

# 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 at St. John the Baptist Church:**

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00PM

Sunday Masses 8:30 & 11:00AM and 5:00PM

Weekdays: Wednesday, Friday & Saturday

8:00 am @ St. John the Baptist Church

### **Mass Schedule at St. Joseph Church:**

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00PM

Sunday Masses; 8:30 and 10:30AM

Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

9:00AM @ St. Joseph Church (Rosary at 8:25AM same mornings)

**Holy Days & Holidays:** as announced in the bulletin

***PARISH OFFICE HOURS MON-FRI. 9:00-3:30pm***

### **PASTORAL STAFF**

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

**Rev. Joseph Boafu, Parochial Vicar**

**Rev. Arthur Wright, Senior Priest In Residence**

**Deacon William R. Proulx**

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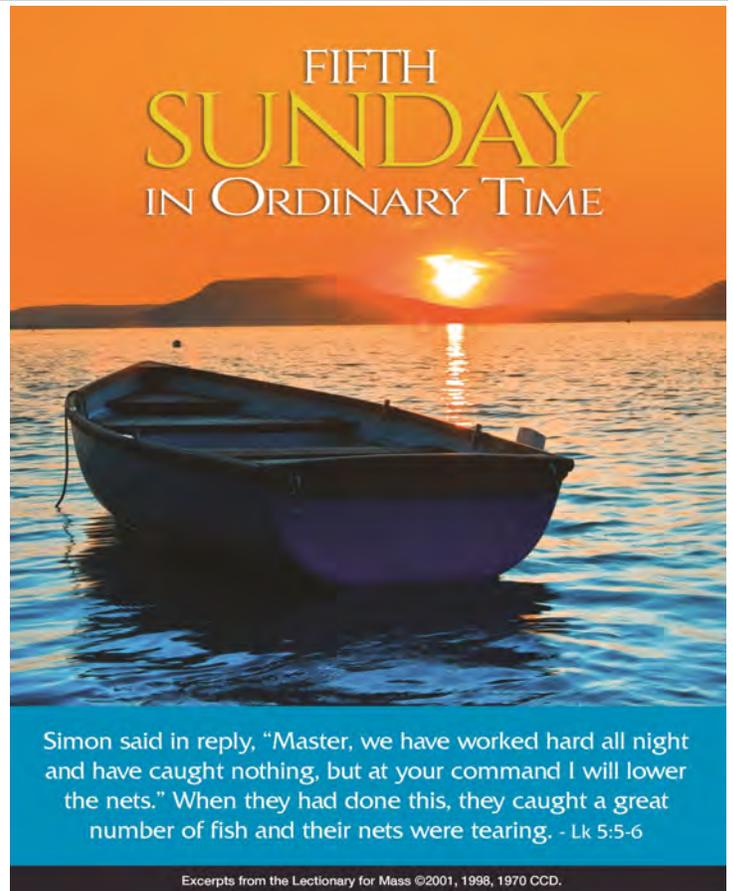
**Donna Niosi, Administrative Assistant**

**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**

### **St. John the Baptist**

Lower Chapel, Wednesdays, 8:30-9:00am;

Saturdays, 2:30-3:30pm or call the rectory to make an appointment with a priest.

### **St. Joseph**

2:30-3:30PM in the Church

## **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

*Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time*



**Saturday, February 9**

8:00 a.m. 2nd Anniversary Albino Devera  
4:00 p.m. Memorial Alfred, Concetta and Lorenzo DiNardo

**Sunday, February 10**

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People  
11:00 a.m. Memorial Mr. & Mrs. Santo DiBiasso, Mr. & Mrs. Robert O'Connor and Vinnie Bono  
5:00 p.m. 1st Anniversary Rosemary Greenwood

**Wednesday, February 13**

8:00 a.m. Memorial Lorenzo & Maria Francesca Polese

**Friday, February 15**

8:00 a.m. Memorial Tony Rubino

**Saturday, February 16**

8:00 a.m. Memorial Aurora Casinelli  
4:00 p.m. 1st Anniversary Francis Murray

**Sunday, February 17**

8:30 a.m. Memorial Brian Anthony Sutherland & Bertha Madeline MacDonald Sutherland  
11:00 a.m. Memorial Francesco & Maddalena DiCesare  
5:00 p.m. Month's Mind Anthony R. DiBona

**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 February 2/3	
Church Collections	\$7,639.34
On-Line Giving ( 1/26-2/1/19)	<u>741.50</u>
<b>Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners</b>	<b>\$8,380.84</b>
Weekly Goal overage/shortage	<b>(619.16)</b>

This weekend February 9/10 there is one collection. Next weekend February 16/17 there will also be one collection.

*Thank you for your generosity*

**St John ~ St Joseph  
Catholic Collaborative  
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**

*"Jesus wept at the tomb of his friend. Let me, also, Lord, share my grief with you. Release the tension bottling up inside me, and grant me freedom from pain and new life in healing with each tear I shed. Each teardrop of pain is precious in your sight, O Lord. I offer my tears in honor of my loved one and for love of you. Bless all who mourn, that they be comforted."*

We are in the process of beginning our St John~ St Joseph Catholic Collaborative Bereavement Ministry. Our wish is to reach out to all in our parishioners that have experienced a loss. The plan is for a seven-week program which meets weekly for one- and one-half hours. An important piece of our planning is to inquire what day and time best meets the needs of our parishioners.

If you are interested and feel a bereavement group would be of benefit to you or someone you know you will find at the rear of the church a brief questionnaire regarding preferred days and times for these meetings. You can return completed questionnaires in the box at the door of the church or you could mail your completed questionnaires to St. Joseph Parish at the address given on the form. Or, if you wish, you can send your replies and any questions you may have to the email address at the bottom of the form.

**Your Prayers are Requested for:**



Cameran Rose Weeks, 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 February 10 the bread and wine have been donated in Memory of Arlene M. McDonough. 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).



St. John the Baptist and St. Joseph staff are now located at 556 Washington St. Quincy—home of the Collaborative Offices. **Please Mail all your correspondents to St. John/ St. Joseph Collaborative, 556 Washington Street, Quincy, MA 02169. Also the Parish Office Hours are Monday thru Friday 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.** A proper 'Open House' will be celebrated in the near future. We are here for all your parish needs; Mass bookings, Spirituals, Information, Priest visits.... We can be reached at 617-472-6321 and 617-773-1021.

February 10, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace.

Super Bowl Champions! We have certainly been spoiled during these last 17 years. Once again, it was a team effort, every player "doing their job" under the guidance of the greatest head coach in NFL history. Once again he out-coached the other team's coach; creating the perfect defensive strategy that would stifle the opponent and give the offense a chance to find a way to score. Hats off to Coach Belichick and his players!

*"They left everything and followed him."* This verse in today's Gospel says so much; there was something so attractive, so convicting, about the person and message of Jesus Christ, that men were ready to march and follow Jesus into an adventure, a mission, a battle, and a new life.

Disciples in Mission is a call for you and for me, to march; to follow Jesus into adventure (doing His will), mission (being His hands, feet and voice), battle (the dark forces of evil that oppress us individually and collectively), and a new life (the joy, the peace, the power of a life lived in the Holy Spirit).

Our "head coach" (Jesus Christ) is the G.O.A.T. (greatest of all time). Today, this Rabbi from Nazareth, who is our Lord and Savior, friend and brother, is calling us to a personal friendship. He is calling us to intimacy. He is calling us to trust. He is calling us to let go of the nets of our lives (i.e. sin, pride, fear, worry, ego, control, etc) and to cling to Him. He has a wonderful plan for our lives and our parishes and collaborative family, and it begins with us. What am I holding on to today? What is keeping me from marching today? What is keeping me from being all in for Jesus today? Talk to him about it. Maybe bring it to Confession or a spiritual conversation with a friend, director, priest or religious.

I don't know what the future holds for the Patriots (hopefully another parade), but I know who holds the future of our Collaborative family. It's time to put out into the deep. Rise.. let us be on our way, and MARCH!

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matt+

### **February 10 ~ Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jesus invites the disciples who have been fishing all night to "put out into the deep. . ." Despite their fatigue, they do as Jesus asks because they have faith in him. He not only rewards them with a large catch of fish, but he instructs them to be fishers of men (and women). Today Jesus invites us to take a leap of faith, to take to heart his words that we are to reach out to others and draw them to Christ. To whom will you reach out to in faith?

WEEKEND OF February 9-10 From Life Teen Youth Ministry to Addiction Recovery Services to Faith Community Nursing, more than 50 critical ministries enrich parish life, our Catholic schools, and the lives of those who turn to the Church for assistance. In the coming weeks, many of you will receive a letter from Cardinal Sean requesting your support of the **2019 Catholic Appeal**, which provides nearly half of the funding for these life-changing programs. We hope that you will respond generously. This is our Church and every gift makes an immediate impact in the lives of those in need. Thank you!

### **St John~St Joseph Catholic Collaborative SnowCAMPS COOKIES SALE February 16 and February 17 after all Masses**

***Give a donation + Eat a Cookie = Send a Teen off to the best weekend of their life!***

Please get a delicious Chocolate Chip SnowCAMPS cookie and your donation will help to support our middle schoolers raising money to attend SnowCAMPS. On March 1st, 2nd and 3rd our teens from the St John~St Joseph Catholic Collaborative will join over 200 middle school students and teen leaders to experience the most incredible weekend event ever. Incredible things happen at SnowCAMPS with incredible people. At SnowCAMPS we blend a variety of creative activities - music, games, talks, discussions, worship, concerts, campfires, and tournaments - into a powerful, weekend retreat adventure. It will be an opportunity to meet new people, have a lot of fun in a way never imagined, and deepen faith in Christ. This March, be part of the experience!

Fresh hot Chocolate Chip SnowCAMPS Cookies will be available for a donation, immediately following all Masses the weekend of Feb 16. These cookies are yummy and all donations will provide tuition assistance for our middle schoolers attending SnowCAMPS March 1-3 this winter.

If you or someone you know is interested in attending SnowCAMPS please speak to one of our wonderful teens at the door of the church and they will be happy to share more information!

***Your support, (whether it be your attendance, your prayers, and/or cookie purchases) - is so appreciated!***

### **A NOTE OF THANKS**

Thank You to everyone who supported St. Joseph's BVM Sodality's recent bake sale and raffle and helped to make it such a tremendous success. Through your generosity we were able to gross over \$740 in proceeds. Many parish programs will benefit from this event and your overwhelming support of it! **THANK YOU!**



***St. John/St. Joseph Religious Education Classes***  
*Sunday, February 10, 10:10-11:00 a.m. Class Grades 2-5*  
*Sunday, February 10, 12-1:00 p.m. Class Grade CI & CII*  
*Monday, February 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Class Grades 6-8*  
*Sunday, February 17th & Monday, February 18th*  
***NO CLASSES School Vacation Week***

### **Weekly Offertory Envelopes**

Due to the new way in which we are processing the weekly offertory envelopes, we feel it is best to remove the white and yellow plain envelopes in the Church pews. **The only envelopes that will remain in the pews are the tall blue ones marked SJFP (which stand for ST. JOHN'S FOOD PANTRY). These envelopes are Strictly for donations to St. John's Food Pantry.** If you would like to receive Weekly Offertory Envelopes thru the mail, please call the rectory and we would be happy to arrange that for you.

**LATE NIGHT CATECHISM 2!!**

St. Joseph's BVM Sodality is sponsoring a trip to see the hilarious production of



“Late Night Catechism2”, playing at the Company Theatre in Norwell. We will be attending the **Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup> performance at 3PM.**

Tickets are priced at \$28 each (group discount) and are going fast. They will be sold on a first come, first paid basis and will be distributed at the theatre the day of the performance. Please mail payment to Monica Solarchick, 87 Hanian Drive, East Weymouth, MA 02189. Please contact her at 781.337.3098 for details about this event or if you need transportation to the show.

**Saint John's Food Pantry**

Remember the 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.

**15 Minutes of Faith Fun**



All preschool and kindergarten children and their parents are invited! No registration necessary

Sunday February 17 following the 8:30 Mass at St Joseph at St Joseph rectory.

Calendar of **EVENTS**

**Saturday, February 9**

2:30-3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Lower Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Baptism Class  
Upper Church

**Sunday, February 10**

10:10-11:00 a.m. Class for Grades 2-5  
12:00-1:00 p.m. Class for Grades 9 &10  
Classes all in Church Hall  
12:30 p.m. Baptisms  
Upper Church

**Monday, February 11**

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

**Wednesday, February 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, February 15**

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

**Saturday, February 16**

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

**Sunday, February 17 and Monday, February 18**

**No Religious Education Classes**  
**School Vacation Week**

**YOUTH GROUP**

**Youth Group Event for February-**

Next night of fun and games will take place on Friday, February 15th at 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at St. John's lower church hall. Cost is \$4 per student. Celebrate Valentines Day with your friends. Food provided.

**Special note: We are expanding to middle school aged kids as well. Separate activities for older students.** We encourage 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students to join in and tell us what you would like our middle school program include.

All elementary and middle school age kids welcome.  
Parents - drop kids off and enjoy a few hours to yourselves or lend a hand with our volunteer team.

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
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