St. John is a Stewardship Parish

January 20, 2013 2ND Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Saturday, January 19, 2013</u> 4:00 – Frank & Linda Zaccardi -- Memorial <u>Sunday, January 20, 20113</u> 8:00 – Robert Robichaud – 16th Anniversary 9:30 – Parishioners of St. John 11:00 – Nelson Powers – 1st Anniversary <u>Wednesday, January 23, 2013</u> 9:00 – Charles L'Heureux – 11th Anniversary <u>Saturday, January 26, 2013</u> 4:00 – Joseph Brum – Memorial Cidilia Jesus – Memorial Sunday, January 24, 2013 8:00 – Chester Shalginewicz – 4th Anniversary 11:30 – Parishioners of St. John

Important Dates

Sun. – Jan. 13 – TEEN MASS & Dinner – 6 PM Sun. – Jan. 13 – Freshman Retreat – 2:30 p.m. Fri. – Jan. 18-20 – CYO Ski Trip Sun. – Jan. 27 – 2nd Grade Commitment Mass @ 9:30 Mon. – Jan 28 – VIRTUS TRAINING – 6-9 PM Thurs – Jan. 31 – Parish Council Mtg – 7 PM

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Jenn Keymont, Christine Hichins, Ray Shope, Don Kitchell, Janet Coe, Nira Porciello, Jackie Hennebury, Billy Brown, Debra Vass, Meaghan O'Brien, Peggy Jordan.

God's House is a house of worship and attention to the Lord. His feelings get hurt when your attention is to your phones instead of to him. Please restrain from texting or messaging in any way while you are in the Lord's House. He has your attention for such a short time, let him know HE is your first priority.

SAINT BRIDGET SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2013 8:30 – 11:00

PRESCHOOL – GRADE 8

455 Plymouth St. Abington, MA 02351 781-878-8482 <u>www.stbridgetschool.us</u> Registration and Tours Our Shared Treasure Sunday, Jan 13, 2013 Weekly Offertory: \$6700 Grand Annual - \$525

Thank you for your continued generosity.

<mark>2™ Collection January 27 – Church in Latin</mark> America

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

As of this weekend, 128 families/individuals have contributed **\$28,101** towards our parish goal of **\$50,000**. The Finance Council has suggested that each working person/family contribute **\$250** towards this important financial campaign. The council is well aware that some individuals will be unable to make a contribution of **\$250** but some others will be able to make a larger contribution and many have already done so. Please know that whatever you are able to contribute will be gratefully received. Any funds not needed from this financial campaign for general operating expenses will be used to replace the floor in the parish hall.

ASSEMBLY FOR LIFE

Sponsored by Massachusetts citizens for Life, Sunday, January 27, 2013, 2 pm – 4 pm at Faneuil Hall, Boston. Mark the 40th anniversary of the Roe v Wade decision making abortion legal throught all nine months of pregnancy for any reason which has resulted in 53 million deaths. Honor dedicated pro-lifers who have gone before us.

SNOWBIRDS PLEASE INFORM THE RECTORY OF YOUR DEPARTURE

So that we can notify the envelope company. Or you may find using the On-line Giving Program helpful. For assistance, call 508-378-4207

ST. VINCENT de PAUL HOTLINE: 508-378-3760

Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry has a direct number now. Please use this number when seeking help from St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you for your continued generosity to this very worth-while parish organization.

\$\$\$\$\$\$ 300 CLUB WINNERS \$\$\$\$\$\$

Steve & Donna Colburn Gerry & Rose Penney



Albert Joyce Janice Picklus

ATTENTION ST. JOHN VOLUNTEERS

Anyone serving the church who is 17 or over who has not passed in their CORI Form, Debbie will be available in the Chapel after each mass next weekend to collect and verify the forms.

If the forms are not verified and submitted by this date, your service to St. John's will be suspended until the CORI form is into the Rectory per order of the Archdiocese.

If you have never filled out a Cori, please use PINK forms. If you have done this before, please use WHITE forms. Forms are available at the Ushers' tables at both doors. Fill out at home and return to have verified.

MOST IMPORTANT:

ALL FORMS MUST BE VERIFIED BY DEBBIE USING YOUR DRIVERS' LICENSE AND THE LAST 6 DIDGITS OF YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.

ST. JOHN'S ON-LINE GIVING PROGRAM

The gift that keeps on giving without much effort on your part.

St John's is offering a program for offertory and special collection giving that is set up on your computer and through your bank; very similar to your on-line bill payments set up through your bank. It requires very little set up and relieves you of the fuss and trouble of weekly envelopes or trying to remember St. John's when you cannot attend Mass or are away. Please see the website for directions. www.stjohneb.org or call the Rectory for assistance.

REVISED 2013 BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Will be offered following the 4 o'clock Mass Throughout the year on these dates

January 26 February 23 March 30 April 27 May 25 September 28 October 26 November 30 December 28

(Cut this out to keep on file)

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

I have a few unconnected thoughts to share with you.

You will not see me this weekend, as I will be in Stowe Vermont with 40 of our high school students enjoying a weekend of skiing. I am very grateful to Fr. Don Skerry and Fr. Jack Farley for making it possible for me to be with our young people and to celebrate Mass for them in Vermont. I want to thank those parishioners who have increased their weekly donation to our parish. It is so wonderful not to have to worry so much about financial issues. Your generosity, given the economy that we are in, is nothing short of inspirational. I also want to thank those parishioners who have contributed to the Grand Annual Collection. To date we have raised over \$28,000 towards our goal of \$50,000. I want to repeat an announcement that was made at Mass last weekend regarding the Sign of Peace and the Reception of Holy Communion. Because the Flu is now considered an epidemic, we will not exchange the Sign of Peace until the flu season passes. The priest will extend the "Peace of the Lord" to everyone and then we will directly begin singing the Lamb of God. Also, if at all possible, please receive Holy Communion in your hand, as contact with human saliva spreads the Flu Virus. See you next weekend.

God bless,

Fr. Wally

VIRTUS TRAINING SCHEDULED For anyone working with children in the parish who has not been trained previously.

> MONDAY, JANUARY 28TH 6:00 – 9:00 pm

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL IN ROCKLAND Is holding an

> Open House and Registration For new students on

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27TH From 10:30 – Noon.

NEW THIS YEAR: We are now offering a full-day K-1 curriculum for students who ae 4 years old by Sept. 1st.

For more information, please call the school office at 781-878-1154 Or check out our website at <u>www.hfsrockland.org</u>