



*TOGETHER IN CHRIST
COLLABORATIVE
St. Ann & St. John*



July 8, 2018

14th Sunday in Ordinary time

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IN ORDINARY TIME



When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!"
- Mk 6:2

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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, July 7, 2016

4:00 - Parishioners of Saint John

Sunday, July 8, 2018

8:00 - Political Leaders around the world

10:30 - Robert Gale — 7th Anniversary

Friday, July 13, 2018

9:00 — Gordon Ross — 7th Anniversary

Saturday, July 14, 2018

4:00 - East Bridgewater Police Dept.

Sunday, July 15, 2018

8:00 - Michael Catania—1st Anniversary

Sheila Creney — Bread & Wine

10:30 - Dennis D. McCarthy — 3rd Anniversary

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, July 7, 2018

4:00 - Evelyn & James; Robert & Daniel Burke

Sunday, July 8, 2018

8:30 — Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 — Robert Coakley — 1st Anniversary

Tuesday, July 10, 2018

9:00 — Mary E. Hasomeris — Memorial

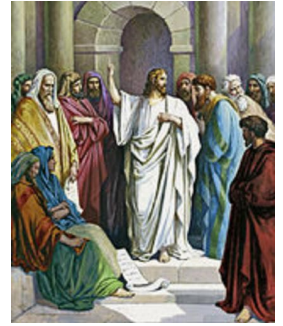
Saturday, July 14, 2018

4:00 — Janet Louise Banks — Memorial

Sunday, July 15, 2018

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 - Eleanor Hanson — 2nd Anniversary



My Dear Friends in Christ,

When I was a newly ordained priest, I spent a lot of time with family and friends at events at which I would be asked to offer a blessing/prayer. One such occasion was the first family holiday spent together after ordination, Thanksgiving Dinner at my parents' home. After giving what I thought was a genuine, heart-felt blessing, my brother asked me where I had come upon said blessing (assuming, of course, that I had read it somewhere and taken it from that source). When I informed him that I had come up with it myself, he responded (as only an older brother can) with the further inquiry of "YOU?!" incredulous at my ability to pray in such a "freestyle" manner! So I can tell you with some authority that I know how Jesus felt!

When Jesus arrives to His "hometown crowd", you might think that the people would hang on every word and "eat up" everything He had to say. While they certainly showed amazement, it was more along the lines of incredulity rather than happiness. They felt that they knew Him – they knew His origins, His background, His family history. What they failed to see was Jesus as Messiah; they couldn't get beyond seeing Him as "the carpenter, the son of Mary" (Mk 6:3). This, while not a "fatal flaw", was something that kept Jesus from fulfilling His mission among His own people.

How often in our own lives do people feel that they "know" us? How often do family and friends have us "pegged", thinking that we are "this way" or "that way", that they know us? How often has that kept us from achieving goals, reaching for the next "rung" on the "ladder of success" or doing what we are called (by God) to do? If it happened to Jesus, it can happen to us. Like Jesus, we must move beyond what people think of us; like Jesus, we must believe that God has a plan for us, a mission that we must accomplish.

May we never let others dictate what it is, who it is, that we are call do or be. May we know and believe that God has a plan for us. May we always look to God to fulfill that plan, never letting the naysayers inhibit who we are meant to be. May this summer be a time of reflection, rest and renewal for us, so that when we need to do this work God is calling us to do, we may do it with a renewed energy. May we be confident that God is calling on us to do great things, to fulfill our baptismal call...whatever it may be.

A Blessed Week to All,

Fr. Paul

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Everyday Stewardship

Sometimes we need a dose of healthy skepticism. Do you see some of the claims on the Internet, in social media, or even on the cover of supermarket tabloids? If we are not careful, we can easily be led astray.

However, when we find ourselves skeptical all the time, unable to trust anyone or anything, we have a problem. Trust is essential in a conversion process, and we all are in a continual process of turning toward and moving closer to God. If we find it hard to trust the promises of God, then we will find ourselves lost and bewildered.

Sometimes the biggest obstacle to a stewardship way of life is lack of trust. This is true for individuals as well as parish communities. Do we believe that God will provide for our needs? Do we believe that if we give it all away we will receive even more in abundance? Do we believe that there is true freedom in complete surrender?

Many will say that the principles of a stewardship way of life sound good spirituality and are inspiring. But when really faced with the tough decisions, they will fall back on placing trust in themselves, material goods, or money. Are we true disciples and good stewards as we claim? Where do you place your trust? Have you chosen a path where you are all in or are you still keeping something for yourself because you just aren't sure all this talk of "consider the lilies" is real or just pretty words on a page?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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

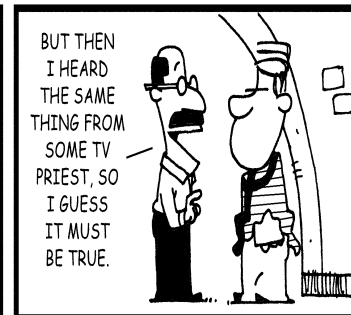
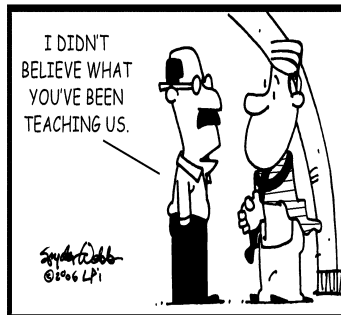
The Next Second Collection

August 6, 2018

Financial Blessings	St. Ann's	Budget	St John's	Budget
SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS	06/24/18		06/24/18	
OFFERTORY	\$ 3,988	\$3,680	\$5,231	\$5,700
GRAND ANNUAL	\$15,920	\$32,000	\$26,420	\$32,000

Congratulations! Saint Ann's & Saint John's have surpassed its 2018 Catholic Appeal goals. 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.

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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For
Volunteering to take over
The responsibility for
The Bottles & Cans Collection.*

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FUND RAISER — WEDNESDAY, JULY 18TH

11:30—10:00 PM

**DINE IN OR TAKE OUT
15% OF ORDER GOES TO SAINT JOHN**



**MEAT RAFFLE
SEPTEMBER 29TH AT 1 PM**



Please remember Saint Ann's and Saint John's When doing your Estate Planning!

What is Lectio Divina, and how is it associated with the Benedictine Monastic tradition, whose founder, St. Benedict, we honor on July 11?

Benedict desired his monks to live in community, praying the Liturgy of the Hours together, contemplating sacred texts, and doing manual labor. The monks developed a technique to facilitate a spiritual and devotional reading of the Bible known as Lectio Divina, the holy reading of a text. This method encourages the reader to hear the biblical text with an open heart and focus on whatever God wants to highlight and then apply it to daily life. There are variations on Lectio Divina, but essentially the technique consists of a three-step process of reflection. When the reflection is done with a group, the responses are shared by all the participants. Once the text is selected, it is read meditatively, and the following are then explored: A word or phrase that attracts you; how and where the content of this reading touches your life today; and what you believe that God wants you to do during this coming week (month, year, lifetime). Thanks to Benedict, the Christian community has been gifted with this special way of entering into the biblical text. This week, use the Lectio Divina process on one of the readings for the coming Sunday and make a note of the life connections you are making. How is this reflection on the biblical text drawing you closer to God and others?

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NEWS FROM THE PARISHES (ST. ANN'S)



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

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**SAINT ANN'S DESPERATELY NEEDS:
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS**

**PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY OFFICE OR
DEACON BRENDAN IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.
TRAINING IS AVAILABLE.**



**TIRED OF COOKING
COME TO BERTUCCIS
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BETWEEN 11:30 AM - 10:00
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CHURCH
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HAPPY DINING!!!!



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**All teacher's and aides must remember to register
their children.**

**All information is on our website
stannswb.com**

CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 16TH.

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.

**SIGN UP SHEETS ARE AT THE DOORS OF
THE CHURCH OR YOU CAN CALL THE
RECTORY AND LEAVE A MESSAGE WITH
YOUR NAME WITH A CHOICE OF
HAMBURGER OR HOT DOG.**



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

NEWS FOR THE PARISHES (St. John)

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.

SAINT JOHN'S FUNDRAISER

AT BERTUCCI'S
1285 BELMONT STREET (Rte 123)
Brockton

July 18th

Saint John's will earn 15% on all in house and take out orders.
During the hours of 11:30- 10:00 PM
Just tell them you are with St. John's

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IMPORTANT DATES

Rosary after daily Masses.

Divine Mercy every Thursday after daily mass.

Adoration — Every Tuesday—7:00—8:00 PM

July 8 —Shawl Meeting — 2 PM

July 27 — Saint Ann's Day Celebration —

July 30 — Rosary — 10 AM

St. John's Conference

In today's Gospel the people ask : "How is it such miraculous deeds are accomplished by his hands?"

Because of your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul many "miraculous deeds" are accomplished for the poor.

This week put a gift in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box, knowing that through your kindness someone who is suffering will be touched by God in a miraculous way.

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 3:00-6:00 pm and the 3rd Monday from 3:00-4:30 pm.



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.

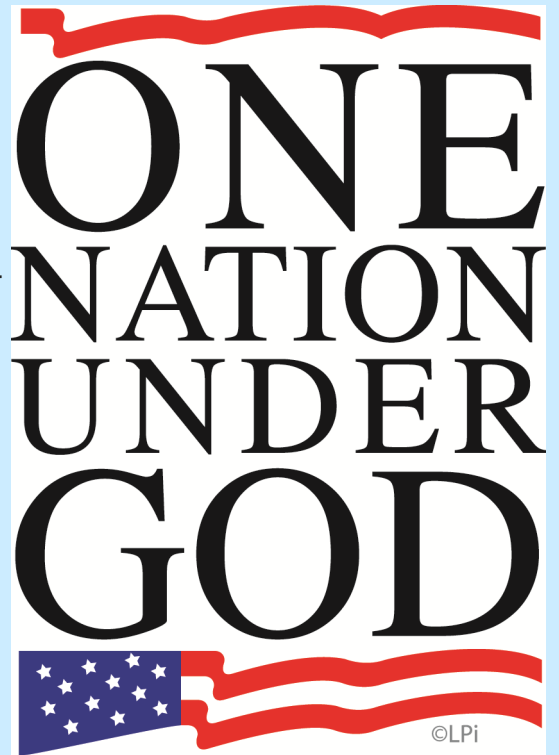
Thank you for your support and cooperation!

“Religious freedom remains one of America’s most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizen, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it.”

Pope Francis, “Address on the South Lawn of the White House, September 23, 2015.

“Gracious Father, I thank you for the mercy you have shown in forgiving my sins and for the peace that comes from being reconciled with you and with your Church.”

“Trust in God’s mercy”



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