
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

April 7, 2013

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Saturday, April 6, 2013

4:00 – Daniel Glover – 4th Anniversary

Sunday, April 7, 2013

9:30 – Felice Rondeau – 10th Anniversary

11:30 – Parishioners of St. John

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

9:00 – Dorothy Walsh – Memorial

Saturday, April 13, 2013

4:00 – Parishioners of St. John

Sunday, April 14, 2013

8:00 – Arthur Baggia – 5th Anniversary

Stephen Baggia – 3rd Anniversary

9:30 – James Pacheco -- Memorial

11:30 – Donald Derosier – Memorial

Important Dates

Sun – Thurs – 4/7-4/11 – Last CCD Classes

Weds. 4/24 – Confirmation Rehearsal – 7 PM

Thurs. 4/25 – Confirmation Rehearsal – 7 PM

Fri. 4/26 – Confirmation – 6:30 PM

Sat. 4/27 – Confirmation – 10 AM

Sun. 4/28 – PPC Mtg – following 11:30 Mass

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Nira Porciello, Jackie Hennebury, Billy Brown, Debra Vass, Meaghan O'Brien, Judy Potts, Debbie Sperre, Ellen Hansen, Niko Westhaver, Christopher Berlo, Penny Walsh, Juan Botta, Nolan Letts.

Catholic Appeal is here!

Your support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal helps countless people of all ages and backgrounds through 50 ministries of the Archdiocese of Boston. Thank you to all who pledged their support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal at Mass. To date our parish has contributed \$5,780 to this year's appeal. If you have not yet participated in the Appeal, you can make your pledge by completing one of the forms available at the back of the church or by contacting St. John Parish by calling 508-378-4207. You may also pledge your support to the parish campaign at www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org.

Don't forget that On-Line Giving is still available! Need help setting it up, call the Rectory!

To receive credit for giving, you must use envelopes or on-line giving. Loose checks do not get recorded.



Our Shared Treasure

Sunday, March 31, 2013

Clergy Benefit Trust: \$8181

Good Friday Collection: \$1178

Grand Annual: \$50 Offertory: \$1360

Thank you for your continued generosity.

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

As of this weekend, 159 families/individuals have contributed \$33,370 towards our parish goal of \$50,000. At this point in time last year, the parish had raised \$47,000 toward our goal of \$50,000. So as you can see, we have a way to go. The Finance Council has suggested that each working person/family contribute \$250 towards this important financial campaign. The council is well aware that some individuals will be unable to make a contribution of \$250 but some others will be able to make a larger contribution and many have already done so. Please know that whatever you are able to contribute will be gratefully received.

Additional Easter Flower Donations

Our loved Ones – Mr. & Mrs. Paul Allen

Charlebois Family, Tousignant Family, Jonas Family, Carso Family & the Souls in Purgatory – Mrs. & Mrs. Stephen Tousignant

SCHOLARSHIPS—St. John's Parish will award two \$500 scholarships in memory of Chet Shalginewicz and two \$500 scholarships from St. John's Parishioners—Applicants should pick up a form at the Rectory or in the Sacristy of the Church and return the completed form to the Rectory no later than April 28, 2013

Last week's Easter collection was for our priests. Thanks to your generous support, our parish raised \$7798 for the Clergy Funds in support of Fr. Wally and Fr. Don and the hundreds of priests who faithfully serve the Catholic faithful in our Archdiocese of Boston each day of their lives. Our parish contribution will have a significant impact on the health, welfare, and retirement needs of the faithful men who were there for us when we needed them. If you were traveling this Easter, or did not have an opportunity to participate, you are welcome to make a gift online at www.clergyfunds.org. On behalf of all our priests who will benefit from your generosity this Easter, thank you for your support.

Thank you for your help with cash and food donations for our food pantry. We would also like to thank the Kiwanis Club for their contributions to the pantry after their annual Pancake Breakfast last Sunday. It was amazing! We also need to thank our local Public Library for the food drive they conducted for our pantry. We are lucky to live in such a caring community. Because of everyone's help, we were able to provide forty families with a ham Easter dinner with all the fixings. Words cannot express the appreciation and joy we all feel when we all work together to help others. Thank you!!



Dear Friends,

On behalf of Deacon Joe and myself, I would like to thank everyone who had anything to do with the incredible Holy Week and Easter celebrations that were held here at St. John's. Thanks to Paul Hoffman, the music was absolutely awesome. The adult and children's choirs, the cantors and the musicians helped to make the liturgical celebrations moving and inspiring. I want to thank and recognize the altar servers who were "at the top of their game" this past week. The church looked beautiful and a special word of thanks goes to Lorraine Hopgood, Nancy Smith and her family and Pat McKenna who transformed our church into a little bit of "heaven". Finally, I want to thank Deacon Joe and Fr. Skerry whose assistance during this past week was invaluable. I pray that each of you were as inspired by these celebrations as I was and that the Easter season will be a time of grace and peace for all.

WORKSHOP ON VISITING THE SICK

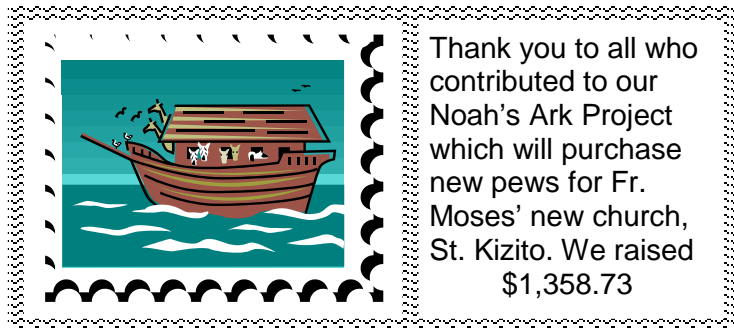
Starting Thursday, April 18, and running for six weeks (Apr 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, & 23), a workshop on *Pastoral Care to the sick and the Homebound* will be offered at the **Pastoral Center, Braintree from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM**. Sr. Paula Tinlin, SND, a certified chaplain from Caritas Carney Hospital, will teach the course. The workshop will include a review of communication skills, the basics of pastoral visitation, key illness issues, spiritual needs and concerns, grief, loss, and dying, and care giving issues. Eucharistic minister, pastoral visitors, parish nurses and others are encouraged to attend. Fee \$40. Registration information is available in the Parish Office or call 617-746-5843. Pre-registration is required by April 11.

God Bless,
Fr. Wally

The following email came in from Fr. Moses last week and I wanted to share it with you.

Wally – Thanks a million for the good news you often send. You are a man of good news. My regards best wishes of the season to all who are making it possible for Zaare Church to have some pews. With all the donors – either as groups or individuals, the pews in St Kizito Church of Zaare will be dedicated to them and prayers will be said every week for them and their loved ones as long as you can imagine. Thank them all in the meantime for their generosity and at the end of the project I will certainly send in words of thanks and appreciation to ALL. Have a blessed Holy Week and A HAPPY EASTER. Extend same to all Parishioners and to our friends at the Rectory and your Parents.

Moses



COLLEGE STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

Come join hundreds of your peers from across the City of Boston on **April 19th & 20th** for the sixth annual Archdiocese of Boston Eucharistic Congress.

Meet new people, listen to dynamic speakers (Msgr. Moroney and Ms. Susan Conroy who personally served with Bl. Mother Teresa in Calcutta), pray in new ways, get involved in Christian service, celeb rate Mass with Cardinal Seán O'Malley, enjoy delicious food catered by the Italian restaurants of the North End, and participate in an evening Eucharistic procession.

All this will be taking place at Sacred Heart and St. Leonard's Churches in the North End of Boston. For more info – www.EucharisticCongress.org

A special Thank You to Allan Comeau, a former resident of East Bridgewater, who donated a special family crucifix to our parish. This crucifix was used in the Good Friday liturgy and will find its new home in the chapel. This is a beautiful example of loving generosity and inspiration provided by the Holy Spirit.