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**St. John is a Stewardship Parish**

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**October 16, 2011  
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, October 15, 2011**

4:00 – Jay & Timothy Barry – Memorial

**Sunday, October 16, 2011**

8:00 – Merlin McKenna –Month’s Mind

10:00 – St. Vincent de Paul – Memorial

6:00 – Danny Briggs – 37<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Kenneth Briggs – 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Saturday, October 22, 2011**

4:00 – Mass for the People of St John

**Sunday, October 16, 2011**

8:00 – Doc & Marion Wood -- Memorial

10:00 – Linda Fontaine – 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

6:00 – Lorraine Kerrigan – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Donald Kerrigan – 10th Anniversary

**Important Dates**

10/19 & 10/20 – Adult Confirm Class, 7:00 PM Chapel

10/23 – St. Vincent de Paul Retreat – 2-8 pm Miramar

10/26 – Pastoral Parish Council Meeting – 7:00 – Chapel

10/30 – Halloween Coffee & Conversation—following

10 AM Mass

11/1 – All Saints Day—HOLY DAY

11/2 – All Souls Day

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

*Nelson Powers , Lana Thomas, Don Kitchell, Bill Browne, Russell L. Clifford Jr. & Ruth Russell, Jack, Sheila, Joseph McElhiney Mary Ellen Johnson, Robert Small, Madison Murray, Ian Hickey SPC, Nathan Gilbert BU3 and Rita LoCicero, Fedela Nuovo, Betty DePietro, Pam & Vince Adornato.*

***\*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](http://www.stjohneb.org)**

**Annual Knights of Columbus**

*Tootsie Roll Drive*

Weekend of Oct. 15 & 16

After all Masses

Please be generous, proceeds provide financial assistant to any handicapped person under the age of 21.

***Our Shared Treasure  
October 9, 2011: \$4925  
Youth Ministry Collection: \$1473  
GRAND ANNUAL COMING IN NOVEMBER***

***2<sup>nd</sup> Collection, October 23 – Mission Sunday***

**ALL SOULS**

November is the month dedicated to all those who have gone before us marked with the gift of Faith. During the month of November, a Novena of Masses will be celebrated for those loved ones that you want to be remembered. Simply uses the envelopes that you have received or the ones on the ushers’ tables for this purpose. The names of your loved ones will be remembered every day at Mass. The envelopes will be placed on the altar.

**WE MISSIONARIES**

**On World Mission Sunday, Oct. 23, we have the opportunity to be part of the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands through our prayers and generous help offered to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.**

**AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
OPEN HOUSES**

**CATHOLIC MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL**

Sunday, October 16, 2011

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

617-469-8019

**NOTRE DAME ACADEMY**

Sunday, October 16 – 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Thursday, November 3 – 5:00—7:00 PM

**ARCHBISHOP WILLIAMS HIGH SCHOOL**

Open House October 23—12-2 PM

Thursday, November 3 – 6:00 – 8:00 PM

781-535-6051

**CARDINAL SPELLMAN HIGH SCHOOL**

Thursday, October 27, 2011 at 7:15 p.m.

508-583-6161

**XAVERIAN BROTHERS**

Sunday, October 30 – 10:00 – 1:00 PM

781-326-6392

**FEAST DAY OF BLESSED JOHN PAUL II:  
MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL**

**OCTOBER 22, 2011**

**Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross  
followed by a talk by George Weigel.**

Cardinal Sean will be the main celebrant and homilist. Mass will be at 10:00 am and the talk, entitled, *Blessed John Paul II: A Saint for Our Times* will follow at 11:30 am. This Mass also provides the opportunity to recognize the 100's of people who have participated in the

**Adopt-A-Priest Apostolate**

Coordinated by Serra Vocation Club of Boston and the Vocation Office over the last few years.

"Adopters" have agreed to pray each day of the year for the priest assigned to them. All are welcome. For more information call 617-746-5949

Or see [www.vocationsboston.org](http://www.vocationsboston.org)

**CYO Ski Trip**

Annual CYO Ski Trip will be held the **weekend of Jan. 13-15 (MLK Weekend) to Stowe Vermont.**

The cost is **\$264** per person (**4 to a room**) and it includes, **2 nights** accommodation at the **Doubletree Hotel in S. Burlington, 2 breakfast and 1 dinner buffets, 2 all day lift ticket to Stowe Mountain Resort and by motor coach. We must have 40 paid persons** to make this trip happen and we must have that



information soon so that accommodations can be booked. Therefore, there will be **a sign-up by Sunday Oct. 16th** and a **\$100. Non-refundable deposit** will be due at this time. The **remaining \$164 will be due Dec. 1.** Any student in grades 9-12 is welcome to sign-up. Please see Fr. Wally for further details or if you wish to sign-up at another time.

**\*\*\*\*USHERS DESPERATELY NEEDED\*\*\*\*\*  
FOR THE 6 PM MASSES  
INTERESTED PEOPLE PLEASE CALL  
FR. WALLY**

**300 CLUB RAFFLE**

If you would like to become a member for the remainder of the 2011-2012 300 Club, just tear out this form and submit your application. Drawings are once a month. Next drawing Oct 29<sup>th</sup>.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

ENVELOPE # (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

(1) PMT \$30 ( )                      2 PMTS OF \$15 ( )



Dear Friends,

The parish family is well aware that meetings have been taking place involving the Building/Renovation committee, the Parish Finance Council and the Parish Pastoral Council regarding the expansion of the seating area and the renovation and updating of the church which was built in 1954. I would ask you all to go to the parish web site--[www.stjohneb.org](http://www.stjohneb.org) and take a look at the preliminary drawings (there are four models) and their corresponding construction cost as well as additional costs incurred apart from the construction costs. At some point in the upcoming months more detailed drawing from the firm of ADC (Architectural Design Concepts) will be presented to the parish. No decision has been made to actually go forward. However, the three committees are in total agreement that there is a definite need to do something. Why? The Archdiocese is going to submit a pastoral plan for the future in the next few months because the number of priests will soon be fewer than the number of parishes. Since the Vatican has indicated that closing parishes is not going to be part of the future reconfiguration process, one pastor will be needed to shepherd more than one parish. Therefore, the number of Masses in each parish will need to be reduced.

We all know that our church is crowded now with four Masses, thus something will have to be done at some point when the number of Masses is reduced from four to perhaps two or three.

Whatever the details of the new pastoral plan for the future of the Archdiocese are and whenever they are to be implemented is not clear yet but we need to plan for the future of our great parish and we need to do so with a sense of urgency and not complacency.

Apart from all of these future plans, our church is nearly 60 years old and much of it is in need of renovation and updating. Heating/AC, painting, elevator, carpeting, flooring, sprinkler system to name but a few are basic items that we as a parish need to think about, as well as, some kind of additional seating. Whatever is going to happen we will do it together and with a sense of unity and pride and also with an overriding transparency that will make clear to all what our future will be.

God, Bless,  
Fr. Wally

**CRAFT FAIR coming in November – clean out your attic for the Attic Treasure Table—HELP NEEDED FOR THE FAIR—PLEASE VOLUNTEER!!!! Call Mary Ann Boyle @ 508-379-4704**