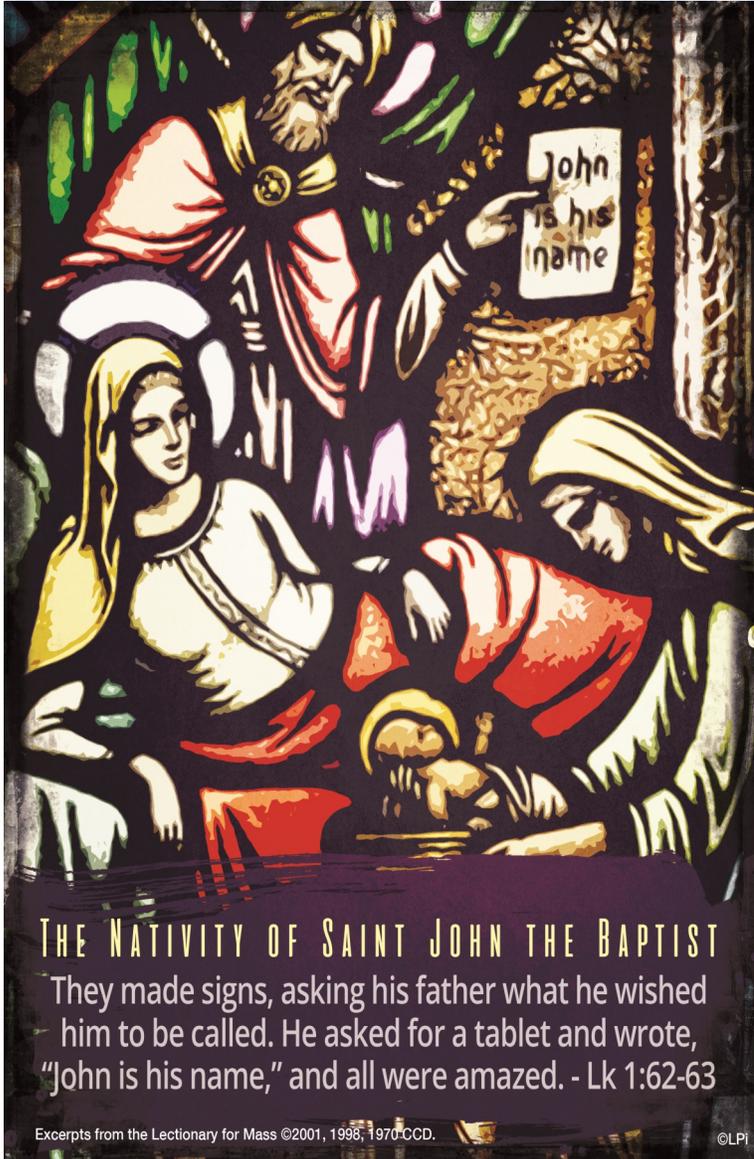


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COLLABORATIVE
St. Ann & St. John
June 24, 2018*



*The Nativity of Saint
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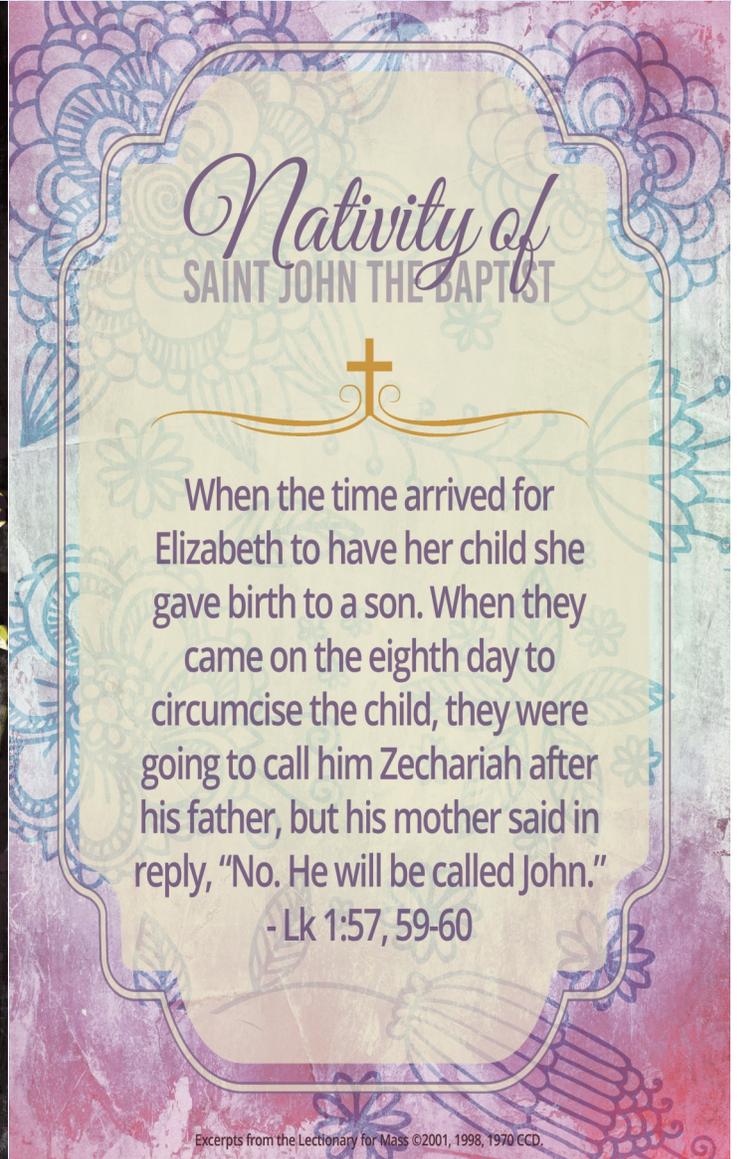


THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

They made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed. - Lk 1:62-63

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Nativity of
SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

When the time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child she gave birth to a son. When they came on the eighth day to circumcise the child, they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother said in reply, "No. He will be called John."

- Lk 1:57, 59-60

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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 the Rectory Office for registration.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. – Other times as scheduled in the bulletin or call the Rectory Office 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 - every Tuesday 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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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

St. John is a Stewardship Parish

Thursday, June 21, 2018

9:00 - Patrick W. Sullivan — 11th Anniversary

Saturday, June 23, 2016

4:00 - John & Eileen Barry — Memorial

Sunday, June 24, 2018

8:00 - Parishioners of Saint John

10:30 - All Fathers of the Parish

Saturday, June 30, 2018

4:00 - Thomas O'Day — 2nd Anniversary

Sunday, July 1, 2018

8:00 - Manuel-Luz Travres — 23rd Anniversary

10:30 - Parishioners of Saint John

St. Ann is a Stewardship Parish

Friday, June 22, 2018

9:00 — Brian Spillane — Birthday Remembrance

Saturday, June 23, 2018

4:00 - Frances Osborne — 1st Anniversary

Sunday, June 24, 2018

8:30 — Parishioners of Saint Ann

10:30 — Dennis McElhinney, Jr — 5th Anniv.

Monday, June 25, 2018

9:00 — Joseph Ritucci — Memorial

Saturday, June 30, 2018

4:00 — Walter & Monica Herbert — Anniv.

Sunday, July 1, 2018

8:30 - Lyndsey Pelligrino — Birthday

10:30 - Parishioners of Saint Ann

DEACON'S CORNER

Happy summer! I hope everyone will have a safe and enjoyable summer. When I think of our young people in particular, I have asked them if they and their family have any vacation plans. Only a few would say they will be taking a trip to Disney World or have other vacations planned. The majority expect to stay around their home and maybe go to the Brockton Fair.

There are so many places a child with their parents or older sibling could venture out to and broaden their minds. A trip to the Fuller Museum in Brockton, the Hull Life Saving Museum at Nantasket Beach, the Marine Biology Laboratory at Woods Hole in Falmouth, a ride into Boston on the train from Whitman or Brockton, a walk on the Freedom Trail or a ride on the Swan Boats at the Boston Public Gardens are a few that come to my mind. One of my favorites is a trip to Castle Island in South Boston to watch the planes and boats while enjoying a hot dog. The local libraries have day passes to some of these mentioned.

Any of these exploits give us the opportunity to appreciate God's beauty around us. Of course, attending an early Mass locally or a Mass at Arch Street in Boston puts our family adventure in perspective.

A perfect ending to such a day is always ice cream.



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Often times, a child will have their “path in life” marked out for them even before they have left the womb. Sometimes, the child is destined to inherit a name and being given a “Jr.” to mark this lineage, a family business with the “and Son/Daughter” already being added to a storefront beforehand, or a career in sports or the arts (such as the Fondas and Barrymores). In all of these cases, the pressure to “produce” is put upon the child before they have entered into the world.

Today the Church celebrates the “Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist” and it supersedes the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time. This is because John the Baptist is a key figure in the life of Christ and his role in salvation history merits a special Feast Day. Even before John's birth, we take note of his presence. Think of the encounter of the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth (John's mother) and how John “leaped in her (Elizabeth's) womb” (Lk 1:41). In today's gospel, it is assumed that the child will “carry on the family name” and be named Zechariah (after his father); this is certainly a departure from tradition, but it makes sense since John the Baptist will stand out as a prophetic figure, radically different than anyone who has come before him. It only stands to reason that the one who ascribed the title “Lamb of God” to Jesus (Jn 1:29) would also be, and continue to be, Jesus' herald in the world.

This is where we come in, heralding Jesus in the world. We are called, like John the Baptist, to announce the presence of Jesus in the world. Often times, we make this “announcement” in “deed”, rather than in “word”, proclaiming Jesus' presence in the world by how we carry ourselves in our daily lives. And how do we do this? We do this in simple, and yet profound, ways. We do this in our everyday conversations, not being afraid to align ourselves with Jesus when confronted in matters of faith and morals. We do this in reaching out to our brothers and sisters in need, whether emotionally, physically, or spiritually. We do this in our “interior” life, being people of both prayer and work. We do this by partaking in the Sacraments regularly, especially the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.

May we have the courage to be modern day John the Baptists. May we be heralds of Jesus, in word and deed. May we see the “Lamb of God” and announce His presence in the world to all whom we meet. May we build up the Kingdom of God here in the world, so that we may share in the fullness of God's Kingdom in Heaven.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul

COLLABORATIVE NEWS AT SAINT ANN'S AND SAINT. JOHN'S

The Next Second Collection August 6, 2018

Financial Blessings	St. Ann's	Budget	St John's	Budget
SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS	06/10/18		06/10/18	
OFFERTORY	\$ 3,624	\$3,680	\$4,672	\$5,700
GRAND ANNUAL	\$15,920	\$32,000	\$26,420	\$32,000
CATHOLIC APPEAL	100% \$18,415	\$18,221	\$25,815	\$27,231 95%
			Exceeded Assessment	

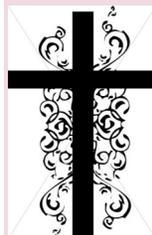
Congratulations! **Saint Ann's** has surpassed its 2018 Catholic Appeal goal of **\$18,221**. I am truly grateful to the parishioners and families that helped us reach our goal. The Catholic Appeal provides critical funding to hundreds of pastoral, charitable, and educational programs that impact tens of thousands throughout our Archdiocese. Thank you for responding to Cardinal Seán's call to witness more clearly the depths of God's love for each one of us through this important effort.

I am pleased to share that **Saint John** has raised **\$25,815** toward our 2018 Catholic Appeal goal of **\$27,231**. Thank you to all who have already pledged support. If you have yet to give, we need your help! Please give today to help us reach goal by **06/30/18**.

Gifts can be made online at bostoncatholicappeal.org or by completing a pledge form available in the back of the church .

*A Special Thank You to the family of
Chase Pierce
For
Volunteering to take over
The responsibility for
The Bottles & Cans Collection.*

Your support is very appreciated.



Please remember
Saint Ann's and Saint John's
When doing your
Estate Planning!

**THE KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS MEAT RAFFLES
WILL BE SUSPENDED THROUGH THE SUMMER
AND WILL BEGIN AGAIN ON:**

SEPTEMBER 29TH AT 1 PM



In the next set of envelopes, there will be a vacation envelope for your convenience in remembering your offertory when you are away.



If you have had any trouble with your envelopes, please let the Office know.



NEWS FROM THE PARISHES (ST. ANN'S)

IMPORTANT REMENDERS

Just a reminder that there is a special intentions board at the rear of the church. Please fill out a card and place it on the board for any special intentions you have for loved ones.

Also at the rear of the church are various publications and additional PILOTS for your enjoyment. Please feel free to take these home with you.

Remember that Saint John's is having an Electronic Recycling Day on June 30th. From 9 AM to 2 PM. Please check the Saint John's Page for details.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

If you need help

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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 ANN'S DAY

Will be on

FRIDAY, July 27th

Begins at 5:00 PM

Come and enjoy the company of parishioners of the collaborative while feasting on:

Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Western beans, coleslaw, potato salad, various salads & desserts.

BIRTH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION

Has begun!!!!

Please sign up early .

All teacher's and aides must remember to register their children.

All information is on our website
stannswb.com

CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 16TH.

Thank you to all the Saint Ann Parishioners who supported Troop 25 in their 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast.



SAINT ANN FIRST COMMUNION PICTURES ARE READY AND IN THE RECTORY FOR PICK UP.

IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, June 30 — Electronic Recycle Day

THE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC WILL BE SUSPENDED THROUGH OUT THE SUMMER.

Rosary after daily Masses.

Divine Mercy every Thursday after daily mass.

St. John's Conference

In the Gospel today, we celebrate the birth of John the Baptist and everyone pondered the question: "What, then, will this child be? For surely the hand of the Lord was with him."

This month, "the hand of the Lord has been acting through you" as your gifts, to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought his love and care to the poor by assisting many families, providing food, and utility, rent and other bills, etc.

Thank You!

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 3:00-4:30pm.

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, Patricia Baldassarre, Tim Lehane, Vickie Vasvatekis, Tim Lehane & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

ALL TOWNS WELCOME

Electronic and Appliance Recycle Day in East Bridgewater

Location: Saint John, 210 Central Street, East Bridgewater MA 02333

Date: Saturday, June 30, 9am - 2 pm (Cash or personal checks accepted) (Rain or Shine).

Bring these items to the parking lot:

Computer towers, Scanners, VCR, Copiers, DVD, Stereo Equipment, Computer Tower, Lighting, Vacuum, Answering Machine, Fax, Speakers, Compact disc., Circuit Boards, Radios, Modems, Word Processor, Fans, Video equipment, Game Console, Xbox, etc., Tape Players, Type-writers (Anything with a plug and more) Laptops ...\$5 ea.

Dishwasher, Dryers, Stoves, Microwaves, Ex. Equipment, Lawn Mowers, Snow Blowers, Vacuum, Small Engine Items, etc...\$10 ea.

Glass Monitors, Flat Panel Monitors, etc...\$15 ea.

TV's: 15-35

Ac...\$15, Dehumidifiers, Refrigerators..\$20-\$30

Scrap/Junk Metal....\$10 car load.

Empty propane tank..\$10

Cables, Keyboards, Car Batteries, Cell Phones...No Fee

Also included: Bicycle Recycle Day, no fee.

Bring your unwanted old or new bicycle and drop it off, it will be reused again. Mountain, Road, BMX Cruiser, Old/New, Kids, etc.

Our aim is to keep bikes from being thrown out when they can be reused.

(We can pick up bicycles if you cannot get them there)

Questions: Please contact Dennis Wood 508 277 7513.



SAINT JOHN'S ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

AUGUST 26TH THIS YEAR.

(following the 10:30 Mass)

Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Hotdogs, Various Salads, Corn on the Cob, Homemade sweets and Watermelon are on the menu.

Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses Beginning July 14.

It is really helpful if people purchase tickets early, so that the proper amount of food can be purchased.

Thank you for your support and cooperation!

John the Baptist, (born 1st decade BCE, Judaea, Palestine, near Jerusalem—died 28–36 CE; feast day June 24), Jewish prophet of priestly origin who preached the imminence of God’s Final Judgment and baptized those who repented in self-preparation for it; he is revered in the Christian church as the forerunner of Jesus Christ. After a period of desert solitude, John the Baptist emerged as a prophet in the region of the lower Jordan River valley. He had a circle of disciples, and Jesus was among the recipients of his rite of baptism.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION ABOUT JOHN

The primary sources for information about John’s life and activity are the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), The Acts of the Apostles, and the Jewish historian Flavius Josephus’s The Antiquities of the Jews. In using these works for historical reconstruction, allowances must be made for the known tendencies of each writer. All four Gospels recognize in John the start of the Christian era, and each in its own way tries to reconcile John’s precedence in time and Jesus’ acceptance of his message and of a baptism of repentance from his hands (elements suggesting subordination to John) with the author’s belief in Jesus as the Messiah and Son of God. The Gospel According to Mark presents Jesus as the hidden Messiah, known only to a narrow circle, and John as the one who had to “come first to restore all things” but who also remained hidden and suffered death with little acknowledgment of his true status (Mark 9).

<https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-John-the-Baptist> (more info available)

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