

# COLLABORATIVE OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & ST JOSEPH



## *22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday*

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

“Do not recline at table in the place of honor.  
A more distinguished guest than you may  
have been invited.” - Lk 14:8bc

**W**elcome! 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 our parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.



### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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Saturday 4:00pm (Vigil)  
 Sunday 8:30am, 11:00am & 5:00pm  
 Weekday Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 8:00am

#### St. John's Food Pantry

p: 617.472.4908  
 Hours: The pantry is open on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30PM for our neighbors in need (located in the building next to the back door of the rectory.)

#### COLLABORATIVE TEAM

##### Pastor

Rev. Matthew M. Williams

##### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph Boafu

##### Senior Priest In Residence

Rev. Arthur Wright

##### Priest in Residence

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##### Music Director at St. John the Baptist

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### ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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Saturday 4:00pm (Vigil)  
 Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am  
 Weekday Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am  
 Rosary starts at 8:25am

#### St. Joseph's Food Pantry

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 Hours: The pantry is open on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30PM for our neighbors in need (located in the rectory basement).

One of the most important principles of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of work and the rights of workers. Four encyclicals address this foundational social teaching: Rerum Novarum (1891) by Leo XIII, Quadragesimo Anno (1931) by Pius XI, Laborem Exercens (1981), and Centesimus Annus (1991) by John Paul II. They address both the theology and dignity of work. In Genesis, God takes the initiative in creating the world, calling forth human beings to be faithful stewards of creation. We are thus formed to share in God's continuing creative activity by partnering with God in finishing the world and helping bring it to completion and fulfillment. From this perspective, work can be spiritually understood in terms of sharing in God's ongoing activity to build, create, and transform the world. Human beings are co-creators with God. This vocation demands self-discipline.



Besides an exercise in self-discipline, work is also the means by which we develop and fulfill ourselves. In work, we shape the world and our environment. Through work, we also shape ourselves. Pope John Paul II summarized this point in Laborem Exercens #6, "the value of work is not primarily the kind of work being done, but the fact that the one who is doing it is a person."

Labor Day offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on how we view work in light of our Catholic social teaching. **The office will be closed on Labor Day.**

#### COLLABORTIVE OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS

556 Washington Street  
 Quincy, MA 02169-6602

#### BULLETIN NOTICES

Must be received by the Rectory no later than **4:00pm Monday Afternoons** to appear in the following Sunday bulletin.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:30pm

# FR. MATT'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace.

Last Monday night members of our Collaborative Team went to dinner in order to honor and celebrate the gift that **Jini Vickery, Joanne Curry** and **Sabrina Daniels** have been to our parishes. These wonderful women have served a combined **77 years of ministry** to our parishes. These women have a great love for you, and it was because of you that they worked so diligently all these years to serve our community. We have been blessed! Please pray for them as they begin a new chapter in their lives.



This past Wednesday, August 28th, was the **Feast of St. Augustine**, one of the great fathers and doctors of the Church. It was through the powerful intercession of his mother, **St. Monica**, and the gift of ministry and preaching of St. Ambrose, that Augustine's life was radically changed. As Deacon Dan Zinger said at daily Mass, St. Augustine was brilliant, and he knew it, and he was handsome, and he knew it. He used his natural talents and gifts to feed his ego and lived a life of dissipation. His conversion to Jesus Christ led him to the profound realization that the desires he was seeking to feed were insatiable, and that his heart would never find true peace and rest in the things the world has to offer.

He beautifully writes of his conversion in his book [The Confessions of St. Augustine](#). I would like to share a powerful quote from the book:

*Late have I loved you, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved you! You were within me, but I was outside, and it was there that I searched for you. In my unloveliness I plunged into the lovely things which you created. You were with me, but I was not with you. Created things kept me from you; yet if they had not been in you they would not have been at all. You called, you shouted, and you broke through my deafness. You flashed, you shone, and you dispelled my blindness. You breathed your fragrance on me; I drew in breath and now I pant for you. I have tasted you, now I hunger and thirst for more. You touched me, and I burned for your peace.*

May we have the grace this week to acknowledge the deepest desires of our hearts, and direct them to the only one who can satisfy. *"You have made us for yourself O God, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you"* (St. Augustine). St. Augustine of Hippo, pray for us.

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matt+

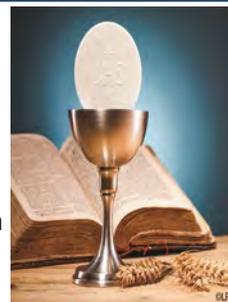
## ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

St John the Baptist-St Joseph Collaborative offers an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of our Catholic faith and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact the Rectory at 617-773-1021.



You are invited to join Father Joseph as he celebrates Mass on the First Friday of the Month (September 6th next one coming up) at 9:30am on CatholicTV. If you would like you can also join him at the CatholicTV studio 34 Chestnut Street, Watertown, MA and attend Mass with him.



# INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Saturday, August 31

8:00am

4:00pm 1st Anniversary Don King

Sunday, September 1

8:30am 8th Anniversary Robert Larkin

11:00am 2nd Anniversary Benjamin James DiBona

5:00pm Mass of the People

Wednesday, September 4

8:00am

Friday, September 6

8:00am

Saturday, September 7

8:00am

4:00pm 1st Anniversary Debbie Turco

Sunday, September 8

8:30am 1st Anniversary Rita Martinson

11:00am 5th Anniversary Nora Theresa Forbes

5:00pm

Donations: This week the bread and wine has been donated in memory of Benjamin James DiBona. 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.

Your Prayers are requested for Stephen J. Lindsay, Paul R. Antonelli, Angelina A. Luiso and for all our deceased relatives and friends. Also, please remember in prayer all those who are ill and the intentions of our parishioners.

## MASS INTENTIONS

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, August 31

4:00pm Memorial Phero Pham Ba Huong

Sunday, September 1

8:30am Special Intentions

10:30am Memorial Catherine, Paul & Geraldine King

Monday, September 2

9:00am Birthday Joseph Ho (Living)

Tuesday, September 3

9:00am

Thursday, September 5

9:00am 2nd Anniversary John Hession

Saturday, September 7

4:00pm Memorial Peter & Bridgid Quinn, Thomas Quinn, Romeo Gauthier, & Nellie Quinn

Sunday, September 8

8:30am 4th Anniversary Jim Inglis

10:30am Mass for the People

Memorial Donation: If you would like to make a donation for the altar bread and /or wine please call the rectory.

Please remember in your prayers all our relatives and friends who passed away recently. May their souls and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. Amen

**CELIAC'S DISEASE** If there are members of our community that have gluten allergies, please know that we have low-gluten hosts (<.01 percent gluten), and that we can also provide special communion cup for consumption of the Precious Blood. Please contact Fr. Matt for more information.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION** Congratulations on your engagement! Please contact Fr. Matt Williams at least six months prior to the wedding date.

**COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND** Please contact the rectory if a member of the parish is hospitalized or unable to attend Mass.

**RCIA** Adults interested in becoming Catholic, or Catholic adults interested in the Sacraments of Confirmation or First Communion are invited to call the rectory for information. on Stotts, 615.292.2884

**BAPTISMS** Congratulations on your baby! This Sacrament is celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM. Parents are asked to call the rectory for information

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Confession: Wednesdays, 8:30-9:00am at St. John the Baptist Lower Chapel 2:30-3:30 PM Saturdays in both churches.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** Friday: 8:30am-3:30pm & 1st Saturdays 8:30am-9:45am at St. John the Baptist Lower Chapel

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (YOUTH)** Grades 1-9 and Confirmation. The program is a collaborative Religious Ed. program. For information contact the R.E. department at 617-877-5014. Registration information is available online - [www.stjosephsquincy.org](http://www.stjosephsquincy.org) or [www.stjohnsquincy.org](http://www.stjohnsquincy.org)

**SODALITY** Meets the 1st Monday of the month (Sept -June) at 6:30 PM at St Joseph's Church for the Rosary & Benediction, followed by a meeting in the church.

**HOLY NAME** Meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month at the 8:30 AM Mass (Sept.-June) followed by a meeting.

# FAITH FORMATION

## Sept 8th ~St. Joseph's Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for coffee and donuts in the garden, patio or rectory after the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses, all are welcome! If you would like to be part of this great tradition by being a volunteer for a host/ess for Coffee & Donuts please sign up on the 8th. Your participation is greatly appreciated.



## SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP

### Middle School Youth Group

Sundays 9/1, 9/8, & 9/15 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm

We have some really fun opportunities coming up again! Almost every Sunday we have Sunday Youth Group for Middle Schoolers. We start at 4:00 pm and then attend the 5:00 pm mass as a youth group, and we want you to join us!! We play games and learn about our Faith. Parents, please ask your son/daughter to try this! Youth Group will be an amazing community for your child to navigate life with friends in Christ, and with Christ as an intimate friend

## Middle School Drop-In Event September 6th 6-8pm

## BACK TO SCHOOL OLYMPICS

MIDDLE SCHOOL DROP-IN  
SEPTEMBER 6TH,

6-8PM AT ST. JOHN'S QUINCY MA

COME JOIN US FOR PIZZA, FUN, AND COMMUNITY

## Religious Education Registration

Registrations will be mailed home next week and are also available after all Masses Sept. 7 & 8 @ St. Joseph's and Sept. 14 & 15 @ St. John's.



Please save the date for Pumpkin Carving Oct. 20 - a FAMILY and FRIENDS Religious Education event. Thank you for your patience in this time of transition.



## MEET BEN!!!! (Big Evangelization Net)

Pictured above is "BEN" our Youth Group's donation to the Parishes after a HUGELY fun and Christ-encountering summer. "BEN" was at countless youth groups, the St. Joseph On Point Fire Pit as well as the featured attraction at Living Water Week Vacation Bible School in July. Ben will be **Open for PLAY** for all Parish children after all masses for these weekends:

**Sept 7 and Sept 8 at St. Joseph's**

**Sept 14 and Sept 15 at St. John's**

**Religious Education Registration Open at these times as well.**

Who can you invite to mass and to register for Faith Formation in the next couple weekends?

"Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls". Mother Teresa

If you are reading this bulletin - you can help catch souls! Thank you for inviting others to come! NOTE: If it is 70 degrees or higher BEN will be a water slide - so bring a bathing suit! If below 70 degrees BEN will be open sans water.

## High School Youth Group Sundays 9/1, 9/8, & 9/15 from 5:00 to 7:30 pm

The group attends the 5:00 pm mass together and we would love for you to come!! We interact with our Faith through games and learning in order to strengthen our friendship with Christ. Youth Group is an amazing community and opportunity for your teen to grow as a Christian and as a person. Parents, please ask your son/daughter to try this!

## Youth and Family Formation

The results are in - and engaging our young People in our Parish families is top priority for 9.9 out of 10 of our Parishes!! WE NEED YOU to make this happen. If you are interested in supporting St. J's Youth Ministry and Faith Formation PLEASE email [shinethelight247@gmail.com](mailto:shinethelight247@gmail.com)

**THERE ARE LIMITLESS WAYS PEOPLE OF ALL AGES CAN HELP...**

Teaching, Shopping, Driving, Baking, Cooking, Praying, Writing, Reading Donating, Serving are just a few...

# This Week



The **Senior Social Group Luncheon** new season starts on **Wednesday, September 11th at 12 noon till 2pm** in the St. John the Baptist Church Hall.

Lunch will be provided for a cost of \$5 per person and new-season dues of \$15 per person will also be collected.

Those who are coming are asked to please bring a dessert to share with the group.

Along with our luncheon, we will have “Welcome Back Bingo”, opportunities to win at 50/50 drawings and, as always, some time to catch up with all of our friends we’ve not seen since the June Luncheon.

The coordinators are looking forward to seeing all of our regular members and want **everyone** in the St. John’s – St. Joseph’s parishes (and beyond!) to know we invite them to come and join us. From September through June, we have a variety of lunches, speakers and entertainment, typically on the first Wednesday of the month. Note: This month/September, due to the Labor Day Holiday, we have moved the luncheon to the 2nd Wednesday, September-11th. Anyone who wishes to attend and **has not been attending luncheons or has any questions**, should RSVP to Rich Griffin at 781-363-3655.

## Our St. John– St. Joseph Catholic Collaborative Bereavement Ministry

will begin its third seven-week program on Tuesday September 17th in St. Joseph’s Rectory from 6:00-7:30pm. To register, please call the Collaborative Offices at 617-773-1021 and leave your name, telephone number and email address. Or, you can send your information to our email at [stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org](mailto:stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org).



### The Bereavement Team includes:

Rev. Joseph Boafo

- Parochial Vicar and counselor
- Masters in Counseling Psychology
- Pastoral Ministry from Boston College, with a spiritual direction practicum.
- Former chaplain at Massachusetts General Hospital.
- One year internship with McLean Hospital
- Twenty-three years pastoral experience

Kathleen Garity

- St. John’s parishioner
- Masters in Theological Studies from Boston College
- Parish Council, Stewardship Committee & Religious education instructor

## Sodality Opening Meeting

St. Joseph’s BVM Sodality will hold their opening meeting on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. We’ll meet at St. Joseph’s to attend the 10:30 AM Mass, then proceed to St. John’s Social Hall for a brief meeting and a celebration of the Sodality’s 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as an organization. This celebration is FREE to members, but \$10 annual dues is payable to St. Joe’s Sodality. Please reply to Sue Welliver, 62 Edison Park, Quincy, MA 02169 by Sept 4th. New members are always welcome!



## The Vocational Crucifix ~ St. Joseph

September 1~ Desmond Family  
September 8~ Leo Bartolome  
September 15th~

If you wish to take the vocational crucifix for the week, there is a sign up sheet in the back of St. Joseph’s church. The purpose of this Vocational Crucifix is to pray for vocations into the religious life.

Forming Disciples in Mission and Forming Leaders for Mission are workshops on evangelization! They will be offered in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, and Portuguese! To register or view dates and locations, visit [disciplesinmission.com](http://disciplesinmission.com).

## Collaboration Offertory

### St. John’s Parish (weekend of August 24/25)

Offertory:	\$5,996.60
Online Giving	<u>809.50</u>
Total	\$6,806.10

September 1 ~ 1 collection,      September 8 ~ 1 collection

### St. Joseph’s Parish (weekend of August 24/25)

Offertory:	<u>\$3,333.00</u>
Total	\$3,333.00

September 1 ~ 1 collection      September 8 ~ 2 collections  
Monthly Parish Maintenance

## September 1 ~ Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Today’s readings highlight the importance of the virtue of humility. In the first reading we hear, “conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts.” In the Gospel parable, we hear Jesus say, “everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” Humility is a rare quality in today’s world. The humble person recognizes that all we have and all we are is a gift from God. This week take some time to thank and praise God for all that has been given to you so that you may grow in humility.