



*Together in Christ
Collaborative
St. Ann & St. John*



June 17, 2018

11th Sunday Ordinary Time



11th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God? It is like a mustard seed ... once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.” - Mk 4:30a, 31a, 32

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TOGETHER IN CHRIST COLLABORATIVE

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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, Wednesday– 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, 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 the Rectory Office for registration.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. – Other times as scheduled in the bulletin or call the Rectory Office to set up an appointment.

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 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

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, June 16, 2018

4:00 - Chase W. Pierce — 1st Anniversary

Sunday, June 17, 2018

8:00 - Parishioners of Saint John

10:30 - East Bridgewater Police Department

Thursday, June 21, 2018

9:00 - Patrick W. Sullivan — 11th Anniversary

Saturday, June 23, 2016

4:00 - John & Eileen Barry — Memorial

Sunday, June 24, 2018

8:00 - Parishioners of Saint John

10:30 - All Fathers of the Parish

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, June 16, 2018

4:00 — Robert J. Riberio — Memorial

Helen Cappiello — 8th Anniversary

Sunday, June 17, 2018

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 - Samuel Newell Caddell — 1st Anniversary

Friday, June 22, 2018

9:00 — Brian Spillane — Birthday Remembrance

Saturday, June 23, 2018

4:00 - Frances Osborne — 1st Anniversary

Sunday, June 24, 2018

8:30 — All Fathers of the Parish

10:30 — Parishioners of Saint Ann

DEACON'S CORNER

I mentioned in my corner last week that I would write about Pope Francis's other words of instruction and enlightenment. On May 24, 2015 Our Holy Father issued an encyclical letter entitled *Laudato si*, Praise be to you, Father. "In the words of a beautiful canticle, St. Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. Our Sister, Mother Earth sustains and governs us, and produces various fruit with colored flowers and herbs."

Our Holy Father tells us that Mother Earth is among the most abandoned and maltreated of the poor. He urges all mankind to respond to our global environmental deterioration.

"Everyone's talents and involvement are needed to redress the damage caused by human abuse of God's creation". Pope Francis becomes passionate when he speaks about the condition of the world we live in. Blessed Pope Paul VI in his encyclical, *Pacem in Terris* referred to his ecological concern as a "tragic consequence of unchecked human activity".

Not only our present holy father, but others before him have spoken outright about this subject. I highly recommend that you go to the Vatican site and read the full text of *Laudato si*.

Deacon Brendan



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Growing up, my family never began a meal without "saying grace". When the food was ready and on the table, and everyone was seated, we would offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God "for the bounty we are about to receive" (using the "old school" grace!). It is a small gesture, but one which can bear great fruit. Evidence came of this when I was out to dinner recently and engaged in this practice. A fellow diner at a nearby table commented that it "did his heart good" to see that some people aren't afraid to express their faith publicly. As I say, it's a small gesture, but sometimes the smallest acts can bear the greatest benefits.

Isn't that the way it is with God? Jesus uses two parables today, the "parable of the sower" and the "parable of the mustard seed". While the latter image is the one we tend to remember, we shouldn't lose sight of the first story. In the parable of the sower, the one who scatters the seed doesn't see immediate results. This can cause frustration, confusion and anger. One can lose heart, and think that God isn't working in our lives. Patience is the key; if we persevere, we will see results. In the story of the mustard seed, the adage that "good things come in small packages" might come to mind. It is often from small, humble beginnings that great growth can occur. One only need look at the Savior to see that thought come to bear; it was from the small town of Nazareth (a town so small, it probably didn't warrant a mention on the map) that the great King comes forth into the world. One cannot underestimate potential growth, no matter how humble the beginning.

In "cultivating" our faith, we must exhibit both patience and perseverance. If we allow God to work in our lives and if we "stay the course", then amazing things can happen and God's glory can come shining forth into the world. If we look to God to place in our hearts a spirit of patient endurance, then we can hold out until the end and receive the reward of the just, the Kingdom of God. May we pray for these gifts so that God may work in our lives. May we come to know that God is at work in our lives so that our lives may "bear great fruit".

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul

COLLABORATIVE NEWS AT SAINT ANN'S AND SAINT. JOHN'S

The Next Second Collection

June 17, 2018

PROMOTING THE GOSPEL

This second collection will be shared by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development and the Catholic Communication Campaign. These two Organizations communicate the Gospel by promoting works of justice, education and the dignity of human life. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes and will support our local communications needs, such as Catholic TV programming.

Financial Blessings	St. Ann's	Budget	St John's	Budget
SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS	06/03/18		06/03/18	
OFFERTORY	\$ 3,905	\$3,680	\$6,446	\$5,700
GRAND ANNUAL	\$15,920	\$32,000	\$26,420	\$32,000
CATHOLIC APPEAL	100%	\$18,415	\$25,815	\$27,231 95%
			Exceeded Assessment	

Congratulations! **Saint Ann's** has surpassed its 2018 Catholic Appeal goal of **\$18,221**. I am truly grateful to the parishioners and families that helped us reach our goal. The Catholic Appeal provides critical funding to hundreds of pastoral, charitable, and educational programs that impact tens of thousands throughout our Archdiocese. Thank you for responding to Cardinal Seán's call to witness more clearly the depths of God's love for each one of us through this important effort.

I am pleased to share that **Saint John** has raised **\$25,815** toward our 2018 Catholic Appeal goal of **\$27,231**. Thank you to all who have already pledged support. If you have yet to give, we need your help! Please give today to help us reach goal by **06/30/18**.

Gifts can be made online at bostoncatholicappeal.org or by completing a pledge form available in the back of the church .

*A Special Thank You to the family of Chase Pierce
For
Volunteering to take over
The responsibility for
The Bottles & Cans Collection.*

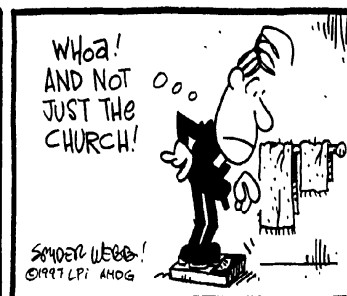
Your support is very appreciated.

In the next set of envelopes, there will be a vacation envelope for your convenience in remembering your offertory when you are away.



If you have had any trouble with your envelopes, please let the Office know.

11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



NEW SUMMER HOURS



FOR THE COLLABORATIVE OFFICES

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

9:00—4:00
MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

FRIDAYS
CLOSED

NEWS FROM THE PARISHES (ST. ANN'S)

Religious Freedom WEEK

INDEPENDENCE DAY PRAYER

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Let us pray...

O God, you willed that the Jewish people be free from slavery by their Egyptian captors.
You will that all people should be free to worship you without fear
and to celebrate their religious beliefs freely, even if they have not yet found you.
Grant that those of us who live in this great nation will thank you daily for our freedom,
and work for the freedom of others around the world that do not yet have the freedom to practice their faith openly and proudly.
We seek your wisdom where hatred abounds, and ask for humility to offer our good works to others who live in fear and bondage.
We ask all this through Christ our Lord, who frees us from sin and death through the wood of the cross.

Amen.



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.



SAINT ANN'S DAY

Will be on

FRIDAY, July 27th

Begins at 5:00 PM

Come and enjoy the company of parishioners of the collaborative while feasting on:

Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Western beans, coleslaw, potato salad, various salads & desserts.

Thank you to all the Saint Ann Parishioners who supported Troop 25 in their 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast.



Joseph & Jesus

Happy Father's Day

**SAINT ANN FIRST COMMUNION
PICTURES ARE READY AND IN THE
RECTORY FOR PICK UP.**

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Karen Debenedictis, Carter Cullen, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Ginger & John Margesion, Harry Hewins, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Florence Lacey, Edie Lincoln, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeff, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Bill Estes, Rita Flaherty, Donald Rush, Tyler Martin, Amanda Little, Patricia Estes, Vince Adornato, Kenneth Upham, Joan Fusco, Pat Zemeitus, JoAnn Micalizzi, Barbara Worswick, Kay Levoshko, Bob Hill, Jim Cassidy, Tori Bortolotto, Doris Thompson, Jim Cullen, Elaine O'Malley, Mary Jane Coakley, Grace Cosgrove, Dave Avery, Phil Garbardi, Marcus LaBree, Karen Parenteau, Charlie Micalizzi, Mary Oslin, Patricia Baldassarre, Tim Lehane, Vickie Vasvatekis, Tim Lehane & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

ALL TOWNS WELCOME

Electronic and Appliance Recycle Day in East Bridgewater
Location: Saint John, 210 Central Street, East Bridgewater MA 02333

Date: Saturday, June 30, 9am - 2 pm (Cash or personal checks accepted) (Rain or Shine).

Bring these items to the parking lot:

Computer towers, Scanners, VCR, Copiers, DVD, Stereo Equipment, Computer Tower, Lighting, Vacuum, Answering Machine, Fax, Speakers, Compact disc., Circuit Boards, Radios, Modems, Word Processor, Fans, Video equipment, Game Console, Xbox, etc., Tape Players, Typewriters (Anything with a plug and more)
Laptops ...\$5 ea.

Dishwasher, Dryers, Stoves, Microwaves, Ex. Equipment, Lawn Mowers, Snow Blowers, Vacuum, Small Engine Items, etc...\$10 ea.

Glass Monitors, Flat Panel Monitors, etc...\$15 ea.

TV's: 15-35

Ac....\$15, Dehumidifiers, Refrigerators..\$20-\$30

Scrap/Junk Metal....\$10 car load.

Empty propane tank..\$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/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.



IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, June 30 — Electronic Recycle Day

THE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC WILL BE SUSPENDED THROUGH OUT THE SUMMER.

Rosary after daily Masses.

Divine Mercy every Thursday after daily mass.

St. John's Conference

In the Gospel, Jesus says: "This is how it is with the reign of God. A man scatters seed on the ground. He goes to bed and gets up day after day. Through it all the seed sprouts and grows without his knowing how it happens."

Through your almsgiving you are sowing seeds that grow far greater than you know. Your gift placed in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box brings Christ's love and compassion to the poor.

Call the St. Vincent de Paul HOTLINE at 508- 378-3760 if you need food or other assistance.



The Food Pantry is open twice a month. You are always welcome to stop by during Food Pantry hours on the 1st Monday from 3:00-6:00pm and the 3rd Monday from 3:00-4:30pm.



SAINT JOHN'S ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

**AUGUST 26TH THIS YEAR.
(following the 10:30 Mass)**

Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Hotdogs, Various Salads, Corn on the Cob, Homemade sweets and Watermelon are on the menu.

**Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses
Beginning July 14.**

It is really helpful if people purchase tickets early, so that the proper amount of food can be purchased.

Thank you for your support and cooperation!



Massachusetts March for Life

June 17th

Rally begins 1:00 p.m.
March begins at 2:30

More info at www.masscitizensforlife.org
617-242-4199

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Happy Father's Day! Take time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Sept 15-16 in Medway, MA and Dec 7-9, 2018 in Duxbury, MA.

For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

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