
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

**January 1, 2012
Solemnity of Mary
Happy New Year & God Bless**

Saturday, December 31, 2011

4:00 – Mike Lombardi, Sr. – 19th Anniversary

Saturday, January 7, 2012

Addison Barrett – 3rd Anniversary

Sunday, January 8, 2012

8:00 – Mass for the People of St. John’s

10:00 – Gene Biagi – 29th Anniversary

6:00 – Henry Curtin – 1st Anniversary

Important Dates

12/31 – BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

1/8 – TEEN MASS –6 PM

1/8 – PRAYER SHAWL MEETING 3 PM

1/13-15 – SKI TRIP 8

SPOTS STILL AVAILABLE

CALL FR. WALLY IF INTERESTED

1/18 – PPC MEETING 7 PM IN CHAPEL



A special thanks to all the parishioners who help out throughout the year. No matter how you serve, your efforts are appreciated and your service to the parish of St. John’s is invaluable. May God bless you on this special day and throughout the coming year!

The Staff at St. John’s

Grand Annual Collection

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by 188 (10.6%) of our 2,000 families to our Grand Annual Collection. To date, these families have contributed \$30,109. If you haven’t had an opportunity to return your donation, please do so as soon as possible. The Parish Finance Council has recommended a donation in the amount of \$250. Perhaps you do not worship with us on a regular basis, but count on St. John’s to be there when you need us. Now we need you and all our parishioners to be there for St. John so that we may reach our goal of \$46,000. May God Bless your generosity.

Our Shared Treasure

Clergy Benefit Trust Christmas Collection: \$8412

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION: \$30,109

Thank you for your continued generosity.

THE RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, JAN 2

Please keep the following in your

prayers: Rita LoCicero, Fedela Nuovo, Patricia Polcaro, Pam Adornato, T.J.Herlihy, Dorothea Delano, Holly Benson, Cecilia Chapman, Susan Collins, Baby Isabella, Joseph A. Hurley

****Due to the ever growing number of names in our prayer list, we will be removing names after one month’s time to make room for more people in need of our prayers. The complete list of names can be found on our website:***

www.stjohneb.org

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER

The Pro-Life Committee will host the Annual Parish Baby Shower from Saturday, December 31st through Sunday, January 22nd. All donations will assist mothers in need within the Archdiocese who have chosen life for their babies. The following items are needed:

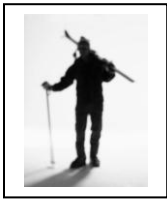
- Disposable diapers (Newborn to size 1)
- Diaper bags
- Crib sheets
- Sleep n Play sleepers (up to 12 mo. Very much in need of size small)
- Nightgowns
- Baby Bottles
- Receiving Blankets
- Rattles, Pacifiers, Teethers
- Toiletries ie...
- Wipes, rash ointment, baby shampoo, baby soap, Baby lotion, powder, baby nail clippers, baby thermometers
- Baby towels
- Crib sheets
- Blanket Sleepers
- Socks

PLEASE DO NOT WRAP THE ITEMS—PLACE IN CRIB BY JAN. 22, 2012

Questions, Call Missy Schrader at 508-350-0017 or email missyschrader@erizon.net

*Christmas Flower Offering
Patricia, Robert, & Michael Robichaud
- given by Jane Piver*

Prayer shawl meeting –January 8th
3 pm Riddel Rd



8 SPOTS LEFT ON THE SKI TRIP—CALL FR. WALLY IF INTERESTED 508-378-4207

Healing Mass and Blessing will take place at the Father Peyton Center, 518 Washington Street, North Easton, MA on Friday, January 6 at Noon. Celebrate the Feast of Saint Andre Bessette, CSC, Known as a healer and the “Miracle Man of Montreal,” Brother Andre founded the magnificent Oratory of St. Joseph in Montreal. One million people paid their respects at his funeral and devotion to him continues today. Join us for a Healing Mass, a blessing with a Saint Andre Relic and anointing with St. Joseph oil from the St. Joseph Oratory in Montreal, Canada For more information: www.FamilyRosary.org or 508-238-4095.

Prayer to Mary, the Mother of God

Grace-filled, unspotted, God-bearing virgin, holy your womb: Emmanuel lay in it. You fed at your breast the food of the world. What praise can reach you, what glory touch you? Hail, God’s mother, delight of the angels; hail, full of grace, foretold by prophets’ preaching. The Lord is with you. The child you bore has saved the world.

From the Early Christian Liturgy



The members of St. Vincent de Paul want to thank all of the parishioners for your incredible generosity. We are very grateful for your food donations, your financial gifts and your prayers. Each gift, no matter how small, helps us to serve those in need. We wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

ST. VINCENT de PAUL HOTLINE: 508-378-3760



Dear Friends

Christmas at St. John’s was once again glorious. The church looked absolutely beautiful, thanks to several of our high school students who decorated it last Thursday. They spent many hours not only making sure that our church looked beautiful, but they also cleaned it afterwards. The Peer Ministers also set up the hall to accommodate 300 worshipers on Christmas Eve. I want to thank Matt Crowley, our church and rectory worker who spent many long hours making sure that all of the details that make Christmas so special here were taken care of. Well done Matt! St. John’s has become known for its beautiful music all year long but most especially at Christmas time and this year was no exception. Mr. Paul Hoffman, our director of Music, led the Teen Choir, the Children’s Choir and the Adult Choir with perfection. The music was extraordinary, prayerful and inspirational. I want to also thank all of the musicians who help to make the music so special. I want to thank the ushers, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and the ladies who clean the church, whose contribution during the year and especially at Christmas time is so important. A word of profound thanks goes to Fr. Kani. He has made such an important contribution to St. John’s this past year. His ministry among us has taught us many things about the Universal Church to which all Catholics around the world belong. Although he is thousands of miles from home and certainly misses his family and his beloved India, I know that I speak for all of us when I say: “Fr. Kani you are home here as well.” I also want to thank Anne and Tom Kerrigan who taped the Christmas Eve Mass at 4:00 live for the residents of our two nursing homes and for our shut-ins and for all of us to enjoy. Finally, to all of you, for your cards, gifts, kind words, and most especially for your presence this Christmas, a heartfelt thanks. May the New Year be filled with many blessings for you!

God, Bless,
Fr. Wally

Blood Pressure Clinic following the 4:00 Mass