

TOGETHER IN CHRIST COLLABORATIVE St. Ann & St. John

July 22, 2018



16th Sunday in Ordinary time

The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. —Mk 6:30-31b, 32

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Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass

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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, 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.

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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 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 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 Wednesday, July 25, 2018 9:00 - Margaret Allen — 1st Anniversary Thursday, July 26, 2018 9:00 - John & June McHugh—Memorial Saturday, July 28, 2018 4:00 - Jeannette LaVoie — Memorial Sunday, July 29, 2018 8:00 - Maria C. Ponte — 25th Anniversary 10:30 - Parishioners of Saint John St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish ****** **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 Saturday, July 28, 2018 4:00 - Parishioners of Saint Ann Sunday, July 29, 2018 8:30 - Carolyn Oliviere — Memorial 10:30 - Gertrude L. O'Keefe — Month's Mind

DEACON BRENDAN'S CORNER

Last month at our parish Baptism during the 10:30 Mass, I realized that many of you might not have been to a parish Baptism for quite a while. I would like to devote the next three deacon's corners to a review of the Sacrament of Baptism. The wording of the prayers is magnificent.

Before Mass begins, the child to be Baptized along with his parents, godparents with the community present are greeted by the celebrant at the entrance of the Church. He acknowledges the joy they experienced at the birth of their child. He reminds them that the God of life now wants to bestow His own life on their child. He then asks the parents what name they have given their child and what they want of God's Church. He acknowledges their answer with these words, "You have asked to have your child Baptized. In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of training him (her) in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring him (her) up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?" "We do" " god parents are you ready to help these parents fulfill their duty as Christian parents?" "We are". Pretty clear cut!! An awesome responsibility for both parents and godparents. He continues with these words "The Christian community welcomes you with great joy. In its name, I claim you for Christ our Savior by the sign of the cross. I now trace the cross on your forehead, and invite your parents and godparents to do the same." They then process with the other liturgical ministers to the front of the church where Mass begins.

My Dear Friends in Christ,

As a priest, I am "required" to take an annual retreat. I put that word in quotes because while it is a *requirement*, I



Always look forward to going on retreat and of renewing my relationship with God and I always come back refreshed and revitalized. One of my favorite places to go (on retreat) is on the Jersey Shore to a Redemptorist-run retreat house whose motto is "Where God and Sea Come Together". It is a special place, one where I always reconnect with God.

The disciples are invited by Jesus to find themselves a "deserted place and rest a while" (Mk 6:31), so that they can "recharge" their "spiritual batteries". As it turns out they can't even do that, for the people who had been following them see them leave and get to the place where the disciples are headed to before them! Their need for spiritual nourishment was so great that they couldn't let the disciples out of their sight. Jesus sees this and His heart is moved with pity; He begins to teach them, which leads Him to perform the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes (Mk 6:35-44, which follows this gospel passage). Jesus sees (and meets) not only the spiritual but the physical need of the people, so great is His love for the people. The disciples help in this effort, so attuned were they to Jesus' ministry and their own part in it.

There are times when we need to "retreat", to remove ourselves from the everyday experiences of our lives. We can do this for a dedicated period (such as a "retreat week"), or a little each day or week (which might be the only time for some). I truly believe that as followers of Jesus, He calls us to do this. If we don't avail ourselves to be "filled" with God's love, Jesus' presence and the Holy Spirit's power, then we are shortchanging ourselves. We need time for ourselves so that we can make time for others; we need to "fill up" (with grace) so that we can be "emptied" (sharing those graces with others).

May we have the presence of mind to attune our hearts, our minds, our very lives to the voice of Jesus when He calls us to come away to that deserted place (wherever it may be). May we come to know Jesus as Savior and friend in these moments. May we live out our call to serve others by first being filled with God's love and grace. Finally, may we look for opportunities to "retreat" (even if only for a little while), so that God may reveal His plan for us, for our brothers and sisters, for our Church and for the world.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul

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

The Next Second Collection Not until September!!!!						
Financial Blessings		St. Ann's	Budget	St Joh	n's Budge	et
SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS	7/1/19	7/8/18		7/1/18	6/8/18	
OFFERTORY	\$3,108	\$ 3,201	\$3,680	\$5,195	\$4,826	\$5,700
GRAND ANNUAL		\$15,920	\$32,000		\$26,420	\$32,000



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

NUMBERS ARE NEEDED THIS WEEK. FINAL CALL FOR TICKETS. PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY.

The old schedule of collections had August 5th As a collection for Communications.

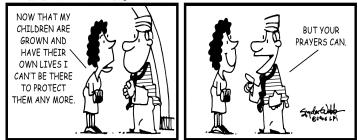
This collection has been incorporated into other collections this year.

The next second collection is in SEPTEMBER.



MEAT RAFFLE SEPTEMBER 29TH AT 1 PM

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

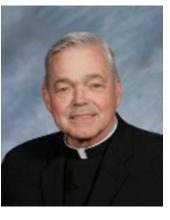




Please remember Saint Ann's and Saint John's When doing your Estate Planning!

Most Rev. John A Dooher Retires

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



For over a decade Bishop Dooher 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.

NEWS FROM THE PARISHES (ST. ANN'S)



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS BAKER @ 774-240-8095 or jchbaker@msn.com

> New mailing address: P O Box 474 West Bridgewater MA 02379



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. **FINAL WEEK FOR TICKETS**.

Consecration to Jesus through Mary

"It is through the most Blessed Virgin Mary that Jesus Christ came into the world, and it is also through her that he will reign in the world."

That's St. Louis de Montfort teaching about the relationship between devotion to the Queen of Apostles and devotion to her son Jesus Christ: the more one is consecrated to Mary, he argues, the more one is consecrated to Jesus.

by Jeannette de Beauvoir

"Our entire perfection," he writes, "consists in being conformed, united and consecrated to Jesus Christ. Hence the most perfect of all devotions is undoubtedly that which conforms, unites and consecrates us most perfectly to Jesus Christ. Now, since Mary is of all creatures the one most conformed to Jesus Christ, it follows that among all devotions that which most consecrates and conforms a soul to our Lord is devotion to Mary, his Holy Mother, and that the more a soul is consecrated to her the more will it be consecrated to Jesus Christ."

Like Mary, de Montfort experienced challenges in his efforts to follow Jesus. Opposed at times in his preaching as well as in his other ministries, he knew that "neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who causes the growth" (1 Corinthians 3:7). He understood clearly that any attempt to succeed by worldly standards runs the risk of betraying the Good News of Jesus, and that challenges are an integral part of the journey, whether to Calvary, the resurrection, or the Kingdom of God.

Mary is "the first and most perfect disciple," as Sulpician Raymond Brown described her. And as such, she is most clearly and truly the Mother of Apostles. The end of de Montfort's Marian devotion is "being conformed, united and consecrated to Jesus."

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.

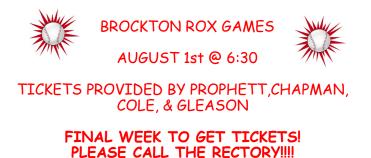


SAINT ANN FIRST COMMUNION PICTURES ARE READY AND IN THE RECTORY FOR PICK UP.

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, Robert Hanson & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.



Everyday Stewardship

My daughter can easily become overwhelmed by having so much to do. She recently graduated from high school, and many times during those four years, she found herself going crazy from being involved in so many things. Sports, drama, youth group, homework, friends, and more all demanded a slice of her attention. Sometimes the slice of time that remained wasn't much and one does have to sleep!

A good everyday steward can get caught up in doing so much and giving so much that he or she loses sight of the fact that you cannot give what you do not have. If you have no time left, you cannot give that. If you have no energy left, you cannot give that. Finally, if you find yourself agitated and overwhelmed, you cannot give that which others benefit from the most: YOU!

Even when we plant seeds in a garden after tilling and watering the soil, we must rest and wait for there to be growth. If we do not take time to rest and recharge, we are not allowing time for God's grace to bring forth new life in us. We fear that things will suffer without us, but the truth is that no one is benefiting from our fatigue. We can think we are giving but really we are empty. Take some time and rest in your God. Retreat and recharge. Then you will be able to share once again.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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 this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Vincent de Paul, a great man of action was also a contemplative. His contemplation of God's love overflowed into practical love for the poor.

Please say a special prayer for the poor and forgotten, as you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box.

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

ELECTRONIC RECYCLE DAY WAS A BIG SUCCESS. SAINT JOHN'S RECEIVED \$245 IN PROFITS.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED !!!



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.

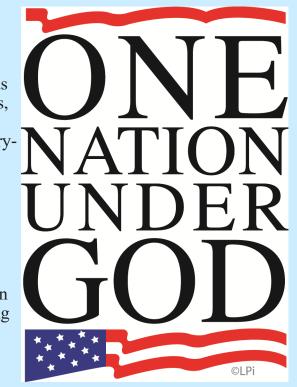
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"Religious freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizen, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that 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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