
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

March 3, 2013

3rd Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 2, 2013

4:00 – Parishioners of St. John

Sunday, March 3, 2013

9:30 – Mary B. Doyle – 18th Anniversary

11:30 – June M. McHugh – 20th Anniversary

Saturday, March 9, 2013

4:00 – Paul Luddy – 29th Anniversary

William A. Luddy – 37th Anniversary

Sunday, March 10, 2013

8:00 – Parishioners of St. John

11:30 – Stephen Hopkins – 14th Anniversary

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lori Hannan whose funeral Mass was celebrated Friday.

Important Dates

No CCD 3/5, 6, 7 – Parent/Teacher Mtgs

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. 3/4 – Session 3 – Sacrament of Marriage – 7 PM

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

Mon. 3/ 18 – Session 5 – Sacrament of Penance

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, Brittany Paluch.

Catholic Appeal is here!

This weekend, St. John joins with all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston in the 2013 Catholic Appeal. The Appeal supports the 50 ministries that benefit hundreds of pastoral, charitable, and educational programs. This is the most effective way for our parish community to join in the Church's universal work of caring for those among us who are in need. We are each called to care for our neighbors, and during this holy time of Lent, we have the opportunity to be the Good Samaritan to others through our support of the Catholic Appeal. To join with St. John in our goal to raise \$26,541, please pledge your support on the envelope provided in the pews and return the completed form to the back of the Church. You may also pledge to the parish campaign at www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org Thank you for your prayers and support of this important effort.

Our Shared Treasure

Sunday, February 24, 2013

Weekly Offertory: \$7157

Grand Annual: \$800

Thank you for your continued generosity.

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

As of this weekend, 148 families/individuals have contributed \$31,121 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

*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

GOLD & PEARL RING LOST

One of our parishioners lost a ring given to her by her husband for her birthday. Extremely sentimental. Please contact the rectory if you know of its whereabouts.

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 31st.



Dear Friends,

The parish lost a faithful and loyal parishioner on Monday—

Lori Hannan. She was the devoted wife of Myles and mother of Justin and Missy and she was wonderful friend to many people. Lori died at age 49 of ALS, a dreadful disease. However, she suffered with grace and dignity and often with a smile. Please keep the Hannan family in your prayers as they walk the difficult path that lies before them.

I would like to invite everyone to attend our Lenten series to celebrate the Year of Faith that the Holy Father initiated. The next talk will be on March 4 at 7:00 pm and the topic will be Marriage-Divorce and Annulments. Please see the bulletin for further details.

The snow removal bill thus far has been \$7,100. If you have been unable to get to Mass due to the winter storms, please try to make up for past donations. And, whoever has been praying for snow, please stop!

Sincerely

God bless,
Fr. Wally

Did you ever attend Saint Patrick School in Roxbury? We are celebrating our 125th year of Catholic Education and are looking for all past students. Please call 617-427-3881, visit our website: www.saintpatsroxbury.org; email us at 125thanniversary@stpatsroxbury.org or check out our Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/saintpatsroxbury.

Please join us on Sunday, April 28, 2013 for a 10 am trilingual Mass at St Patrick Church followed by a reception at the IBEW Hall on Freeport Street in Dorchester.

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.

Cardinal Spellman HS is presenting:
Seussical the Musical
on Friday, March 8th and Sat. March 10th at 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$10 for reserved seats and \$7 for unreserved seats and may be purchased by calling Tammy Genereux at 508-583-6875. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

Good Friday at 12:00 noon will be the "Seven Last Words" presented by all the clergy of East Bridgewater

Mrs. Tully's 5th grade class will be selling baked goods after the 9:30 Mass on March 10th. The proceeds will go to the purchase of pews for Fr. Moses' church in Ghana.

COLLEGE STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

MEN'S VOCATION DISCERNMENT WEEKEND

March 15-17, 2013 Friday night – Midday Sunday
Monsignor James Moroney will preach at Betania II Retreat Center in Medway/St. John's Seminary
Prayer and the Spiritual Life
Vocation and Discernment
Eucharist and Christian Discipleship
The Gift of the Priesthood
Conversations with and witness talks by seminarians
Mass and Brunch at St John's Seminary
Opportunity to speak to priests about your vocation
Time of prayer with other men like yourself
For more info – Vocation Office – 617-746-5949

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

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.