

L.O.O.P The Life of Our Parish September 23rd, 2016

Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry

Each one of us is a unique, unrepeatable, masterpiece from God. The Parish and Youth Ministry strives to share in each one of our special gifts to create moments we feel Christ among and around us. When we come together as a faith family, we all grow closer to the heart of Christ.

Service Saturday Prayer Garden Clean-up

Saturday, October 1st 8:00-11:00 am



Eagle Scout, Jon Hamilton did a great job laying the foundation for a wonderful sitting area in the backyard of St. John. The area needs some addition work this fall and in the spring

to be completed. We are so blessed to have Paul Meehan of Sequoia Landscapers acting as Project Manager for us. Eventually, using materials already on the property we hope to make a path from the Rectory Driveway to the Garden and add a Fire Pit for summer fun. But for now there is more clearing and cleaning that needs to be done this fall.

We are asking for 20-30 volunteers to help! Please bring a rake, gloves or any other helpful tools you have. Come for an hour, two or the whole morning.

We are also very grateful to Melinda LaCourse and her Girl

The Love of Christ in a Priest's Heart

Please enjoy this four minute insight into Fr. Paul's call to Priesthood.



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Program Booklet

Our 2016-2017
Program Booklets are ready!
Click on the link or get your hard copy at the back of each Parish

Parish and Youth Ministry
Program Booklet

Google Calendar

We created a Public Calendar for each Parish on Google for you to easily keep track of all the Mass Times, Programs and events. You can subscribe to one or both right Scout Troop for offering to work on the garden outside the Rectory Garage.

Upcoming Cursillo



The Cursillo Season is about to start. Consider giving yourself a wonderful gift this fall by taking a few days to explore your Christian Faith at one of the beautiful locations for this special weekend.

Cursillo: Cursillo (pronounced kur-see-yo) is a Spanish word meaning a short course. It is an abbreviated form of Cursillo de Cristiandad (short course to prepare Christians). It is not a theoretical course, nor is it a retreat. It is first and foremost an experience. It must be lived. It is a life-changing experience, which brings with it the discovery of the basis of Christianity and its fundamental significance to our lives. To explain Cursillo to someone who has never experienced Cursillo is at best, difficult. No one can fully explain how God touches each person in His special / unique way throughout the various elements of the Cursillo Movement.

Cursillo Retreats are held in several locations including locally at the Holy Cross Retreat House in Easton. We encourage anyone twenty one years or older to contact Fr. Paul or Nancy Smith to learn more about these amazing weekends. There are several parishioners that have lived their Cursillo, including Fr. Paul and Nancy, that would be happy to explain these beautiful weekends. While Cursillo Retreats follow the same general format each location offers slight differences which offers choices for you. We are blessed to have a Parishioners that lived their weekends at any one of these locations.

Click on any of these link to go directly to each site to learn more or contact Nancy Smith at nhenn71@hotmail.com for more information.

Easton: Holy Cross Retreat House

Weston: <u>Boston Cursillo</u> Metheun: <u>St Basil</u>

Spotlight: Paint Night Fundraiser



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Our Faith Family



Where are you on your faith journey?
We are here to welcome you!

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

Wednesday
October 12th at 7:00 pm
St. Ann Parish Hall
103 North Main Street, West Bridgewater
\$25.00
Wood Craft

Join our Host Jackie Lydon for this fun fall craft!
Please RSVP so that we can have enough supplies to nhenn71@hotmail.com or 508-838-8490.
We accept cash, checks or credit/debit cards.

Ultreya: Thursday, October 13th at 7:00 pm St. John Chapel for Mass and Group Sharing



Ultreya: 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. We are so excited to be hosting a local Ultreya at our Parishes! All Cursillistas are welcome!

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 St. John's Rectory 508-378-4207

Weekend 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

Daily Mass

St. John Monday-Friday @ 9:00 am St. Ann Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday @ 9:00 am

Lift Ministry is Coming to our Collaborative!

Tuesday, October 25th at 7:00 pm at St. John Parish



We have been on the waiting list for two years and we are so excited to bring Lift Ministries to St. John and St. Ann.

Lift Ministry is a great night of Praise and Worship for all members of your family! The night will include music, adoration, a speaker, and the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of

Confession. The event is sponsored by the

Archdiocese of Boston and will be open to anyone that would like to join us.

Our speaker will be: Dave VanVickle

Dave fell in love with the Lord at the age of fourteen and has dedicated his life to bringing others into a radical relationship with Christ. He is currently serving as the Director of Evangelization at St. Bonaventure's Parish in Glenshaw, PA. Dave is also the Young Adult Coordinator for the National Service Committee of

the Charismatic Renewal. Dave is a popular speaker and retreat leader who focuses on proclaiming the



universal call to holiness, authentic Catholic spirituality, spiritual warfare and deliverance. He lives in Pittsburgh with his wife, Amber, and their four children: Sam, Max, Judah and Josie



All parishioners are encouraged and invited to take part in the training offered by the Archdiocese of Boston to learn more about the New Evangelization. This is a wonderful way to take an active role in the Collaboration Process. This training will offer an insight into the blue print we will be following as we work together over the coming months.

The Basics

Forming Disciples in Mission is a one-day or two-evening session that will support all those involved in a Collaborative to develop a common language and skill set for the work of the New Evangelization. During the session, participants will learn how to share personal testimony and form disciples, develop an understanding of what makes evangelizing parishes, and discuss practical ways to evangelize in parish life.

Two Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, October 1, 9am-5pm (breakfast & lunch included) Pastoral Center, Braintree
- Wednesday & Thursday, November 16 & 17, 5:30pm-9pm (dinner included)
 Resurrection Parish, Hingham

Click on this link to learn more. Visit the website for more information

Pizza Palooza

We would like to thank everyone for their support of our Parish and Youth Ministry. Fundraising is necessary and much needed to have the funds to run the programs we have slated for the coming year. Unfortunately we where not able to secure enough interest from the restaurants in town at this time for our Pizza Palooza but I am confident we can go back to the drawing board and reschedule this. We are going to rework this event with the few restaurants, like Papa Stelios that agreed to be part of it and fine tune the details so that the event is successful for us and doable for the businesses. Stay tuned for a future date and save your excitement to find out who will be voted the Best Pizza in East Bridgewater!!



Coming Attractions

Sunday, October 16th: Harvest Pancake Breakfast from 7:00 am -12:00 pm



at St. Ann's Parish Center

Freewill Offering

Next Adult Parish and Youth Ministry Committee Meeting: Thursday, September 29th at 7:00 pm in the Religious Education Office. All are welcome!

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.

Please visit both web-sites to learn more about what is going on in our Parish Community!

<u>Visit St. John's Website</u>

<u>Visit St. Ann's Website</u>