



**Together in Christ
Collaborative**

JULY 11, 2021

**THE FIFTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**



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Collaborative Office Hours are 9-4 M-Th

For both Churches

Currently we are working from home.

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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TOGETHER IN CHRIST COLLABORATIVE

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The Together in Christ Collaborative Office Hours are 9AM - 4PM Monday -Thursday

EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

St John's

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Outdoor Mass – 6 p.m.*

Daily Mass, Wednesday– Friday
9:00 a.m. On hold until further notice
In the Chapel

St Ann's

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

Outdoor Mass – 6 p.m.*

Daily Mass, Mon, Tues, Fri.
9:00 a.m. On hold until further notice

***Aleternating between the two worship**
sites, refer to website for details.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is being celebrated on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and on Sundays at 1 p.m. These baptisms are private and can accommodate 30 or so people. Social distancing and masks are required. Alternately you may opt for celebrating the Baptism at the 6 PM Outdoor Mass.

Prep classes will take place before the Baptism.
Please call the Rectory Office for registration.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Is by appointment during the pandemic. Please call the Rectory Office to set up an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the Rectory 6 months prior to the intended date of marriage.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you are in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the Rectory to make an appointment for a visit from a Priest.

Registration: Families not registered, please call the Parish Office

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, July 3, 2021

4:00 - Hernan Dacaret & Robert Maher —
For Healing

Sunday July 4, 2021

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann
6:00 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

Saturday, July 10, 2021

4:00—Parishioners of Saint Ann

Sunday, July 11, 2021

8:30 - Gerald A. Bean — Memorial

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, July 3, 2021

5:30 - Clara DiFalco — 22nd Anniversary

Sunday, July 4, 2021

10:30 - Parishioners of Saint John

Saturday, July 10, 2021

5:30 - Parishioners of Saint John

Sunday, July 11, 2021

10:30 - Susan Puffer — Month's Mind
6:00 - Parishioners of Saint John

THE TOGETHER IN CHRIST COLLABORATIVE

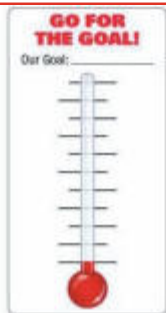
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Weekly Offertory
June 22 - June 28, 2021

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Online N/A
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Mass \$ 2,035

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Mail \$ 1,705
Mass \$ 2,231

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The Pontifical Mission Societies of Boston is looking to grow our *One Family in Mission!* We are looking for a well-qualified, Administrative Assistant to work 18 hours a week at our office in the Pastoral Center. The position requires excellent customer service, administrative and organizational skills. Proficiency in Microsoft Office necessary.

Writing skills a plus. Interested practicing Catholics should send a resume and cover letter to Maureen Heil at:

mheil@propfaithboston.org

My Dear Friends in Christ,



When I was a child, I went to camp every summer. It was a week long experience of hiking, swimming, arts and crafts - your typical camp experience. One thing that we did that was somewhat unusual was a “trust walk”. For those of you who have never experienced it, what happens is that you are blind-folded and led by the hand or arm by a partner who is not blindfolded (can’t have the “blind leading the blind”!). The key to the walk for the blindfolded one is to listen to and trust your partner; the key for the leader is to be aware that you have someone else in your care. It can be a challenging, yet rewarding, experience for both leader and follower.

In today’s gospel, Jesus is asking His disciples (whom He is sending out, two by two) to trust – trust in Him, trust in the Spirit. In taking nothing for the journey, they are to rely on the goodness of others, strangers who would become followers of this “New Way” (Christianity). They are to take only those things that are absolutely essential, taking nothing but a walking stick, sandals and a tunic – no food, no money. For those things, they are to trust that God will provide. They are to go from town to town preaching Jesus’ message of hope, life and repentance. If they do not accept this message, they are to leave and shake the dust (of the town) from their feet as testimony against them.

It appears, at first reading, that the disciples were successful. Many heard the word and accepted it. Many were healed and freed from demons. Many came to accept the Word and began to spread it themselves. It does not say all accepted this word, so we know that the work of discipleship goes on. It lives on, in fact, in you and me. We, like those who were sent by Jesus have an opportunity to spread the Word of God. We do so both in word and deed – in word by speaking messages of hope and peace, in deed by living lives in accord with the Gospel and the teachings of the Church.

This can be a challenging thing. At times we can feel like Amos (the prophet from the first reading), who contends that he is no prophet, but a simple dresser of sycamores. Like Amos, we can feel sometimes unable, unprepared, or unworthy to proclaim these truths that we live. We might be content to live our lives simply, humbly and anonymously. We have a call, however, like Amos did to go out and proclaim the Truth – the Truth of God’s word. May we have the courage to be like Amos and go out into the world, proclaiming God’s truth in love, His victory of sin and death in Christ Jesus. May we know that God is with us on this journey so that we may have the courage to trust in God’s plan for us, His people.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul



MY FRANCISCAN JOURNEY

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Recently, I took part in an online Franciscan retreat experience, entitled “Living Franciscan Values in our Contemporary World”. It was lead by Fr. Ben Johnson, OFM Cap (that is, a Capuchin Franciscan Priest (like Cardinal O’Malley here in Boston!)). Due to the fact that we are still coming out of the pandemic, it was held (as many things still are) on Zoom. There were about 65 of us in attendance, Secular Franciscans all, and it was a great experience, despite the limitations of being online. The topics included “Poverty and Humility”, “Living the Virtues of Christ beyond limitation” Franciscan Witness Today: Being a Franciscan in the Contemporary World”, and “Faith, Family and the Care of Creation”. Throughout the week, we had opportunities to go into “Breakout Rooms” (a feature of Zoom which allows the larger group (of 65) to go into smaller groups (of 9 or 10), which was helpful for everyone to be able to share their thoughts and opinions. All in all, it was a great experience!

This retreat got me to thinking about my own formation, and how I am living out the values, teachings, and thoughts of St. Francis (who lived 800 years ago) in the 21st Century. Can one live out the values of a 13th Century mystic and religious leader in the modern world? In a word... YES! One can do so, not only as a Secular Franciscan but also as a Catholic-Christian (even if one does not espouse Franciscan values). As a Secular Franciscan, one is called to take the teachings of Francis and incorporate them into one’s everyday life. Even one in formation, one like myself, can and should strive to bring Franciscan values such as “poverty of spirit”, “humility”, and “stewardship of creation” into a world that, in many ways, has wandered away from these values.

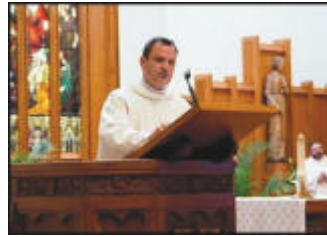
Some have said that we live in a “post-Christian world”. I’m not entirely sure that this is true, although it feels that way sometimes, but even if valid, a Secular Franciscan can and should strive to bring Franciscan values into their relationships, as well as their encounters with the Good God who calls us into relationship through various prayer and worship experiences. In the retreat in which I just took part, our retreat leader challenged us to pray for the gift of humility to see us at the service of our brothers and sisters, as well as the gift of being in touch with the world around us. He called for us to use the graces inherent in humility to be “grounded” (connecting humility to its roots “humus” (earth, ground)) in the world around us while inviting God into our everyday experiences.

All in all, the retreat was a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the man who continues to take root in my heart. I will end with the prayer with which we began each night, a traditional Franciscan prayer:

“Most high, glorious God, enlighten the darkness of my heart and give me, Lord, a correct faith, a certain hope, a perfect charity, sense and knowledge, so that I may carry out Your true and holy Will. Amen”

Peace and All Good,

Fr. Paul



The Deacon’s Column

Deacon Chris Connelly

**The Mass:
Never Old Always New**

What activity have you done consistently year in and year out?

For some, the answer might be going to work, for others working out, and (hopefully) for most, brushing your teeth. When I think back to some of the things that I have done consistently my entire life—as a baby in a stroller, as a grade school student, teen-ager, young adult, grown-up—there is only one answer: Celebrating Mass on the weekend. If I just went to one Sunday Mass over the course of my life, I have participated in 2588 celebrations of the Eucharist (I turn 50 in October). Of course, I have participated in thousands of Masses—daily Masses, multiple masses on weekends as a deacon, funerals, first communions, confirmations, and ordinations. One might think that doing the same action repeatedly would get boring over time—and yet, celebrating the Mass never gets old. Every Mass is a unique moment in time and space. Even when I participate in five Masses on the 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time hearing the same readings, preaching or listening to the same homily, or singing the same songs and responses—the Mass never seems like a television show that I have recorded and watched multiple times. There is something unique and different about the Mass that keeps it always fresh—always new.

If the Eucharist were only a human activity, then it would get old, quick; but the Eucharist is not human activity. The Liturgy is the participation of God’s people in God’s work of salvation. God meets us in every celebration of the Eucharist. He meets us from within the community gathered to celebrate the Mass as Christ’s Mystical Body. He meets us in the proclamation of the Gospel. He meets us upon the greeting of the sacred ministers. He meets us in the breaking of the bread and wants to stay with us through our frequent reception of Holy Communion. The Eucharist never grows old because of the one who gathers us together, offers himself up for the salvation of the world, and gives himself to us in bread and wine to nourish and strengthen our souls--Jesus Christ.

Because the Eucharist is not a thing but a person—the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity—it can never grow old. At a wedding Mass, Jesus shares in the joy and hope of the married couple and joins himself to them in sacrament. At a first communion Mass, Jesus draws near to our children in a special way that they might grow, not only in mind and body, but in faith and spirit. At funeral Masses, Jesus draws near to grieving families to comfort them and ease their sorrow. The Mass celebrates and finds expression in the highs and joys of life, its lows, and sorrows, and the ordinary and mundane. Because Jesus makes himself present in every celebration of the Mass—the Mass can adapt and address a wide variety of human experiences and emotions.

When I think back over the course of my life and the things that I have outgrown—the Mass is the one thing that never grows old. As I look forward to the next stages of my life, I know that the Mass, that Jesus, will always be with me to nourish me and give me strength.

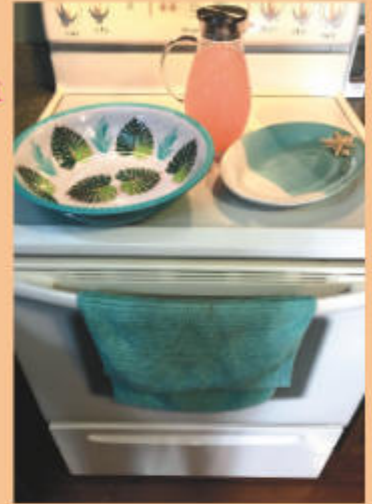
This Week in Ministry

7.12.21-7.18.21



Summer Recipe Book!

From fruity desserts to summer meals, this book has wonderful warm-weather treats to try! Thank you to all who shared their delicious recipes; click the link to enjoy!



[TIC Recipe Book Volume 2](#)

If you are not on our email list and would like to be emailed a copy, please contact Stephanie Gaboury at directorofministries.TIC@gmail.com

Congratulations, First Communicants!

Congratulations to all of our students who made their sacrament of First Communion this week!

Brooklynn Avila	Allison Craig	Nathan Hasomeris	Nathyn Mckiernan	Karissa Shea
Ryan Beady	Graham Edgerly	Jenna Heap	Ben Melcher	Quinn Spagone
Christopher Berlo	Zachary Enos	Colin Hruzd	Logan Pacheco	Violet Tantillo
Jaylee Black	Landon Fagundes	Emma Hunt	Parker Pacheco	Kylee Terry
Olive Boselli	Will Farquharson	Avery Kerr	Madyson Palaza	Ava Vaughn
Karina Brennan	Cecilia Farrell	Ryan King	Logan Paulding	Owen Vaughn
Patrick Brennan	Jake Foley	Riley Leonard	Dayja Petronelli	Adriana Viquez
Samantha Burt	Noelle Gauthier	Ethan Luce	Olivia Pope	Annabelle Walsh
Emma Busa	Madison Gentile	Mason Malnati	Benjamin Riley	Juliet Weydemeyer
Lily Busa	Makayla Gentile	Isabella Malnati	Logan Robles	Casimir Wiech
Naya Clancy	Landon Gill	Lauren Marcella	Joseph Sances	Evangeline Wiech

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"Be doers of the word, and not hearers only; Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith" (James 1:22; 2:18)

COLLABORATIVE NEWS AT SAINT ANN'S AND SAINT JOHN'S

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Tyler Martin, Amanda Little, Patricia Estes, Vince Adornato, Kenneth Upham, Kay Levoshko, Jim Cassidy, Tori Bortolotto, Phil Garbardi, Marcus LaBree, Charlie Micalizzi, Vickie Vasvatekis, Robert Hanson, Annette Moriarty, Felicia Hernandez, Linda, Frank Conroy, Robert Sullivan, Ann Smith, Joan MacIsaac, Diane Nicolar, Paul Martin, Jim Koury, William Neyman, Janet Wooters, Rene Barnett, David Warren, Richard Harvey, Sandra Garbardi, Nick, Jennifer Washkevich, Dana DeBenedictis, Harry Evans, Frank Genatossio, Dr. Irfan Francis, Angela McDevitt, Nathaniel Maniff, Karen & Janet Daly, Bryan Senn, Rene Pearson, Linda Joy, Gail Butler, Helen Conrad, Bob Knowlton, Karen Parenteau, Casey L'Italien & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

St Ann Prayer Line:

To request prayers from members of Saint Ann's Prayer Line for yourself, another person in need, or a special intention, please call or email Linda Santry at 508-586-6535 or linda@santry.org. If you would like to join the telephone tree or e-mail distribution list, please contact Linda. We would like to expand our membership for this worthy endeavor.



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Saint Ann's Church is continuing to collect food items for the West Bridgewater Food Pantry. Items can be left in church on the shelves to the right as you come in the front door.

**The Society of Saint Vincent DePaul
Saint John's Conference
PO Box 544**

East Bridgewater MA 02333

Call the Food Pantry Hotline for food / assistance
Hotline—508-378-3760

THE FOOD PANTRY HAS NEW HOURS:

The Food Pantry has changed its hours for the Spring.

Our pantry is open on the first and third Mondays of the every month April through October, 2021. When days fall on a major holiday, the pantry will be the Tuesday of that week.

First Mondays = 3:00—5:30

Third Mondays = 3:00—4:30

The schedule is as follows:

*July *Tues the 6th and 19th*

*August 2nd and 16th
September *Tues the 7th and 20th
October 4th and 18th*

Donations are always appreciated but please call to let us know you are dropping off. 508-378-3760

Gift cards are also a great help.

\$5—\$25 cards are easier to distribute than large sums, ie \$100

Tuna, pasta, pasta sauce, soups, canned goods, etc. are always great additions to the shelves.



Camp COASA

Join us for a week of learning, healing and fun!



COASA (Children of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse) at Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps and the Labour Center are co-hosting a week-long summer program for children living with the stress of alcohol and/or other substance use disorders at home or within the family.

August 2 - August 7, 2021

Julie's Place

133 Dorchester Street, South Boston, MA 02127

Children, ages 8-16

Morning sessions include meditation and reflection, workout and educational support groups teaching children about alcohol and/or other substance-use disorders, how to express and deal with their feelings and how to develop coping skills. Afternoons will be spent on fun surprise adventures. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

* There is a required Family Night registration on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 6:00 pm for all those who wish to participate in the program. Pizza will be served.

For more information or to sign up for the program, please contact Maureen McGlame at (617) 272-5039 or mmcglame@rfkchildren.org ASAP. There is no cost to attend this program.

RFK Children's Action Corps is an affiliate of the Doctor Franklin Perkins School (Perkins).



CYBER SECURITY

Recently the church has been getting quite a few “phishing” emails. These are emails that are trying to get your account/security information by telling you that you are receiving a renewal of some program that you know you do not have or asking you to upgrade your Xfinity Account, or informing you that you will be receiving a product from Amazon that you know you did not order, just to mention a few and there are many. BE CAREFUL NOT TO FALL INTO THESE TRAPS.

DO NOT GIVE YOUR ACCOUNT INFORMATION UNLESS YOU ARE CERTAIN WHO YOU ARE GIVING IT TO!!!

Steps you can take to prevent being tricked.

1. Check you security settings
2. Know what security program you are using and when it needs to be updated.
3. ALWAYS CHECK THE EMAIL ADDRESS OF THE PERSON SENDING YOU THE EMAIL. IF IT IS FROM A PERSON, IT IS MOST LIKELY NOT LEGITIMATE. Ex. RobCarlson@hotmail.com pretending he works for Xfinity
4. Check your account activity to see if the specified item is actually in your recent orders. If it is not, they are phishing for your information. Do not provide it to them.
5. Report any fraudulent email to the company mentioned in the email. Every company has a fraud department. If it is an Xfinity/Comcast account, email ABUSE@COMCAST.NET or call 844-963-0185 Abuse/Fraud for Comcast. You get these emails or phone number on the internet.
6. Read as much information regarding these practices as you can on the Internet. There are volumes of information to protect you.

MOST IMPORTANT — KEEP YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION PRIVATE!!!! On emails as well as phone calls.

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