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**St. John is a Stewardship Parish**

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**February 24, 2013  
2nd Sunday of Lent**

**Saturday, February 23, 2013**

4:00 -- Lenny Heath – Month’s Mind

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8:30 – William McEnaney – Month’s Mind

9:30 – Bonnie DeCosta – Birthday Mass

11:30 – Parishioners of St. John

**Saturday, March 2, 2013**

4:00 – Parishioners of St. John

**Sunday, March 3, 2013**

9:30 – Mary B. Doyle – 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

11:30 – June M. McHugh – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Important Dates**

Mon. – 2/25 – Session II -- 7 PM

Sacraments of Initiation

Mon. – Feb 25 – Finance Committee Mtg. – 7 PM

No CCD 3/5, 6, 7 – Parent Conferences

Sun. 3/3 Rescheduled Grade 10 Retreat – 11:30 AM

Thurs. 3/7, 3/14, 3/21 & Weds. 3/27 –Confessions @ 6:30 PM

Mon. 3/11 – Moral Issues – 7 PM – Session 4

Mon. 3/18 – Sacrament of Penance, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders – 7 PM – Session 5

***Please keep the following in your prayers:***

**POPE BENEDICT XVI,** 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, Brittany Paluch.

**Catholic Appeal is on its way!**

Many parishioners are receiving a letter from Cardinal Sean, asking for prayerful support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal. The Appeal sustains 50 ministries that assist the work of the Church within and beyond parish boundaries. Here at St. John, our ministry is supported by the Archdiocesan ministries of: Pro Life, Adult Faith Formation, Religious Education, Hospital and Prison Chaplaincies, RCIA, Tribunal, Permanent Diaconate, and Clergy Formation. We are also assisted in the management of the parish through Archdiocesan human resources, parish financial services, risk management, and property management. Your gift to the Catholic Appeal helps St. John and many good works throughout the Archdiocese. Please visit [www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org](http://www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org) to make your gift today.

***Our Shared Treasure***

*Sunday, February 17, 2013*

**Weekly Offertory: \$6671**

**Religious Education - \$557**

**Grand Annual: \$275**

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

**GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION**

As of this weekend, 145 families/individuals have contributed \$30,321 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.

***LENTEN DEVOTIONS ARE AT  
9:00 AM Monday - Friday***

***YEAR OF FAITH SERIES CONTINUES***

***Feb. 25 – Sacraments of Initiation***

*Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation*

***Mar. 4 – Sacrament of Marriage***

*Annulments, Divorce*

***Mar. 11 – Moral Issues***

*Physician Asst'd Suicide, End of Life*

***Mar 18 – Sacrament of Penance,***

***Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders***

**Children’s Choir rehearsals for Easter Sunday will take place Monday evenings from 6-7 pm during Lent. Teen/Adult Choir rehearsals for the Paschal Triduum/Easter will take place Monday evenings during Lent from 7:15-8:30 in the church. This is a wonderful opportunity for those who are unable to make a year-long commitment but would still like to participate in the choir. Contact Paul Hoffman, Music Director, for more information at [p.hoffman@stjohne.org](mailto:p.hoffman@stjohne.org)**

## Lenten Obligations

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 years of age. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Easter this year is March 31<sup>st</sup>.

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

United Methodist Church, East Bridgewater  
54 North Central Street

#### Rummage Sale -- March 1 & 2 – 9:00 – 2:00 pm.

Gently-used clothing, shoes, household items, kitchenware & toys. No computers, monitors, printers, televisions or lg. furniture will be for sale.

Tables will be available for \$20 either or both days.

To reserve a table, call 508-378-2814

#### Cookie & Craft Fair -- March 16 – 9:30 – 2:30 pm

Luncheon from 11:30 – 1:00

Free Admission

#### Celebration of Song – March 17 – 3:00 PM

Thirteen Methodist choirs from the South Shore join in song to celebrate the life of Christ, reflection of Lent, & the miracle of Easter!

### THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**  
will be available on Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM  
on 3/7, 3/14 & 3/21  
And on Wednesday 3/27.

### A WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER

Saturday, March 2, 2013

1 – 5 PM

Fr. Peyton Center,

518 Washington St. N. Easton, Rte 138

To Register: Contact Rosemary Symes at

508-279-1757

Carpooling available at St. Thomas at 12:00 PM or you can be **picked up at your home.**

**Family Rosary Lenten Retreat – Sunday, March 10  
1:30 – 5 PM for all members of the family. Includes activities, keynotes, family activities, Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary Prayer + more. Bishop Stang HS  
Cost \$5 pp / \$20 max. For more information, call 508-238-4095 or [www.FamilyRosary.org/retreat](http://www.FamilyRosary.org/retreat)**



Dear Friends,

This letter from the Chancellor of the Archdiocese came in this week and I thought you would appreciate me sharing it with you, as it is your devotion to your parish that has allowed this to happen.

Dear Fr. Keymont:

I wanted to take this opportunity to extend my sincere gratitude and appreciation to you and the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist parish who faithfully repaid the obligation to the Revolving Loan Fund. We have received your final payment on your loan this week.

In reviewing the history, the majority of this loan was incurred in the late 1990's for renovations to the church building and parking lot. I recognize the sacrifice and discipline that it took to continue making payments all these years on the loan.

Please extend my gratitude for the generosity of the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist parish.

Thank you for all that you do for the Catholic church of Boston and the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist parish.

Sincerely

John E. Straub  
Chancellor

God bless,  
Fr. Wally

### Training for Altar Servers

There will be training for Altar Servers – March 3<sup>rd</sup> following the 9:30 Mass.

Remember that ON-LINE GIVING is available for your convenience. The website has directions to

This Lent remember to donate any loose change or more if you can, to Noah's Ark. All the proceeds will be given to Fr. Moses in Ghana for pews in their new Church – Saint Kizito.