



*Together in Christ  
Collaborative  
St. Ann & St. John  
Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the  
Universe  
November 26, 2017*



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**EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES**

**St John's**  
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass, Weds, Thurs, Fri.: 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 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

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**St. John is a Stewardship Parish**

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**Saturday, November 25, 2017**

4:00 — Parishioners of St. John

**Sunday, November 26, 2017**

8:00 — Parishioners of St. John

10:30 — Richard H. Foss — 21st Anniversary

**Saturday, December 2, 2017**

4:00 — Robert Gale, Sr — 6th Anniversary

**Sunday, December 3, 2017**

8:00 — Parishioners of Saint John's

10:30 — Kathleen Climo — 7th Anniversary

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**Saturday, November 25, 2017**

4:00 - Antionette & Dominic Tarantino — Mem

**Sunday, November 26, 2017**

8:30 - Stephen J. Nyhan — 3rd Anniversary

10:30 - Rodger Furey — Month's Mind

**Friday, December 1, 2017**

9:00—Matilada & Albert Covezoli — Memorial

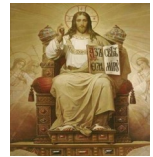
**Saturday, December 2, 2017**

4:00 — Lori Savage Jenkins — 14th Anniversary

**Sunday, December 3, 2017**

8:30 - Deceased Members of the K of C

10:30 - Paul Egersheim — Memorial



My Dear Friends in Christ,

We end our Liturgical Year this weekend with the Feast of Christ the King. This feast, which provides a “bridge” between Ordinary Time and Advent, gives us a picture of a king of a different sort. The type of king which is presented in our gospel passage today is atypical of how the world sees kingship. The world sees a king as a person of physical and military strength, one who gets what one wants by threat of force. The kingship of Jesus is one of humility, service and obedience to something greater than the world could ever imagine. The kingship of Jesus is unlike any other seen or experienced.

Jesus, in today’s gospel, puts His kingship in the context of how we serve our brothers and sisters. We are called to “see Jesus” and “be Jesus”. We are called to “see Jesus” in all whom we meet, to see the very face of Christ in all whom we encounter. We do this by seeing not as the world sees, but as God sees. We are further called to “be Jesus” to others who we come across in our everyday lives. We do this most profoundly by engaging in those “corporal works of mercy” spoken of in today’s gospel – feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick or imprisoned – and by putting our needs second to those of our brothers and sisters.

The challenging thing about today’s gospel comes in the fact that we have to live in the world. If we could stay within our own community faith, among those we love and respect, it would be easy to do all those things outlined in today’s gospel. It is easy to extend ourselves in love to those who love us back or appreciate what we do. We must undertake all of this, however, in a world that doesn’t always appreciate or understand what we are about as Catholic-Christians. People might wonder why we would ever take the time, energy or resources needed to extend these charitable acts to others, and we might even wonder ourselves. We do what we do, however, as Catholic-Christians, simply because Jesus commands us to do so; to be like Jesus, we must live like Jesus.

May we have the courage to extend ourselves in love to our brothers and sisters even when (perhaps *especially* when) it is inconvenient or painful. May we know that the good work we do, in engaging in the aforementioned “corporal works of mercy”, will bear great fruit someday. May we always trust that when we feed the hungry, clothe the naked and visit those who have no one to care for them, we are doing nothing less than communing with the divine and “cementing” our relationship with Christ, Himself.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul

**DEACON’S CORNER BY DEACON BRENDAN**

The “Last Rites”, “Extreme Unction” and the “Anointing of the Sick” are terms we have heard and have perhaps used to convey the same idea. It may help to understand the nuance of these terms.

The Last Rites - the Sacrament of Reconciliation accompanied by the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and the reception of Holy Communion may and should be offered to a person who is gravely ill and who is conscious. That is so that they are able to be comforted by the sacraments and the prayers of the Church. Only a priest may administer these Sacraments. All too often a priest is called to administer these sacraments to a person in a coma or a person who has already expired or sometimes to a non-Catholic. These Sacraments given to a dying person “completes their conformity to the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, just as the Sacrament of Baptism began it”.CCC

The Anointing of the Sick is appropriate for any Catholic whose health is seriously impaired due to chronic illness, old age or is scheduled for surgery that will absent the individual from the worshiping community to request this Sacrament from their priest. In these situations the individual would only receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Sacraments of Confession and the reception of Holy Communion would be offered at another time.

Certainly an individual in a hospital, nursing home or restricted to their own home may be brought Holy Communion anytime on a regular basis by a Priest, Deacon or by a trained commissioned Extraordinary Minister. This practice is to be understood as separate from the Sacraments previously mentioned.

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

**THE 2ND COLLECTION**  
 This week —Special Parish Collection —  
 Next week — St. Vincent De Paul Society

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS	St. Ann's	Budget	St. John's	Total	Budget
<b>SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS</b>	<b>11/12/17</b>		<b>11/12/17</b>		
<b>*In-Pew Giving</b>	<b>\$3,100</b>	<b>\$3,680</b>	<b>\$4,304</b>		
<b>*On-line</b>			<b>467.50</b>	<b>\$4,771.50</b>	<b>\$5,700</b>
<b>Special Parish Collection</b>	<b>772</b>		<b>\$1,426.50</b>		
<b>GRAND ANNUAL</b>				<b>\$8,102</b>	<b>\$32,000</b>

### Collaborative Pastoral Council Meeting 11/08/17- St. Ann's Parish Center at 7pm

Present: Father Ring, Deacon Brendan Fitzgerald, Anne Smith, Linda Santry, Patricia Everett, Nancy Maloney, Kerri Fabroski, Chuck Moore

Absent: Deacon Joe Hopgood, Eileen Fitzgerald, Jim Cullen, Kevin Laslie, Steven Colburn  
 ∞ Opening Prayer and Remarks – Fr. Ring

Father Ring opened the meeting with prayer at 7:06p.m.  
 ∞ Approval minutes of last Collaborative Pastoral Council Meeting

The minutes were approved.  
 ∞ Updates from Fr. Ring:

- St. John's Offertory Development Program  
 St. John's collections are still about 7% above what they were. A reminder about the increased giving program will be put in the bulletin.  
 There will be a homily this week at St. Ann's masses on increasing stewardship through time, talent, and treasure. On the weekend of 11/18-19, envelopes will be in the pews for parishioners to commit to an increased offering. Father will explain the process of formulating the Finance Council, establishing a budget, requesting offertory increases and the Grand Annual Collection. He will emphasize that all increased offertory and the Grand Annual collections will stay in St. Ann's parish.

- Finance Councils  
 No meetings with the Finance Councils have been held, but they have been kept in the loop through email communications about the budget.

- Pastoral Planning Writing Committee  
 The PPWC has drafted a vision statement:

"We the Together in Christ Collaborative of St. Ann and St. John the Evangelist, welcome and engage all ages. United by faith, we embrace the call of Jesus to live our mission 'to go forth and make disciples.' Through evangelization, education, and by the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, we will grow together as One Body of Christ."

The statement was well-received by the PC. The PPWC will meet again on 11/15 to begin work on SMART goals around hospitality, faith formation, Sunday experience, and vocations.

- ∞ Open discussion
- The PC meeting for December has been moved to December 6th at St. John's.
- The Collaborative Mission for Advent will be held on December 3, 4, and 5 with a theme of "History, Mystery, and Eternity". It will be led by Jaymie Stewart Wolf.

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- On 12/3 there will be a mass at 5p.m. at St. John's, followed by dinner and a talk. On 12/4 there will be a morning service at St. Ann's, and then an evening talk and reconciliation. On 12/5 there will be a talk and reconciliation.
- On December 3rd the diocesan Bishop Cheverus Award will be presented to Linda Santry at the Newton Church, Our Lady Help of Christians.
- On November 19th at 7:00p.m. there will be an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at Cochesett Methodist Church in West Bridgewater, with First Church and St. Ann's.
- Thanksgiving morning mass will be at 8:00a.m. at St. John's.
- On November 30th the East Bridgewater clergy will have a prayer service followed by tree lighting on the Common.
- ∞ Closing prayer – Fr. Ring

### Christmas Eve Teen/Adult Collaborative Choir

**Join our collaborative choir for Christmas Eve Midnight Mass at St. Ann's church this year!**  
**Rehearsals are Monday evenings, 7:15-8:30, beginning 11/27 at St. John's. Contact Paul Hoffman, St. John's Music Director for more information.**



### Family Healing from Addiction Ministry

**The first Saturday of the month at:**  
**Holy Ghost Church, Whitman 11AM—12 Noon**  
**Light lunch to follow. For more info contact:**  
**Karen McWilliams 603-682-7933**

**Third Saturday of each month: at St. Ann's By the Sea, Marshfield, 10 AM—11 AM, light refreshments to follow. Contact Sean Flaherty 781-308-863**

**Fourth Saturday of each month at: St. Joseph the Worker, Hanson, 11:30—12:30, light refreshments**  
**Contact: Fr. Mike Hobson 781-293-3581 ext 211**  
**Rosary4recovery.com**

Together in Christ Collaborative

# God Who Comes

“History/Mystery/Eternity”

Collaborative Advent Mission

Jesus is appearing now at our Church!  
Come join us to believe in and see God in a whole



Featuring:  
Jaymie Stuart Wolfe

Sunday, December 3rd St. John  
10:30 am Family Mass  
5:00 pm Mass followed by Mission Talk– History with Dinner

Monday, December 4th-St. Ann  
6:00 pm Adoration  
6:30 pm Mission Talk-Mystery  
Confession will be Available

Tuesday, December 5th-St. Ann  
9:00-11:00 am  
Mission Retreat

Tuesday, December 5th– St. John  
6:00 pm Rosary  
6:30 pm Mission Talk– Eternity  
Adoration

Please contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 for more information

# PARISH NEWS FOR ST. ANN'S

St Ann's Weekly Offertory: will now be displayed on the Collaborative page.

## MASSPASS BOOK FUNDRAISER

### *St. Vincent de Paul*

Will be selling MassPass books at the end of each Mass beginning this weekend.

If you purchase a 2018 book for \$25, you will be given (for free) a 2017 book which is good until the end of December.

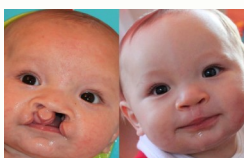


## St Ann Prayer Line:

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.



The Annual Cupcake Sale for Smile Train Will take place the 16th & 17th of December.



Before

After

## Christmas Sharing Planning

Plans are being made for this year's Christmas Sharing Program and we need your help. Each year we provide clothing and toys to children age 16 and younger in needy families. The families must meet one of the following criteria: be parishioners of St. Ann's, live in West Bridgewater, attend West Bridgewater schools, or be recommended by a parishioner of St. Ann's. As always, we rely on you to help us find the families in need of assistance. If you know of a family who is struggling due to a job loss, injury or disability, please call Linda Santry at 508-586-6535, or email her, [linda@santry.org](mailto:linda@santry.org). All information is kept in strict confidence.

We also are updating our list of senior citizens for a Christmas remembrance. We provide small gifts and a goodie basket to senior citizens who are needy, have no family, or who have provided memorable service to St. Ann's. If you know if someone we should include, please call Linda Santry.



The Annual Christmas Pageant will be December 10th At Noon

All are cordially welcome to attend. Baked goods would be greatly appreciated.



The Annual Food Drive for the Religious Education Program is underway. Please bring your canned goods with you to Religious Education Class in the month of November.



## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

### SAINT ANN'S MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE A 4 PM, 6 PM AND MINDNIGHT MASS WITH TEEN/ADULT COLLABORATIVE CHOIR CHRISTMAS DAY THERE WILL BE AN 8:30 AM AND 10:30 AM.

SAINT JOHN'S MASS SCHEDULE CHRISTMAS EVE THIS YEAR WILL BE THE SAME AS ALWAYS, 4 PM UPSTAIRS, 4 PM DOWNSTAIRS WITH THE CHILDRENS CHOIR 6 PM UPSTAIRS WITH CHOIR CHRISTMAS DAY 10:30 AM



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

# PARISH NEWS FOR ST. JOHN'S

**Please keep the following in your prayers:** Karen DeBenedictis, Carter Cullen, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Ginger & John Margesion, Bob McGanty, Harry Hewins, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Florence Lacey, Edie Lincoln, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeff, Sharon Farrell, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Bill Estes, Rita Flaherty, Donald Rush, Tyler Martin, John Spellman, Fr. Ed Doughty, Amanda Little, Patricia Estes, Vince Adornato, Kenneth Upham, Joan Fusco, Pat Zemeitus, JoAnn Micalizzi, Barbara Worswick, Kay Levoshko, Tammy Engstrom, Bob Hill, Jim Cassidy, Tori Bortolotto, Doris Thompson, Jim Cullen, Henry Wedge & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

### St. John's Music Ministry

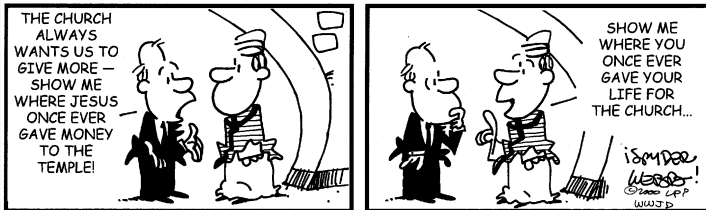
Children's choir, Adult/Teen, Monthly Teen, Seasonal, Family Mass choir opportunities!

### GRAND ANNUAL HAS BEGUN

**PLEASE be as generous as possible with the Grand Annual and Increased Offertory Campaign.**

**God Bless and thank you for your continued generosity.**

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### St. Vincent de Paul – St. John's Conference



Today as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear Jesus say: "...whatever you did for the least of my brothers and sisters, you did for me."

**Knowing that we find the face of Christ in our neighbor's here in East Bridgewater, this month, through many generous donations, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to provide a Thanksgiving meal for 40+ families. Once again we thank you for your continued support.**

The holidays are a difficult time for many. If you know someone in need of food or other assistance please have them call the St. Vincent de Paul **HOTLINE at 508-378-3760**. We are always available and return phone calls in less than 24 hours.

### Catholic Appeal Update

If you have pledged money to the Catholic Appeal, please follow through with your commitment and please make your payment..

All monies are used to reduce the amount of money



Children, grades 3-8, are welcome to join the Children's choir to sing at the 4 pm Christmas Eve Mass at St. John's. First rehearsal is 11/27, 6 pm at St. John's. Contact Paul Hoffman for details 617-610-2255.

*Thank you to the Catholic Women's Club for a very successful Christmas Craft Fair.*

*More thanks to this group for taking care of the bills for the roof maintenance and the Leaking bulkhead on the Back of the church.*

Is anyone available to clean St. John's on Thursdays every fifth week with Carmen Pearson.



We also need someone to vacuum the church once a week.

### CHRISTMAS GIVING THREE IS UP



PARISHIONERS WITH CHILDREN IN GRADES K-12 PLEASE LET LORRAINE HOPGOOD KNOW IF HELP IS NEEDED.

PLEASE WRITE AMOUNT ON GIFT CARDS.

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