



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, 210 CENTRAL ST., E. BRIDGEWATER, MA 02333
St John the Evangelist is a prayerful community in the Roman Catholic tradition called to witness the forgiving, healing, and saving presence of Jesus Christ in our sacramental, liturgical and social activities. Parishioners are called to respect all life and to offer evangelization for the parish, our town and surround communities. We are called to respond to the Gospel through the example of our lives. We reach beyond our parish to serve the needs of all people in our neighborhoods and around the world. We are a community of faith, hope and love.

May 22, 2016 — The Most Holy Trinity

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Monday – 9:00 – 4:00

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St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

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Most Holy Trinity

"He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you." *Jn 16:14-15*

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 6:00

Summer Schedule: Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 & 10:30

Daily Mass, Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of the Month at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. 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

Please 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

Come spend some quiet time with the Lord on the 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7—8 PM in the Church.

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

May 22, 2016

The Most Holy Trinity

Masses for the Week

6:00 MASS TONIGHT IS THE LAST OF THE SEASON

Saturday, May 21, 2016

4:00 - Fr. Paul's 21st Anniversary of Ordination

Sunday, May 22, 2016

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Jacqueline Hennebury

6:00 - Parishioners of St. John

Saturday, May 28, 2016

4:00 - Christians in the Middle East

Sunday May 29, 2016

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - St. John's First Communicants & Confirmandi

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Ann Storti, Karen Debenedictis, Arthur Hornstra, Brittany Paluch, Lori Cullen, Mariann Moberg, Len Shepard, Emily Armand, Dottie Younis, Dave Swartz, Roy Rossier, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Carolyn Oliviere, Ginger & John Margeson, Bob McGanty, Harry Hewins, Laurie Murray, Charles Micalizzi, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Jeanne Lavin, Colleen Merto, Bill Osborne, Jim Clem & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

IMPORTANT DATES

ADORATION — 7 PM WED'S — 6/8, 6/15

Sat. 5/21 — EBHS Media Club Car Wash — 12-4 PM

Sun. 5/22 — PYM Meat Raffle — 2-4 PM

Wed. 5/25 — Fin Com. Mtg. — 7 PM

Sat. 5/28 — PYM — Car Wash — 8—11 AM

Wed. 6/1 — PPC Mtg. — 7 PM

Sat. 6/18 — Mission Trip to Nashville

Sat. 6/25 — Parish Yard Sale — 9:00—2:00 PM

On-going — PYM Bottle Drive — drop off parking lot in wooden container labeled for drive. — 'til June 11th

St Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

At the pantry we have been stretched thin this spring. Our "warmth" foods are very low. We could use Spaghettios and Beef Ravioli, tomato sauce and tomato paste, chicken soup, regular baked beans, white albacore tuna, oatmeal and cereal.

As we approach the warmer month's ketchup, mustard, relish and mayo are always needed. Other very helpful items are bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant (men's/women's) shaving cream, razor, dish soap, laundry detergent, paper towel, and toilet paper.

The members of St. Vincent de Paul appreciate your help in keeping our shelves stocked. As always, what you give to the pantry is used for the pantry.

Our Shared Treasure

May 22, 2016

May 15, 2016

Offertory \$4,660 **Budgeted \$5,784**
Below Budget 1,024

Seminarians \$1168

First Communion \$254

Catholic Appeal — Goal \$26,392

Currently \$25,320

Need \$ 1,072

No Second Collection on May 22, 2016

No second Collection — May 28, 2016

THE FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY HAS SET UP A CHRISTIAN LENDING LIBRARY DOWNSTAIRS OUTSIDE THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE. IT IS GENERALLY OPEN DURING WORKING HOURS FOR THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE AND DURING THE HOURS BEFORE AND AFTER MASS.

NEW ANNULMENT WORKSHOP

In this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has created new norms for the processing of annulments. If you, or someone close to you, longs to be reconciled with this issue, a workshop presented by the Metropolitan Tribunal explaining this process and answering your questions will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at St Bridget Parish Hall, 455 Plymouth Street, Abington.

For more information, please call:

St Bridget— 781-878-0900; Holy Ghost—781-447-4421

Catholic Appeal Update

Our Catholic Appeal as of 4/12 we have made 160% of our In-Pew Goal (142 in-pew donors out of a goal of 80); this means if we make our overall goal, we will get a 5% bonus (if we meet the \$ total goal). We are well on our way to making the overall goal, as of today 5/16, we are at 96% of the target (\$25,320/\$26,392). Only \$1,072 to go.

Employment Opportunity — Two part-time

Religious Education Positions

Coordinator, Grades 1-6

Coordinator grades 7-10

Work with Pastor implementing curriculum, training teachers, plan for sacraments.

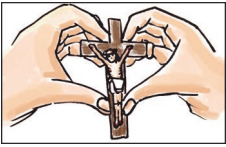
Experience & training a plus

Interested candidates, send cover letter & resume to Rev. Joseph S. McCarthy, St. Thecla Parish

145 Washington St. Pembroke, MA 02359

Additional Information available on website:

sttheclapembroke.org



LOOP Life of Our Parish

PYM MEAT RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

Sunday, May 22, 2-4 pm
@ Cameron on the Green
Lots of Fun, Great prizes.



July 15-17

Sign ups have started —
Cost \$215

Open to all HS students
(incoming Fresh to Graduated Srs.)
One Spot open



VBS - July 25th -29th

Sign ups have begun
Cost \$43 per Child;
\$100 fam max.

Register though this website

<https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/stjohneb>

Flocking to begin in May



On-going bottle drive in parking lot until 6/11



Taco Tuesday

June 28th

6:30 pm

Nancy Smith's House

"The Summer Youth Leadership Retreat is
planned for August 7 -- 11
at Craigville Beach
Only 6 spots open

Any of our youth that received the Sacrament of Confirmation this year and are interested in attending are encouraged to contact

Lorraine or Deacon Joe Hopgood at
508-378-1521 or email Lorraine at

repstjohn@stjohnrep.net for information.



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Throughout history, the concept of the Trinity has been hard to explain and harder yet to understand; St. Patrick used the shamrock, St. Augustine used the triangle. In attempting to do so, these learned men attempted to do something seen by many as quite impossible: explain what is, in essence, a mystery. This daunting task shouldn't cause us to abandon all attempts at understanding the Trinity, nor should it cause us to give up our belief in the Trinity. There are mysteries all around us that, while challenging, aren't things on which we give up. Try as we might, we've never come up with a full understanding of the concept of "love", yet that doesn't keep us from entering into the mystery which lies therein.

Entering into a mystery can, in many cases, help us to live it out in our everyday lives. When one speaks of the Trinity, one is confronted with understanding how three "persons" can make up one God. The coexistence of the Trinity comes in the cooperative nature of the same. We may rely on one or the other "persons" in the Trinity given where we are in our journey of faith; this does not preclude the existence of those other persons. When one calls upon the power of the Holy Spirit, we aren't abandoning the Father or the Son. When we receive Eucharist (understood in the Catholic-Christian tradition as the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ), we don't "set aside" our devotion or belief in the Father or the Holy Spirit. When one marvels at the beauty of the created universe (including the greatest creation of all, the human person), one does not remove the Son or the Spirit from the equation. The Trinity (as understood in our tradition) stands in our midst as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier, unique in "persons" (again, a term used for *our* understanding) yet one in Being.

The Church on this day celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (Trinity Sunday). In doing so, it recognizes that in this important teaching of the Faith, we do not abandon such mysteries – we enter into them. We do so by prayer and study, coming through faith to a better understanding of who God is and, by association, who we are. The doctrine of the Trinity is something which may never fully be understood, perhaps not until we reach the Kingdom. At that time, we shall see "God as God is" in the fullness of God's presence. In the Kingdom, all mysteries will be "solved". Until that time let us engage ourselves in this holy "struggle", asking that God the Father sustain us, God the Son walk with us and God the Holy Spirit enlighten us. May the Trinity be for us a source not of confusion, but great joy. In our celebration of Trinity Sunday may we call upon God: Father, Son and Spirit to bring us deeper into the mystery of the Godhead and in doing so move us to a greater love of God, the people of God, the world and, ultimately, the Kingdom.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul