

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 deacon. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at St. John's Parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

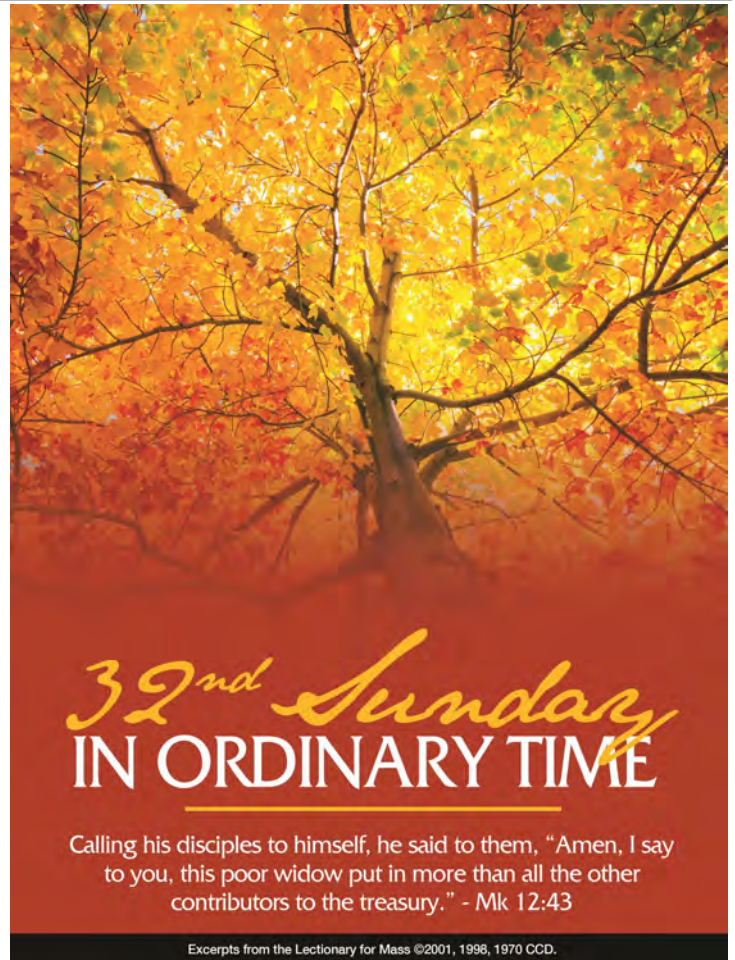
Mass Schedule

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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Donna Niosi, Administrative Assistant
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

Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time



Saturday, November 10

8:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Memorial Edward F. & Mary E. Regan, Daniel, Catherine & John J. Minihane, Catherine "Kay" Maloney, Helen E. Regan & Donald R. Pitts

Sunday, November 11

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m. Anniversary Memorial Dorothy Callahan

Wednesday, November 14

8:00 a.m.

Friday, November 16

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, November 17

8:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. 2nd Anniversary Catherine S. Rogers

Sunday, November 18

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

11:00 a.m. 2nd Anniversary Marion Marani and 10th Anniversary William Fearnley

5:00 p.m. Public Safety Personnel Appreciation

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

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Parish Weekly Goal (\$9,000.00), Weekend of November 3/4, Church Collections (\$7,545.67), On-Line Giving (\$816.50), and Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners (\$8,362.17).

Weekly Goal overage/shortage (637.83)

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include All Saints Day Collection (\$1,658.00) and All Souls Day Envelopes (\$1,459.00).

This weekend November 10/11 there will be one collection. Next weekend November 17/18 there will be two collections. The second collection next week helps to support the Retired Religious Sisters.

Thank you for your generosity

Counting My Blessings as I Leave Our Collaborative ...



As you may have heard, I will be leaving my position as Pastoral Associate of our Collaborative this weekend. During this time of thanksgiving, I would like to give thanks to God for the many blessings I received over the past eighteen months, starting with the many wonderful people I've had the honor to meet and work with during my time here: the priests, staff, volunteers, and parishioners of St. John's and St. Joseph's Parishes. I humbly thank you for the opportunity you gave me to learn, for your kindness and patience, and especially for welcoming me into your community of the faithful. I ask for your prayers as I continue my work in health care ministry and pursue certification as a chaplain. Please know that I will keep you in my prayers as well. May God bless you and keep you in his loving care.

Peace, Joe Stevens, Pastoral Associate

Happy Veteran's Day

Thank you to all the courageous men and women who have served our country and given so much of themselves. We appreciate all your sacrifices and remain forever grateful.



Reminder: In observance of the Veteran's Day Holiday the parish offices will be closed on Monday, November 12th.

Donations:

For the week of November 11 the bread and wine have been donated in Memory of Ralph Tutela. 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:

Patrick J. McLaughlin, Mary A. Sangermano, Carl V. Valenti, Catherine N. MacDougall 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.



All Souls Envelopes; At each Mass celebrated throughout the month of November we will remember our loved one's in prayer. All Souls envelopes are available in your monthly envelope packet, at the rear of the Church or beside the basket at the front of the Church. Please print the names of loved ones, whom you wish us to pray for, on the envelope and return it to the church or rectory. The names will be left on the altar through November 30th.

November 11, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace.

Allow me this moment to publicly thank Mr. Joe Stevens for his dedicated service to the parishioners of St. John's. For over a year and a half, Joe has faithfully cared for the members of our community, especially those who are homebound or living in our nursing care facilities. Joe will be leaving us to pursue his call to become a certified chaplain in health care ministry. Please keep Joe in your prayers. He has been a great blessing to our team!

Please pray for the leadership of our Church, especially here in the United States. As you may know, the Bishops of the United States will be gathering in Baltimore, MD this week (12th-14th) to address the abuse crisis. During this assembly they will discuss and vote on a series of concrete measures to respond to the abuse crisis, including: the creation of a third-party reporting mechanism, standards of conduct for bishops, and protocols for bishops resigned or removed because of abuse. **It is so sad that this evil continues to plague our Church today! There are no excuses! Lord have mercy on us!**

I wish to reiterate, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Arthur, Deacon Bill and I are here for you. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you need to talk, vent or process. To be very honest, we (I can only speak for myself) share the disappointment, anger, and frustrations of many of you. We walk this road together, one day at a time, **keeping our eyes on Jesus, our only Hope.**

I would like to take this moment to thank all those who have taken time to express their support and love for us, and to be a source of encouragement for our vocations. We have received very beautiful cards and emails. We have had parishioners and fellow-Catholics stop by to check in and see how we are doing. We have even been invited for dinner (thank you Mother Olga)! Thank you to everyone who has gone the extra step in these very difficult days.

I think of St. Barnabas, whose name means "Son of Encouragement." This nickname highlights his life: selfless service to one's neighbor and the community. Rather than allowing his frustrations take hold, he offered a gift of himself that blessed and built up the community. In the Acts of the Apostles we read how he: offered consolation to his fellow believers in times of affliction, organized a collection for a community that was struggling financially, stood by St. Paul and encouraged him to be a missionary leader, studied his faith and helped to build up the faith of new Christians, and traveled to gentile regions to share the Gospel with non-believers (to name a few of his activities).

St. Barnabas made a difference. I humbly propose that all of us, according to our gifts and charisms, are called to be a Barnabas in our community; a "SON" or "DAUGHTER" of ENCOURAGEMENT. Truthfully, it is the Barnabas's in our midst that make our communities what they are!

We are all in this ship together. Clinging to the Eucharist and our Blessed Mother, let us all ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER. St Barnabas, pray for us!

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Matt+

Archdiocesan Justice Convocation, Saturday, November 17, 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at Boston College High School. Come join us to renew your commitment to eradicating the root causes of injustice and inequality. Topics include immigration, worker rights, environmental justice, homelessness, global and local poverty, prison reform, and racial justice. We will focus on concrete ACTIONS that you and your parish can take to give witness to Gospel Justice. For details and to register: <https://tinyurl.com/RCAB-Justice-2018>



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**Saint John's Food Pantry
Thanksgiving & Christmas Help**

The holidays are fast approaching. If you or someone you know from St. John's Parish is in need of assistance with Thanksgiving Dinner or Christmas Gifts for families with young children, please contact St. John's Food Pantry at 617-472-4908. Volunteers will be filling out information forms on Wednesday evenings between 6:30-7:30 p.m.



Cut off time for **Thanksgiving** help is this **Wednesday, November 14th.**

The last day to sign up for **Christmas** help will be on **Saturday, December 1st.** A picture ID and proof of address must be shown.



The St. John's Food Pantry is open every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.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.

As always a big Thank You for all your support of our St. John the Baptist Food Pantry.

**Daughters of St. Paul
Christmas Concert 2018**

The Daughters of St. Paul (Jamaica Plain) will hold a Benefit Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 1st at 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday, December 2nd at 3:00 p.m. at Fontbonne Academy (Milton). Tickets are \$20. (Children under 12 FREE). Group rates available. For information & tickets: call 617-522-8911 or go online: pauline.org/bosconcert (<http://pauline.org/bosconcert>).



St. John's Senior Social Group

St. John's Senior Social Group meets the first Wednesday, of the month from Noon-2:00pm in the Lower Church Hall. For more info. or to RSVP, please contact Rich Griffin at: 781-363-3655.

**Calendar of St. John's Upcoming
Dates and Events**

Saturday, November 10

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

Sunday, November 11

No Religious Education Classes Holiday Weekend

Monday, November 12

No Religious Education Classes Holiday Weekend

Wednesday, November 14

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

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

Friday, November 16

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

Saturday, November 17

10:00-10:45 a.m. Religious Ed Grade 1
Church Hall

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

Sunday, November 18

10:10-11:00 a.m. RE Classes Grades 2-5
Church Hall

5:00 Public Safety Mass & Celebration

48th Annual Holiday Fair:

1000 Southern Artery in Quincy celebrates its' 48th Annual Holiday Fair on Saturday, November 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Holiday Fair features handmade knits, handmade beaded jewelry, baked goods/candy, raffles, ceramics, and much more. Pancake Breakfast 8-10 a.m. All are Welcome!

The **Holy Trinity Parish** of Quincy will host **A FAIR FOR ALL SEASONS**, on Saturday, November 17th from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall, Darrow St., Quincy. Quality handmade crafts by south shore artisans, raffles, kitchen, baked goods, kids corner, knitted items, ceramics, jewelry, photos, art and holiday gifts. Admission is a non-perishable food/toiletry item. For more info please contact Eileen at 617-479-4107 or 617-481-9153 or email etimcoe@yahoo.com.

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 _____

Check if address change

Would you like envelopes? (Please circle) YES NO