

# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

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## Mission 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 Wednesday, Friday & Saturday  
8:00 am @ St. John's Church  
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday  
9:00 am @ St. Joseph's Church

Holy Days & Holidays: As announced

## PASTORAL STAFF

**Rev. Matthew M. Williams, Pastor**

**Rev. Joseph Boafu, Parochial Vicar**

**Rev. W. Chris Palladino, J.C.L., in Residence**

**Dn. Paul A. Lewis**

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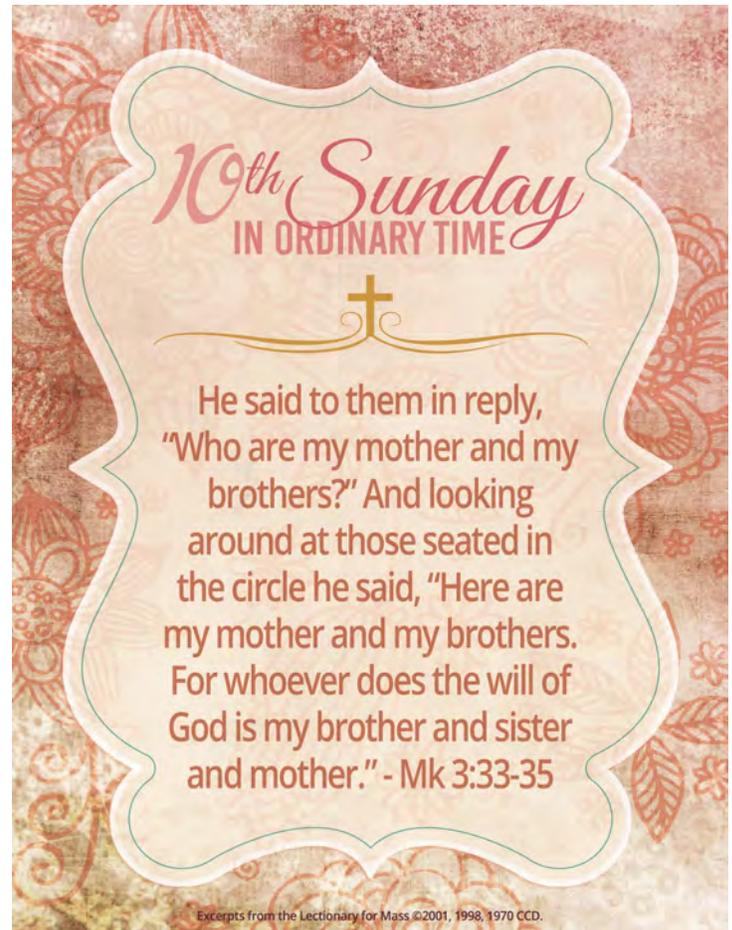
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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

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

*Tenth Sunday In Ordinary Time*



**Saturday, June 9**

8:00 a.m. 6th Anniversary Geraldine "Gerry" Storella

4:00 p.m. 3rd Anniversary John Venna

**Sunday, June 10**

8:30 a.m. 50th Anniversary Mary Landers,  
58th Anniversary Joseph Landers and  
2nd Anniversary Mary Landers Plunkett

11:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary Connor J. Norton

5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

**Wednesday, June 13**

8:00 a.m. 2nd Anniversary Henry Costello

**Friday, June 15**

8:00 a.m. Memorial John "Jack" Murphy

**Saturday, June 16**

8:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Memorial Ann Trayers

**Sunday, June 17**

8:30 a.m. Memorial Anna, Louis and  
Mario DelVecchio

11:00 a.m. For All Fathers Living & Deceased

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 June 2/3

Church Collections \$8,337.70

On-Line Giving 713.50

**Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners \$9,051.20**

Weekly Goal overage/shortage **51.20**

This weekend June 9/10 there is one collection. Next weekend June 16/17 there will be two collections. The second collection next week has a new title called Promoting the Gospel. Next week's second collection will be shared by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and the Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC). These two organizations communicate the Gospel by promoting works of justice, education and the dignity of human life. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes and will support our local communications needs, such and Catholic TV programming.

*Thank you for your generosity*

**June 10 ~ Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's scriptures remind us that even when we try to hide from God because of our failings and sinfulness, God is present extending healing and forgiveness. Begin open and responsive to that grace, we then are "mother, sister and brother" of Jesus. Take a few moments today to pray again, the opening prayer of today's Mass: "O God, from whom all good things come, grant that we, who call on you in our need, may at your prompting discern what is right, and by your guidance do it."



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

- Brooklyn Joy Balducci*
- Hannah Chojnowski*
- Jesslyn Elizabeth Kerins*
- Dave Jay Koffi*
- Kevin Russell Leuchte*
- Aurora Chyann Schuboth*



**Your Prayers are Requested for:**

Katlyn E. Clifford 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 June 10 the Bread and Wine have been donated in memory of Geraldine "Gerry" Storella. 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).



June 10, 2018

## A Note from Our Priests

Dear Friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. This week I write this column together with Fr. Joseph.

We have an important question for you, as a member of your respective parish (St. Joseph's or St. John's) and as a new member of this collaborative family: What time or season it is in your heart, your soul? "You might say, this is an odd question and I don't understand". Let us give context: Chapter three of the Book of Ecclesiastes begins one of the more familiar, popular texts in all of the Bible. It begins by proclaiming: "for everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under the sun" (Ecc 3:1). In verses 4 and 5 we read: "...a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing.."

So much change has happened in just two weeks time! Two beloved priests and shepherds have concluded their assignments, and our parishes are now part of a "Collaborative" where resources (especially priests) are shared and many changes have already begun to the parish we know and love (i.e. Daily Mass schedule, rectory living, Liturgical styles, etc.). Many feel anger and frustration that this was forced upon them. Others are afraid for what the future holds. Some do not trust the Archdiocese and don't know what to make of the new priests in town. And many, many feel a sense of grief.

It's so important to name the season, the time, we find ourselves in. It's very very important for Fr. Joseph and I to name and reverence this reality: many are grieving loss and change. We care. We love you, We see you and we want to listen and walk with you in this time, this season.

As Fr. Joseph has said so often for the past 7 days: "we are here for everyone" (and we mean it!). As your priests and shepherds, we are here for you. Please do not hesitate to seek us out, to take time to talk about what is going on in this time and season. It matters to us.

We hope and pray for the healing presence of the Good Shepherd to touch each of us; to bring us to unity and peace. Fr. Joseph and I pray that we may have unity and peace as a Collaborative Family; and that our unity will reflect the unity of the Most Holy Trinity.

Sincerely yours, in the love of the Most Holy Trinity,

Fr. Matt & Fr. Joseph

**The New Daily Mass Schedule;**  
**Monday 9AM @ St. Joseph Church**  
**Tuesday 9AM @ St. Joseph Church**  
**Wednesday 8AM @ St. John the Baptist Church**  
**Thursday 9AM @ St. Joseph Church**  
**Friday 8AM @ St. John the Baptist Church**  
**Saturday 8AM @ St. John the Baptist Church**

**This schedule will take effect on Friday, June 1st. The weekend Mass schedule will remain as it is also thru September 3rd.**

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"Everything indeed is for you, so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God." Learn what graces God bestows on your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Sept. 15-16, 2018 in Medway, MA and Dec. 7-9, 2018 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <http://wwmema.org>.

**World Youth Day Registration: Deadline July 1** - Join Cardinal Sean O'Malley, Pope Francis, and young Catholics world-wide in Panama for the 15th World Youth Day Pilgrimage. WYD is a week-long cultural and spiritual opportunity for youth and young adults to pray with and gain inspiration from Pope Francis and Catholic leaders from around the globe. Participants strengthen their faith in a dynamic evangelization environment which affirms the power and presence of the Church in the world today. Register by July 1 at [diciplesinmission.com/wyd19](http://diciplesinmission.com/wyd19) or email Mike Drahos at [mdrahos@rcab.org](mailto:mdrahos@rcab.org).

**Annual Silver and Golden Anniversary Mass** - Cardinal Sean O'Malley invites all couples of the Archdiocese of Boston who are marking their 25th and 50th wedding anniversaries to attend the annual Silver and Golden Anniversary Mass and celebration. The Mass includes a renewal of marriage vows by all participating anniversary couples with family members, friends, and guests welcome. Anniversary couples are asked to register; other guests do not need to do so. For more information, please visit [bostoncatholic.org/weddinganniversarymass](http://bostoncatholic.org/weddinganniversarymass) or contact Kelly Tolman at [ktolman@rcab.org](mailto:ktolman@rcab.org). Kelly can also be reached at 617-746-5803.

**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.



# Calendar of **EVENTS**

**June 10, 2018**

**10th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Have you ever felt judged by your family? St. John Paul II noted that the family “is cradle of life and love” (On the Lay Members of Christ’s Faithful, 40). Yet unmet expectations and divergent priorities can cause tension in even the most loving family situations. This is true for us, and it was true for Jesus!

In today’s Gospel, Jesus has returned home to Nazareth. A large crowd gathered, and Jesus finds himself facing stiff opposition from his family. This was likely Jesus’ large, extended family. The Semitic language has no specific words for extended relatives, so everyone is “brother” or “sister.” The entire clan has gotten wind of Jesus’ preaching, and they are not amused. “They set out to seize him, for they said, ‘He is out of his mind.’” To make matters worse, the religious authorities even accuse Jesus of being possessed by a demon. It’s a mess by any standards.

The family’s perspective is perhaps understandable. In Jewish culture, teachers and scribes underwent intensive schooling and apprenticeships, none of which Jesus had done. The family knew Jesus the carpenter, not Jesus the rabbi. For them, Jesus’ bold preaching threatened the reputation of their family!

Jesus’ words to his family can seem controversial. “Who are my mother and my brothers?” Yet Jesus knows what he is about. He has always known he would be about the business of his Heavenly Father. And what is that business? It is the business of the new covenant and the Kingdom of God. In this Kingdom, we are all adopted sons and daughters of the King. Jesus begins, even now, to expand the perspective of his listeners. Being welcomed into this family does not depend on our families of birth or ethnic origin, but a wholehearted commitment to “do the will of God.”

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

**Saturday, June 9**

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

**Wednesday, June 13**

8:30-9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Lower Chapel

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

**Friday, June 15**

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

**Saturday, June 16**

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

5:00 p.m. Baptism Instruction  
Upper Church

**Sunday, June 17**

12:30 a.m. Baptisms  
Upper Church

## 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!**

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.

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