



*Together in Christ
Collaborative
St. Ann & St. John*



*April 22, 2018
4th Sunday of Lent*



4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.” - Jn 10:17

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TOGETHER IN CHRIST COLLABORATIVE

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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, Wednesday– 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, 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 to set up an appointment.

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

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St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, April 21, 2018

4:00 - Deceased Members of the DiFalco Fam.

Sunday, April 22, 2018

8:00 - Parishioners of Saint John

10:30 - Antonio & Maria Figueiredo — 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Friday, April 27, 2018

9:00 — John & June McHugh, Dorothy Walsh — Memorial

Saturday, April 28, 2018

4:00 - Felice Rondeau — 15th Anniversary

Sunday, April 29, 2018

8:00 - E. B. Police Department —

10:30 - Parishioners of Saint John

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, April 21, 2018

4:00 — Richard Pratt — 7th Anniversary

Sunday, April 22, 2018

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 - Joseph & Doris Corazini

Monday, April 23, 2018

9:00 — Rema Lenser — Birthday Remem.

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

9:00 — Mary Rose Smith— Memorial

Saturday, April 28, 2018

4:00 - Ann & Frank Manning, John & Kathy Garvey — Memorial

Sunday, April 29, 2018

8:30 — Parishioners of Saint Ann’s

10:30 — Joseph Vtka — 2nd Anniversary

DEACON’S CORNER — DEACON BRENDAN

I recently read a book entitled RESISTING HAPPINESS, by Matthew Kelly. In it, he wrote “strive to be the best version of yourself in everything you do. To carry this thought further, I read that Archbishop Chaput in his address to the Knights of Columbus in Phoenix, summarized the rules of knight-hood written more than 500 years ago by Erasmus of Rotterdam in his book, THE MANUAL OF A CHRISTIAN KNIGHT. Here are a few suggestions from his address:

- Deepen and increase your faith.
- Never let any failure or setback, turn you away from God.
- Do nothing-in public or private –that the people you love would not hold in esteem.
- Face your weaknesses and turn them into strengths.
- Never, ever give up or give in on any matter of moral substance.
- Train your mind to distinguish the true nature of good and evil.
- Life is demanding and brief; make it count.

WORDS OF GOOD COUNSEL!!!



My Dear Friends in Christ,

I have a seminary classmate of mine (originally from Greece) whose uncle is a shepherd. Yes, an honest-to-goodness, out-in-the-field shepherd! I asked him one time if the images of the “good shepherd” spoken of by Jesus in the gospels are accurate. He said that they were, especially when Jesus speaking of the shepherd who “lays down his life for the sheep” (Jn 10:11) in his care. A shepherd cares for his flock because they are his livelihood; without them, he does not eat. Yes, he can do other things, but there are some who are called to this profession (just as others are “called” (by a sense of “vocation”). It is more than **what they do** – it is **who they are**.

In this same way, Jesus (*our* “good shepherd”) lays down his life for His flock (you and me). He does this because this is why He came into the world – to lay down His life. Jesus has the power to “lay it down” and “take it up” (Jn 10:18), a power He uses for our benefit. It is the power of the Resurrection at work, once again. We tend to think of the Resurrection as a “one-time event”, and while it is true that it did happen once in time, it is an event that has repercussions which are still being felt today. Each time we celebrate Easter, we remember the gift won for us through the sacrifice of Jesus. Each time we celebrate Mass, we participate in the life, death and Resurrection of Jesus.

Another important aspect of Jesus presenting Himself as the “good shepherd” is the fact that He came into the world for ALL. There are others that “do not belong to this fold” (Jn 10:16), for whom Jesus came into the world as well. These are not only the Gentile communities to whom the Apostles have been/will be sent by Jesus, but also other communities of faith that are still being formed to this day. God is constantly revealing Himself to the world, and Jesus is the “shepherd” who will gather those “flocks”. Jesus will ultimately gather all of those who have chosen to listen to His voice and be part of His “flock”. This will happen at the end of time, when Jesus will separate the world into those who have chosen to follow Him and those who have chosen to ignore Him. Those who have made the decision to follow Him faithfully will be brought into the Kingdom.

So, it seems that we have a choice: We have heard His voice, and it is up to us to follow Him. May we have the courage to “block out” other voices, those contrary to Jesus’. May we always know that as the Lord calls us, His voice is sure and clear. May we, for our part, attune our minds and hearts to that voice. It is a voice that will lead us to Everlasting Life.

A Blessed (continued) Easter Season to you all,

Fr. Paul

The Next Second Collection

May 10, 2018 — The Ascension

Financial Blessings	St. Ann's	Budget	St John's	Budget
SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS	04/08/18		04/08/18	
OFFERTORY	\$ 3,475	\$3,680	\$7,466.50	\$5,700
GRAND ANNUAL	\$15,220	\$32,000	\$25,420	\$32,000



General

- In 1982, President Reagan proclaimed April to be the first National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and that tradition continues today. This April, take a moment to learn what you can do to prevent abuse. <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/child-abuse-prevention/ten-points-to-create-safe-environments-for-children.cfm>
- Be a hero for a child. Report suspected or disclosed child abuse immediately!
- If a child discloses abuse to you, stay calm and listen to them. Reassure them it was not their fault, and that you are there for them. As soon as possible, report the disclosure to law enforcement or a child protection agency.
- The pinwheel is the national symbol for child abuse prevention. As a symbol of childhood and innocence, the pinwheel is a reminder that every child deserves a joyful childhood, free from abuse and other harm. <http://preventchildabuse.org/resource/pinwheels-for-prevention/>
- Every adult is an ethical reporter of suspected child abuse, but some are mandatory reporters. Do you know the mandatory reporting law for suspected child abuse in your state?
- National Blue Sunday “a day of prayer for abused children and those who rescue them” is coming up on April 29, 2018. Join other churches across the nation in praying for children who have been abused, and for the prevention of future abuse: <https://janetmagee.wixsite.com/newblue>
- Physical punishment of children, including corporal punishment, has been found to be ineffective and does not improve a child’s behavior. Physical punishment also puts children at risk for serious injury, physical abuse, and mental health problems.

Find out what the Catholic Church has done to protect children and young people from sexual abuse in the 2016 Annual Report: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/upload/2016-Annual-Report.pdf>

NEWS FROM THE PARISHES (ST. ANN'S)

LOGO FOR THE COLLABORATIVE

Month's back we asked the members of the collaborative to come up with a name for the collaborative, it was such a success, that NOW we are asking members of the collaborative to design a logo for the:

Together in Christ Collaborative.

All entries should be submitted to Fr. Paul for prayerful-consideration. You can drop them off at the Rectory or email them, fr_prstjohn@comcast.net

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr 21-22, 2018 in Brewster, MA and May 19-20, 2018 in Warner, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at

MEAT RAFFLE

SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH
1-3 pm
ST. ANN'S PARISH CENTER

BRING A FRIEND.

SAINT ANN'S CONFIRMANDES

Brook Adams
Jaysem Al-Khalidy
Noah Al-Khalidy
Patrick Butler
Paige Casavant
David Connell
Taylor Cruickshank
Robert Devoe
Michael Donoso
Dylan Dunklee
Grace Flynn
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Katherine Geniuch
Alyssa Gill
Brett Gormley
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Angelina Leitao
Kevin Lindsay
Delaney Lyons
Corey Mackin
Lauren MacNeil
Maggie McCafferty
Peter McGettrick
Lauren Miranda
Chelsea Perrault
Emma Preston
Jefferson Roberts
Mary Sheedy
Ryan Sullivan
Lydia Ventresco



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.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS

PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS BAKER @ 774-240-8095
or jchbaker@msn.com



New mailing address:
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WEST BRIDGEWATER FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to all of Saint Ann's Parishioners who stepped up to help.

Your generosity to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive this weekend is greatly appreciated!

Items needed: cereal, canned fruit, cookies, brownie mix.

The St. Vincent dePaul Society is conducting its Annual Spring Food Drive for the W.B. Food Pantry beginning this weekend.

Members of the society will be distributing grocery bags at each of the masses this weekend, and we ask you to return them with your donation the weekend of **April 21/22nd** when you come to mass. Items requested by the Food Pantry include cereal, rice, baked beans, juice, soup, tuna helper, tea, cookies, spaghetti sauce, boxed potato mixes, salad dressing, and toiletries. They are overloaded with canned vegetables, so please do not include them in your donation. Grocery gift cards are also welcome, and will be used to purchase items needed by the pantry. If there are any questions, please contact Linda Santry at

508-586-6535 or linda@santry.org.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Every Thursday night
At 6:30
In St. Ann's Parish Center
Doors open 5:00

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Karen Debenedictis, Carter Cullen, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Ginger & John Margesion, Harry Hewins, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Florence Lacey, Edie Lincoln, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeff, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Bill Estes, Rita Flaherty, Donald Rush, Tyler Martin, Amanda Little, Patricia Estes, Vince Adornato, Kenneth Upham, Joan Fusco, Pat Zemeitus, JoAnn Micalizzi, Barbara Worswick, Kay Levoshko, Bob Hill, Jim Cassidy, Tori Bortolotto, Doris Thompson, Jim Cullen, Elaine O'Malley, Mary Jane Coakley, Grace Cosgrove, Dave Avery, Phil Garbardi, Marcus LaBree, Karen Parenteau, Charlie Micalizzi, Mary Oslin & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sun. 4/22 — Cross Catholic Outreach Mission at every mass.
 Thurs. 4/26 — 1st Communion Rehearsal — 6 PM
 Sat. 4/28 — 1st Communion — 10 AM

St. John's Conference

Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' love and care for us.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to be "Good Shepherds" to the hearts of the poor, to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

Call the St. Vincent de Paul HOTLINE at 508- 378-3760 if you need food or other assistance.



The Food Pantry is open twice a month. You are always welcome to stop by during Food Pantry hours on the 1st Monday from 3:00-6:00pm and the 3rd Monday from 3:00-

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

In 2016 we mark the 53rd anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Moreover, we celebrate it always on the 4th Sunday in Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday.

In today's Gospel reading, we hear about the sheep that always know the voice of the shepherd. May we also hear with ears of faith our Shepherd's call to discipleship.

Let us pray...

Jesus, good and gentle Shepherd,
 we pray for those among us
 who hear your voice and call
 to a vocation in the Church.
 Help them to be unafraid of that calling from you
 of service to the universal church.
 Gift them courage to boldly say yes to your call.
 Help us to encourage them
 in their long journey of discernment and formation.

We offer our thanks to you
 for calling us to discipleship in many and various ways,
 as married men and women,
 as single men and women,
 as priests, deacons,
 and professed men and women.

We ask all these things
 in the name of the Good Shepherd, Jesus,
 our savior and our brother.

Amen.



St John's will be permanently moving to the NEW CONNECT NOW GIVING PROGRAM by JUNE 1ST

Please cancel your old account with the MyOwn Giving Program and follow the steps provided on our website to open a new account in the CONNECT NOW GIVING



FIRST COMMUNION

REHEARSAL — APRIL 26TH, 6 PM
 FIRST COMMUNION — APRIL 28TH
 10:00 AM

REHEARSAL — MAY 3RD, 6 PM
 FIRST COMMUNION — MAY 5TH
 10:00 AM

WORKSHOP ON VISITING THE SICK

Saturday, May 5 and 12, 2018 a workshop on *Pastoral Care to the Sick and the Homebound* will be offered at Saint Joseph Manor, Brockton from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Timothy Duff, a certified chaplain, will teach the course.

The workshop will include a review of communication skills, the basics of pastoral visitation, key illness issue, spiritual needs and concern, grief, loss and dying, and caregiving issues. Eucharistic ministers, pastoral visitors, parish nurses and other are encouraged to attend. Fee: \$40. Registration information is available in the Parish Office or call 617-746-5843. **Pre-registration is require. Please register by April 30.**

Current collaborative Finance Council Members

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