



*Collaborative
of
St. Ann & St. John
The Most Holy Body & Blood
of Christ
June 18, 2017*



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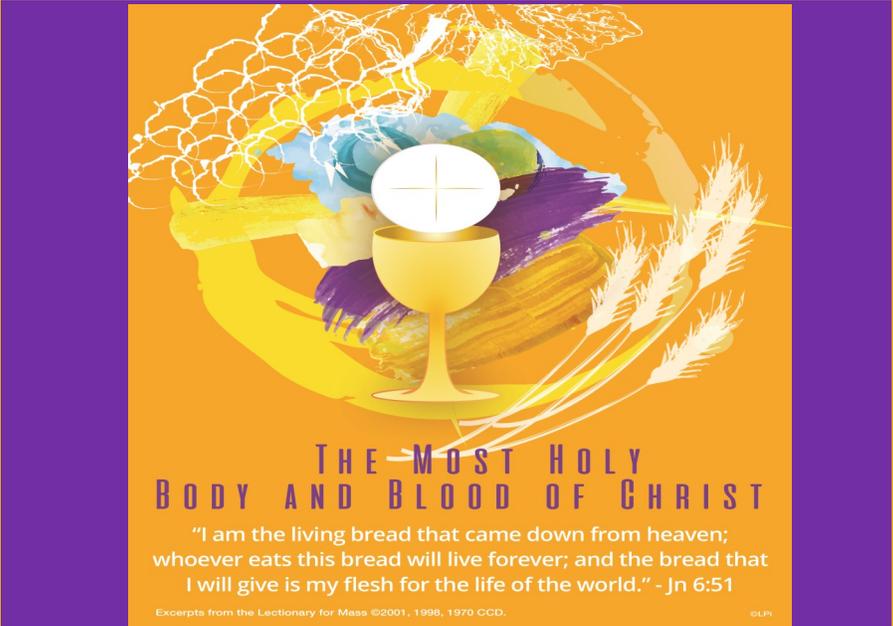
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EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

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 - Every Tuesday 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

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

June 18, 2017—The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Second collection -June 25, 2017 -Holy Father

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, June 17, 2017

4:00 — Roland & Ruth Marx— Memorial

Sunday, June 18, 2017

8:00 — Joseph Sparling — Memorial

10:30 — Patrick W. Sullivan — 10th Anniversary

Saturday, June 24, 2017

4:00 — Thomas O'Day — 1st Anniversary

Sunday, June 25, 2017

8:00 —Manuel Luz Travres — 22nd Anniversary

10:30 — Maria Chaves — Wedding Anniversary

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Saturday, June 17, 2017

4:00 - Walter & Monica Herbert — Anniversary

Sunday, June 18, 2017

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Anns

10:30 - Omer, Yvan, Normand Dufour — Mem.

Monday, June 19, 2017

9:00—Clementine Lincoln — 25th Anniversary

Friday, June 23, 2017

9:00 - Rita & Nicholas Petronelli — Memorial

Saturday, June 24, 2017

4:00 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

Sunday, June 25, 2017

8:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 - Mary Kent— Memorial

DEACONS' CORNER

This weekend we celebrate “The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ” or known as “Corpus Christi”. The people of Israel were sustained in the desert by manna; but with the coming of Christ, we are sustained by the actual body and blood of Christ. During the celebration of the Mass, the bread and wine become Christ, body and blood. When we partake in the Eucharist, we are receiving Christ into our bodies. In one of my past homilies, I say that we are what we eat and I love Twinkies but how much better and life giving is the reception of Christ within us. We draw so close to Christ at that moment and are strengthened by His grace. We only need to believe that that bread and wine is truly Christ before us and within us. It is a shame that many people today do not believe this truth. Jesus tells us in scripture, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven, whoever eats this bread will live forever, and this bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” We draw near to Christ through the partaking in the Eucharist and in quiet contemplation during Adoration. I know you attend Mass or else you would not be reading this column, but also please contemplate attending Adoration at St John’s every Tuesday evening from 7-8 pm.

May God Bless
Deacon Joe Hopgood

My Dear Friends in Christ,

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). This feast celebrates the fact that we are fed by the very person of Christ. It is by His Body and Blood that we have life within us. In fact, Jesus reminds the listener of today’s gospel that “unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you” (Jn 6:53). We are further reminded, by Christ Himself, that “my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink” (Jn 6:55). This is why the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John is referred to as the “Bread of Life Discourse”. We are fed by the Body and Blood of Christ, and it is this “true food...and...true drink” (ibid) that make us One Body in Christ.

Something else which has made us “One Body In Christ” is our Collaborative venture. A few weeks ago we reached the milestone of ONE YEAR together as a Collaborative body! One of the ways that we have (can) “mark” this achievement is the unveiling of our “Collaborative Name”: “**The ‘Together In Christ’ Collaborative**”. This is a name that was drawn from parishioner input, as well as Collaborative Staff and Parish Pastoral Council deliberation. I think that it is a fine name, one that unifies the Collaborative and puts Christ at the center of all that we do as a Collaborative.

This is something of which we should be very proud. We made great strides in this first year, but to paraphrase the great New England poet, Robert Frost, we are reminded that we have “miles to go before we sleep”. We have much work to do, including creating a Local Pastoral Plan (modeled after the Archdiocesan plan, “Disciples In Mission”), something members of both parishes, who have come together to form a Plan Writing Team, have already have been working on as “one body” (our second/next meeting is June 21st).

Another thing we have been hard at work doing is fostering an atmosphere of transparency. I know this is a “buzzword” that is used (even overused, in some cases) in the corporate world (the “real world”, as my brother would call it!). Given that, it is not a word I use lightly. It is a powerful word which conveys a sense of openness, honesty, and frank discussion. In these discussions (some of which I have had, some which are yet to come) I strive to both “set the record straight” (regarding perceptions/misperceptions) and be open to listen to you as to how to “chart a course” for the best way forward. One of the ways you will see this is in the financial disclosures and reports that come forth from myself and Jackie Buccigross (our Collaborative Finance and Operations Manager), our Finance Councils (one of which St. John’s has, and St. Ann’s is in the process of forming (after a many-years absence from the scene)). Both St. John’s and St. Ann’s have a proud history of supporting the endeavors of our parishes, and I anticipate that to go on for years to come.

It is my fervent hope and prayer that in working “Together In Christ”, we as a Collaborative are open to the promptings of Christ, who calls us to live as one. May we do this with a sense of openness and honesty, with an eye towards doing our best to build up the Body of Christ here in our local communities. May we look to Christ as our Head and see with His eyes, reach out with His hands, and love with His Sacred Heart.

Together (With You) In Christ, Fr. Paul



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

Deuteronomy 16:10, 16-17 *"The measure of your own free will offering shall be in proportion to the blessing the Lord, your God, has bestowed on you...No one shall appear before the Lord empty handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God has bestowed on you."*



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



As part of Prophett-Chapman, Cole & Gleason's series;
"Bringing Our Community Together"

We are hosting a night at the Rox.
Come see the Brockton Rox play the Bristol Blues
Thursday June 29th at 7:00.
Bring the kids.
Fun for the whole family!

Tickets can be picked up at will call the night of the game.
R.S.V.P. by June 22th
508-697-4332

Thank you
Mark, Bill, Shane, Sharon

Please call the Rectory if you would like to go.
We need to know how many tickets for the Will Call Window to hold for us. 508-378-4207



PLEASE SAVE THE DATE! SEPTEMBER 10, 2017
For ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC.



A Great Day of Golf, Food and Fun to Support Our Collaborative!

The first annual St. Ann's and St. John's Collaborative Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, September 15th at River Bend Country Club in West Bridgewater.

Registration opens at 7 a.m. for an 8 a.m. shotgun start. The registration fee is \$150 per golfer, and includes greens fees, golf cart, and a Chicken BBQ lunch. Four-somes welcome!

There is a lunch-only option for non-golfers. There will be a variety of contests (Long Drive, Closest-to-the-Pin, and more), raffles during lunch, and team awards.

Come and join us for a day of golf, food and fun to support our Collaborative ventures such as, but not limited to, PYM. Visit www.stannstjohngolf.com for registration info and sponsorship options, or contact Russ Champoux at stannstjohngolf@gmail.com or call 508-280-1428.

A profound word of thanks to the Catholic Women's Club for their hard work at the Yard Sale held this past weekend. Great women of faith and dedication to the Church, they once again showed their support of the parish through their hard work (as they have for many years)!

My thanks for a job well done, ladies!! - Fr. Paul



Miramar Retreat Center, Duxbury Announces Employment Availability:

Position open in housekeeping: part-time, full-time; weekday and weekend opportunities. Job includes cleaning guest bedrooms and the public parts of the Center. Pleasant working conditions with friendly staff. Competitive wages.

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Hometown Mission-Serving our Communities



ALL AGES ARE WELCOME to join our two days of service for our Parishes and around our two communities. We will be doing yard work, general cleaning or small repair work for our neighbors that need a little help. You are welcome to join us for both days or one day or event part of one day.

Serving our neighbors will be our first priority but with enough volunteers we would love to get a crew in St. Ann's Parish Hall and clean the main hall and at St. John's to clean the area between the basketball court and the cemetery. There are other projects too, but it all depends on how many volunteers join us! Contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com to volunteer.

Schedule of Events

Friday, July 7th
Mass at 9:00 am at St. Ann's Parish
Adoration from 9:30-9:45
Volunteer Meeting at 10:00 am
Service Work from 10:30-3:00

Saturday, July 8th
Prayer Service at 8:00 am at St. John Parish
Volunteer Meeting at 8:30 am
Service Work from 9:00-1:00



We will celebrate together on Saturday evening with our **Annual Country Shindig**
4:00 pm : We are working on an Outdoor Mass at St. John
5:00: BBQ (\$5.00 per person and tickets will be on sale at the event)
The Country Shindig will include Pony Rides, Dancing, Games, and lots of fun for everyone!

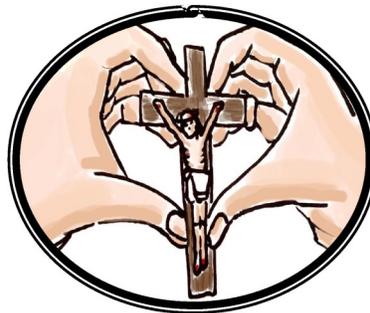
Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is one of the most fun weeks of the entire year. It is a week that is hard to describe but we encourage all to be a part of. Our VBS has programs beginning at age three. Our volunteers begin in 7th grade and continue with our grandparents that help out. The week includes games, snacks, stories, crafts and lots of fun with friends.

This year's VBS will be held at St. John's but this program is open to all!



STEUBENVILLE **FUEL**



This is one of the most powerful weekends I have ever been a part of. It is run by Life Teen and the weekend includes:

- International Speakers
- Fantastic Music by the Lift Band
- Workshops
- Great Food

This trip is local and a fantastic way to get involved in the Ministry. We have two spots open.



Ongoing Cans and Bottles

We will continue to collect cans and bottles year-round. Thank-you for your support. There is a receptacle at each Parish,

July 31– August 4th
9:00 am– 12:00 pm
St. John Parish Hall
Age 3 and up
\$43.00 per student/\$100 family cap
On-line registration: <https://vbspro.events/p/stjohnstann>

July 14-16, 2017
U Mass Lowell
\$270 program, lodging, food
\$50.00 deposit due to reserve your spot

For more information about any of the Parish and Youth Ministry programs contact Nancy Smith at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com

PARISH NEWS FOR ST. ANN'S

St Ann's Weekly Offertory:

June 11, 2017 — \$2938
Special Collection 887



MEAT RAFFLE
SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017
1 PM
SAINT ANN'S PARISH CENTER

JUST IN TIME FOR THE
BARBEQUES

ALL MEATS PURCHASED BY CROCETTI

PIZZA PALOOZA!!

WINNERS:

Kids' Choice: **Grand Slam**

Peoples' Choice: **Freda's**

Celebrity Judges' Choice: **Niko's**



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

West Bridgewater Food Pantry

The cupboards are empty. There are many families in need of assistance. Cereal, cookies, cake mix, juice, crackers, & pudding 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.

Help is needed! Please contact Calvin Grey at 508-559-6569 if you are able to volunteer!

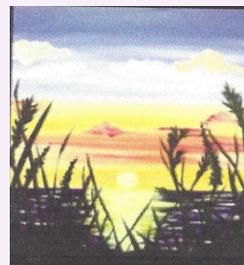
PAINT NIGHT

THIS EVENT IS ON!!!! TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE.

To Benefit the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Saint Ann's

At Grand Slam Mon, June 19th
Pizza & Pub at 7 P.M.
269 N. Main St.

Tickets available online at:



www.paintnite.com/events/_1190846

Space is limited! Purchase before June 12th
Or Contact Chris Baker: jimbo8145@icloud.com



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



ST. VINCENT de PAUL AT ST ANN'S

The members of the Saint Vincent dePaul Conference want you to know how much they appreciate your financial support. It is comforting to be able to assist parishioners who "up against it" and need a little help.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17 & SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2017

LECTORS

4 PM—Joe Wilkinson
8:30 —Ann Werner
10:30—Mark Churchill

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4 PM — Ann Zenus
Ray Ledoux
Joe Ritucci

8:30 — Linda Santry
Valarie Pellitier
Martin Heavey

10:30 — Jessie Russell
Angie Ramos
John Zenus

St. John's Shared Treasure: Goal \$5,900
June 11, 2017 \$4,222
Below goal \$1,678
Total Under Budget = \$14,897

Grand Annual \$31,226
Grand Annual goal \$36,000

Financial Updates:

Recycle Day earned the Parish \$260 to cover expenses.

The Catholic Women's Club Yard Sale made \$1,305

The Gala earned \$19,337 minus Gala expenses of \$8,647 leaving a profit of \$10,689 to cover PYM expenses.

The tile that was missing in the Hall has been fixed for a cost of \$350.

St. Vincent de Paul - St. John's Conference
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ let us pray for those who are hungry and in need of assistance in our East Bridgewater community.

Is there someone you know who could benefit from the help of St. Vincent de Paul? Please have them call our HOTLINE at 508-378-3760.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at St. John's Parish is open on the 1st Monday of each month from 3-6 PM and on the 3rd Monday from 3-4:30 PM. Give us a call or stop by. Everything is kept confidential.

WANTED:
RECTORY ASSISTANT FOR ST JOHN (paid)

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Set up the books and altar for the Masses.

Keep track of and deliver supplies needed

Help with daily needs of the rectory office and facilities of the parish.

Some lifting involved.

Generally, 10-15 hours per week.

Please call the Rectory for more info. We will train. No experience necessary.

IMPORTANT DATES

Back by Popular Demand

Saturday, 6/24 — Freshman Car Wash
Sun- Sat, 6/25- 7/1 — Mission Trip to Virginia
Weds. 6/5 — Parish Pastor Council Mgt. — 7 pm—
@ St. John's
Weds. 6/28 — Fin Com Mtg (if needed)
Friday, 7/7 & 7/8 — Hometown Mission Trip
Saturday, 7/8 — Country Shindig — 4 p.m. —St John's
Fri & Sat, 7/14 — Stubenville East
Saturday, 7/14—7/26 — Mission to Rome

Please keep the following in your prayers: *Karen DeBenedictis, Carter Cullen Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Ginger & John Margesion, Bob McGanty, Harry Hewins, Laurie Murray, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Colleen Merto, Bill Osborne, Florence Lacey, Edie Lincoln, Jim Cassidy, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeff, Sharon Farrell, Tom Griffin, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Donna Millis, Jean Beaman, Bill Estes, Rita Flaherty, Donald Rush, Tyler Martin, John Spellman, Fr. Ed Doughty, Amanda Little, Patricia Estes, & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.*

The Increased Offertory Campaign:

COMMITMENT WEEKEND!!

Today is the day! All members of St. John's are asked to make their commitments to the Increased Offertory Campaign. This program is very important to the ongoing work of our parish. Please give with a sacrificial heart. Remember, our goal is to increase our regular giving from \$5,500 a week to \$6,600

Here at St. John's, the commitments secured during the Increased Offertory Campaign, and sustained for years to come, will be directed towards specific needs that have been identified at the parish. They include:

- To assist with the Parish in meeting our regular operating expenses.
- The lighting above our choir loft needs to be replaced, but before we can do that, the electrical work needs to be updated and the fixtures have to be replaced to bring everything up to currently building codes.
- Our list of repairs and maintenance that need to be addressed at the church and rectory are growing each year – window replacement, church & steeple painting, repairs to broken pews, and re-lining of the parish parking lot are some of the items that are on the top of our list.

With all parishioners of St. John Parish involved in this program, our parish's stability will be strong for generations to come.

A special wish and thank you to Patrick McKenna for the five years of service he has given to the parish as the Rectory Assistant. He will be dearly missed. May your experience at Anna Maria College be everything you hope it will be. May God hold you in the palm of his hand and may you come back often for visits.

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