



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 29, 2016 — The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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Monday – 9:00 – 4:00

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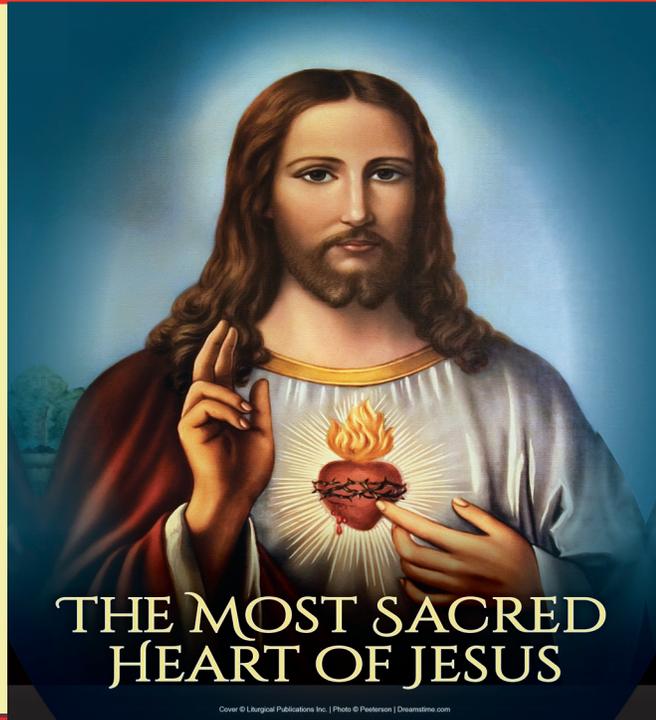
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St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

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

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

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Masses For The Week

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

Saturday, June 5, 2016

4:00 - Bill Monahan — 1st Anniversary

Sunday, June 12, 2016

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Jeanne Durante

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Ann Storti, Karen Debeneditis, 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 Margesion, 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. 5/28 — PYM — Car Wash — 8—11 AM
Wed. 6/1 — PPC Mtg. — 7 PM
Sat. 6/11 — EBHS Class of 2018 Car Wash—10-2 PM
Sun. 6/19 — Mission Trip to Nashville
Sat. 6/25 — Parish Yard Sale — 9:00—2:00 PM
Tues. 6/28 — Taco Tuesday at Nancy Smith's
On-going — PYM Bottle Drive — drop off parking lot in wooden container labeled for drive. — 'til June 11th



Sat., June 25th
9:00 AM—2:00 PM

Sponsored by:
The Catholic Women's Guild
& St. John's
Fundraising Committee

Items can be dropped off at the Rectory Barn or call the Rectory to have items picked up. (with pickup, nothing too large or heavy please.)

Our Shared Treasure

May 29, 2016

May 22, 2016

Offertory \$4,553 **Budgeted \$5,784**
Below Budget 1,231

Catholic Appeal — Goal \$26,392
Currently \$25,445
Need \$ 947

If we reach our goal, we will receive a rebate on our assessment instead of a bill.

No Second Collection — May 29, 2016

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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.

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.

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 (\$25,445/\$26,392). Only \$947 to go.



Please welcome the newest members of the Parish!

David Michael Hathaway, Jr.
Rory John-Henry Sheehan

HEALING SERVICE

An extraordinary evening of prayer and healing with Frank Kelly, Friday evening, June 3rd. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Quang Lee at 7:00 PM at Our Lady of the Lake Church, 580 Monponsett St. Halifax, MA 02338
For further info, please call Cheryl at 781-293-7971



LOOP Life of Our Parish

July 15-17

Sign ups have started —
Cost \$215
Open to all HS students



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/stjohnsb>



Country Shindig
Sat., July 23, 2016
From 5—11 PM
Church Backyard

This event is being planned by our Youth Leadership Team consisting of over 20 members. It will be an old fashioned night of summer fun including music, dancing, barbeque, corn-hole tournament, and games for all ages. Watch for ticket prices; coming soon.

Our 3rd Annual Mission Team has almost reached their annual fundraising goal — \$900 away from goal.



FLOCKING HAS BEGUN!!

On-going bottle drive in parking lot until 6/11
Bin located just beyond chapel edge of grass.

**"The Summer Youth Leadership Retreat is planned for August 7 -- 11 at Craigville Beach
Only 3 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,

Today, we in the Church celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). It is appropriate that we celebrate this feast on a Sunday. For many years, it was celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday (which was this Sunday, past). Because it is not a Holy Day of Obligation here in the United States, it was moved to the Sunday after Trinity Sunday. This was done so that the faithful could develop and grow a deeper appreciation of, and devotion to, the Eucharist.

The Eucharist is, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, the “source and summit of the Christian life” (CCC, 1324). It is also seen by the Church as “the efficacious sign of that communion in the divine life and that unity of the People of God by which the Church is kept in being” (CCC, 1325). In a nutshell, it is what we are all about in the Church and world. It is, to a great degree, what makes us “Catholic”. Many of our Christian brothers and sisters celebrate Holy Communion, but see it as a **symbol** of a greater mystery. We in the Catholic Church, on the other hand, see Holy Communion as the **Real Presence of Christ**: His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, found in the offering made at the altar each and every Sunday (if not each and every day). This gift of “transubstantiation”, done in memory of Christ, joins heaven to earth; it links the Kingdom of God created here on earth by God’s grace with the Kingdom of God yet to be seen by us. Furthermore, it makes the sacrifice of Jesus Christ real for us, helping us to remember the power in the words offered by Christ at the Last Supper: “this is my Body...this is my Blood” (Mt 26:26, 28; Mk 14:22, 24; Lk 22:19-20).

This “power” translates into action, the action of the people to carry forth the Presence of Christ into the world. We become, in essence, “living tabernacles” - repositories for the Body and Blood of Christ for our brothers and sisters to see. While they cannot see the actual Body and Blood, the world knows that we have partaken in the Eucharistic celebration by how we live our lives. They know by our words and deeds that we are living the promise of Jesus Christ to be with us until He comes again. The reception (both in demeanor and attitude) of this gift, therefore, is important. One should be as “properly disposed” (i.e. in a “state of grace”) as possible, availing oneself to the Sacrament of Reconciliation frequently and living in union with the Church and Her ways. One should always strive to be in “right relationship” with God, knowing in their heart that they are committed to the principles which Christ, Himself, established – to love God and neighbor. When one does this, one can receive Holy Communion with an open and loving heart, ready to share that love (which comes from God) with all whom they meet.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul