



*Collaborative
of
St. Ann & St. John
Divine Mercy Sunday
April 23, 2017*



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Sunday of the Divine Mercy



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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on the 2nd Sunday of the Month at St John's and the 4th Sunday of the month at St. Ann's. 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

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

St John's - 2nd and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 7-8 p.m. in the Church.

St. Ann's - First Friday of the month following the 9:00 a.m. Mass concluding with Benediction at 10:30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

St John's

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Teen Mass – 6 p.m. TBA

Daily Mass, Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m.

In the Chapel

Divine Mercy every Thursday

After Mass.

St Ann's

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri.
9:00 a.m.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

April 23, 2017—Divine Mercy Sunday

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, April 22, 2017

4:00 - Susan Fitzgerald — 3rd Anniversary

Sunday, April 23, 2017

8:00 - Kendra Frabetti — 15th Anniversary

10:30 - Susan Quill — 8th Anniversary

Mary Francis — 7th Anniversary

Thursday, April 27, 2017

9:00 - Carole Wyman — 12th Anniversary

Saturday, April 29, 2017

4:00 - Cliff & Doris Briggs—14th & 16th Ann.

Sunday, April 30, 2017—Easter Sunday

8:00 - Parishioners of the Collaborative

10:30 - June M. McHugh - Birthday Rem.

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, April 22, 2017

4:00 - Richard Pratt — 6th Anniversary

Sunday, April 23, 2017

8:30 — David & Dorothy Sibor, Anthony S.,
Irene & Anthony L. Domingas

10:30 — Rema M. Lenser — Birthday Rem.

Monday, April 24, 2017

9:00 - Mary Rose Smith — Memorial

Saturday, April 29, 2017

4:00 - Frank & Anna Manning,

John & Kathleen Garvey — Memorial

Sunday, April 30, 2017

8:30 - Arthur Rix — 1st Anniversary

10:30 - Joseph M. Vtka— 1st Anniversary

DEACONS' CORNER

I hope everyone had a blessed and enjoyable Easter. I looked at my calendar and see that it is still pretty full for April and May. Saint John the Evangelist has two first Communion and a baptism coming up at the end of the month. Yes, it is a busy time for the clergy of the St John / St Ann Collaborative. Shortly we will be starting a Bible Study on 1st and 2nd Samuel. We currently have 9 or 10 in the group that meets every Monday evening and we would love to have you join us in the Religious Education office of St John's.

You have probably been reading in the newspaper lately about some of the changes at the Bridgewater State Hospital. It is now operated by Corrective Care Solutions which is a private company hired to provide treatment for the patients in the hospital. One of the changes is that the patients will be allowed to wear their own clothing rather than the prison issued clothing. I will be placing a box in St John's and St. Ann's so that you may place good but used clothing for the men to wear. Many of the men do not have family to support them in this effort and it would be great if we could help out. Clothing such as shirts / tops, pants / jeans, Sweaters / sweatshirts without hoods, and shoes / sneakers would be greatly appreciated.

May God Bless
Deacon Joe Hopgood

My Dear Friends in Christ,



While the Easter Day celebrations have ended, our Easter Season continues. Today, as a Church, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. This day, which centers around the Divine Mercy our Lord showed the world in offering Himself on the Cross, was instituted over a decade ago by Pope (Saint) John Paul the Great. He declared that the Church should set aside the first Sunday after Easter for this celebration. This feast, often marked by the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, is a reminder to us that the Easter mystery continues. At the heart of Divine Mercy is our cry to the Lord, "Jesus, I trust in You". When we recognize that all our trust is to be put in the Lord, we free ourselves to do the work our Lord commanded us, to go out and show others the goodness which God has bestowed on us.

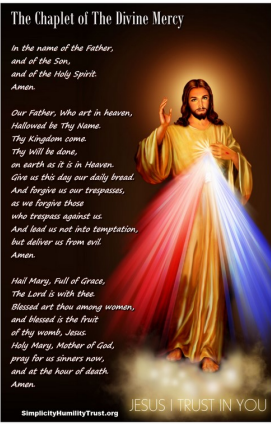
Jesus, in today's gospel, shows this goodness when He reappears to the disciples in a post-Resurrection encounter. As they are gathered in a room together (quite possibly the same room they gathered in for the Last Supper), Jesus comes to them. Before the disciples can utter a word (they were probably too astounded to speak!), Jesus offers them His gift of peace. It is a peace which only He can bestow, a gift which only He can give. Thomas is not with them, so he doubts that the Lord was present. As a way of quelling all doubt, Jesus reappears to them, this time with Thomas present. Jesus invites Thomas to examine the wounds He suffered at the crucifixion. In a moment of pure faith, Thomas utters that statement of belief, "my Lord and my God" (Jn 20:28). Notice that Thomas doesn't approach Jesus and examine the wounds. He doesn't have to – he knows, through faith, that this IS the Lord.

Where are we in relation to the Lord? Do we have to be shown (like Thomas) who God is for us? Do we "take it on faith" that the promises made by God are being, and will be, delivered? Are we among those who "have not seen and have believed" (Jn 20:29)? Wherever we are on our journey of faith, may we come to know that God is at work in our lives. May we come to trust in His Divine Mercy. May we share that mercy with all whom we meet, not only in this Easter Season, but in every season, in every time and at every opportunity which God provides us to do so.

A Blessed Easter to All,

Fr. Paul

COLLABORATIVE NEWS AT ST. ANN'S & ST. JOHN'S



Chaplets are "personal devotionals." They have no set form and vary considerably. In the Roman Catholic Church, while the usual five-decade Dominican **rosary** is a **chaplet**, often **chaplets** have fewer beads than a traditional **rosary** and a different set of prayers.

More information can be found at www.divinemercury.org



"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.' Behold, I have told you." - Mt 28:5b-7

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

Congratulations to the young men and women who recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Saint Ann and Saint John. God bless them!

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

The formation of Church Collaboratives is happening all through the Archdiocese of Boston. Churches are being introduced to the process in various time frames. One of the advantages to collaborate is the combination of some resources in an effort to save money and a better utilization of priests' times.

We are one collaborative with two churches working together in a joint effort to evangelize and build strong faith communities.

We pray for a name for our collaborative which represents our strength, commitment, and faith.

PLEASE PRAY ON A NAME AND FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW!

COLLABORATIVE NAME

The collaboration of St. Ann and St. John need a **COLLABORATION** name to define our newly joined faith community, **(THE CHURCHES WILL REMAIN ST. ANN & ST JOHN BUT THE COLLABORATIVE NEEDS A NAME.)**

Do you have any suggestions?

Please list them below, cut out this form and put it in the collection at Mass.

All names will be considered by the Parish Pastoral Council.



West Bridgewater Lions Club
Country/Western Night

Saturday, April 29

We Serve

7 PM—11 PM

SAINT ANN'S PARISH CENTER
Proceeds benefit:

Mass Eye Research
Hearing Aids

Don't Miss a Presentation by M.C. Sullivan

On April 23, 2017 at St. John's in the Main Church at 2 p.m.

Presenting the Catholic Church's guidance for caring for someone in critical care and end of life issues.

GUESS WHO IS COMING?

On May 3rd, 2017, between 3:00 and 8:30 p.m. ---- the World Apostolate of Fatima is bringing the statue of the Immaculate Heart of Our Lady of Fatima to St. Joseph's Parish in Kingston, MA. We are blessed to be one of only 23 parishes in the diocese to be visited by Our Lady. This will be a time to honor Our Lady and bring all the cares of our hearts to her for her intercession. Please join us! Watch for future bulletin notices.



Every Thursday night
At 6:30 — St. Ann's Parish Center
Doors Open at 5:00



L.O.O.P. – Life of our Parishes

Collaborative Parish and Outh Ministry's Mission: Each one of us is a unique, unrepeatable masterpiece from God. The Parish and Youth Ministry strives to share in each one of our special gifts to create moments we feel Christ among and around us. When we come together as a faith family, we all grow closer to the heart of Christ.

April 21st, 2017

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Google Calendars are available on our websites.

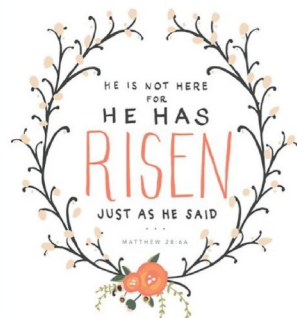
Summer at our Collaborative Deadlines Approaching!



2017 Catholic Heart Mission Trip Richmond, Virginia June 25th– July 1st

We have just 7 days left to fill our remaining spots for our Catholic Heart-Richmond, Virginia Trip. This is an amazing week of service to the communities in and around Richmond Virginia. The trip is open to students entering the 8th grade in the fall and up.

This will be our 4th summer serving with CHWC. This is a trip rooted in our faith, but don't dismiss the possibility of coming because you think a "Church" trip is boring. The days are filled with service and activities that are fun, entertaining and help us grow in our faith, while we are having a ton of fun. We have a dance party one night, enjoy Taco Tuesday together and lots of other surprises. The cost is \$630 and it includes the \$350 registration fee for Catholic Heart for our lodging and food during the week. We have, in the past, held fundraisers like a Meat Raffle or Car Washes to help with that cost. Chaperones are welcome, pending a Cori Check, and will find this week as rewarding as our Youth! We are sure you have questions and we are here to answer them! We can also put you in touch with our past attendees. Don't let an unanswered question be the reason you don't join our team! Please Contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com to sign-up or to ask questions.



Our Team

Pastor: Fr. Paul Ring
Director: Nancy Smith

Adult Leadership Team
Meets the 4th Thursday of each Month

Youth Leadership Team
Meets regularly

Fundraising Team
Golf tournament Team

Hospitality Team

You are welcome anytime to join us!
Our office is always open for a visit, cup of tea, and your ideas.

July 14-16, 2017
U Mass Lowell
\$270 program, lodging, food
\$50.00 deposit due to reserve your spot

STEUBENVILLE **FUEL**



Join us for a weekend of engaging liturgies, inspiring music, challenging talks, and overwhelming joy. This weekend is open to students in 8th-12th grade. There will be thousands of youth from around New England and beyond. Life Teen hosts Steubenville Youth Conferences with the hopes of strengthening and inspiring teens and youth groups in their collective journeys to Christ. Evangelistic in nature, these weekend conferences are both a great "introduction" to the Gospel message for new or younger teens, while offering deep and moving experiences of prayer and fellowship.



Save the Date! 2nd Annual Summer Shindig!



Saturday, July 8th starting at 5:00 pm BBQ, Ponies, Games, Entertainment, Dancing \$10.00 per person, \$25.00 family ticket, \$5.00 seniors/children

Reboot! Live!- All are Welcome

Why is this evening something I should attend?

Chris Stefanick travels the world sharing his faith and inspiring his audiences. He does not charge the hosting Parish and covers his expenses based on ticket sales. We are no where near the ticket sale goals set by Re-Boot live and by all respects, Chris could have cancelled this event. I spoke with Chris and his team and I explained something very special is happening in our Collaborative. The Holy Spirit is working hard to help us build a vibrant and beautiful faith family and I believe our Parish needs Chris's amazing witness of Faith. His team prayed on it for a couple of hours and called me back to say, they agreed! They felt the Holy Spirit was indeed calling Chris to be with us! The Holy Spirit is calling-do you need any more proof of why you need to join this special night?

Catholic International Speaker
Chris Stefanick-Reboot Live
Wednesday, May 3rd
East Bridgewater Junior/Senior High School
7:00 pm



Reboot! Live! is the fun, inspiring and practical experience of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life. From prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more!

Rediscover the message of the Gospel as:

Powerful for us all,
Beautiful in its application to LIFE,
Engaging for those searching, and
Fun & Captivating for all ages, including our youth!

DO NOT MISS the opportunity to hear one of the most sought after voices of our time!
OFFERING PRACTICAL INSIGHT INTO LIVING THE LIFE GOD HAS CREATED FOR YOU!

Come! Be energized! Invite someone!

For more information and to register:

Go to www.RealLifeCatholic.com or email Nancy Smith at nhenn71@hotmail.com

Tickets are \$20.00

2017 Maker Fun Factory Vacation Bible School



July 31– August 4th
9:00 am– 12:00 pm
St. John Parish Hall
Age 3 and up
\$43.00 per student/\$100 family cap

Time to register for this truly amazing week for the whole family.

- Our Pre-School is open to children age 3– entering first grade next fall.
- Our Elementary Crews are open to children in grades 1-6.
- Our volunteer crew leaders are open to anyone in 7th grade and up.
- We also need adult help.

We are excited to bring this wonderful week to the families of St. Ann.

On-line registration: <https://vbspro.events/p/stjohnstann>

PARISH NEWS FOR ST JOHN'S



Second Sunday of Easter:

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!"

During Mass we turn to each other and say "Peace be with you!" When you make a donation to St. Vincent de Paul you are truly saying "Peace be with you" to your neighbors who are having a difficult time.

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry here at St. John's is open each month on the first Monday from 3pm-6pm and on the third Monday from 3pm-4:30pm.

If you know any East Bridgewater resident in need of food or other assistance please encourage them contact the St. Vincent de Paul **HOTLINE** at **508-378-3760**.

Together we are making a difference in the lives of our neighbors.

St John's Shared Treasure: Goal \$5,900
April 16—Easter Clergy Trust 3,321
Offertory 964

Total Under Budget = \$15,153

Grand Annual Total - Mar 19 \$30,368

April 23, 2017 — Home Mission

Please keep the following in your prayers: Karen Debenedictis, Arthur Hornstra, Lori Cullen, Carter Cullen Mariann Moberg, Dottie Younis, Dave Swartz, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Carolyn Oliviere, Ginger & John Margesion, Bob McGanty, Harry Hewins, Laurie Murray, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Colleen Merto, Bill Osborne, Florence Lacey, Eleanor Moynihan, Edie Lincoln, Jim Cassidy, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Katy Skillings, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeff, Sharon Farrell, Tom Griffin, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Donna Shepard Folloni, Donna Millis, Jean Beaman, Bill Estes, Rita Flaherty, Donald Rush, Tyler Martin, John Spellman, Fr. Ed Doughty & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

First Communion



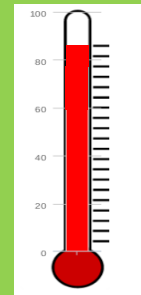
Rehearsal—April 27th—6 PM
 First Communion—April 29th—9 AM
 Rehearsal—May 4th—6 PM
 First Communion—May 6th—9 AM

ST. JOHN'S GRAND ANNUAL PROGRESS

GOAL \$36,000

CURRENTLY \$30,368

We are so close—only 16% more to go.



**ATTENTION!!!!!!
 ADORATION IS MOVING TO TUESDAY NIGHTS**

7 PM

2ND AND 3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

**Baccalaureate Mass
 And Brunch
 To follow the
 10:30 Mass
 April 30, 2017**

REBOOT LIVE

With Catholic Author & Speaker, Chris Stefanick

Coming to the MS/HS
 Wednesday, May 3rd
 7:00—9:30 PM

Offering practical insight into living the life God has created for you!

Thank you to everyone who donated to the beautiful Easter Flowers. Your generosity is truly appreciated. God Bless.....

Martin J. Hanley & Loretta Mitchell



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PARISH NEWS FOR ST ANN'S

St Ann's Weekly Offertory:

April 9, 2017 — \$4,880
April 16, 2017 \$4,854
Good Friday 421

First Communion Information



Rehearsal: May 12th , 6:30 PM
First Communion: May 13th, 10:00 AM

Rehearsal: May 19th, 6:30 PM
First Communion: May 20th, 10:00 AM



Saint Ann's will be holding
A
BABY SHOWER
On
MAY 13, 2017

Donations of clothing, diapers, wipes, baby incidentals, etc. are welcome. If you choose to make a monetary donation, checks should be payable to:

Friends of the Unborn.



St Ann Prayer Line:

To request prayers from members of Saint Ann's Prayer Line for yourself, another person in need, or a special intention, please call **or email Linda Santry at 508-586-6535** or linda@santry.org. If you would like to join the telephone tree or e-mail distribution list, please contact Linda. We would like to expand our membership for this worthy endeavor.

West Bridgewater Food Pantry

The cupboards are empty. There are many families in need of assistance. Cereal, cookies, cake mix, juice, crackers, & pudding are especially needed. You might want to consider a "gift certificate" from a local grocery store. The Food Pantry is located at the Spring St. School and is open the first & third Wednesday of the month from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM.

Help is needed! Please contact Calvin Grey at 508-559-6569 if you are able to volunteer!

Thank you to everyone who donated to the beautiful Easter Flowers. Your generosity is Truly appreciated.

God Bless.....

