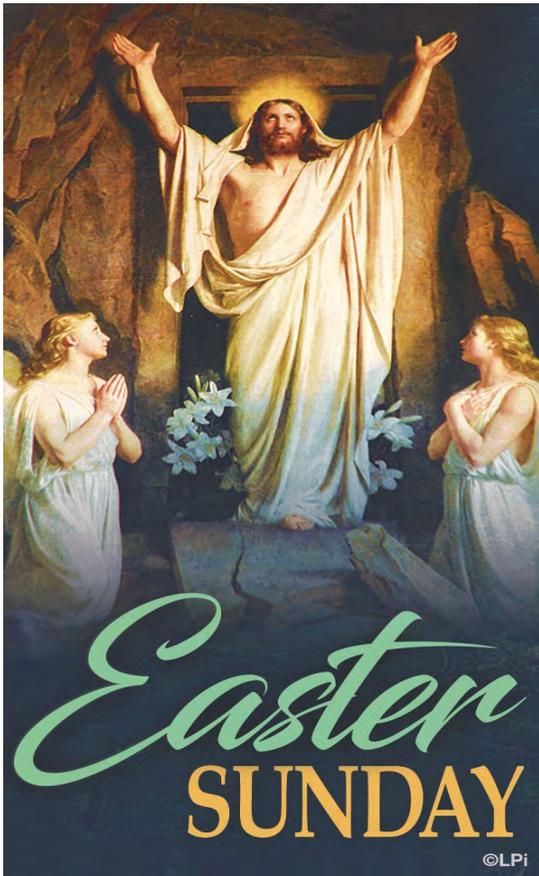
Friday: 8:30am-3:30pm
1st Saturdays: 8:30am-9:45am

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Holy Saturday, March 31

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil



Easter Sunday, April 1

The Resurrection of the Lord

Masses

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

(NO 5:00 p.m. Mass today)

Your Prayers are Requested for:

Putnam S. Borden 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.



Donations:

For the week of April 1 the Bread and Wine have been donated in memory of Leo Andronico & Americo Faiella. 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).



Happy Easter!



I don't know of anyone who after suffering the loss of a loved one, wouldn't want to see them again.

We can only imagine the astonishment and elation of the apostles and our Blessed Mother as they discover that Jesus had risen on that first Easter Morning, especially after experiencing the cruel way he was put to death.

That astonishment and elation is the reason we celebrate today the pinnacle of our faith. That Jesus conquered death for ever in his resurrection, that we will never die if we remain in his love. And that we will see our loved ones again in the communion of the saints. I am reminded today of the beautiful words of Jesus from John's Gospel from the fifth Sunday of Lent. "When I am lifted up from the earth I will draw everyone to myself." In his death and resurrection our sins are expiated and we are raised to new life. Jesus is our savior. Jesus is our Hope and our Joy. I pray that the love God has for each of us penetrates your heart in a new and victorious way as we celebrate the Easter Season for the next 50 days of our church calendar.

On behalf of the Priests, the Deacons and their Wives, the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, the Staff and the Volunteers here, we pray for the blessings of Easter to come upon you and your families and remain with you forever.

Blessing, Peace and Joy,

Father Bob

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 2

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, April 3

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 4

8:00 a.m.

Thursday, April 5

8:00 a.m. 3rd Anniversary Antonio Carlucci

Friday, April 6

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 7

8:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. 16th Anniversary Lawrence J. Cullen

Sunday, April 8

8:30 a.m. 2nd Anniversary Catherine "Kay" Craig

11:00 a.m. Memorial Eleanor, Alfred & Donna Saluti

And Elizabeth O'Brien

5:00 p.m. Birthday Memorial John Burke

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 publication deadline for this weeks bulletin, the collection totals for the weekend of March 24/25 will be published in next weeks bulletin.

This weekend March 31/April 1(Easter Sunday) there is one collection with all offerings going towards the support of the **Clergy Health and Retirement Trust**. Next weekend April 7/8 there is also one collection.

Thank you for your generosity

**Clergy Health and Retirement Trust:
Easter Collection 2018**

The 590 diocesan priests in our Archdiocese are always there for us, sharing Christ's good news, performing good works, and building strong communities of good faith. Remember priests who have made a meaningful difference in your life, and consider honoring them with a generous gift in today's collection. If you'd rather, you can donate \$25 through your cell phone by texting the word **PRIESTS25** to **20222** (msg. & data rates may apply). Please follow us on Facebook "**@ClergyTrust**." Thank you for your prayers and generous support of our priests.

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!

Easter Flower Envelopes:

Donations for Easter Flowers may be made in memory of loved ones by using the Easter Flower Envelopes in the back of the Church or the ones that come in your monthly envelope packet if you receive envelopes through the mail. Your donations help to decorate our Church for the Easter Season. Please try to **Print Clearly** the names of your loved ones on the envelopes and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory. Thank you!



April 1 ~ Easter Sunday - The Resurrection of the Lord

"This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us be glad and rejoice!" Our readings remind us that the message of Easter is one of joy and good news. It is a message that is not to be kept to ourselves. We need to be witnesses of all that Jesus has done for us. We are "commissioned" to preach and bear witness. Take a moment during Easter brunch or Easter dinner, to speak of your love and gratitude for all Jesus has done for you.



Please welcome into our parish and faith community the following children who were baptized in March:

NovaLee Rose Brown
Stephen James Graham

Discipleship Week— a dynamic evangelization experience for high school students, is returning to Northeast Catholic College in Warner, NH from Wednesday, June 27 through Sunday, July 1. Hosted by the Secretariat for Evangelization and Discipleship, this year's theme is "Made for Greatness." Designed for teens who are ready to take the next step in their relationship with Christ, the week features times of recreation and activities, worship, teachings, sharing in small and large groups; daily Mass and opportunities for confession, as well as time for individual prayer and reflection. Register at:

disciplesinmission.com/discipleshipweek. For more information, contact Mike Drahos at mdrahos@rcab.org.

3rd Annual Palliative Care Colloquium:

Caring for the caregiver: How do we support those who care for the seriously ill?

Please join the Archdiocese of Boston's Initiative for Palliative Care and Advance Care Planning in welcoming guest speakers as they guide us through the challenging role of the caregiver in response to the needs of the seriously ill.

When: Sat., April 14, 2018 Time 8:00a.m.-1:00p.m.

Location: Pastoral Center, 66 Brooks Drive

Braintree, MA 02184

Cost \$15 (includes presentation & light refreshments)

For more information please go to

<http://www.bostoncatholic.org/palliativecare/>

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. Weeks with a holiday, notices must be received by the Wednesday before by 3:00 p.m.

April 1, 2018
Easter Sunday of
The Resurrection
Of the Lord



The first light of Easter dawn had begun to creep over the horizon. The steadfast women from Friday's gory events are returning again to the body of their Lord. "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" How quickly we return to mundane concerns and how thoroughly God wants to surprise us! Imagine the utter shock upon seeing the stone rolled away, the tomb empty, and a stranger clothed in light proclaiming the impossible. "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here." He is risen indeed and the world will never be the same.

We know from other Gospel passages that Mary Magdalene made haste to the disciples to proclaim the Good News. We know that Peter and John rushed to the tomb to see for themselves. We know that the wonder and awe of the Resurrection permeated the lives of the apostles until their own dying day.

Can we comprehend the utterly world-changing nature of this surprise? The historical reanimation of a dead man is of no real value to us. But we know that Easter Sunday is so much more. By the Resurrection of Jesus, life has triumphed over death for us all. The gates of heaven are opened and the treasury of graces is poured out upon the here and now. **This Resurrection Day, let us draw near, amazed yet unafraid, to the risen Christ.** Let us recall the words of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, "Jesus is not a character from the past. He lives, and he walks before us as one who is alive, he calls us to follow him, the living one, and in this way to discover for ourselves the path of life" (Easter Vigil, April 15, 2006).

Calendar of St. John's Upcoming
Dates and Events

Saturday, March 31

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 1 ~ Easter Sunday

Masses @ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. (NO 5:00 p.m.)

Monday, April 2

No Religious Education Tonight

Wednesday, April 4

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

First Friday, April 6

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

First Saturday, April 7

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

Sunday, April 8

10:00-10:50 a.m. Religious Ed Grades 2-5
Church Hall
12:00-1:00 p.m. Religious Ed Conf. I (Grade 9)
Church Hall

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.

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.

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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