



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. November 6, 2016—32nd Sun in OT

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Prayer for FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

Gracious and loving God,
let your Spirit be with us today.
Hear our prayers,
and increase in us the will to follow your Son Jesus.

Help us to draw on the resources of our faith
as we use the opportunities of our democracy
to shape a society more respectful
of the life, dignity, and rights of the human person,
especially the poor and vulnerable.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever.
Amen.



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

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.

Registration: Families not registered, please call the Parish Office

**St. John is a Stewardship Parish
November 6, 2016
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**



Masses For The Week

Saturday, November 5, 2016

4:00 - Patricia & Raymond MacDonald & Patricia Hunnewell - 5th Anniversary for all.

Sunday, November 6, 2016

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Paul Russell - First Anniversary

6:00 - Beatrice and Louis Miller

Saturday, November 12, 2016

4:00 - Parishioners of St. John

Sunday, November 13, 2016

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Raymond Breton, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated October 19, 2016 and Virginia Hopgood whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on October 28th.

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 Margeson, 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 Bundeffer, Sharon Farrell, Tom Griffin, & The residents of Sagem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the

FRI. NOV 11TH - REMEMBER OUR VETS IN PRAYER.

IMPORTANT DATES

**ADORATION — 7 PM WED'S — 10/12, 10/19 St. John and— 9:30—10:30 1ST FRI of Month St. Ann's Divine Mercy every Thursday after daily mass.
Sun. Nov 6 — TEEN MASS — 6 PM
Mon. Nov 7 — Food Pantry — 3—6 PM
Thurs. Nov 10 — Ultreya — 7 PM — St. John Chapel
Fri. Nov 18 — Fun Friday — 7 PM — Parish Hall
Sun. Nov 20 — Pancakes with the Pastor — 9—10 St. John's Parish Hall**

RCIA CLASSES HAVE BEGUN.

RCIA is designed for anyone interested in converting to Catholicism or who wants to become a Catholic. The classes are at St. John's in the Chapel Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM

People looking to be confirmed would attend a separate class. Please contact St. John's Office if you are interested in either program.

*Our Shared Treasure
November 6, 2016*

Offertory Wkly Goal for fy 2016 \$5,900

*October 30, 2016 \$5,112
Below goal \$ 788*

Special Collection for Haiti \$1,301

St John's Offertory Budget is currently \$13,970 below goal.

November 6, 2016 — Campaign for Human Development
2nd Collection — Nov. 13 — Special Parish Collection — To reduce the deficit

The 2017 Lector Workbooks are in the Sacristy. If you are a Lector please pick one up. If you have not filled in a Cori, please do so.

**CORI'S ARE DUE.
MANY ARE MISSING.
PLEASE PICK UP AND HAVE VERIFIED
ASAP**

THANKSGIVING WILL BE UPON US BEFORE YOU KNOW IT.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY IS IN NEED OF ALL THE FIXING FOR THEIR THANKSGIVING DINNERS.

Stuffing, gravy, Cranberry or Pumpkin bread mixes, pie crusts, pie fillings, cans of cranberry sauce, etc.

Gift cards to local stores are also greatly appreciated and money donations are always a huge help!
Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Collaboration News: Forming Disciples is being offered free of charge for parishioners within a current collaborative and one may register by going to the website www.disciplesinmission.com/workshops
11/16/16 and 11/17/16 — 5:30 to 9pm, Resurrection Parish, 1057 Main Street, Hingham MA
/10/17 and 1/11/17 — 5:30 to 9pm, Pastoral Center, 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree MA
For further information you may call the St John / St. Ann Offices at 508-378-4207.

Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society here at St. John's would like to express their gratitude for all the generous donations made to the Food Pantry during our annual food drive in September. Your donations serve the needs of people here in our Parish and East Bridgewater. Remember what you give to the pantry is used for the pantry! Thank you and God Bless!

November 19 & 20 the Family Life Mission will be selling Lollipops after each Mass for Thanksgiving.



BLESSINGS FOR YOUR LOVED ONES!!!

St John's is beginning a program of remembering loved ones by Offering:

Masses of intentions (already in place)

Weekly vigil candle in their name

The gifts offered at Mass in their name.

Due to the limited number of masses available, we wanted to expand the opportunities of remembrance. The offertory for this service would be \$25 for Masses of Intention and \$30 for the gifts for the mass or the weekly vigil candle.

This would be posted in the bulletin.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



Food Court

Christmas items

Baked Goods

Crafts of all kinds

Hand Crafted items

Jewelry

Attic Treasures

Raffles

Religious items

Something for everyone!

Come on out for this year's Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 26th

9 am—3 pm.

Great buys, lots of fun, good food, and lots of spirit (not spirits).

MaryAnn Boyle is still taking reservations for tables. Don't miss out, Call early.



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Throughout salvation history, and right up until present day, the questions surrounding resurrection have come up and continue to perplex, amaze and confound. One of the reasons why we have these questions is due to the fact that, to my knowledge, no one has ever “officially” come back from heaven – save for Jesus, that is! It is this lack of personal experience, therefore, that has led to speculation, doubt and questions surrounding resurrection.

In today's gospel, the question of resurrection is posed to Jesus – what will it look like, will it resemble our life here on earth, will we know it when we see it? Jesus puts the question “to rest”, so to speak, by informing the crowd that it will be unlike anything that they have witnessed before. It will be an entirely new way of being, one in which the person brought into the Kingdom will have a life that is unlike anything experienced up until that point. Make no mistake about it – it will be life. Not an “afterlife”, as we might think, but both a new way of living as well as a continuation of how we live life here and now.

When I think of resurrection and the Kingdom, I tend to go to the Rite of Christian Funerals, the Mass of Resurrection that we celebrate as a Church, and the words which are used to describe what the deceased, please God, are experiencing. In the preface for funerals, we state that for the deceased “life is changed, not ended”, and that “when our earthly body lies in death, we gain an everlasting place in heaven”. These words, which have a power that gives meaning to what we are about in this matter, are meant to bring both peace to the deceased and comfort to the living. This is why we celebrate moments such as a Mass of Resurrection (i.e. Funeral Mass), Memorial Masses and “Month's Mind” Masses. They give us an opportunity to remember, to commemorate and to celebrate. It is not a celebration as the world would see it; it is a time not so much for “happiness” as it is for “joy”. It is a recognition that where Christ has gone, we hope to follow.

May we have the courage to hope in the gift of resurrection. May we know Christ's love and experience it fully. May we come to experience this life in Christ in some form or fashion here and now, so that one day we may join our brothers and sisters who have been “marked with the sign of faith” in the Kingdom.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul