

L.O.O.P

The Life of Our Parishes

November 11th, 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.

**Deadline for the March For Life Scholarship has been extended to
November 15th**

Come Lord
"Preparing for Jesus"

The St. John and St. Ann's Parish presents
Parish Mission
Advent

December 4th-December 6th

Sunday | 6:00 pm | St. John Parish

Monday | 10:00 am and 7:00 pm | St. Ann Parish

Tuesday | 10:00 am and 7:00 pm | St. John Parish

Faith

Fr. Tom Carzon, OMV, will lead this journey for all ages to quiet our hearts during the Advent Season in order to listen and experience the voice of God within our hearts.

Babysitting or homework help will be available for the the little ones! Call Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490

Love

This three day journey will have many opportunities for prayer and reflection.
Please contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com for complete details.

Open our Hearts
Parish and Youth Ministry



Christmas Pageant



All are invited to join us for our Annual Christmas Pageant. There will be three rehearsals before the show. The schedule will be determined, once everyone has signed up.

Our first rehearsal will be on

Sunday, November 13th from 9:00-10:30 am.

All ages are welcome! (Who knows, maybe a special guest may even join us!) Older students are always needed to help younger students read or help with our songs. Our show will be presented at a very special Fun Friday on Friday, December 16th.

Christmas Fun Friday

Pageant, Dinner, Special Guest,
Christmas Cookie Decorating.

Please Save the Date!

Parish and Youth Ministry Gala Night at the Auction

Halifax Country Club

Thursday, April 6th

6:00-10:00 pm

\$30.00 per person

Dinner, Dancing, Silent Auction, Live Auction and Games

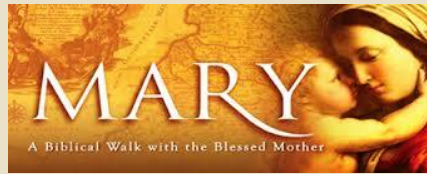


We need help!

Our Auction needs 10-12 volunteers to join our
Auction Team Members.

The Auction will be a wonderful evening but we need donation items. Sadly we are finding larger companies will not donate to a Church. We need all kinds of items for the Auction like services, baskets, Vacation Packages, Sports or Event Tickets, Dining.

Sons and Daughters Prayer Group



Next Meeting:
Friday, November 18th at St. John
Parish Hall
10:00-11:30 am

This will be an extraordinary pilgrimage, revealing Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and in our lives. All are welcome to join our Prayer Group. The group meets once a month, alternating between St. John and St. Ann on the 4th Friday of the month. Our study books are \$15.00. We are blessed to have Fr. Paul and Fr. Mike join our prayer group each month. Refreshments are served. The Sons and Daughters Prayer Group has a nice group started, but more are always welcome.

Special Events

PJ Anderson, Catholic Musician and Inspiration Speaker

A Night of Song, Worship and Witness



Friday, January 6th
7:00 pm

"He can write songs that touch those places deep down in your heart where joy and pain reside in harmony. His heartfelt lyrics strike a chord and draw out those emotions that are waiting to be uncovered. His worship opens hearts to the love of the Lord, and helps every worshipper enter into the presence of God.

PJ learned to play guitar from a nun, Sister Charita, in 5th grade. He landed a role in the high school musical, Grease and started a band in college that opened up doors to writing his own songs. After college, he was a Youth Minister and played in worship bands until he made the

move from Chicago to Nashville. PJ now travels the country inspiring youth, playing concerts, leading worship at conferences and retreats, and encouraging youth through his prayerful form of worship. Most notable, PJ has led music at Mega Workshops at the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in 2015 and 2013 as well as leading worship at Catholic Heart Work Camp (CHWC) for the past 6 summers. He also headlined the Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the Verizon Center in Washington, DC for 30,000 youth in 2016."



PJ has become a dear friend of the Parish and Youth Ministry. The Anderson Family's Faith is a very special example of how important making time for our faiths is to our families. Our weekend with PJ will include opportunities for all of our Parishioners to journey along their own faith path with their entire family.

"I AM" Weekend Retreat

January 7th- January 8th



Join us for the special weekend to discover all that we are and all we can be in the love of Christ.

3:00 pm - 2:00 pm
La Salette Retreat Center
947 Park Street
Attleboro, Ma

\$75 (includes three meals, snacks, lodging and retreat materials) Remember cost should never be a reason for not attending.

This special weekend will have a teen track and a young adult (college) track. This facility is large enough to have separate floors for sleeping and several meeting areas.

With the help of our good friend PJ Anderson we are putting together this very special opportunity for the youth of our Parish and surrounding communities. We are so excited to be able to offer an unforgettable overnight retreat filled with faith, friendship, time for prayer and reflection, fun and games, great talks, small and large group sharing, ample opportunity to receive the

sacraments- mass, reconciliation, and adoration, great food, some fun leisure time, - all in all its going to be EPIC. And we want YOU to join us! We are going to have an amazing team ready to make all of this happen.



The retreat center has plenty of room for two separate retreats. The retreat is open for anyone and everyone open to encountering God's love, discovering all that you are in his eyes and would like to share the journey of faith with good friends - this retreat is for YOU!

You may attend part of the retreat, but we encourage you to come for the whole weekend (it's just more fun that way!). Looking forward to sharing this special weekend with you!

Please contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com to reserve your spot!
Friends are welcome!



Reserve Your Spots Soon! Some deadlines are approaching and signing up early makes payments and fundraisers much easier.

March for Life Deadline to join us is November 30th

St. John and St. Ann Parish and Youth Ministry
is proud to offer the life changing opportunity to join
the March for Life 2017



Middle School Track High School Track
Young Adult Track Family Track Chaperons Needed

Thursday, January 26th -Saturday, January 28th
Washington DC



"I attended Witness to Life in January of 2013, the 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, and the March for Life was a life changing experience for me. I used to hold the personal believe that 'abortion is wrong, but who am I to say that it was wrong for someone else.' It's a topic I did not want to think about, but by closing the door to a conversation that is difficult, you also close the door to understanding. Not just understanding what abortion is exactly, but also an empathetic understanding to why it exists. "There are lots of reasons to why we march, but I march to remember the one quarter of MY generation that are only known to God."

Libby Connell, age 21

Founding Young Adult Member of our Parish and Youth Ministry, 2014 Graduate of East Bridgewater High School, (2) Year Member of our Mission Team

So why do we march?

- We march to remember the 57 million lives of little girls and boys that have been lost to abortion
- We march to demand legislative action to protect every life.
- We march to revive a culture of life across our country.
- We march to share the truth that abortion harms women physically, emotionally, and mentally.
- We march to share the truth that there is hope and healing after abortion.
- We march because each and every life is a gift.

- We march to be a voice for the voiceless.

\$300

Includes Coach Bus, Lodging (Quad Room) and Expenses
 \$75 Deposit due by November 1st
 The Archdiocese of Boston has scholarships available.
 Please speak with Fr. Paul or I by October 27 in order to
 meet the November 1st deadline.



4th Annual Mission Trip



Catholic Heart Work Camp
 Announcing a new location:
 Richmond, Virginia
 June 24th- July 1st

Back by popular demand: We will be traveling by Amtrak Train!
 Our Mission Trip is open to all students entering 9th Grade in the fall of
 2017 and up.

Cost: \$630

This cost includes accommodations, travel arrangement to Richmond and during the week of service, food and program costs. This amount is based on the cost of the train tickets as of September 25th. The cost may change. Each year we actively fundraise to cover some of this cost. Refunds will be issued one week before the trip. Fr. Paul and I feel very strongly that cost should never be the reason someone does not attend. There are many arrangements that can be made, please speak with either one of us.
 A deposit of \$90 is required to reserve your spot.

We accept cash, checks (made payable to St. John) or credit or debit cards. We ask families to make monthly payments and total payment is due by March 29th.

Our programs are open to the youths and young adults of our parish and any guests they would like to invite. All participants will be required to fill out all paperwork, including our Commitment form to the Mission Team.

If you any questions or concerns or to reserve your spot, please contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com. We also have two Young Adults who worked on staff of Catholic Heart Work Camp and three mission teams that would be happy to

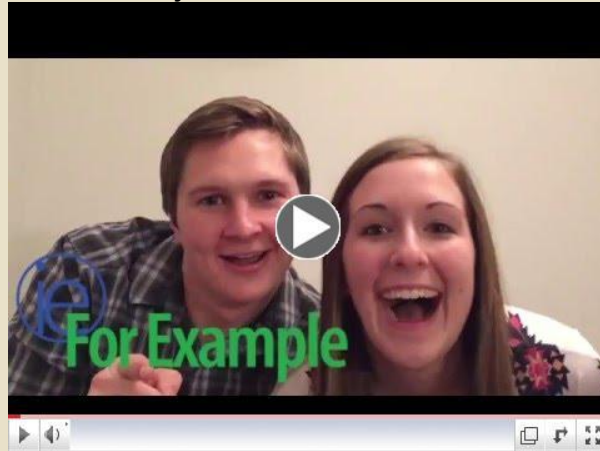


Speak with you about their experience. This is a wonderful week of faith, service and fun!

Here is our flyer to share with friends. Spots are limited, so sign up early!

[Flyer for Mission Trip](#)

Here are the top 5 Reasons to join us from two of the staff members we have met!



We need you to be part of our team!

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](#)

News from our Parishes

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 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
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

St. John Calendar

[Click for St. John's Parish Calendar](#)

St. Ann Calendar

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The Love of Christ in a Priest's Heart

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



Parish Ministries Need Your Support



What Gifts is God Calling Your Heart to Share?

Both St. John and St. Ann are in desperate need of Parishioners of all ages to volunteer for our various Ministries. Each one of us has the ability to help grow our Ministries, no matter our age. Please don't feel like you don't have the talent or faith deep enough to volunteer for one or several of our Ministries. Training and Support is offered for all positions. If you are unsure what would be a "good fit" speak with Fr. Paul or Fr. Mike to help discern your calling.

- Altar Servers
- Eucharistic Minister
- Lectors
- Adult Choir Members
- Children's Choir Members
- Mass Ushers and Greeters
- Collection Counters
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Blood Pressure Clinic
- Religious Education Volunteers
- Bereavement Team Members
- Catholic Women's Club
- St. Vincent De Paul
- Family Life Ministry
- Church Cleaners
- and more!

Please contact Debbie at St. John's Rectory at 508-378-4207 or Arlene at St. Ann's Rectory at 508-586-4880. They will direct you to our Deacons, Staff Members or volunteers in charge of a specific Ministry.

Stay Connected

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St. Ann-WB

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Contact Us

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Join Our Mailing List

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

[Visit St. John's Website](#)
[Visit St. Ann's Website](#)

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.