

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.

Parish Office-----**508-378-4207 FAX 508-378-7317** Monday – 9:00 – 4:00 Tues-Fri – 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Or by appointment **E-MAIL: stjohnebridge@comcast.net Registration:** Families not registered, please call the Parish Office

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www.stjohneb.org Facebook: St. John the Evangelist-EB St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry 508-378-3760 Ind then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." — Mk 13:26-27

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November 15, 2015 — 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# **EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 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 Please 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.

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St. John is a Stewardship Parish November 15, 2015 33nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Masses of Intention

Saturday, November 14, 2015

4:00 - Donald Brems — 2nd Month's Mind <u>Sunday, November 15, 2015</u> 8:00 - Parishioners of St. John 10:30 - Parishioners of St. John 6:00 - Parishioners of St. John <u>Saturday, November 21, 2015</u> 4:00 - Emily M. Harrington — 1st Anniversary <u>Sunday, November 22, 2015</u> 8:00 - Parishioners of St. John 10:30 - Parishioners of St. John 6:00 - Parishioners of St. John

### Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Ann Storti, Karen Debenedictis, Floyd Weaver, Christopher MacDonald, Elaine McKeon, Joseph Recco, The Shearing Family, Alex Hankey, Chris Golden, Paul Martin, Joe Z., Steven Lacey, Pat Lang, Patrick Foley, Karen Burke, Steve Mason, Rachel, Mary Callahan, Christina Wedge, Jack Donavan, William Lucini, William Estes, Paul Moreau, Holton Weingrad, Arthur Hornstra, Brittany Paluch, Kathleen Creighton, Tim Tully, Lori Cullen, Len Shepard, Emily Armand, Tracy Belmoore, Dottie Younis, Judy Crowley, Dave Swartz & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

If you know of anyone who should be included or taken off the prayer list, please let the Rectory know.

# **EMPORTANT DATES**

ADORATION — WED'S — 11/18, 12/9, 12/16 Sun. 11/15 — Christmas Pageant Rehearsal Fri. 11/20 — Fiesta Friday — 7-10 PM Tues. 11/24 — Pick up for Edible Arrangements in Hall Sat. 11/28 — Annual Christmas Bazaar — 9-3 in the Hall Thurs. 12/3 — Interfaith Advent Service — Lighting of the Tree on the Common — 7 PM Thus. 11/26 — Thanksgiving Mass — 8:00 AM Fri. 12/4 — Lift at the Cathedral in Boston w/ a national speaker — 7-9 PM Sat. 12/5 — Christmas on the Common Sun. 12/6, 13 — Christmas Pageant Rehearsal — 9-10 am. Tues. 12/8 — Immaculate Conception — Holy Day of Ob. Thurs. 12/10 — Family Prayer Workshop — 6:30 Sat. 12/19 — Christmas Pageant following 4PM Mass

> Come and learn the various ways to pray at THE FAMILY PRAYER WORKSHOP Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015 At 6:30 — Everyone welcome A great way to enter into Advent!

Our Shared Treasure November 8, 2015 Offertory: \$5,772 Budgeted: \$5,784 \*\*Below Budget \$ 12 Fiscal yr. 7/1/15—Present: Deficit \$9,028

## Grand Annual: \$5,856

Today's Special Parish Collection — Roof Repairs 2nd Collection Nov. 22th — Retired Religious Sisters



Food Court

Baked Goods

Chrístmas ítems

Crafts of all kinds

Hand Crafted ítems

Jewelry

Raffles

Attic Treasures

Religious items

Something for everyone!

St . John's Catholic Women's Club

7<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Bazaar

(Craft Fair)

Sat, November 28<sup>th</sup> - 9 am 0 3 pm

# PARISH & YOUTH MINISTRY (PYM) EVENTS



Rehearsal Dec. 6, - 9:00-10:00





LIFT MINISTRIES **SAVE THE DATE — DECEMBER 4** AT THE CATHEDRAL IN BOSTON PYM has a bus available! Contact Nancy Smith—508-378-1521

# FIESTA FRIDAY Friday, November 20, 7—10 PM Come enjoy a movie in your PJ's Everyone is welcome!



The EB HOPE Substance Abuse Outreach and Intervention Program will provide individuals with Substance Use Disorders (SUD) and/or family members information about professional health services and support resources.

### First and Third Thursday of every month from 5-9PM

- Mental Health Triage Counselor professionals
  - Inpatient and Outpatient levels of care
- Recovery services from Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery (MOAR)
  - Family support resources through Learn to Cope
  - On-site training of the proper use of nasal Naloxone
    - Faith Based Support



400 Pleasant Street. East Bridgewater , MA 02333



Thanksgiving is right around the corner!

The food pantry will be giving out Thanksgiving Dinners again

this year and could use the following items:

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!



The Giving Tree is Up! Please take a ticket for a Gift Card Please return the card by Dec. 13th Make sure you write the \$ amount on the Gift Card. Tis the Season....



THANKSGIVING MASS will be celebrated at 8:00 AM Thursday, November 26, 2015 Just in time to get the turkey in the oven or be on time for the

Football Game Please bring a bag of food for the food pantry to Mass.



My Dear Friends in Christ,

There has been, for the longest time, what could be called "end-time phobia". It is the

panicked approach by some that "The End Is Near" (as I saw on a placard in downtown Boston recently). This "visionary" approach is usually paired with some "doomsday scenario" taken either from the Book of Revelation or the mind of movie director James Cameron take your pick! Well, here it is – the year 2015; it is fifteen years past the predictions of "Y2K" and what would follow and we're still here.

My point in bringing up all of these end-of-the-world scenarios is not to dismiss the fact that the world will end. Regardless of the "when", the "if" of the matter hardly up for debate; by all accounts, spiritual and secular, the world *will* end. In today's gospel, Jesus prepares His followers for the fact that the world, as we know it, will cease at some point. What Jesus does not reveal is the "when" of the event, for it is only in the mind and heart of God the Father and, as my mother would say, "God only knows, and He ain't tellin'!" This should not worry us, but it should serve as a reminder to us that each day is a gift, and that we should indeed work as if each day was our last. In that way, we fulfill the praverful mandate of the "Our Father" that we make "thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven". The "Lord's Prayer" reminds us, in this stanza, that the day/date/time of the "parousia" (the "end time") should not concern us. What should concern us is that we are building up God's Kingdom here on earth as best we can, by being God's good and faithful service, reaching out to those in need. lifting the downtrodden and assisting those who are in need of God's mercy and love to find it in us, God's faithful servants.

Today's readings speak of the "end times" – what they will look and feel like, how they will come about for all, believers and non-believers alike. We would do well to heed these words, to put our faith not in human beings but in God, and work so that when the end comes (as it surely will) we are found ready to be welcomed into God's Kingdom. Jesus promises us that His Word will be with us until the end of time. May we trust in that word of hope, peace and love. May we come to know that our God will not leave us abandoned and may we be prepared to be welcomed into God's Kingdom by being, and remaining, God's good and faithful servants.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul