

Collaborative St. Ann & St. John 7th Sunday of Easter May 28, 2017



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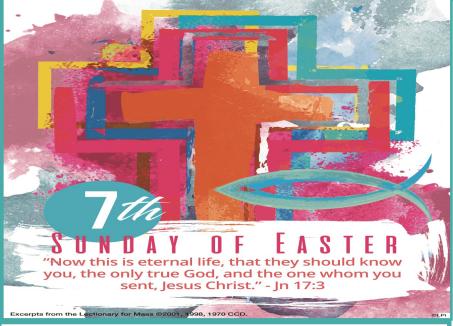
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EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

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.



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 - Every 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.

Registration: Families not registered, please call the Parish Office

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

May 28, 2017—7th Sunday in Easter

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, May 27, 2017

4:00 - Parishioners of St. John

Sunday, May 28, 2017

8:00 - All those in the military and their families

10:30 - For all our veterans

Saturday, June 3, 2017

4:00 - William Monahan — 2nd Anniversary

Sunday, June 4, 2017

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - That the Church will see an increase in vocations

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, May 27, 2017

4:00 - Erminia Victoria—12th Anniversary

Sunday, May 28, 2017

8:30 - N. Patricia Flynn—Month's Mind

10:30 - Ruth Bayer — 20th Anniversary

Saturday, June 3, 2017

4:00 - Thomas E. Garvey — Memorial

Sunday, June 4, 2017

8:30 - For all our Veterans

10:30 - Mary T. Durso — 11th Anniversary

Monday, June 5, 2017

9:00 - Aristides Cavacas — 12th Anniversary

DEACONS' CORNER

In my next few issues I would like to write about our longstanding traditions when we enter our Churches to celebrate Mass with our priest. When we come into the Church, the very first action of reverence is that we dip our fingers in the Holy Water fonts at the entrance and make the sign of the Cross while silently saying "In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Ghost) recalling our Baptism when the priest/ deacon poured water over our forehead, saying (our name), "I Baptize you, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Then if we are physically able, we genuflect or bow in the direction of the tabernacle where the Eucharist is reserved. Genuflecting is different than "curtseying". We genuflect to the tabernacle and not in any other direction. When one genuflects, one bends their right knee touching the floor right next to the heel of our left shoe. Sometimes, we allow ourselves to be distracted and wind up saying hello to our friends, while we should devoutly acknowledge our dear Lord first. These thoughts are laid out as reminders to us all. More importantly our actions are teaching moments to our children and grandchildren and anyone who is not familiar with our Catholic traditions. The red lamp in the Sanctuary when lit indicates that the Eucharist is in the Tabernacle. When the priest/deacon and altar servers step up into the Sanctuary, that space where the Liturgies are celebrated, they bow and the priest/deacon go around and kiss the Altar, the table on which the Sacrifice of the Mass is offered. When they arrive at their places, Father begins the Mass with the sign of the Cross.

God Bless, Deacon Brendan



My Dear Friends in Christ,

A few years back, a colleague in ministry was asked to offer the prayer at a Memorial Day Service. While I am not in the habit of writing down any such prayers (I tend to rely on the Holy Spirit (the Spirit of which Jesus speaks in today's gospel) for such inspiration, as well as the right words to offer), I did come across the famous poem, "In Flanders Fields", written by Lieut. Col. John McCrae, M.D. As the son and brother of two combat veterans, I offer this poem in light of our celebration of Memorial Day. It is a day on which we remember the sacrifice of so many brave men and women who "paid the ultimate price" by giving their lives in service to us, so that we might be free – may we never forget! Here it is:

In Flanders Fields

By: Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD (1872-1918) Canadian Army

In Flanders Fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

A Peaceful and Safe Memorial Day to you All,

Fr Paul

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

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

AT ST. JOHN'S --- 7 PM

EVERY TUESDAY EVENING ALL ARE WELCOME!!!!



ALL TOWNS WELCOME

Electronic and Appliance Recycle Day at Saint John, 210 Central Street, East Bridgewater MA 02333.

Saturday June 3, 9am-2pm personal checks accepted)

(Rain or shine) (cash and

Bring these items to the parking lot:

Small electronics items: Computer towers, Scanners, VCR, Copiers, DVD, Stereo Equipment, Computer Tower, Lighting, Vacuum, Answering Machine, Fax, Speakers, Compact disc., Circuit Boards, Radios, Record Players, Modems, Word Processor, Fans, Video equipment, Game Console, Xbox, etc., Tape Players, Typewriters (Anything with a plug and more)...\$5 each. Appliances: Dishwasher, Dryer, Stove, Microwave,...\$10each Small Engine Items, Lawn mowers, Snow blowers, etc...\$10 ea.

Glass Monitors, Flat Panel Monitors, etc...\$10 ea..

TV's: 15-35

Ac....\$15,Dehumidifier...\$15, Refrigerators..\$20-25 Scrap/Junk Metal., Grill,Empty propane tank, ex. equipment, weight sets, ...\$10 Cables,

Keyboards, Car Batteries, Cell Phones... No Fee

Also included: Bicycle Recycle Day, no fee. Bring your unwanted old or new bicycle and drop it off, it will be reused again. Mountain,Road,BMX, Cruiser, (Old to current)/New, Kids, etc.

Our aim is to keep bikes from being thrown out when they can be reused.

(We can pick up bicycles if you cannot get them there) Questions: Please contact Dennis Wood 508 277 7513





Saint John's Yard Sale Friday, June 2nd & Saturday June 3rd

Any donations to this effort would be greatly appreciated. Items can be dropped off Friday or left in the barn.

Help is always welcome.

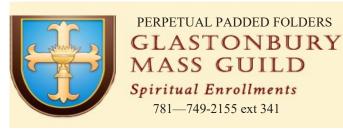
Proceeds will go to Catholic Women's Club For upcoming facility projects and bills.

THANK YOU TO DEACON JOE FOR HIS EXRTAORDINARY EFFORTS IN OBTAINING CLOTHING FOR THE PATIENTS AT BRIDGEWATER STATE HOSPITAL. DEACON JOE EXAMPLIFIES GOD'S LOVE FOR US.

CONNECT NOW is a new software program being offered to parishes within the Archdiocese of Boston. This program will allow the office personnel of the parishes to update the records and computerized them making the dissemination of information between parishes and between the offices of our parish much easier. Recently the Administrative Assistants and Directors of Religious Education of our collaborative went through the training for this program.

Our hope is to update our files and computerize information. This will backup all the Sacramental Records which are currently handwritten in the official books. We also hope to build a data base of parishioners for Saint Ann's and update the data base for Saint John's.

In the coming weeks, you will be asked to fill out a registration form for your family to help us in this endeavor. Thank you in advance for your coopera-





Planning Underway for Next Year

Your Opinion Matters!

It's time to begin planning for the second year of the Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry. Our calendar is open for daytime chats or evening chats- whatever works best for you and your friends. Please contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com to schedule your coffee, ice tea, or park visit!

STEUBENVILLE **FUEL**

2 spots left!

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

Cans and Bottles

We are collecting cans and bottles at both Parishes to help with travel costs for our Mission Trip to Richmond. Please bring your can and bottles to Mass either May 27th or 28th or June 3rd or 4th. You may also bring them to the Rectory.

Hometown Mission Trip

Plans are underway to for a Hometown Mission Trip. In partnership with St. Vincent DePaul, a wonderful new idea had been created. Out of this collaborative brainstorming came the idea to create a day or two of service in East and West Bridgewater this summer. Tentative date will be Friday, July 6th and Saturday, July 7th. Our Service Days will be looking for East or West Bridgewater residences that need help with yard work, simple home repair, or daily chores. Depending on the number of volunteers we will determine how many residents we will be able to help. It may also be possible to partner with other organizations in East and West Bridgewater to make these days successful. Our Hometown Mission Trip will need volunteers of all ages. You could volunteer for one day or both days. Volunteers with a variety of experiences and talents will help add to the service we are able to offer.

Summer Shindig

A great way to celebrate our days of service will be our

2nd Annual Country Shindig!

Saturday, July 8th at 5:00 pm

BBQ, Ponies, Games, Entertainment, Dancing

\$10.00 per person, \$25.00 family ticket, \$5.00 seniors/children

The event will take place in the backyard of St. John's Parish

Our Youth Leadership Team will plan this event and all youth are welcome to join in the planning!

We had a great time last year.

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

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

Looking for Homes for Mary to Visit

Families or individuals are invited to sign up to host, for a week, in their homes, our statue of our Lady. She will be passed to a new family or individual each week at Mass of your choice. The host home would pray the rosary as often as possible and even invite friends and family to join them in praying for our Parish Family. We will have wonderful resources for your family and friends to enjoy praying and learning more about the Rosary. If you would like more information or would like to become a host family contact Nancy Smith at nhenn71@hotmail.com.

1st Annual Golf Tournament

The Golf Tournament is looking for individual golfers or Foursomes.

The cost of registration is \$150.00 and will include a Tournament Gift

Bag, 18 holes of Golf, a Cart and Lunch!

Friday, September 15th Riverbend Golf Tournament 8:00 am Shotgun Start

Tournament Games will include Long Drive, Closest to the Pin and more!

The Tournament is looking for Tournament Sponsors and Hole Sponsors. Please contact Russ.russchampoux@gmail.com

PARISH NEWS FOR ST. ANN'S

St Ann's Weekly Offertory:

May 21, 2017 \$3,047



Congratultions To the children who received their First Communion

May they continue to enjoy receiving the host week after week and continue to enjoy the love God has for them for a lifetime.



THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO DONATED TO THE BABY SHOWER.
THE MONATARY GIFTS

RECEIVED WERE VERY GENEROUS.

IT WAS HEARTWARMING TO SEE SO MANY BEAUTIFUL HAND-MADE BLANKETS.
THANK YOU TO ANNEMARIE SHEEDY AND HER FAMILY FOR CARRYING ON THIS TRADITION.



ST. VINCENT de PAUL AT ST ANN'S

The members of the Saint Vincent dePaul Conference want you to know how much they appreciate your financial support. It is comforting to be able to assist parishioners who "up against it" and need a little help.

SATURDAY, MAY 27 & SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2017

LECTORS

4 PM—JOE WILKINSON 8:30 —ANDREW PELLETIER 10:30—STEPHANIE CHURCHILL

EUCHARIST MINISTERS

4 PM — ED LINDSEY RAY LEDOUX

SANDY MEHL

8:30 — LINDA SANTRY

MARTIN HEAVEY JO ANN KENNEDY

10:30 — MARGARET MARY WILLIAMS

ANGIE RAMOS PETER DELSETTE



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

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!

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH A SAINT ANN YARD SALE. ANYONE INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT THE RECTORY> 508-586-4880



INCREASED OFFERTORY PROGRAM

More information to follow.

PAINT NIGHT

To Benefit the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Saint Ann's

At Grand Slam Pizza & Pub at 269 N. Main St.



Mon, June 19th 7 P.M.

Tickets available

online at:

https://www.paintnite.com/events/ 1190846

Space is limited! Purchase before June 4

Or Contact Chris Baker: jimbo8145@icloud.com



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

PARISH NEWS FOR ST. JOHN'S

St John's Shared Treasure: Goal \$5,900 May 21—Offertory 4,600 Below goal: 1,300

Total Under Budget = \$13,219

Grand Annual \$31,226

May 21, 2017 — No second Collection

Please keep the following in your prayers: Karen
Debenedictis, Carter Cullen Theresa Capachione, Phyllis
MacDonald, Ginger & John Margesion, Bob McGanty, Harry
Hewins, Laurie Murray, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell,
Colleen Merto, Bill Osborne, Florence Lacey, 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 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.

The Ascension of the Lord



Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul strives to bring compassion and care to our neighbors. Your assistance with food and monetary donations makes our work possible.

On Saturday, May 14th the Postal Service held their annual food drive. The generosity of the residents here in East Bridgewater was overwhelming! A special thank you to everyone!

As a food pantry our main goal is to provide food to those in need. At times there are other necessities that individuals and families cannot afford. Items such as: soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, tissues, paper towels, laundry detergent and kitchen cleaning products. When you purchase an item for yourself please consider picking up an extra!

SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ANY SAINT JOHN STUDENTS GRADUATING THIS YEAR

PLEASE CONTACT THE RECTORY OR RELIGIOUS ED OFFICE TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION. (Don't forget we are at the rectory in West Bridgewater)

Time is of the essence. Applications due June 7th

ON-LINE GIVING AT ST. JOHN'S



To strengthen stewardship at St. John the Evangelist Parish, we request that you to consider utilizing a new and easier way to support our parish... Electronic Giving.

St. John's has offered on-line giving for a few years now and the people who use it find it very convenient and safe. Some use it in conjunction with the envelope system; some use on-line only.

Please visit the parish website <u>stjohneb.org</u> or contact the parish office at 508-378-4207 to receive more information.

The Increased Offertory Campaign:

GIVING AS A RESPONSE

As St. John the Evangelist Parish prepares for the Increased Offertory Campaign, we are challenged to evaluate our lives and give back a just portion of our blessings to God.

In spite of challenging economic times, we are fortunate people. Our thanks for these and many other blessings should be reflected in what we give to our Church.

Remember, giving opportunities come is many forms, not just financial. Give of yourself as a volunteer and donate your time to worthwhile causes. "What you give will be returned tenfold."

Thank you to all these volunteers and to all who will be volunteering in the coming weeks.

Program Advocate Orientation Meeting: June 8th at 7p.m. in the Parish Hall.



CHESTER S. SHALGINEWICZ SCHOLARSHIP BIKE RUN

JUNE 3, 2017 PROCEEDS WILL PROVIDE FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS

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