

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

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Families not registered, please call the Parish Office

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October 25, 2015 30th 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 except in the summer months. Please call for registration and instruction at least one month in advance.

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

Couples planning marriage should contact the rectory 6 months prior to the intended date of marriage and before they book their reception.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you are in need of the Sacrament of the Sick because of advanced age or sickness, please contact the Rectory to make an appointment for a visit from a priest.

St. John is a Stewardship Parish October 25, 2015

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Masses of Intention</u>

Saturday, October 24 2015

4:00 - James & Leona DeCoste — Memorial Sunday, October 25, 2015

8:00 - Doc & Marion Wood — 25th & 15th Anniv.

10:30 - Deceased Members of the Hanley Family

6:00 - Ruth & Allan Winsor — Memorial

Monday, October 26, 2015

9:00 - Donald Adams — 10th Anniversary

Saturday, October 31, 2015

4:00 - Bonnie DeCost — 21st Anniversary

Sunday, November 1, 2015 — All Saints Day

8:00 - All Saints

10:30 - All Saints

6:00 - All Saints

Please pray for repose of the soul of William J. Andrews whose Funeral Mass was celebrated October 19, 2015

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, Jean Tilden, 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 & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

IMPORTANT DATES

ADORATION — WED'S — 10/14, 10/21, 11/11, 11/18

Mondays — Bible Study in Rel. Ed. Office — 7 PM

Sat. 10/24—Silpada Fundraiser—12:00—4:00 in Hall

Sat. 10/24 — 6:30 — Spooky Salsa Saturday — Parish/Youth

Ministry

Sun. 10/25 — 6:00 Mass — Alteration Lesson

Weds. 10/28—Fin Com Mtg.—7 PM

Weds. 11/4—PPC Meeting — 7 PM

Sun. 11/8 — Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Tues. 11/10 — LIFT — 7—9 PM — Dover, MA

Sun. 11/15 — Christmas Pageant Rehearsal



Fiesta Friday

Friday, November 20th 7:00—10:00 pm Come enjoy friends, fun and tacos

Everyone is welcome!

Our Shared Treasure October 18, 2015

Offertory: \$4,942 Budgeted: \$5,784

**Below budget: \$842

World Mission: \$1,062

Fiscal yr. 7/1/15—Present: Deficit \$7,792

Thank you for your continued generosity

2nd Collection — October 25th — Youth Ministry Nov. 1st — All Saints / Nov. 9th — Campaign for Human Dev

This week's second collection supports our Parish Youth Ministry. This collection had been moved to this Sunday from the 11th to give parishioners a little respite from the second collections. This collection will help to fund the many activities sponsored by the Parish Youth Ministry which is totally self-funding. We are sorry for the confusion and hope that you will be as generous as you can.

CRAFT FAIR



November 28th.

It's time to get all the Attic Treasures together

And sign up for a table for all you crafters — it fills up
fast, so don't be left out

Call MaryAnn Boyle — 508-378-4704

Fontbonne Academy Open House Sunday, November 8, from 1 - 3 p.m.

Please join us for our last open house of the season on Sunday, November 8, from 1 - 3 p.m. Learn about the excellent academic program, our commitment to service, and our extensive co-curricular offerings (athletics, art, drama, and a wide variety of clubs and activities).

Contact the Fontbonne Academy Admissions Office for more information: 617.615.3014 or admissions@fontbonneacademy.org. Fontbonne Academy is an all-girls Catholic high school conveniently located in Milton. It is a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Boston.

Notre Dame Academy in Hingham will host an Open House on Thursday, November 5, from 5:00 — 7:00 p.m.. Visitors will be invited to register for the placement tests for 9th and 7th grade students. ND is a Catholic, college preparatory school for young women grs 7-12. For more info, call 781-749-5930 or visit www.ndahingham.com.



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



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Please welcome the newest members of our Parish!

September Baptisms

October Baptisms

Scarlett Grace Johnson Logan Ryan Bellas Tate Logan Ryan

Benson Michael Saegh Quinton Richard Johns Emmeline Kathleen Haggerty Donovan Dennis Corbin



Thank you Fr. Paul and Fr. Skerry.

God Bless You.

During his visit to Brazil, Pope Francis said, "The measure of the greatness of a society is found in the way it treats those most in need." (World Youth Day, Address, July 25, 2013) With these words, Pope Francis continues to bring us closer to Jesus present among the poor and to the call to stand with them. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) effectively articulates the Evangelii Gaudium by addressing the root causes of poverty in the United States.

Temporary Position: Marketing Administrative Support

Approx. 21 hrs/wk—3 Day Schedule — Temporary 4-6 months Holy Cross Family Ministries—No. Easton, MA Must be skilled in Outlook software Good communication skills If interested, send email to: swallace@hcfm.org



My Dear Friends in Christ,

I have a friend of mine who I've known since college who is blind from birth. He would tell you, if asked, "I'm not sight-impaired, visually-challenged or optically-absent (a term which brought him no shortage of amusement, actually!)...I'm blind". Blindness, he would tell you is not something which he has had to deal with since he knows no other way. He would also tell you that it hasn't stopped him from achieving his life goals, such as getting a degree, getting married or raising children – he's done all three, and quite well.

The "man born blind" in today's gospel, Bartimaeus, would probably tell a different story. Bartimaeus has had to resort to begging, no doubt because he has be ostracized by the community. Blindness (any illness, for that matter) was associated with sin, and so Bartimaeus is seen as a sinner. He is probably pitied by some, but most likely reviled by most (as a sinner). When Bartimaeus hears that Jesus is coming his way, he knows that this is his opportunity for healing. You know that he knows who Jesus is by the way he calls out to him, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me" (Mk 10:47). In acknowledging Jesus as "son of David", Bartimaeus is recognizing the "kingship" of Jesus. He is also recognizing Jesus as the Messiah, for the Messiah was to come from the Davidic line. It all comes together for Bartimaeus in that moment. Bartimaeus springs into action, and throws himself at the feet of Jesus with the simple, yet profound, request that he wants to see.

In making the request for sight, Bartimaeus is not only looking for physical healing, but spiritual and social healing as well. Bartimaeus knows that if his sight is restored, he can rejoin the community. Bartimaeus knows that Jesus can do this, as he refers to Jesus as "Master" (Mk 10:51); in doing this, Bartimaeus knows that Jesus is the "key" to healing. Jesus is the key to healing for us, as well. Where is it, in our lives, that we need healing? Where are the "blind spots" in our lives, those things which keep us from being all that we are called to be?

May we have the courage to know that Jesus can heal us. May we trust that this healing is what we need to be restored to fullness in the community. May we, like Bartimaeus, acknowledge Jesus as "Master" for us, our Church and the world

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul