
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

July 6, 2014
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 5, 2014

4:00 – John & Eileen Barry -- Memorial

Sunday, July 6, 2014

8:00 – Parishioners of St. John

10:30 – Mary Tucker – Memorial

Wednesday, July 9, 2014

9:00 – Robert Gale – 3rd Anniversary

Saturday, July 12, 2014

4:00 – Gordon T. Ross – 3rd Anniversary

Sunday, June 29, 2014

8:00 – Parishioners of St. John Parish

10:30 – Deceased Members of the Mulkern Family

Important Dates

Fri. 7/11 – Fireside Friday – 7 pm

Fri. 7/18 – Fireside Friday – 7 pm

Mon. 7/28 – Fri. 8/1 – VBS – 9:00 – 12:00

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Alice A. Poshkus whose funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, June 27th.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Mei Connelly, Dottie & Eddie Younis, Lillian Wedge, Richard Cerci, MacDonald Family, Susan Lynch, Roy Conrad, Mark DeLuca, Michael Terry, Harvey Day, Audrey Ribero, Bill Maloney, John Gomes, Jon Olson, Pat Sweet, Bill Clements, Rita Orr, Nancy Porter, Dawn Bono, David LaRosa, Bill Monaghan, Nancy Belisle, Ann Storti, Karen Debenedictis, Manuel Amaral, Gerald Ahl, Henry "Harry" Wedge.

The residents of Sachem & Westview.

If you know of anyone in who is need of a Pastoral visit from either our Eucharistic Ministers or Fr. Paul (in the case of the Sacrament of the Sick), please call the rectory.



Registration began July 1st.

The deadline for registering is August 31st.

You can register on-line in our website or in person in the Religious Education Office located in the basement of the church between the hours of

9:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Payments this year may be made in cash, check, credit or debit cards through one-time payments or on the installment plan.

Our Shared Treasure

June 29, 2014

	<u>Last Wk</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Collection	\$ 4,513.00	\$ 279,162.76
Budgeted	<u>5,882.91</u>	<u>300,000.00</u>
Excess/(Short)	\$ 1,369.35	\$ 20,837.24

Grand Annual to Date: \$27,759

Grand Annual Budget: \$40,000 = **Short \$12,241**

Catholic Appeal: \$26,046 from 166 parishioners

Catholic Appeal Goal \$27,288 -- at 95%

Thank you for your continued generosity.

CATHOLIC APPEAL 2014

GOAL = \$27,288
DONATIONS = \$26,046

95% OF GOAL
112 DONORS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!



Going away this summer?

Have fun and enjoy. You deserve it. But PLEASE don't forget us. Our bills still need to be paid.

Make it easy for yourself, use our On-line Giving Program. Set it up before you go And then forget it.

Directions are available on the Ushers' Table



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ST. JOHN'S INVITES YOU TO JOIN US IN
FIRESIDE FRIDAY'S

JULY 11, 2014

AT 7 PM

CASUAL CONVERSATIONS, QUESTIONS
AND CONCERNS REGARDING OUR
FAITH.

Kids welcome, marshmallows can be toasted

NEWS: GOOD with John Allen

John Allen has been a Vatican correspondent for twenty years and has just gone to the Boston Globe in that capacity. It is fascinating to hear what he has to say.

In this interview with Fr. Mike, John gives his insights into Pope Francis who has captured the imagination of the global world. He says of Pope Francis: "What you see is what you get! He is a humble, simple, ordinary guy, a real man. It is not an act."

Fr. Mike asks about the Vatican's opinion of the Church in the U.S. John has some valuable insights for us to ponder. They discuss the questionnaire on the family, shortage of priestly vocations, and what we can expect; or not!

24/7 on our website www.wordnet.tv



Cardinal O'Malley statement on HHS mandate Supreme Court decision:

"We are grateful for the Supreme Court's decision, which protects conscience rights for private companies and individuals. While this does not address the full range of challenges the HHS mandate poses for religious organizations, it highlights the importance of focused attention on the need for these organizations not to be forced to choose between their service to American society and adherence to a mandate that violates their principles.

It is our sincere hope that the Administration will take the necessary action to protect religious organizations' ability to serve the public interest and the guarantee of freedom of religion."

This message was sent by: Archdiocese of Boston, 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, MA 02184



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Today our Savior invites us, in today's gospel, "come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest" (Mt 11:28). This weekend is, for most, a time of rest from our labors. We, as a nation will commemorate this Fourth of July Weekend with parades, cookouts and, of course, the requisite fireworks demonstrations. Among all of this pageantry, let us never forget the sacrifice that has gotten us this freedom to do all of this celebrating. We "stand on the shoulders" of all of those brave men and women who have fought, and continue to fight, for our freedoms and liberties which we enjoy. It is imperative that we never forget this sacrifice, lest we sully their memory.

We recognize, as well, that as we rest from our labors, the work of Christian discipleship knows no holiday. We are always Christians, whether at work, at school, at home or on a holiday/seasonal break. Our holiday this weekend gives us the appropriate time to reflect on what true freedom is all about for the Christian disciple. It is not liberty to do as we please, but to do as we ought in the name of God and, in doing so, honor God with the gift of that service. We come to realize, as we celebrate the gifts of "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness", that these gifts come from the "giver of all good gifts" – Almighty God.

Life, the first and greatest gifts, is to be afforded to all – the preborn, the mentally and physically challenged, the poor and marginalized, the imprisoned, the elderly and infirmed. It is given by God and, as such, is neither ours to bestow or remove. Liberty, the second gift, is that opportunity God gives us to worship Him free of constraints from the world. We are pleased and privileged to have it, and must cherish it always. The Pursuit of Happiness is not the attainment of material goods, but the "storing up in heaven" the gifts that last – peace, justice, truth and love – gifts that have permanence and meaning.

May we use this weekend wisely and well, reflecting on the goodness of God and all of the gifts He has given us. May we pray that God will continue to pour out His Spirit upon us, so that we may seek out these gifts, use them for the betterment of ourselves and our brothers and sisters and always strive for the greater glory of God!

A Blessed, Safe and Happy Fourth of July Weekend to All,

Fr. Paul