



*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.*

*March 27, 2016 — EASTER SUNDAY*

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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  
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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.

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**St. John is a Stewardship Parish**

**March 27, 2016**

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

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**Masses for the Week**

**Saturday, March 19, 2015**

4:00 - Helen M. Lynch — 1st Anniversary

**Sunday, March 20, 2015**

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Martin J. Hanley — 26th Anniversary

6:00 - Parishioners of St. John

**Saturday, April 2, 2016**

4:00 - People suffering from addictions

**Sunday April 3, 2016**

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Christians in the Middle East

6:00 - Parishioners of St. John

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

*Pam Adornato, Ann Storti, Karen Debenedictis, 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, Phyllis MacDonald, Carolyn Oliviere, Ginger & John Margesion, Bob McGanty, Bob Reardon, Harry Hewins & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.*

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**ADORATION — 7 PM WED'S — 4/13, 4/20**

**Weds. 3/30—Fin Comm Mtg. — 7 PM**

**Weds. 4/6 — PPC Mtg. — 7 PM**

**Thurs. 4/7 — Paint Night @ Standish Grille**

**Sat. 4/9— First Reconciliation Retreat — 10:30—1 PM**

**Sat. 4-9— Left, Right, Center Tournament — 7 PM**

**Thurs. 4/14 — Confirmation Rehearsal — 7 PM**

**Fri. 4/15 — Confirmation — 6:30 PM**

**Sat/Sun 4/16-17 — “Food for the Poor”**

**Fr. Paul Wilderotter**

**Weds. 4/27 — Fin Comm Mtg. — 7 PM**

**June 1, 2016 — Collaboration Officially begins with St. Ann's in West Bridgewater**



March 13, 2016 — Ariana Grace Boynton

December 20, 2016 — John Francis O'Malley  
Sophia Mae O'Malley  
Aisling Grace Chapman

*Our Shared Treasure*

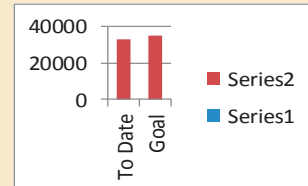
*March 20, 2016*

*Due to the altered LPI schedule for the bulletin for Easter, the collections will be reported next week for March 20th.*

**Grand Annual \$ 33,163**

**Goal \$35,000**

**\$1,837 away**



Easter Sunday — Clergy Benefit Trust

No second collection on April 3, 2016

The Easter Collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priest of the Archdiocese of Boston. These priest have given their lives to faithfully serve Christ, the Church, and you. Please be generous to this important collection. For more information, please visit [www.clergyfunds.org](http://www.clergyfunds.org).

Thanks to your support and generosity, the emergency lights in both the church and the hall have been replaced. We are currently working to have the church roof repaired. The first stage has been completed and we are progressing with the second stage. The third stage will be repairs to the Rectory Roof.

*PRAYER for EASTER*



*Glory and praise to You. Risen Savior. For You bring light to our darkness, joy to our Sorrow,*

*And the fullness of love to our reluctant hearts. Once and for all You have conquered sin and evil.*

*In the glory of Your Resurrection we have been set free from all that keeps us from following You.*

*On this Easter Day, fill our hearts with Your Light and Grace that we might joyfully echo the words of Your Holy Angels:*

*He is not here in the tomb:*

*He is Risen!*

*Alleluia! Alleluia!!*

*Amen.*

What a wonderful Lent we had here at St. John's. So full of activities for all. Adoration, Divine Mercy, Simple Suppers, Meeting Christ in Prayer, The Light is on For You, The Night of Mercy, Pancake Breakfast, and Easter Egg Hunt. Something for everyone. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful parish to come together to celebrate God's love.





**FR = IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER-  
LOOP  
Life of Our Parish**



**Paint Night at Standish Grill  
April 7, 2016 at 7 PM  
\$35 pp 40 spots to fill**

**Will raise 1/4 of needed funds for car rentals  
for mission trip**



**Left, Right, Center Tournament  
Meadowbrook Restaurant  
April 9, 2016— 7 PM**

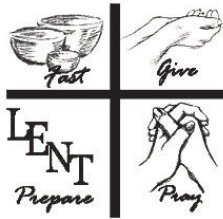
**\$20 Entry fee—\$500 cash prize.  
(Don't need to know how to play)**

**Catholic Heart Work Camp Mission Trip  
Open to Juniors or older  
June 18—June 25th**

**More summer fun to anticipate!!  
Stubenville East — July 15—17th  
VBS -July 25th -29th**

**More information to be in future bulletins**

**See Nancy Smith for more info.  
nhenn71@hotmail.com**



My Dear Friends in Christ,

He is risen! Alleluia! We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song!

Today's solemnity brings about a joy that no power can attain, no money can buy. Today, our Lord and Savior

Jesus Christ, true to His Word, has

broken the chains of sin and death and won for us newness of life. What a glorious day this is for all God's people!

I can remember growing up that Easter had a different "feel" than the other holidays/holy days. Family gatherings were a part of each of these times (Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter), and going to Mass was part of many of them (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter), but Easter stood out for me. Perhaps it was when I came to the realization of what the day was about. Christmas was (and still is) a beautiful time of year, but often times the "commercialization" gets the better of even the best of intentions; I can't recall any "commercialization" ever being associated with Easter.

The other thing about Easter which brings it to the "top of the list" for me is the gift of resurrection.

Don't get me wrong – I'm eternally grateful that God thought enough of us to give His Son for us. Easter, however, is when one like us in all things (save for sin) gave His life for the world, so as to rise from the dead and win for us Eternal Life. Scripture tells us that "no greater love hath one, than to lay down their life for a friend" (Jn 15:13). This is what Jesus does for us in the Easter miracle – He lays down His life so that He might pick it up again, winning for us new life.

Easter comes at a time of new birth. In springtime, we see new life come into the world. How appropriate that our Easter celebration comes at this time. May this day (and season) be for us a time of "new birth." As we approach the practice and reality of the collaborative process with St. Ann's, (through "Disciples in Mission" ([www.disciplesinmission.com](http://www.disciplesinmission.com)), the pastoral plan set forth by Cardinal Sean and the Archdiocese of Boston), let us look for opportunities to foster growth and revitalization in our parishes and communities. If you're joining us again for another week of worship, welcome back; you're the reason for our loving community! If you've been away from "the family" for a while, welcome home! May you find in St. John's a home where you can put down "roots", planting yourself in the garden of God's loving care. In any event, no matter where you are on your "journey of faith", may you find in St. John's a place where you can grow, flourish and "bear great fruit" for the sake of God's Kingdom and His Holy People!

A Blessed Easter to All,  
Fr. Paul



The Easter Egg Hunt is back this year!

Children will be gathering eggs after the 9:30 Mass on Easter.

The Easter Bunny will be Available to pose with the Children if parents want To take their pictures.

**Catholic Appeal**

**Our Catholic Appeal is off to a great start with 31% of our \$26,392 goal already in with the support of 37 donors. Please take a pledge form from the Ushers' tables or pledge online at [bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://bostoncatholicappeal.org).**