



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.

January 17, 2016 — 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Monday – 9:00 – 4:00

Tues-Fri – 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Or by appointment

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Registration:

Families not registered, please call the
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When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." -Jn 2:3-5

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EUCCHARISTIC 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.

**St. John is a Stewardship Parish
January 17, 2016
The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses for the Week

Saturday, January 16, 2016

4:00 - Carol Power — 1st Anniversary

Sunday, January 17, 2016

8:00 - James Clancy — 4th Anniversary

10:30 - Skip Ortenzi — Memorial

6:00 - Rosemary A. Fahey — 2nd Anniversary

Saturday, January 23, 2015

4:00 - William McEnaney

Sunday, January 24 2015

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Sheila Creney — 2nd Anniversary

6:00 - Ralph Ortenzi — 36th Anniversary

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 Donovan, William Lucini, William Estes, Paul Moreau, Arthur Hornstra, Brittany Paluch, Lori Cullen, Teri Callanhan, Tim Tully, Don Bernier, Len Shepard, Emily Armand, Tracy Belmoore, Dottie Younis, Dave Swartz, Roy Rossier, Roy Conrad, Theresa Capachione, Louise Registre & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

IMPORTANT DATES

ADORATION — WED'S — 1/13, 1/20, 2/10, 2/17

Fri 1/15-18 — Ski Weekend to Waterville Valley

Tues 1/12 — LIFT — 7 PM — Holy Family, Rockland

Sun 1/17 — Holy Hour for Life — 3-4 PM

Sun 1/24 - PMY Meat Raffle at Standish Grille - 2-4 PM

Fri 1/29—PJ Anderson arrives—See LOOP for details

Sat. 1/30—Retreat at St. Basil Chapel, BSU 9 am—2 pm

Sat. 1/30 -- Concert by PJ Anderson in the Hall .

Meeting Christ in Prayer

Meeting Christ in Prayer is an eight-week guided prayer experience based on the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola.

By prayer, reflection and faith sharing “Meeting Christ in Prayer” can bring people to a new level of discipleship and to a renewed sense of Christian mission. The Meeting Christ in Prayer group meets once a week for eight weeks with Deacon Joe & Lorraine Hopgood leading the sessions. We will have 2 separate groups- one group will meet on Monday nights from 7:00-8:30 beginning January 25 and the other group will meet on Tuesday mornings after the 9:00 Mass. Sign- up sheets will be in the church.

*Our Shared Treasure
January 17, 2016*

January 3, 2016

Offertory: 7,002

Budgeted: \$5,784

****Above Budget: \$1,218**

Fiscal yr. 7/1/15 — Present

Deficit \$ 8,131

Solemnity of Mary: \$680

January 10, 2016

Offertory: 4,794

Budgeted: \$5,784

****Below Budget: \$990**

Fiscal yr. 7/1/15 — Present

Deficit \$ 9,121

Special Parish Collection: \$1,280

Grand Annual \$ 30,773

Thank you for your patience in reporting \$'s

January 17th — Special Collection Sunday for the Archdiocese
January 24th — 2nd Collection for the Churches in Latin America

Christmas Flower Additions

In Memory of:

Given By:

Addison Barrett

Gregory & Kimberly Barrett

St Vincent de Paul

If you know of anyone in East Bridgewater who needs assistance, please have them call our hotline at 508-378-3760 and leave a message. *Remember: What you give to the pantry is used for the pantry!*



Please welcome our newest member of the Parish.

Tyler Jacob Smith

January 17, 2015 3pm-4pm

St. John the Evangelist

Holy Hour for Life with Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

John Paul II said, “Life on earth...remains a sacred reality entrusted to us, to be preserved with a sense of responsibility and brought to perfection in love and in the gift of ourselves to God and to our brothers and sisters.” Please join us in an hour of prayer and reflection on the sacred meaning of life.



LOOP Life of Our Parish

Fri. Jan 29-31 — PJ ANDERSON WEEKEND

**Friday service activities 3:30-5:30, 6-9:30
dinner and Year of Mercy & the Holy Door
retreat (parish wide) .**

**Saturday 9:30-2:30 Jrs & Srs. in HS/College
Retreat @ St. Basil Chapel BSU.**

**Saturday, 7 PM — PJ Anderson Concert —
inspirational night of song and stories.**

**Sunday —10:30 Mass — PJ Anderson joins our
choir.**

**2017 Pilgrimage to Rome— in order to reserve a
spot each person will need to put down a \$295
deposit by January 20th — [http://
www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4daba82ca3ff2-
catholic](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4daba82ca3ff2-catholic)**

**Feb 26- 28th — Deep Freeze, Camp Berea — a
fun weekend away for 6th grader and up. Mu-
sic, paintball, tubing and more. 11 spots open.
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go/20f0b4daba82ca3ff2-deep](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4daba82ca3ff2-deep)**

See Nancy Smith for more info

The Pro-Life Committee will host the annual Parish Baby Shower from Saturday December 26th through Sunday, January 24th. All donations will assist mothers in need within the Archdiocese who have chosen life for their babies. Items needed are listed below:

- 0-3 and 3-6 month clothing
- Layette nightgowns Baby sleep bags
- Toiletries (rash ointment, body wash) NO Baby Power
- Baby bottles
- NEWBORN disposable diapers
- Size SMALL Sleep and Play outfits
- Sweaters
- Crib sheets for pack n plays
- Socks
- Pacifiers
- Baby bath towels and wash Cloths
- Baby health and grooming items
- Maternity Clothing



My Dear Friends in Christ,

I enjoy going to wedding receptions (I am, after all, Irish and what Irishman doesn't like a good party!). If I'm ever invited to a reception, however, I have one rule: please don't seat me at the head table. Usually what happens is that I either end up alone (since the bridesmaids and groomsmen are off with friends and the bride and groom are going from table to table) or, as happened in one case, I end up cutting the flower girl's chicken (yes, that really did happen!)! All things being equal, though, I do enjoy my time at these affairs.

In today's gospel, Jesus finds Himself at a wedding reception. It is late in the reception, as is evidenced by the fact that they are running low on wine. This is major faux pax (as you can imagine) and Mary comes to Jesus and informs Him of this dilemma. At first, Jesus seems unconcerned with this challenge to the bride and groom (and their families). Mary then informs the servers to "do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5). Mary, knowing her Son, seems to know that Jesus won't leave them "high and dry" (figuratively and literally!), that Jesus will rectify the situation. Jesus not only produces (through a miracle) plenty of wine, but it is the best vintage of the day!

I don't believe that it is a coincidence that Jesus performs this miracle (the first of His many public miracles) in this time, place, or manner. Let's think about what transpires. They are at a wedding banquet/feast, something that scripture writers will use as an image of the Kingdom. He produces wine, an essential element of the Last Supper (a Passover meal). The wine that is produced is not only new wine, but it is also the best vintage; for us as Christians, Jesus is that "new wine" (unlike anyone who has come before Him) and is the "best vintage" the Son of God).

Jesus never does anything accidentally. Every work He speaks, every action He undertakes, everything He does, is done with intentionality. This first miracle of Jesus, one that no one else but Jesus saw coming) except, perhaps, for Mary, who knows her Son). May we follow in the path of Jesus. May our actions, like Jesus', be intentional and may that move us ever closer to Him. May we come to know Jesus for who He is: a miracle worker, the greatest prophetic voice ever to speak, the Son of God.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul