

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.

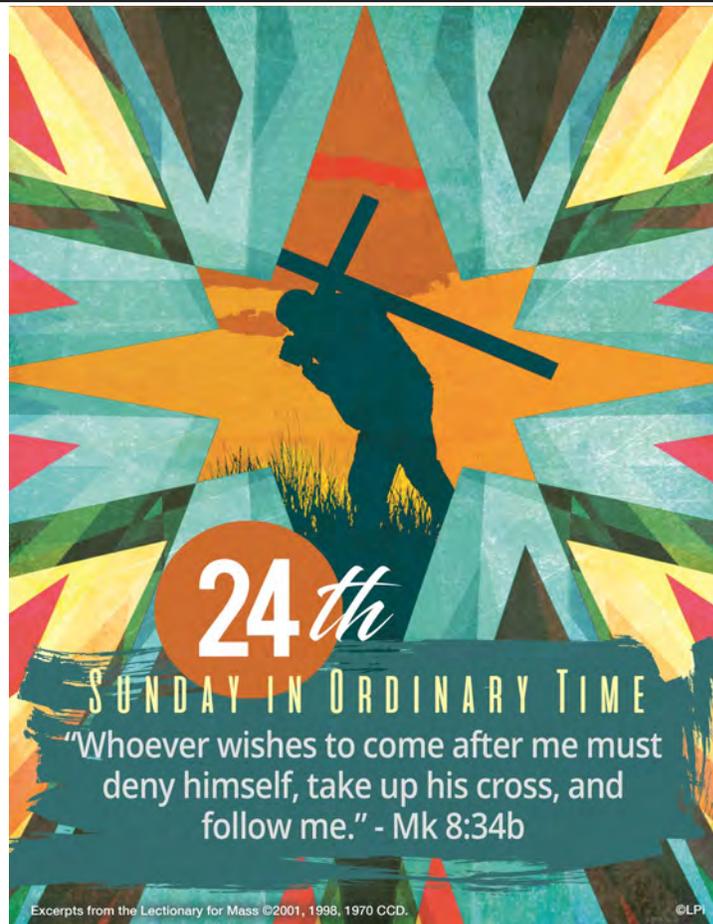
Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday 8:30AM, 11:00AM & 5:00PM
Weekdays 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. Arthur Wright, Senior Priest In Residence
Deacon William R. Proulx
Joe Stevens, Pastoral Associate
Joe Sheehan, Business Manager
Joanne Curry, Religious Education Director,
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Email: restjohnquincy@gmail.com
Donna Niosi, Administrative Assistant/Religious
Education Secretary
Paul Kelly, Music Director
St. John's Food Pantry 617-472-4908
Jini Vickery, Music Director at St. Joseph
Denise Patts, Parish Office Manager, St. Joseph



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



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 15

8:00 a.m. Memorial Kerry-Ann Sutherland McCarthy

4:00 p.m. Memorial Margaret Pettet

Sunday, September 16

8:30 a.m. 9th Anniversary Louisa Cunio and
2nd Anniversary James Cunio

11:00 a.m. Memorial Charlette Guiney

5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

Wednesday, September 19

8:00 a.m.

Friday, September 21

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, September 22

8:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary Gwen Kirby and
Memorial Conan Deery

4:00 p.m. 2nd Anniversary Clara A. Sisti

Sunday, September 23

8:30 a.m. Memorial Epetacio Galecia Sr.

11:00 a.m. Installation for Fr. Matt

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 September 8/9

Church Collections \$9,112.49

On-Line Giving 928.50

Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners \$10,040.99

Weekly Goal overage/shortage **\$1,040.99**

This weekend September 15/16 there are two collections. Next weekend September 22/23 there will be one collection.

Thank you for your generosity

Congratulations to Gabriel Abordo who will receive First Eucharist and Confirmation at the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's this Sunday. We wish him God's blessings and protection as he begins basic training for the navy in October. Thank you for your service to our country.

Your Prayers are Requested for:

Anne M. Lord, Rita M. Martinson, Francis E. Manning 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 September 16 the bread and wine have been donated in Memory of the Donovan & Santagarta Families. 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).



Clergy Health and Retirement Trust

The diocese-wide collection today will support the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust which cares for the health and well-being of our priests. In the Archdiocese of Boston, we are blessed to have 590 men including **Rev. Francis M. Conroy, Rev. Lawrence E. Pratt, Rev. Richard S. Moran, Rev. William R. Carroll, Rev. Raymond S. O'Sullivan, Rev. Mark S. Sheehan, Rev. Kenneth B. Quinn and Rev. Arthur Wright** who have devoted their lives to serving Christ and His family. Your gift to this collection will help provide our priests with an appropriate level of care and quality of life so they can continue sharing the good news, performing good works, and spreading good faith. Remember the priests who have been there in your time of need, and consider honoring them with a generous gift to this special collection. You may also make your gift online at clergytrust.org or you can donate \$25 through your cell phone by texting the word **PRIEST25** to **20222** (msg. & data rates may apply). Thank you for your generous and prayerful support of our priests.

MARRIAGE: Congratulations on your engagement! Please call the rectory at 617-773-1021 to set up an appointment with a priest or deacon at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Transformed in Love Marriage Prep - Transformed in Love for engaged couples is the Archdiocesan program for marriage preparation. For upcoming 2018 dates, locations, and registration information, visit bostoncatholic.org/familylife or contact Liz Cotrupi at ecotrupi@rcab.org.

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.

September 16, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace.

September 29th is the feast of St. Michael the Archangel. In our Sacred Tradition, St. Michael is called upon to assist in the battle against Satan and the evil he seeks to inflict upon the human race, especially the Church. The current situation in the life of the Church is the result of sin, and the shepherds are culpable. However, for us to ignore the existence of Satan, and his diabolical plan to destroy the Body of Christ, would be naive. We are at war, and the stakes are high! As St. Paul states: "*our battle is not with flesh and blood, but with powers and principalities*" (Ephesians 6:12).

In anticipation of this Feast, I would like to invite our entire Collaborative Family to join in a novena to St. Michael. Over the course of 9 days, beginning September 21st and concluding on the 29th, all members of our Collaborative Family are invited to pray the St. Michael Prayer. We will also be praying this prayer at the end of each Mass.

The Saint Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke Him, we humbly pray,
and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts,
by the power of God, cast into hell satan,
and all the other evil spirits,
who prowl about the world,
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

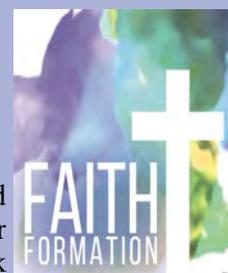
In 1994 in a speech in St. Peter's square, Pope Saint John Paul II said, "May prayer strengthen us for the spiritual battle we are told about in the Letter to the Ephesians: "*Draw strength from the Lord and from His mighty power*" (Ephesians 6:10). The Book of Revelation refers to this same battle, recalling before our eyes the image of St. Michael the Archangel (Revelation 12:7). Pope Leo XIII certainly had a very vivid recollection of this scene when, at the end of the last century, he introduced a special prayer to St. Michael throughout the Church. Although this prayer is no longer recited at the end of Mass, I ask everyone not to forget it and to recite it to obtain help in the battle against forces of darkness and against the spirit of this world" (Pope John Paul II, Regina Caeli, 24 April 1994).

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Matt+

Farewell to Fr. Chris Palladino

As many of you know, Fr. Chris Palladino has decided to depart the St. John's Rectory after living there for a number of years. His mother's health continues to decline and he has decided to move in order to provide the care she needs at this hour. Fr. Chris will be missed by our Collaborative Family, as he has spent much of his priesthood (and seminary days) accompanying and serving both parishes. We will have a special Mass of Thanksgiving for Fr. Chris, some time in November (date tbd), allowing all of us to express our gratitude and appreciation for his generous service.

ST JOHN-ST JOSPEH CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2018-2019



We value our parents as the first and most important educators in their child's faith development and we look forward to working with your family again this year. Registration information for the 2018-2019 year has been mailed to all families who participated in last year's program. There are also registration materials available online on the St John and St Joseph websites and at the door of each Church.

We hope that you will share this registration information and an invitation to join our program with other families, especially those who have students entering first grade or may have children that have missed some years of religious education. Please invite these families to contact us if they would like registration materials or may have questions about our program.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us by phone (617-877-5014) or email (restjohnquincy@gmail.com) and we will be happy to assist you.

St. John's Senior Social Group

St. John's Senior Social Group meets the first Wednesday of each month from noon-2pm in the Lower Church Hall. Lunch is provided for a cost of \$5 per person. For more information or to RSVP to the next meeting on October 3rd, please contact Rich Griffin at: 781-363-3655.



"Lord, here I am, send me..."

**The parishioners and friends of
St. John the Baptist & St. Joseph
Collaborative invite you to join us
as we celebrate the Installation of**

Rev. Matthew M. Williams

as Pastor of our Collaborative Churches.

This celebration will take place:

Sunday, September 23, 2018 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

Reception following on the Church grounds weather permitting otherwise it will be in the Church Hall.

Thinking About Becoming Catholic?

Do you know of anyone, maybe yourself, who may be interested in becoming a Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is designed for non-Catholics who may be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and perhaps becoming a Catholic, by preparing for and receiving the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Adults who were baptized as Roman Catholics, but did not receive further catechetical formation, and consequently did not receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist are also candidates for this program. **We are happy to say that we already have four adults who have registered!** For more information, contact Fr. Matt (617-773-1021)

Vocation Office Re-Launch of Website

Now more than ever, the Church is called to renew Her efforts to encourage holy and faithful men to a priestly vocation-and to encourage all the Faithful to consider how the Lord desires them to serve Him. We are happy to announce that the Vocation Office has a newly designed web site and invite you to check it out at www.vocationsboston.org. The site features new design, content, and resources for parishioners interested in learning how to encourage a Culture of Vocations in their parish, and for men to Explore the Priestly Vocation. Interested in learning how you can lend your talents to encouraging those men called to be holy priests? Want to explore vocational discernment, seminary life, and the life of seminarians and priests? Come see www.vocationsboston.org and feel free to contact the Vocation Office by phone at 617-746-5949.

Attention 1000 Southern Artery Residents and Members!



Our collaborative parishes will sponsor a 10-week Scripture Study course entitled "Introduction to the Bible, A Catholic Guide to Studying Scripture" at 1000 Southern Artery beginning Tues, Oct. 2nd at 1pm in the Activity Room. Topics will include: *Which Bible to use; Why should I read the Bible;* and *How to look up Bible passages.* Joyce Barney, CSJA will present the course, which is open to all 1000 Southern Artery residents and Center members. Course cost is \$15; a study guide and commentary will be provided. Pre-registration is required. For more information on how you can become a Center member or to pre-register, please visit or call the Center Office at 1000 Southern Artery at 617-471-1000.

Calendar of **E****V****E****N****T****S**

Calendar of St. John's Upcoming Dates and Events

- Saturday, September 15**
2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
- Sunday, September 16**
12:30 p.m. Baptisms
Upper Church
- Tuesday, September 18**
7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Holy Hour
Upper Church
- Wednesday, September 19**
8:30-9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
6:30-7:30 p.m. St. John's Food Pantry
- Friday, September 21**
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
Lower Chapel
- Saturday, September 22**
2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Lower Chapel
- Sunday, September 23**
11:00 a.m. Fr. Matt's Installation as Pastor
Upper Church @ St. John's

Fall Festival @ Fontbonne Academy, Milton, MA

Sunday, September 30th, from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.
Admission Free: Pony Rides, Food Trucks, Carnival Games, Face Painting and much more!! Hope to see you there!!

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.

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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