



*Collaborative
of
St. Ann & St. John
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12, 2017*



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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

St John's
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Teen Mass – 6 p.m. TBA
Daily Mass, Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m.
In the Chapel
Divine Mercy every Thursday
After Mass.

St Ann's
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Daily Mass, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri.
9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on the 2nd Sunday of the Month at St John's and the 4th Sunday of the month at St. Ann's. Please call for registration.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturdays: 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. – Other times as scheduled in the bulletin or call the Rectory anytime.

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.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
St John's - 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7-8 p.m. in the Church.
St. Ann's - First Friday of the month following the 9:00 a.m. Mass concluding with Benediction at 10:30 a.m.
Registration: Families not registered, please call the Parish Office

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

February 6th —12h Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, February 11, 2017

4:00 - Domenic Capachione — 1st Ann.

Sunday, February 12, 2017

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - The lonely and forgotten

Saturday, February 18, 2017

4:00 - Patrick W. Sullivan — Birthday Rem

Sunday, February 19, 2017

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Children Suffering in the world

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, February 11, 2017

4:00 - Parishioners of St. Ann

Sunday, February 12, 2017

8:30 - Lyndsey Pellegrino — 10th Anniversary

10:30 - Valerie Teague — Memorial

Saturday, February 18, 2017

4:00 — Susan Ledoux — 4th Anniversary

Sunday, February 19, 2017

8:30 - Arthur & Marilyn Pigeon—Memorial

10:30 - Charles Edgerly — 20th Anniversary

DEACONS' CORNER

I am writing about the St. Vincent DePaul Society this week. I am sure many of you know the work that the St. Vincent DePaul Society does in St. John and St. Ann's Parishes. They are active in providing food for those in need, they provide financial aid for our friends who for whatever reason may be going through a difficult time, and they provide a smiling face and a ray of God's sunshine if even for a brief moment in their lives. All of this would not be possible without the help of many parishioner's donations of food, money, and prayers to support this worthy cause. I would like to remind you to look for the donation boxes at the doors of



the church and consider dropping a couple of dollars a week into these boxes. It is the price of a cup of coffee and I am sure most of us can afford that. The need is particularly critical during these winter months so that oil assistance may be provided. St. Vincent DePaul has a two-fold mission; first we seek the spiritual growth in each of our members through prayer, service, and spiritual reflection upon the life Christ calls us to live, and secondly to reach out and be the face and hands of Christ in the community by showing love to our neighbors. There are many ways one can help and we are always looking for individuals to join the St. Vincent DePaul Society.

May God Bless
Deacon Joe Hopgood

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Somebody once asked Charles Darwin, the proponent of the theory of evolution, the question "Is there anything that is true only of man?" Darwin answered: "Man is the only animal that blushes". What does it mean to blush? Well, basically it is an acknowledgement of being embarrassed over something. When we do something wrong, whether wittingly or unwittingly, we tend to get embarrassed; only the most callous of people wouldn't do so. When we purposely do something wrong which hurts or harms ourselves, another and/or God, we call that "sin". In the Catholic tradition, this purposeful engagement of wrongful behavior results in a damaging of (in the case of venial sin) or break in the relationship (i.e. mortal sin) which we have with others and God.

Thank God we have the Sacrament of Reconciliation to "right the ship", as it were, restoring that relationship back to where it should be. We also have the Ten Commandments, which are offered to us as a way of living. The Ten Commandments are a "blueprint" for living a life rooted in God's love. More than that, however, the Commandments are mandates (otherwise, they might have been given as the "Ten Suggestions", as I saw alluded to on a bumper sticker a while back!) from God on how we are to treat ourselves, others and God, and how we are to look critically at our lives. When we hear the word "mandate", we shouldn't be fearful; on the contrary, we are given this mandate from God (in the form of the Commandments) so as to live in freedom, a true and lasting freedom which the world cannot give.

Jesus, in speaking of the law and the prophets, tells His audience that He has come to fulfill, not abolish, them. The fulfillment of these comes through Jesus' own life, death and resurrection. When Jesus comes "on the scene", the Scribes and the Pharisees are controlling how the people view and live these realities (of the law and the prophets). The only problem is, they themselves aren't always living them; they are "talking the talk" but not always "walking the walk". This is the difference with Jesus. In fulfilling the law and the prophets, Jesus helps us to live both in the "letter" and in the "spirit" of the law, found in the Commandments and the prophets, found in Him. In doing this, Jesus brings about a radically new way of both perceiving and living life in God.

The Commandments are important both for the revelation of God's presence in the world and for His need to bring order out of chaos. They are also important in that they help us to live in full relationship with Him. May we have the courage to live both in the letter and spirit of the Law. May this Law bring about a freedom to live more fully alive in God, and help us to work toward the building up of the Kingdom here on earth, the betterment of ourselves and our brothers and sisters and for the greater glory of God!

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul

COLLABORATIVE NEWS AT ST. ANN'S & ST. JOHN'S

FR. BILLS & MAIN SPRING

Are you free on Mondays and looking to give back? We're in dire need of volunteers to help us on Mondays to prepare and serve lunch at The Table, our community lunch program at MainSpring House in Brockton. Volunteers must be at least 16 and available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Table provides free, healthy meals low-income and homeless individuals and families six days a week. If you're available to help us on Mondays, please contact our Volunteers Service Coordinator, Mary Ann Mendes, at 617-376-2255 ext. 2237 or at mmendes@helpfbms.org

LENTEN MISSION

The Collaborative Lenten Mission will be held from March 12th - 14^h.

Father Thomas Carzon, OVM, who conducted the Advent Mission, will preside.

Please check the PYM pages for specifics



Pancakes with the Pastor is February 12th instead of being the third Sunday of the month due to school vacation. This will be held at St. John's from 9:00—10:00. Eggs, sausage, and pastries will be served.



Every Thursday night
At 6:30 — St. Ann's Parish Center
Doors Open at 5:00

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Family Healing from Addictions Prayer Support will be held at Holy Ghost Parish, 518 Washington St, Whitman from 11am-12noon every first Saturday of the month. Prayer and a faith witness talk — followed by a light lunch, For more information, call Karen at (603) 682-7933

GETTING PREPARED FOR LENT

FASTING:

Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday (March 1,) and Good Friday (April 14) are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs; but, eating between meals is not permitted. Liquids including milk and fruit juices between meals are allowed.

ABSTINENCE:

Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday, March 1 and on all Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be taken at all.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Masses will be at both churches at 9 AM and 7 PM

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

During Lent, a diocesan program to encourage parishioners to go to confession called "The light is on for you" will be held at both parishes, when possible, on the following Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.: March 8, 22, 29, April 5, and 12.

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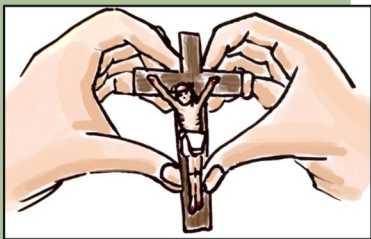
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L.O.O.P. – Life of our Parishes

Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry’s Mission: Each one of us is a unique, unrepeatable masterpiece from God. The Parish and Youth Ministry strives to share in each one of our special gifts to create moments we feel Christ among and around us. When we come together as a faith family, we all grow closer to the heart of Christ.

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Google Calendars are

available on our websites.

February 10th, 2017

Lenten Mission with Mary “Do Whatever He Tells You” Hosted by Fr. Tom Carzon, OMV March 12,13,14



Overview of the Mission

A century ago, our Lady appeared to three young shepherd children at Fatima. She called them to offer prayer and penance, for conversion and peace in the world by following Jesus more closely.

Sunday, March 12th at St. Ann’s

6:30 pm Adoration and Rosary

7:00 pm Mission Talk: **“Do Whatever He Tells You”** John 2:5

Enjoy a conversation about Mary’s invitation to conversion that is rooted in our Baptism. Together, we will learn more about our call to serve and live out our vocations in life and bring healing and transformation of our lives and the world.

Monday, March 13th at St. John

10:00 am: Morning conversation and prayer

Monday, March 13th at St. John

6:30 pm Adoration and Rosary

7:00 pm Mission Talk: **“Behold Your Mother”** John 19:27

Join Mary at the foot of the Cross and share in her compassion for her son. We will learn to trust in the mercy of God for our sins.

Confession

Tuesday, March 14th at St. Ann

10:00 am: Morning conversation and prayer

Tuesday, March 14 at St. Ann

6:30 pm Adoration and Rosary

7:00 pm Mass and mission Talk: **“Devoted to Prayer..with Mary, the mother of Jesus”** Acts 1:14

Learning to live in daily prayer and conversation and following Christ in our daily duties.

To learn more about Marian Consecration go to: www.33daystomorningglory.com—Thirty-Three Days to Morning Glory Closing Reception



In preparation of our Lenten Mission with Mary families or individuals are invited to sign up to host, for a week, in their homes, our statue of our Lady. She will be passed to a new family or individual each week at Mass. The host home would pray the rosary daily and invite friends and family to join them during the week in praying for our Parish Family. We will have wonderful resources for your family and friends to enjoy praying and learning more about the Rosary. If you would like more information or would like to become a host family contact Nancy Smith at nhenn71@hotmail.com.

Coffee Chats– Let’s Get to Know One Another

From January 23rd - April 1st we would like to visit with you to give you an opportunity to offer ideas, suggests, and concerns about our Parishes, programs and Collaborative faith journey . We are looking for hosts to invite a few friends to get together at your home or in our office. We will bring some goodies with us and a listening ear. No need for a huge time commitment, an hour will be a perfect amount of time to chat. The Rectory at St. Ann ’s has a beautiful dining room and sitting room, if meeting there is more convenient. We hope this will be a comfortable way to offer ideas. If there is a question that can't be answered, it will be brought to the right person and a follow-up answer will be given. Our Collaborative is a place for our families to come together in faith, grow in the love of Christ, and do so at each of our own individual paces. Our calendar is open for daytime chats or evening chats- whatever works best for you and your friends. Please contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nenn71@hotmail.com to schedule your coffee.



Our Team

Pastor: Fr. Paul Ring
Director: Nancy Smith

Adult Leadership Team
Meets the 4th Thursday of
each Month

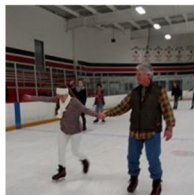
Youth Leadership Team
Meets regularly

Fundraising Team (including
our auction and golf tourna-
ment teams)

Reboot Live Team

You are welcome anytime to
join us!

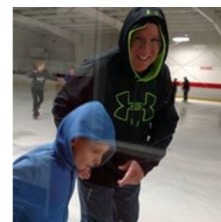




Family Skate Night– Bridgewater Ice Arena

Sunday, February 19th
7:00-9:00 pm

\$5.00 per person, including skate rentals
\$20 family package, including skate rentals for the whole family
One of our favorite events and all are welcome!
Snacks will be on-sale



Timber Lanes Bowling Partnership

We have joined Timber Lanes in Abington Fundraising Program. All you need to do is either bring our flyer with you or show the flyer on your phone for this great deal. (Up to six bowlers, shoes, and two hours of bowling for \$24.95) We will receive half every time you present the flyer! Go to: www.candlepin.com, under 50/50 fundraising, look for our name and click on the link for the flyer.



Auction and Golf Tournament News

The following are the needs set forth and we welcome your ideas suggestions and participation:

- A minimum of 150 donated items for our live auction, silent auction, raffles and games (including services, sports items, themed gift baskets)
- A minimum of 200-250 adults enjoying a night out that will include dinner, dancing, entertainment and the auction. If you buy a ticket and bring a friend we will reach our goal!
- 3-6 groups or individuals that would like to entertain our guests throughout the evening with song, dance, magic .A DJ willing to donate his/her services

The Golf Tournament will need a team and with your help and participation we can collect the needed raffle items, a title sponsor, hole sponsors, and ideally 144 players. Please contact Russ at russchampoux@gmail.com to become part of the team!

4th Annual Mission Trip with Catholic Heart Work Camp in Richmond, Virginia

Youth in 8th Grade –12th Grade and Young Adults in College are invited to join us for this life changing week of service, friendship, and faith. We are traveling to a new location in Richmond. Joining our team early means we can do more fundraising to help with the cost. Deadline to register for our team is February 27th.



June 24th–July 1st
\$630
Includes
registration with CHWC, transportation by Amtrak and meals.
\$90 deposit is due to reserve a spot

July 14-16, 2017
U Mass Lowell
\$270 program, lodging, food
\$50.00 deposit due to reserve your spot

STEUBENVILLE **FUEL**

Join us for a weekend of engaging liturgies, inspiring music, challenging talks, and overwhelming joy. This weekend is open to students in 8th-12th grade. There will be thousands of youth from around New England and beyond.



This weekend is something that needs to be experienced rather than trying to describe. Please go to:
<http://lifeteen.com/events/steubenville-east>
to see more pictures and videos and a full list of speakers.

Gala Night
at the Auction
Halifax Country
Club
Thursday,
April 6th
6:00-10:00 pm
\$30.00 per person
Dinner, Dancing,
Silent Auction,
Live Auction,
Games

Save the Date:
Golf
Tournament
Friday,
September 15th
at Riverbend
in West
Bridgewater
\$150 per golfer
Teams of (4)
Raffles and Lunch

PARISH NEWS FOR ST JOHN'S

<i>St John's Shared Treasure:</i>	Goal	\$5,900
February 5, 2017		\$6,020
	<i>Above Goal</i>	120
<i>Grand Annual Total - Jan. 8</i>		\$24,278

February 12, 2017 — Religious Education Collection
 February 19, 2017 — No second Collection



St Vincent de Paul Society At St. John's

Are you aware that St. Vincent de Paul here at St. John's Parish not only feeds our neighbor's in East Bridgewater through the food pantry but can also provide other assistance?

Monetary donations to St. Vincent de Paul from individuals, families, businesses and organizations are vital to our work in the community. We strive to help those who are sick or out of work, in need of fuel to heat their home, to pay gas or electric or just struggling to pay bills.

Cash and check donations to St. Vincent de Paul are down and we need your help. Please consider making a tax deductible contribution. No matter how great or small, it will help someone in need. Checks can be made payable to St. Vincent de Paul and mailed to St. John's Parish.

If you would like to contact us concerning a monetary donation, please leave a message on our **HOT-LINE** at **508-378-3760**. All information is confidential.

Please keep the following in your prayers: Karen Debenedictis, Arthur Hornstra, Lori Cullen, Mariann Moberg, Dottie Younis, Dave Swartz, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Carolyn Oliviere, Ginger & John Margesion, Bob McGanty, Harry Hewins, Laurie Murray, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Colleen Merto, Bill Osborne, Florence Lacey, Eleanor Moynihan, Edie Lincoln, Jim Cassidy, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Katy Skillings, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeff, Sharon Farrell, Tom Griffin, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Donna Shepard Folloni, Donna Millis, Jean Beaman, Bill Estes & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the



The Family Ministry will be selling lollipops the weekend of February 11th and 12th after each Mass.

Just in time for Valentine's Day!
DELICIOUS!!!!



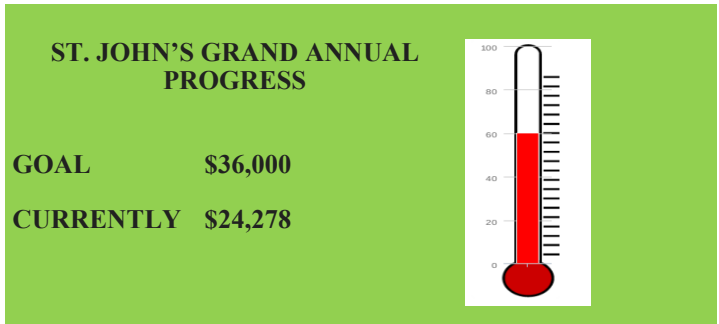
EASTER SCHEDULE OF DATES

- MARCH 1 — ASH WEDNESDAY
- APRIL 13 — HOLY THURSDAY
- APRIL 14 — GOOD FRIDAY
- APRIL 15 — HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL
- APRIL 16 — EASTER SUNDAY

World Marriage Day takes place on February 12, 2017. World Marriage Day is an observance sponsored by American organization Worldwide Marriage Encounter, associated with the Catholic Marriage Encounter movement and observed on the second Sunday of February each year. Its purpose is declared to be: "World Marriage Day honors husband and wife as the foundation of the basic unit of society. It celebrates the beauty of their faith-sacrifice, daily married life. This text has been taken from www.cute-calendar.com.



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Triduum/Easter Choirs

Practice for these choirs will begin on February 27th
 Please contact Paul Hoffman for more details
paulhoffman02@hotmail.com

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

Lent 2017. Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m..
 All parishes/collaboratives of the Archdiocese.

You are invited. Please come and experience Christ's healing love
 In the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

To Your family
 Staffs of St. John



from Fr. Paul and the
 and St. Ann.

PARISH NEWS FOR ST ANN'S

St Ann's Weekly Offertory:

February 5, 2017

\$3,617

February 12, 2017 — Religious Education Program
February 18, 2017 — No second Collection

West Bridgewater Food Pantry

The cupboards are empty.

There are many families in need of assistance. Cereal, cookies, cake mix, juice, crackers, & pudding are especially needed. You might want to consider a "gift certificate" from a local grocery store. The Food Pantry is located at the Spring St. School and is open the first & third Wednesday of the month from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM.

Help is needed! Please contact Calvin Grey at 508-559-6569 if you are able to volunteer!

PENANCE SERVICE

February 12, 2017
6:00—7:30 pm
At St. Ann's
For grades 7—10
In lieu of CCD Classes



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.



ST. VINCENT de PAUL AT ST ANN'S

St. Vincent de Paul Conference wishes to thank those that are dropping their contributions into the white boxes at the front and side entrances of the church. These boxes are under lock and key and are emptied quite frequently by a designated member of the conference. The monies collected are deposited into the conference's checking account and used to assist those families who ask for help from the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

At 7 pm
Will be held each Friday In Lent
Except on Good Friday
At Saint Ann's