



# L.O.O.P

## The Life of Our Parish

August 12th, 2016

### Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry

St. Ann and St. John



The Parish and Youth Ministry is a Collaborative Ministry of St. Ann and St. John. Programs will be offered at both St. Ann's Parish and St. John's Parish and will be open to all. As our new Collaborative Ministry grows more activities and events will be added and the location of current events may change. Please feel free to share your thoughts or ideas! The Ministry will only grow and flourish with your involvement.

#### Meet the Director of the Parish and Youth Ministry

##### Nancy Smith, Director



Each of us has a Faith Story that was written for us before we were even born. As far back as I can remember as a little girl, I felt the vocation of marriage and motherhood. God didn't wait very long to reveal that chapter of our lives, as my husband and I met in High School and we started our family shortly after graduation from college. We have been blessed with three beautiful children. What I could not have dreamed or imagined was that while I was fulfilling my vocation to be a Mother, God's calling would also include working with the families, children, and Parishioners of our Parish. I cherish the moments of worship, fun, laughter, and lots and lots of pictures. I am humbled by the guidance Christ has given me in my ministry to also sit with our families in moments of faith, prayer, tears, and worry. In all of these different moments of grace, the love of Christ shines so brightly in each one of you. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve our Parishes as the Director of the Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry.

God Bless,  
Nancy Smith

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#### Joint Youth and Adult Committee Meeting

**Thursday, August 25th**  
**6:30 pm at St. John's Parish Hall**

All are welcome to join our Adult Committee and Youth Leadership team to put the final touches on our plans for our 2016-2017 Program of Events. Please come with your ideas and thoughts. We will be choosing our Mission Trip location, and ideas for our fall Fun Fridays among many other decisions. This is a wonderful opportunity to come see more about the behind the scenes planning that takes place to make our Ministry active and vibrant.

Please RSVP @ nhenn71@hotmail.com, as we will be having hot dogs and hamburgers to celebrate the start of our new Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry.

## Summer Activity for All

### Sea Glass or Dish Garden Craft



## Tuesday, August 23rd

St. John Parish Hall

6:00 pm

Sea Glass Painting \$12.00 (frames will be available for purchase)

Dish Garden \$25.00

You may do one or both. Families may work on one project together. Price is per project, not person.

Please RSVP @ nhenn71@hotmail.com, so that Jackie Lydon, our Hostess can be prepared with enough supplies.

This is the first in our series of Craft/Paint nights that will be held throughout the year. We will host a fall/holiday Paint Night on October 12th. At the end of the year, our hostess Jackie Lydon will donate a portion of the proceeds to our Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry.

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## Contact Us

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## Our Faith Family



Has it been a while since you have participated in your faith or are you are you interested in becoming Catholic or simply learning more about our faith?

You are welcome in our Parish! We also have programs if you are a baptized adult who has not yet completed preparation for Holy Communion or Confirmation?

Please contact us to learn more about our Faith and our Parish.

Our doors are open to all no matter where you are on your faith journey.

St. Ann's Rectory  
508-586-4880  
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## Weeend Mass Times

St Ann  
Saturday at 4:00 pm  
Sunday at 8:30 am and 10:30 am  
St. John  
Saturday at 4:00 pm  
Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am

## Service Saturday

### Saturday, September 3rd

On the first Saturday of each month, we will come together in service to work with local organizations and help with needs within our own buildings and properties.

For our first Service Saturday, we have been asked to provide a team to help with the **Run For Jess** at the East Bridgewater Commercial Club.

Saturday, September 3, 2016, at 10:00 AM  
East Bridgewater Commercial Club  
1 Nielson Ave; East Bridgewater, MA 02333



5k run or 1 mile walk  
Raffles, DJ, Activities and FREE BBQ to follow

Our help is needed supporting the runners and running activities for the children. Please RSVP to Nancy at nhenn71@hotmail.com so we can plan on our many volunteers can help out.

If you are an organization or know of an organization that is in need of our support, please let us know.

## Ultreya



**Thursday, September 8th**  
**7:00 pm, St. John's Main Church**  
**Witness: Paul Connell**

The word 'ultreya' is a Spanish word meaning 'onward', or 'let's go'. It is a cry of encouragement for Cursillistas to persevere on their Fourth Day journey. We come to an Ultreya to share our Christian walk with each other; and in so doing, we each come away renewed in our quest to 'walk the talk'. Simply put, an Ultreya is the coming together of the Cursillo community to share their piety, study, and action with each other.

Our Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry is so excited to be hosting a local Ultreya at our Parishes! All Cursillistas are welcome! Our meetings will be held at St. John's Parish and are typically held on the second Thursday of the month

## Ongoing Monthly Offerings for All Members of the Parish

### Fun Fridays

On the third Friday of each month we will host Fun Fridays. The activities for each month will be chosen and planned by our Youth Leadership Team. Join us for our First Fun Friday on September 16th at 7:00 pm. Details will follow after our meeting this Thursday. Join us at that meeting to share your Fun Friday ideas.

### Prayer and Worship Group (We are working on a fun name)

On the fourth Friday of each month we will gather together in prayer, study, and worship from 10:00 am -11:00 am at St. John's Chapel or St. Ann Church (location to be determined). Our first meeting will be on Friday, September 23rd at St. John's Chapel. Our group will be led by Fr. Paul and/or Fr. Mike. Watch this newsletter for more details and feel free to contact us with ideas or suggestions.

### Pancakes with the Pastor

On the fourth Sunday of each month you are invited to join Fr. Paul for pancakes and discussion from 9:00-10:00 am. Our first breakfast is being held Sunday, September 25th at St. John's Parish Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity for all to grow deeper in their faith. One month may include a discussion of the vestments used during Mass or a discussion about the parts of the Mass. Another month we intend to collect your questions ahead of time in a jar and Fr. Paul will answer as many of them as time allows. Each month will have a different theme, and all are welcome! No need to cook breakfast or worry about bringing anything, You are invited to come and enjoy time together growing in faith.

### Ultreya

Second Thursday of each month- St. John's Church/Chapel

### Service Saturdays

First Saturday of every month- Various Locations

### Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry Committee Meeting

Fourth Thursday of every month- St. John Parish Hall

These are our monthly, ongoing events. Watch for exact dates in our newsletters as some months are changed due to holidays. Locations on some events will change as the year progresses.

There will be additional activities that will be highlighted in upcoming newsletters:

Parish Mission, Ski Trip, March for Life, PJ Anderson, Overnight Retreat at La Salette, Deep Freeze Weekend, Catholic Heart Mission Trip, Discipleship Week, Steubenville East, Fundraising Activities

## Coming Attractions

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Friday, September 16th: Fun Friday at 7:00 pm

Friday, September 23rd: Prayer and Worship Group from 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Sunday, September 25th: Pancakes with the Pastor from 9:00-10:00 am

Sunday, October 16th: Harvest Pancake Breakfast from 7:00 am -12:00 pm at St. Ann's Parish Center

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