

# 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 Bofo, Parochial Vicar**  
**Rev. Arthur Wright, Senior Priest In Residence**  
**Deacon William R. Proulx**  
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**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, 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 &  
10th Anniversary William Fearnley

5:00 p.m. **Mass of Thanksgiving for our  
Public Safety Personnel**

Wednesday, November 21

8:00 a.m. 11th Anniversary Dorothy T. Manning

Friday, November 23

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, November 24

8:00 a.m. 2nd Anniversary George P. Knasas

4:00 p.m. 17th Anniversary Albino Peruzzi

Sunday, November 25

8:30 a.m. Birthday Celebration Benoit Kihumbu

11:00 a.m. 31st Anniversary William Marston,  
Richard Miller, Matthew Tobin and Timothy Tobin

5:00 p.m. Memorial James & Mary Mastrantonio

**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 November 10/11

Church Collections \$6,670.07

On-Line Giving 874.50

**Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners** \$7,544.57

Weekly Goal overage/shortage **(1,455.43)**

This weekend November 17/18 there will be two collections. The second collection is for the Retired Religious Sisters. Next weekend November 24/25 there will be one collection.

*Thank you for your generosity*



Happy  
Thanksgiving

**Happy Thanksgiving**

**Important announcement: Our Parish Collaborative Mass for Thanksgiving will be held Thanksgiving morning at 9:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church. Happy Thanksgiving. Parish offices will be closed for two days this week. Thursday, November 22nd Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 23rd the Archdiocese gives as a holiday to their employees. The parish offices will re-open on Monday, November 26th for all parish business.**

**November 18 ~ Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We are nearing the end of the Liturgical Year when the readings call us to think about the 'end times'. Even though we don't know when death will come, it is not a time to be comfortable and complacent because "of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." Therefore, the time to be intentional about following Jesus is NOW, don't wait.

**Reminder:** The Mass and Reception in Honor of our Public Safety Personnel will be celebrated this Sunday evening November 18th starting at 5:00 p.m. with Mass. The Daughters of Mary of Nazareth in collaboration with St. John the Baptist and St. Joseph Collaborative warmly invite all our parishioners to join in the celebration. Please share with us as we celebrate our Police, Firefighters and EMT's.



**Donations:**

For the week of November 18 the bread and wine have been donated in Memory of Dominic Lomanno, Nancy & Domenic Cicerone. 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:**

Anthony J. Boyle 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 18, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace.



On behalf of Fr. Joseph, Fr. Arthur, Deacon Bill and the entire staff of our Collaborative, we wish you a happy and blessed Thanksgiving.

Taking time to give thanks to the Lord for prayers answered and for the abundant blessings we receive each day is so important. I think of our Blessed Mother at the Visitation (“My Soul Proclaims the greatness of the Lord”) and Psalm 136 (“Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love endures forever”) as beautiful reminders and examples of the need to give thanks.

It’s interesting to consider, that of the 10 lepers healed by Jesus in the Gospel of Luke, only one came back. Only ten percent of those healed took the time to come back and say “thank you.” May we strive to be a Ten Percenter!

Here is a prayer from the Roman Missal that you may find helpful to pray as you dive into your Thanksgiving Day Feast:

**Father all-powerful,**  
***Your gifts of love are countless and your goodness infinite; as we come before you on Thanksgiving Day with gratitude for your kindness, open our hearts to have concern for every man, woman, and child, so that we may share your gifts in loving service.***  
***Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.***

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matt+

**Our Annual Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service** will take place at Quincy Point Congregational Church on Tuesday, November 20th 7:30 PM. St. Joseph’s Parish will co-host with QPCC and special music of the season will be sung during the service by choirs of both Churches. Refreshments will be served, in the church hall, following the service. The Offering will support the ministry of St. Joseph’s Food Pantry. There will be bus service provided for residents of 1000 Southern Artery who wish to attend. East Wing pick up at 6:50, North Wing pick up at 7:00 PM. Return 9:00 PM. Please join us in celebration and thanksgiving. **All are welcome!**

**Pauline Books & Media**, 885 Providence Hwy. Dedham: Join us for our Baby Jesus Party on Saturday, December 8, from 10:30am to 3:30pm. Once again there will be pictures with Baby Jesus (costumes provided, bring your own camera), face painting, birthday cake, door prizes and other fun activities. For more information, call 781-326-5385 or check out our website at [www.pauline.org](http://www.pauline.org).

#### 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 Tuesday before by 3:00 p.m.

#### Donuts & Coffee

We will be having coffee and donuts again this coming Sunday, November 18th at St. John the Baptist after the 8:30 a.m. Masses. Everyone is most welcome to join us in the Church Hall.



III Kristopher Kamborian/Courtney Swimm

#### A Special Advent LIFT

Worship Night  
Worship / Message / Adoration  
Free To Attend / Open To All Ages



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7th  
With National Speaker  
David Calavitta

Immaculate Conception Church  
600 Pleasant Street  
Malden, MA

**WWW.LIFTEDHIGHER.COM**

**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 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.



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.

**ADVENT  
REFLECTIONS**

Please join us for a time of faith sharing, scripture reading, prayer and discussion focused on the



Gospels of Advent, in the ancient tradition of Lectio Divina. Monday's December 3rd, 10th, and 17th @ St. Joseph's Church from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

All are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions!

**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 17**

10:00-10:45 a.m. First Grade RE Class  
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 p.m. *Special Mass of Thanksgiving for  
Public Safety Personnel & Celebration*

**Monday, November 19**

6:30-7:30 p.m. RE Classes for Grades 6-8  
Church Hall

**Tuesday, November 20**

7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Holy Hour  
Upper Church

**Wednesday, November 21**

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

*St. John's Food Pantry Closed*

**Friday, November 23 ~ Parish Offices Closed**

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

**Saturday, November 24**

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

**Sunday, November 25**

*No Religious Education Classes Due to the  
Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend*

*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>).

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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Would you like envelopes? (Please circle) YES NO