
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

October 7, 2012

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 6, 2012

4:00 – Parishioners of St. John

Sunday, October 7, 2012

8:00 – Timothy & Jay Barry – Memorial

9:30 – Bronislaw Morowski – 23rd Anniversary

11:30 – Maria & Francisco Figueiredo – 14th Anniv.

Monday, October 8, 2012

9:00 – Deceased Members of the McLaughlin Family – Memorial

Saturday, October 13, 2012

4:00 – Richard Venesky – 5th Anniversary

Sunday, October 14, 2012

8:00 – Parishioners of St. John

11:30 – Lorraine & Don Kerrigan – Memorial

Monday, October 15, 2012

9:00 – David Martell – 1st Anniversary

Important Dates

Weekend of Oct 6 & 7 – Ministry Weekend

Sat & Sun, 10/13 – K of C Tootsie Roll Drive

Sun, 10/14 – Teen Mass & Dinner – 6 PM

Thurs., 10/18 – 7 PM – Finance Comm. Mtg.

Sun., 10/21 – St. Vincent de Paul Retreat – 2-8 PM

Mon., 10/22 – 2nd Grade Teachers’ Meeting – 7 PM

Sun. 10/28 -- Halloween Mass – 9:30 AM

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Carah Finn, Nora Savoy, John & Steven Webb, Daniel LaRusso, Richard Dolan, Albert Federico, Bill Neyman, Annette Moriarty, Judy Potts, Fedela Nuovo, Bill Monaghan, Judy Potts, Joanne Rawson, Debbie Sperre, Pat Zemeitus

HELPERS NEEDED

- **USHERS** FOR THE 9:30 MASS
- SOMEONE TO **MANAGE** THE **300 CLUB** DRAWINGS
- **Thank you Kerry Fabroski for volunteering to shop each week.**
- PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY IF YOU CAN HELP OUT!!!

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an outreach to baptized Catholics who were not raised in the faith, did not receive First Communion or Confirmation and would like to return to the Catholic faith. It is also designed for non-Catholics who seek communion with the Catholic Church. Classes for this program will be held every Monday evening at 7:30 beginning in the Fall. Please call the Rectory (508-378-4207) if you are interested.

Our Shared Treasure

Sunday, Sept. 30, 2012

Weekly Offertory: \$7332

As of July 1, parish deficit = \$8335

Thank you for your continued generosity.

The Increased Offertory Campaign: HOW CAN WE PARTICIPATE?

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the Increased Offertory Campaign. Please pray about your level of commitment and come prepared to make your decision next weekend. Volunteer Advocates have been busy calling each household to ensure each parishioner has an opportunity to ask questions and be fully informed about our plans. Please contact the office if you would like to discuss the project with someone.

Our current weekly average offertory is \$5300. We need a minimum of \$6000 to pay our bills and to maintain our present reduced staff. We need \$7000 to restore those positions and to move forward with needed repairs. Occasionally, as was the case this past week, the Offertory is higher.

The commitments secured during the Increased Offertory Campaign, and sustained for years to come, will be directed towards specific needs that have been identified at the parish. They include:

- Restore positions that had been eliminated or downsized.
- Eliminate the parish’s annual operating deficit.
- Continue renovations of church, hall and rectory, especially the heating system.

ON-LINE GIVING

If you manage your bills online, why not give to your church online? It’s safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. So, if you forgot your envelope last week, or if you missed our second collection, you can go online and make a gift to the *special collections* or our regular offertory. It makes it so easy and convenient. Please check the bulletin or visit www.stjohneb.org to find out how to give online.

**Aides needed for
CCD Classes for 2012/2013**

We are in urgent need of Aides to help with the CCD classes scheduled throughout the week.

We cannot run our program without the help of volunteers. Please consider sharing your time and talent with the children of our parish. We will train you and give you all the materials you will need. Classes began the last week of September! If you would like to help out in any way, please call Lorraine or Nancy at 508-378-1521.

Thank you and God Bless you,
Lorraine Hopgood



Dear Friends

I want to thank everyone who has volunteered to be a CCD teacher or an aide. There is nothing more important to me than the religious education and the spiritual life and safety of our children and young people. They are our real treasure and that is something that we must keep in mind as we go forward with the increased offertory program. I am teaching a 9th grade class with Mrs. Cooney and I truly enjoyed the time that I spent with the students last week. The Lord has blessed us with many children and young people and they are a blessing that we must always treasure.

This past week we lost two wonderful ladies-Mrs. Ida Nisby and Mrs. Mary O'Donnell. Ida was a long-time parishioner of St. John's for many years and now she and her late beloved husband Paul are together once again. Mary, a long time nurse of the Brockton hospital, was also a devoted member of our parish who had been sick for many years. Mary's husband Lou is a resident of Life Care in West Bridgewater. Please keep these two wonderful women and their families in your prayers.

*God Bless,
Fr. Wally*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE will be conducted on the weekend of **October 12-14, 2012**. The entire amount collected is used to provide financial assistance to any handicapped individual under the age of 21 to purchase special equipment to improve his/her quality of life.

NATIONAL CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR DRUG & ALCOHOL AWARENESS

Oct. 25, 2012

East Bridgewater Town Common

5:45 pm Coffee & Hot chocolate served

6:00 pm Performance by EB High Choir followed

By statement by Susan Silva

Prayer Shawl Meeting

October 14

Ridell Road

3 pm

If you need a shawl, please ask someone in the prayer shawl ministry to obtain one for you, as we keep a record of all that are distributed.

KIWANIS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Sing at the Lighting of the Common

Who? All students grades K-8

What? You will be featured entertainment at the Lighting of the Common!

Where? Thurs, Nov. 29th - 6:30 pm

Why? To celebrate our town spirit and ring in the holidays!

Participation is free of charge

Call 508-378-9404 or email

Christmas@Capachione.com

Visit www.capachione.com

Rehearsals Schedule:

Fridays, Oct 26, Nov. 2, 9, & 23 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Final Dress Rehearsal Wed. Nov 28th

Wear winter clothing, hats, mittens, scarves.

Etc.

St. Michael's College—provides a liberal arts education where students learn what matters in mind, heart and soul; Located in Burlington Vt. Is offering a \$20,000 scholarship (over four years) to candidate nominated by their parish Priest. Anyone interested, please contact the rectory for information.

GRIEF AND THE CHANGE OF SEASONS

As the seasons change, we are aware that they present some challenges for those coping with the loss of a loved one. As part of our bereavement program, "Turn To Us", we would like to invite you and your family to attend a seminar offered to those seeking caring support:

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2012 @ 12:30 PM

Conant Center

5 Wally Krueger Way

Bridgewater, MA 02324