



*Collaborative
of
St. Ann & St. John
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 22 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.
Teen Mass – 6 p.m. TBA
Daily Mass, Monday – Friday: 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, Thurs, 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 - 2nd and 3rd Wednesday 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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

JANUARY 22—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, January 21, 2017

4:00 - Ralph Ortenzi—37th Anniversary

Sunday, January 22, 2017

8:00 - Robert Robichaud & Geneva Cashman
Memorial

10:30 - George & Dorothy Jackson—74th
Wedding Anniversary Remembrance

Saturday, January 28, 2017

4:00 - Parishioners of St. John

Sunday, January 29, 2017

8:00 - Parishioners of St. John

10:30 - Parishioners suffering with an illness

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, January 21, 2017

4:00 — Shirley Brady & Lee Ann Brady—Mem

Sunday, January 22, 2016

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

Monday, January 23, 2017

9:00—Miriam M. Short—14th Anniversary

Saturday, January 28, 2016

4:00 - Annette Bean—25th Anniversary

Sunday, January 29, 2016

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 - Christine Cole—Birthday Remembrance

DEACONS' CORNER

As we mark the anniversary of the landmark decision of the Supreme Court in Row vs. Wade, let us remember the words of Pope Benedict XVI.

May you find the courage to proclaim Christ...and the unchanging truths which have their foundation in him... They are the truths and rights of each man, woman and child in our world, including the most defenseless of all human beings, the unborn child in the mother's womb.

Pope Benedict XVI, Homily at Yankee Stadium

April 21, 2008

God Bless

Deacon Brendan

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

My Dear Friends in Christ,



In a few days, a multitude of committed Christians (over 650,000) will embark on a journey of faith to Washington, D.C. Their purpose is a solemn and important one, one which we have had to undertake for almost four decades now. It is the "March For Life" and it is an event which highlights the need for us to be a "light to the nations". It is a rally which will bring together rich and poor, young and old, men, women and children. The "binding force" which links us all (marchers and prayers, alike) together in our unwavering commitment to the defense of life for the pre-born, one of the most vulnerable groups among us. There are many who have gotten discouraged, for it seems that our efforts have gone for naught. We take courage, however, in the fact that we have made a difference, one mind and heart at a time. I know in my own conversations with people over the years, I have seen many folks come to a moment of conversion. This is done not by me, but through me and by the grace of God.

Today's gospel highlights the need for us to see that we are all called by God. Often times, we look at the gospel proclaimed today as a call for more to enter into the priesthood. That "call" is certainly there, but implicit in this passage is the fact that we are all called by God to "fish" for men and women receptive (and, perhaps, not so receptive (at first)) to God's call to them to respond to their baptismal call to serve God and His people in the Church and in the world. It begins, however, in our own heart and mind. We cannot convincingly call others to conversion, to a new way of thinking about and looking at life, if we don't first believe it. We can "talk the talk", using words such as "discipleship" and "ministry". If we don't believe and live what we are saying, however, then it is just that — talk — and our words ring hollow. We must first believe, and then live, what we have heard, letting them "take root" in our own minds and hearts.

Jesus, in this encounter by the seashore, begins to assemble "the twelve". In calling Simon, Andrew, James and John, Jesus' call is sure. The disciples' response, for their part, is immediate. What courage it must have taken for them to respond so quickly and surely; what faith it must have taken to leave all that they knew to follow Jesus. Jesus isn't calling us, necessarily, to leave all that we know. Sometimes it's best to "grow where you're planted", responding to God's call wherever you are. Our response, however, must be as bold as the disciples' was, for it is a bold thing to profess one's faith publicly. May we have the openness to hear God's call. May we have the boldness to respond with surety. May we speak to others about our faith with courage and conviction. May all come to know, through our words, given to us by the Holy Spirit, what we have come to know: that Jesus Christ has broken the chains of sin and death, and won for us newness of life!

Have a Blessed Week,
Fr. Paul

PARISH NEWS FOR ST ANN'S

St Ann's Weekly Offertory:

January 15, 2017 \$4,298
Special Archdiocese \$1,127

This weekend's second collection is for the Archdiocese

January 22, 2017—No second collection
January 29, 2017 — The Church in Latin America



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.



ST. VINCENT de PAUL AT ST ANN'S

Now that we are coming into cold weather, Saint Vincent DePaul Conference will be responding to an increase number of calls asking for help. We would ask that you make a small donation to the conference so that we will be able to respond to those asking for assistance. There are small envelopes at the doors of the Church for this purpose.

MASSPASS BOOKS: SAINT VINCENT dePAUL FUNDRAISER:

The coupon books have finally arrived! They will be on sale at the back of the Church at all the Masses. The cost is still \$25.00. You can also e-mail Christ Baker at jchbacker@msn.com to purchase a book. Books are also available at the Rectory.

IMPORTANT DATES

Holy Hour for Life

With Exposition of the Holy Eucharist
January 22nd — 1 PM — St Ann's Parish



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

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West Bridgewater Food Pantry

The cupboards are empty.

There are many families in need of assistance. Canned green beans, corn, jam and jelly, canned fruit, cereal, and tomato and chicken noodle soup are especially needed. You might want to consider a "gift certificate" from a local grocery store. The Food Pantry is located at the Spring St. School and is open the first & third Wednesday of the month from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM.

Bulletin Announcement: Pre-Survey

St Ann & St. John

TITLE: St John the Evangelist and St Ann have been selected to participate in National Study! Please Read

Our Parishes have been selected to participate in a national study of vibrant parishes conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute!

Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey will be emailed to you by DiscipleMakerIndex@measuring-success.com. The survey will only be available from the week of February 6 through March 6 and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on what efforts the parish is doing to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Fr Paul Ring and our various ministries as we plan ahead and try to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

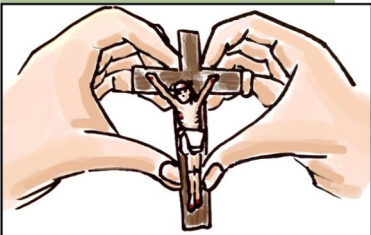
If we don't have an email address for you, please send an email to Debbie Conrad at stjohnnebridge@comcast.net or Arlene Stefano stanns@comcast.net with your name and email so we can add you to the list.

If you don't use email –

There will be a generic link that you can use to complete the survey

There will be opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Mass and you can obtain a paper copy by contacting Debbie Conrad or Arlene Stefano at 508-378-4207 or 508-586-4880.

Thank you for helping with this important project!



L.O.O.P. – Life of our Parishes

Collaborative Parish and Youth Ministry's Mission: 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.

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Google Calendars are available on our websites.

January 20, 2017

Berea – Deep Freeze Winter Weekend

This is a perfect combination of our Retreat Weekend and our Skiing Weekend. There has been lots of interest in this weekend and we expect to fill all of our spots. A \$50 is required to reserve your spot by February 1st.



March 3rd-5th
\$230, Hebron, NH
Includes lodging, food, transportation.
\$55 deposit is due to reserve your spot

This weekend is open to 6th-12th Graders
Visit: www.berea.org for videos and pictures

The weekend includes: Tubing, Volleyball, Basketball, Dodgeball, Ice Cream Social, Paint Ball, A Band, Speakers, Workshops, and lots of activities. Our programs are open to the youths and young adults of our parish and any guests they would like to invite. This is a wonderful weekend of faith, friendship, and fun! 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. The Ministry accepts cash, checks, (made payable to St. John) or credit or debit cards. In order to make the cost manageable, families are asked to make monthly payments and total payment is due by February 1st.

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Sunday, February 12th
12:00 pm
Boston Common

Common Cathedral Service Opportunity

Common Cathedral is an outdoor congregation, housed and un-housed, sharing God's love through community, worship and pastoral care on Boston Common. Common Cathedral serves an important community for people experiencing homelessness and for our faith communities that want to support them. We have space to bring 20 high school or adult volunteers to help serve a meal. All others are welcome to help us prepare the meal back in our Parish or donate the food needed. Our entire Parish Community can play a role in helping in this very special "Service Saturday" project. We will also be collecting adult gloves. Our goal is to collect 100 pair of warm gloves for adult un-housed male participants of the Common Cathedral. You can drop off a pair of gloves at the Rectory Monday-Friday or at the baskets at the back of the Churches. More details will be coming. Contact Nancy Smith @ nhenn71@hotmail.com with questions or to volunteer.

Our Team

Pastor: Fr. Paul Ring
Director: Nancy Smith

Adult Leadership Team
Meets the 4th Thursday of each Month

Youth Leadership Team
Meets regularly

Fundraising Team (including our auction and golf tournament teams)

Reboot Live Team

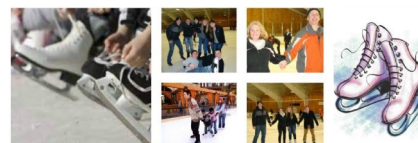
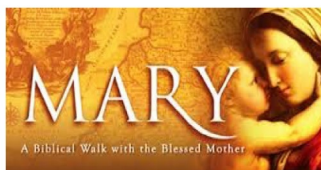
Please come for a visit any weekday in our new office for tea, coffee, and snacks and share your ideas and thoughts.
You are always welcomed to join our team!



Other Events in February

Ultreya: Thursday, February 9th at 7:00 pm– St. John Chapel
Pancakes with the Pastor– Sunday, February 13th from 9:00-10:00 am
Paint Night– To be determined
Family Skate Night at Bridgewater Ice Arena- Sunday, February 19th from 7:00-9:00 pm. \$5.00 per person, including skate rentals. \$20 per family.

All are always welcome! Contact us for more details
@ nhenn71@hotmail.com





4th Annual Mission Trip with Catholic Heart Work Camp– Richmond, Virginia

Youth in 8th Grade–12th Grade and Young Adults in College are invited to join us for this life changing week of service, friendship, and faith. We are traveling to a new location in Richmond. Joining our team early means we can do more fundraising to help with the cost. Deadline to join our team is February 27th. Contact Nancy Smith at nhenn71@hotmail.com for more information or to sign up.



**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,
Games**

**June 24th–July 1st
\$630
Includes
registration with CHWC, transportation by
Amtrak and meals.
\$90 deposit is due to reserve a spot**



Steubenville East

We will pre-register for our spots this week before the Conference sells out.

Join us for a weekend of engaging liturgies, inspiring music, challenging talks, and overwhelming joy. This weekend is open to students in 8th-12th grade. There will be thousands of youth from around New England and beyond.

**July 14-16, 2017
U Mass Lowell
\$270 program, lodging, food
\$50.00 deposit due upon Registration**



STEUBENVILLE **FUEL**

This weekend is something that needs to be experienced rather than trying to describe. Please go to:
<http://lifeteen.com/events/steubenville-east> to see more pictures and videos and a full list of speakers.

**Save the Date:
Golf
Tournament
Friday,
September 15th
at Riverbend in
West
Bridgewater
\$150 per golfer
Teams of (4)
Raffles and Lunch
120 golfers
needed**

A New Year brings new hope, a renewed faith, and excitement for what may come and our hope is that more Parishioners will take part in our programs from both St. Ann and St. John. Some of the feedback we are receiving is that there may still be the misunderstanding that this is only a Youth Ministry Program but as our Mission states our goal is to build a faith family that journeys along our Faith path together, learning and growing together.

The Parish and Youth Ministry is completely self-funded and neither St. Ann or St. John's budgets fund the programs. Our Ministry is dependent on our (2) second collections and our fundraisers. This year we have decided to focus on two major fundraisers in the hopes of funding our financial needs. The money raised funds program materials, keeps costs low so that all can afford the programs, and subsidizes the cost of the Mission Trip. In our first two years as a ministry we have been completely self-funded. The Ministry has beautiful support by way of volunteers at events, participation in our programs, and a tremendous amount of feedback that our Ministry is bringing our Faith Family together in grace, in love and in hope. If we are not able to maintain our self-funded status, it is unlikely the ministry would be able to continue sponsoring the wide range of programs we currently offer or add new programs.

Neither our Golf Tournament nor our Auction will be a success without a committee for both. Help is needed securing donations for the raffles for the auction, sponsors for the Golf Tournament, selling tickets to either function, and a team to help out at the actual events. Our hope is to have 200 attend the auction and a minimum of 125 golfers. It will take personal connections of Parishioners to make this work because many (if not all) of the large companies or sports teams will not donate directly to a Church. Please contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or email at nhenn71@hotmail.com to volunteer or to offer suggestions on how to make these two

**Tickets go on sale
next week!**



**Monthly Committee Meeting/Auction
Golf Tournament Discussion
January 26th, 2017
Thursday at 7:00 pm
St. John Religious Education Office
We need a team from both Parishes**

PARISH NEWS FOR ST JOHN'S

St John's Shared Treasure: Goal \$5,900
January 15, 2017 \$5,628
Below Goal 272
Special Archdiocese Coll. \$1,123
Grand Annual Total - Jan. 8 \$22,688

January 15, 2017—Special Parish Collection for the Archdiocese
 January 22, 2017—No second collection

Please keep the following in your prayers: Karen Debenedictis, Arthur Hornstra, Lori Cullen, Mariann Moberg, Dottie Younis, Dave Swartz, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Carolyn Oliviere, Ginger & John Margeson, Bob McGanty, Harry Hewins, Laurie Murray, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Colleen Merto, Bill Osborne, Florence Lacey, Eleanor Moynihan, Edie Lincoln, Jim Cassidy, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Katy Skillings, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeiff, Sharon Farrell, Tom Griffin, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Donna Shepard Folloni & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the

St Vincent de Paul Society At St. John's



Your donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul help those who are struggling or having a difficult time all year round.

During the cold winter months there are many items we need in the food pantry. Chowder, tomato soup, baked beans, Ramen noodles, hot chocolate, boxes of oatmeal, pancake mix and pancake syrup, SpaghettiOs, ravioli, canned fruit, pasta sides, rice sides, hamburger helper, cans of solid white tuna and tuna helper and if possible coffee.

Any East Bridgewater resident who needs food or other assistance is encouraged to call the St. Vincent de Paul **HOTLINE**. The phone number is **508-378-3760**. Please know that everything is kept confidential.

The **HOTLINE** for St. Vincent de Paul here at St. John's Parish is **508-378-3760**. Anyone from East Bridgewater who is in need of food or other assis-

BLESSINGS FOR YOUR LOVED ONES!!!

St John's has begun a program of remembering loved ones (living or deceased) by Offering:

Masses of intentions (already in place)
Weekly vigil candle in their name



Shawl Ministry meets the second Sunday of the month at Riddell Road Club House from 1-3 PM

Once again St John Parish is participating in the Archdiocesan Pro Life Baby Shower!

Collections can be brought to St. John Parish beginning Saturday, December 31st.
 We will collect items through Sunday January 22nd.

Currently, the Archdiocesan Pro Life Office is in need of the following items:

Sleep & Plays - newborn
 Winter outfits - newborn
 Winter outfits 3-6 months
 Baby Wipes
 4oz & 8oz baby bottles
 Baby Thermometers
 Desitin
 Pack & Play



Thank you in advance for your donations and your support of mothers in need who choose LIFE for their babies.

St John's Catholic Appeal of 2016 still has a balance of \$278 due to reach our goal to avoid the parish missing out on the rebate that we are supposed to be getting for the Appeal this year.

If you pledged an amount but forgot all about it, please send your payment into the Archdiocese. It is very important.

Thank you in advance for your support.



HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE AT ST ANN'S TODAY AT 1 PM

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COLLARORATIVE NEWS AT ST. ANN'S & ST. JOHN'S

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GRAND ANNUAL Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church for anyone who was not on a mailing list and would like to donate to the collection.

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Please don't forget to fill out a database form for the up-coming survey. They are available in the pews and at the doors of the church. (mentioned on St. Ann's page.)

TAX REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PARISHIONERS USING THE ENVELOPE OR ON-LINE PROGRAMS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A PRINT OUT, PLEASE CALL THE RECORY

COLLABORATIVE MISISON STATEMENT

The Collaborative of St. Ann and St. John is a prayerful community in the Roman Catholic tradition called to witness the forgiving, healing, and saving presence of Jesus Christ in our sacramental, liturgical, and social activities. Parishioners are called to respect all life and to offer evangelization for the parish, our town, and surrounding communities. We are called to respond to the Gospel through the example of our lives. We reach beyond our parish to serve the needs of all people in our neighborhoods and around the world.

We are a community of faith, hope, and love.