

Our Shared Treasure

March 11, 2012: \$5324
GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION: \$47,089
Thank you for your continued generosity.

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

March 18, 2012
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 17, 2012

4:00 – Francis Barry -- Memorial

Sunday, March 18, 2012

8:00 – James Clancy – Memorial

10:00 – Mary Doyle – 17th Anniversary

6:00 - Mass for the People of St. John

Monday, March 19, 2012

9:00 – Donna McGrath – Memorial

Friday, March 23, 2012

9:00 -- Martin J. Hanley – 22nd Anniversary

Saturday, March 24, 2012

4:00 – Mass for the People of St. John

Sunday, March 24, 2012

8:00 – Rev. John W. Corcoran – 8th Anniv.

10:00 – Mass for the People of St. John

**6:00 – Rev. Christopher Adombilah –
3rd Anniversary**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Theodore W. Menard & Margaret M. Andrea whose funeral Masses were celebrated this past week.

Important Dates

3-18 – Sophomore Retreat – 2:30 – 6:00

3-20 – PPC & Fin Com meet @ St. Thomas -- 7 PM

3-22 – FINAL MEETING WITH ARCHITECT – IN CHURCH – 7 PM.

3-25 – Sophomore Retreat – 2:30 – 6:00 PM

3-26 – VIRTUS TRAINING – 6:30 PM

3-28 – CONFESSIONS – 7 PM

3-31 – 2ND Grade Retreat—10:30 – 12:30

Please keep the following in your

prayers: Pam Adornato, Cittadino Family, Nora Savoy, Frank McCarthy, Mary Saikin, Steve & Evelyn Mason, Annette Tarentino, Ronald Federico, MaryLou Marks, Alice Keymont, Don Kitchell, & Carah Finn.

Grand Annual Collection

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by 242 (13%) of our 2,000 families to our Grand Annual Collection. To date, these families have contributed \$47,089.

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

Mon - Fri - 9:00 AM Mass in the Chapel

Weds – 6:30 PM – Divine Chaplet of Mercy

Weds – 3/28 & 4/4 – The Light is on for You (Evening Confessions) 7-8 PM

Thurs. – 6:30 PM Mass

Fri – Stations of the Cross – 6:30 PM

HOLY WEEK

Thurs., Fri., & Sat. Mass at 7 PM -- No afternoon Stations.

EASTER SUNDAY – 8, 9:30, & 11:30 AM -- Easter Egg Hunt to follow 9:30 Mass

Please help us reach the goal of 300 memberships for the **2012-2013 300 Club** year by filling out the form below and returning it to the rectory with your dues (\$60) enclosed by Wednesday, March 30th in order to be eligible for the next drawing on April 3rd.

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
PHONE _____
ENVELOPE NUMBER (IF KNOWN) _____
METHOD OF PAYMENT:
\$60 () 2 PAYMENTS OF \$30 () 4 PAYMENTS OF \$15 ()



**Kiwanis Club of East Bridgewater
Annual Pancake Breakfast
& Charity Food Drive**

**Pancakes—Bacon—Eggs—
Toast—Juice—Milk, Tea & Coffee
Sunday, March 25th 7 a.m. – Noon
Gordon Mitchell Middle School**

**Seniors & children \$3; Adults \$5 – Family \$15
Proceeds to Benefit Kiwanis Scholarships and
Charities – “Bring Can Goods – Help a Family”**

**Archdiocese of Boston Mandatory
VIRTUS TRAINING
“Protecting God’s Children”**

MONDAY, MARCH 26TH @ 6:30 p.m.
Required of all employees and volunteers
of the parish who were not trained in last
year’s program

Living Our Faith Together

In the Gospel this Sunday, Saint John tells us that when we live the truth, we come to the light. We live the truth when we offer care and support to those who need us. Through generosity to the 2012 Catholic Appeal, tens of thousands of people experience the light of truth and their daily lives, thanks to the ministries it supports. If you would like to join with St. John’s in fulfilling our Catholic duty to serve the less fortunate, please complete one of the pledge forms in the back of the Church to make a gift online at www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org.

**ST JOSEPH MANOR’S
MATER DEI HEALTH CARE CENTER** offers support and relief to caregivers who have 24 hour responsibility of a loved one. Mater Dei provides a great place to spend the day. Our program provides: meals, social, spiritual and recreational activities, skilled nursing, rehabilitation, counseling, referral services and personal care services.

For more information, please call Louise Gallaher, RN, Program Director at 508-583-8313



Dear Friends,

I would like to share these Irish Blessings with you. They were taken from A Book of Irish American Blessings and Prayers by Andrew M. Greeley:

A BLESSING FOR LENT

*May the Sunday palms line your path
And the Seder bread unite your clan.
May the Paschal Lamb set you free
And the candle fire renew our land.*

*May this holy time heal all your pain.
May you be close to God throughout the week.
In the baptismal water may you live again
And find the Risen One for whom all seek.*

*And may God bless you
The Father who created you
The Son who knows you
And the Spirit who enfold you in love.*

A BLESSING FOR EASTER EVE

*As our baptismal vows we all renew
May the Paschal candle expel the dark
While Christians joyously sing allelu
May the Easter water heal your heart.*

*May you this holy time be born again
May you raise your head and clear your eyes
Any when at last you life must end
Along with Jesus may you then arise.*

*May the risen Savoir flood you with life
And flame you with love
Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit.*

God Bless,
Fr. Wally

CHOWDER



FEST– 7 p.m.

On Friday’s
after the
Stations of
the Cross:
March 23rd,
March 31st

Price is:
\$3.00pp, \$10
max per family

The members of **St. Vincent de Paul** are grateful to all of the parishioners who contribute to our work in the Food Pantry in any way.

Needed items: toilet paper, mustard, relish and mayo, cake mix, flour and sugar. Cold cereal & peanut butter and monetary donations are ALWAYS in demand.