



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



July 15, 2018

15th Sunday in Ordinary time



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IN ORDINARY TIME

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He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave.

Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them." - Mk 6:7, 10-11

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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 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

Saturday, July 21, 2018

4:00 - Kay Grazado, Albert Ialongo, Lynda
Lynch — Memorial

Sunday, July 22, 2018

8:00 - Deceased Members of the Mulkern Family
10:30 - Parishioners of Saint John

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

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

Saturday, July 21, 2018

4:00 - Gertrude Duford — 14th Anniversary

Sunday, July 22, 2018

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann
10:30 - Christine Cole — 5th Anniversary

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 spiritually 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

My Dear Friends in Christ,

HE SENT THEM OUT
TWO BY TWO



When I was a child, I went to camp every summer. It was a week long experience of hiking, swimming, arts and crafts – your typical camp experience. One thing that we did that was somewhat unusual, however, was a “trust walk”. For those of you who have never experienced it, what happens is that you are blindfolded and led by the hand or arm by a partner who is not blindfolded (can’t have the “blind leading the blind”!). The key to the walk for the blindfolded one is to listen to and trust your partner; the key for the leader is to be aware that you have someone else in your care. It can be a challenging, yet rewarding, experience for both leader and follower.

In today’s gospel, Jesus is asking His disciples (whom He is sending out, two by two) to trust – trust in Him, trust in the Spirit. In taking nothing for the journey, they are to rely on the goodness of others, strangers who would become followers of this “New Way” (Christianity). They are to take only those things that are absolutely essential, taking nothing but a walking stick, sandals and a tunic – no food, no money. For those things, they are to trust that God will provide. They are to go from town to town preaching Jesus’ message of hope, life and repentance. If they do not accept this message, they are to leave and shake the dust (of the town) from their feet as testimony against them.

It appears, at first reading, that the disciples were successful. Many heard the word and accepted it. Many were healed and freed from demons. Many came to accept the Word and began to spread it themselves. It does not say all accepted this word, so we know that the work of discipleship goes on. It lives on, in fact, in you and me. We, like those who were sent by Jesus have an opportunity to spread the Word of God. We do so both in word and deed – in word by speaking messages of hope and peace, in deed by living lives in accord with the Gospel and the teachings of the Church.

This can be a challenging thing. At times we can feel like Amos (the prophet from the first reading), who contends that he is no prophet, but a simple dresser of sycamores. Like Amos, we can feel sometimes unable or unprepared to proclaim these truths that we live. We might be content to live our lives simply, humbly and anonymously. We have a call, however, like Amos did to go out and proclaim the Truth – the Truth of God’s word. May we have the courage to be like Amos and go out into the world, proclaiming God’s truth in love, His victory of sin and death in Christ Jesus. May we know that God is with us on this journey so that we may have the courage to trust in God’s plan for us, His people.

Have a Blessed Week,
Fr. Paul

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

New figures available next week.



As part of Prophett-Chapman, Cole & Gleason's series: "Bringing Our Community Together"

We are hosting a night at the Rox.

Come see the Brockton Rox play the Worcester Bravehearts Wednesday August 1st at 6:30.

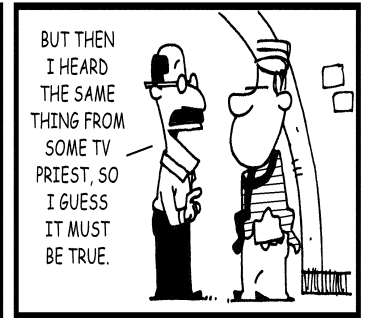
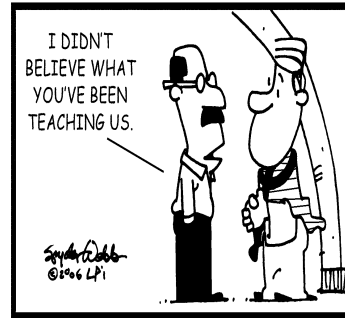
Bring the kids.

Fun for the whole family!

Please call the Rectory Office if you wish to attend. We need to give Prophett's a final number by July 27th.

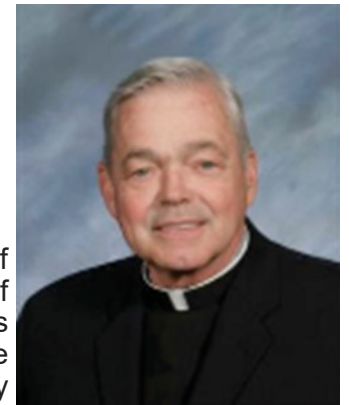
Thank you
Mark, Bill, Shane, Sharon & Maggie

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

Most Rev. John A Doohar Retires



On June 30th Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, accepted the resignation of Bishop Doohar as Bishop of the South Region. This comes at this time since Bishop Doohar recently reached the age of retirement.

For over a decade Bishop Doohar has served us very well in the South Region. He has also recently served as Pastor of the Collaborative of Immaculate Conception and St. Jerome Parishes in Weymouth.

As he, and we, go through this transition we ask you to say a daily prayer for him. There will be further information coming regarding the transition.



FUND RAISER — WILL BE RESCHEDULED AT A LATER DATE SO AS NOT TO CONFLICT WITH THE

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MEAT RAFFLE
SEPTEMBER 29TH AT 1 PM

NEWS FROM THE PARISHES (ST. ANN'S)



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS BAKER
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New mailing address:
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BROCKTON ROX GAMES

AUGUST 1st @ 6:30

TICKETS PROVIDED BY
PROPHETT, CHAPMAN, COLE, & GLEASON

Please call the Rectory Office if you would like to attend. We need to give Sharon a count.

Have you ever stopped to appreciate the many celebrations we enjoy in this country? For example, did you know that July is National Baked Beans Month? It's also National Hot Dog Month. If beans and hot dogs are not on your diet, that's okay--it's also National Blueberry Month!

July also happens to be National Ice Cream Month--something almost as American as apple pie (National Apple Pie Month was in May).

As you're marking your calendar to keep all of these festivities in mind, we want to make sure you're aware that every month can be National Social Security Online Month!

As you're taking all of these commemorative foods out on a picnic (July is also National Picnic Month), take your laptop or tablet with you so you can visit www.socialsecurity.gov.

Whether you want to see what's new at Social Security with our news section, find an answer to a question with our frequently asked questions section, or plan for your retirement with our "Retirement Estimator" or "Benefits Planners," you can do it all easily at our Web site.

Make www.socialsecurity.gov a part of your recreation (July is National Recreation Month). Visit our History page to learn all about the history and early days of Social Security. Resting on a blanket under a tree is a fun way to spend a picnic, but if that begins to get boring (July is National Anti-Boredom Month), you'll want to tune into some of our fun public service announcements featuring Patty Duke, George Takei, Chubby Checker, and Don Francisco at www.socialsecurity.gov/pressoffice/psa-video.html.

If you're feeling ambitious and ready to retire, you may even decide to apply online for benefits as you're enjoying your baked beans and ice cream. You can apply easily in as little as 15 minutes. Patty Duke and George Takei will tell you all about it in the online videos.

If you go to our home page, you'll find our most popular services listed on the left-hand side of the page. These include getting or replacing a Social Security card, applying for retirement or disability benefits, applying for Medicare, and getting "Extra Help" with Medicare prescription drug costs. There is so much you can do at Social Security's Web site you may find yourself celebrating National Social Security Online Month throughout the year.



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, 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, Jim Cullen, Mary Jane Coakley, Grace Cosgrove, Dave Avery, Phil Garbardi, Marcus LaBree, Karen Parenteau, Charlie Micalizzi, Mary Oslin, Patricia Baldassarre, Tim Lehane, Vickie Vasvatekis, & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

IMPORTANT DATES

Rosary after daily Masses.

Divine Mercy every Thursday after daily mass.

Adoration — Every Tuesday—7:00—8:00 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.

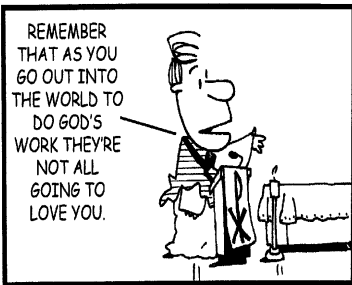


This week put a gift in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box, knowing that through your kindness someone who is suffering will be touched by God in a miraculous way.

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.

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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 are now on sale after all the Masses

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

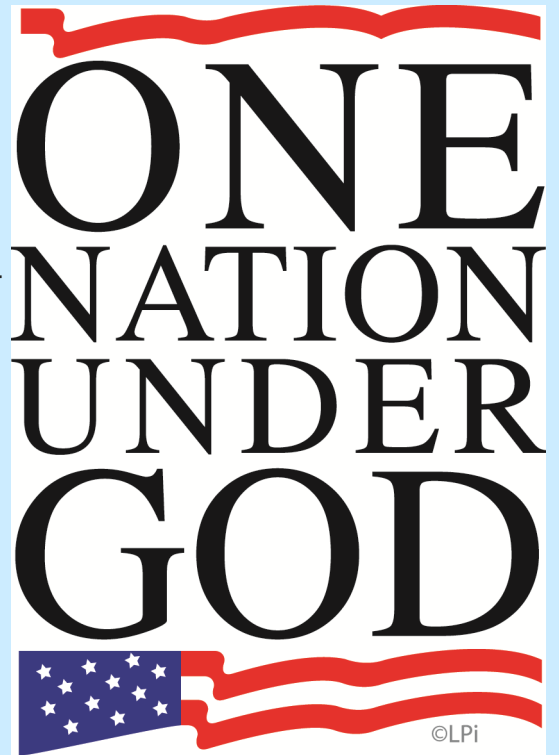
Thank you for your support and cooperation!

“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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