



*Together in Christ  
Collaborative*

*St. Ann & St. John  
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 15, 2017*



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*28th Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.” The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests.” - Mt 22:9-10

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

**EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES**

**St John’s**  
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass, Weds, Thurs, Fri.: 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 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.

October 8, 2017—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**St. John is a Stewardship Parish**

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**Thursday, October 12, 2017**

9:00 — Dorothy and Robert Hill — 60th Wedding Anniversary

**Saturday, October 14, 2017**

4:00 — McLaughlin Family — Memorial

**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

8:00 — Carol Fitzgerald — Month's Mind

10:30 — Dennis P. McCarthy — Birthday Remem.

**Friday, October 20, 2017**

9:00 — Armand Franciosi — 19th Anniversary

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

4:00 — James & Leona DeCost — Memoria

**Sunday, October 22, 2017**

8:00 — Doc & Marion Wood — Memorial

10:30 — Allan & Ruth Winsor — Memorial

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**Saturday, October 14, 2017**

4:00 - William Kelleher—20th Anniversary

**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

8:30 - Julia Fernandes — Month's Mind

10:30 - Dennis McElhenney, Jr. — Birthday Rem

**Friday, October 20, 2017**

9:00—Richard & Thomas Fitzgerald —  
Birthday Remembrance

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

4:00 — Florence "Bebe" Andrews — 4th Ann.

**Sunday, October 22, 2017**

8:30 - Joseph Jakubowski — 2nd Anniversary

10:30 - Ana Julia Barros — Birthday Remem.

**DEACON'S CORNER BY DEACON BRENDAN**

To continue, the rosary we pray, is sometimes referred to as the Dominican Rosary. We begin by praying the Apostles' creed, one Our Father and three Hail Marys and a Glory Be for the intention of the Pope and for the virtues of faith, hope and charity. We then move on to the first of the five decades. Because of the repetitive nature of these prayers, it is helpful to focus on one of the mysteries for each decade. Each decade consists of one Our Father, ten Hail Marys and one Glory Be. The rosary is concluded with the Hail Holy Queen prayer. There are four sets of Mysteries that reflect the lives of Christ and Mary. The Joyful Mysteries: the Annunciation, the Visitation, the Birth of Christ, the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple and Finding the Child Jesus. The Sorrowful Mysteries are the Agony in the Garden, the Scourging at the Pillar, the Crowning with Thorns, the Carrying of the Cross and the Crucifixion. The Glorious Mysteries are the Resurrection, the Ascension, the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the Assumption of Our Lady and the Coronation of Our Lady as Queen of Heaven. The Luminous Mysteries introduced by St. Pope Paul II are Christ's Baptism, Wedding at Cana, the Proclamation of the Kingdom, the Transfiguration and the Institution of the Holy Eucharist. The Joyful Mysteries are prayed on Mon. & Sat.- the Sorrowful, on Tues. & Fri.- the Glorious, on Wed. & Sun. – the Luminous, on Thursday. Sundays during Lent are Sorrowful Mystery days and Sundays during Advent are Joyful Mysteries.



My Dear Friends in Christ,

As you might imagine, in celebrating the number of weddings which I do, I get invited to a lot of “wedding feasts”. In accepting these invitations, I only make one request of the bride and groom – you may seat me anywhere you want...except the head table. It’s not that I don’t appreciate the invite or a “seat of honor”, but what inevitably happens is that I end up either sitting alone (while the wedding party is mingling) or (as has actually happened) I end up cutting the flower girl’s/ring bearer’s food! Therefore, I graciously accept the fact that I have been found “worthy”, but ask this simple favor for the good of all.

In today’s gospel, the Kingdom of God is likened to a wedding feast. In the parable put forth by Jesus, there are some who refuse the invitation put forth by the king. They are then given a second invitation, with the enticements of a good meal (the “fattened cattle”). Some still ignore the invitation; some lay hands on the messengers and kill them. This is how it is with the chief priests and elders; they have heard from the prophets sent by God, yet they choose to either ignore them or put them to death. The invitation is then given to others, but there are still “caveats” involved. Those who are invited must “dress” appropriately, with the proper “wedding garment”. And what is this “wedding garment”? It is not anything physical, but more of an “attitude”, a way of living. One must live in accordance to what God desires of us.

The problem with the chief priests and the elders is that they didn’t know what God desired of them. They certainly knew the Law (of Moses), and they most definitely didn’t have any problem administering that law. The problem came when they were measured with that standard – this is where they fell short; they heard the Word of God, but didn’t apply it to their own lives, for they thought that they were “above the law”.

So where do we fit in to this parable? We have heard the Word of God; have we tried to apply it in our lives? We strive to follow Jesus; have we worked each and every day, wearing our “wedding garment” and showing the world what it means to be a Christian? May we have the courage to not only hear God’s invitation, but respond to it wholeheartedly. May we come to know God’s love, live in that love, and share it with all whom we meet.

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul

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

## THE 2ND COLLECTION

This week \* SPECIAL PARISH COLL — ST. JOHN - ELECTRICAL NEEDS, ST. ANN - PAYDOWN OF ROOF LOAN  
 Next week — *World Mission Sunday*

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS 10/1 - 10/7	St. Ann's	St. John's		Total
<b>SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS</b>	10/1-17	9/24/17	10/1/17	
*In-Pew Giving	\$3,521	\$5,010	\$4,896	
*On-Line		\$ 525	\$ 962.50	
*Mail-ins				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,521</b>	<b>\$5,353</b>	<b>\$5,858.50</b>	<b>\$9,379.50</b>
*Special Collection Pilot, & Youth Ministry	\$1,042	\$ 462	\$1,051	\$2,093
	Youth	Pilot	Youth	Youth

Did you know that October is the month of the Rosary.

The Rosary can be downloaded on your phone in the form of an app and some of those apps are interactive.

Or you can use the following site to help you learn how to say the Rosary or to teach a younger child how to say the Rosary.

<http://www.dummies.com/religion/christianity/catholicism/how-to-pray-the-rosary/>

Rosaries are provided for our parishioners by the Praising Jesus Through Mary Rosary Ministry and can be found in the foyer of both churches free of charge.

*Grandmothers are your grandchildren confirmed!?!*

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED AND MADE FIRST COMMUNION BUT NEVER WERE CONFIRMED.

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday. We are invited to reach out and help build the Church in the most remote areas across our world. Through the work of missionaries, and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy, His hope and peace. Please keep the Missions in your daily prayers. Please come prepared next weekend to give generously in the collection for The Society for the Propagation of the Faith. For more information, please visit [www.propfaithboston.org](http://www.propfaithboston.org)



Rosary beads help Catholics count their prayers. More importantly, Catholics pray the rosary as a means of entreaty to ask God for a special favor, such as helping a loved one recover from an illness, or to thank God for blessings received — a new baby, a new job, a new moon.

## Catholic Confirmation Explained

By [About Catholics Team](#) //

Confirmation is a sacrament of initiation which completes baptism through sealing in Holy Spirit and anoints the recipient as priest, prophet, and king.

Who can receive Confirmation?

In the Catholic Church, anyone that has been baptized properly can and should be confirmed.

What is Catholic Confirmation?

Confirmation is a Sacrament in the Catholic Church in which the one who is confirmed (confirmandi) receives the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the imposition of hand and anointing with oils by the bishop. It's considered a sacrament of initiation which means that it brings you deeper into communion with the Church.

Who administers Confirmation?

Bishops are the original ministers of Confirmation along with other Catholic sacraments (Lumen Gentium 26).

"Bishops are the successors of the apostles. They have received the fullness of the sacrament of Holy Orders. The administration of this sacrament by them demonstrates clearly that its effects is to unite those who receive it more closely to the Church, her apostolic origins, and her mission of bearing witness to Christ." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 1313)



## Parish and Youth Ministry

Our mission is to offer resources that support, build community, and demonstrate love, so that each of us can strengthen the roots of our faith, our families, our friendships, and our Parishes.

### RESISTING HAPPINESS



A true story about why we sabotage ourselves, feel overwhelmed, set aside our dreams, & lack the courage to simply be ourselves. . . . A how to start choosing happiness again!

**MATTHEW KELLY**  
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

### Our New Book Club is about to begin!

This is one of our new opportunities we have added this year in particular for those that have busy schedules and can't attend a program or event or those that don't feel ready to attend. Our goal is to take on three projects in the first year of our Book Club! Hopefully that will be plenty of time for you to read our first project at your own pace. We will connect using email or social media based on the preferences of those who join us.

*"Discover how to recognize and conquer resistance in your life so you can become the-best-version-of-yourself and experience true happiness."*

Cost of Book: \$3.00

We will place the order on November 1st. Please contact Nancy at 508-838-8490 or nhenn71@hotmail.com.

## Calendar



- 10/20: Prayer Group from 10:00-11:30 at St. John
- 10/22: Pancakes with the Pastor from 9:00-10:00 am at St. John
- 10/26: Adult Committee Meeting @ 7:00 pm at St. John.
- 11/3: Elvis Night from 6:00-9:00 pm with Dinner at St. Ann's Hall
- 11/5: Family Mass @ 10:30 at St. John
- 11/9: Ultreya @ 7:00 pm at St. John
- 11/11: Pasta with the Pastor from 5:00-6:00 pm at St. John
- 11/11: Youth Committee Meeting from 6:00-7:00 pm at St. John
- 11/11: Family Night from 7:00-9:00 at St. John

## Contact Us:

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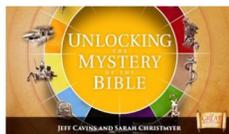
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## Prayer Group Starts Friday

After a wonderful start last year growing and learning with Mary, our group has chosen "Jeff Cavins' Unlocking The Mystery of the Bible." Our Prayer group is open to all! This is a video series with a workbook that leads our monthly discussions. Videos are available on-line if you miss a meeting. We meet on the 3rd Friday of the month and alternate from St. John and St. Ann each month from 10:00-11:30 am. The workbook costs \$20.00.



## Tickets are on-sale now!

Elvis Oldies Show  
Joe Presley and the  
Castletones Band

Music from the fifties-seventies  
Friday, November 3rd  
6:00-9:00 pm  
\$20.00 single or \$35.00 couple  
St. Ann's Parish Hall  
Dancing, Dinner and a Fun Night Out!



To purchase tickets please call  
508-838-8490  
or visit St. Ann's Rectory

Once a month each Parish will offer a Family Mass. (see calendar above) The children will be invited to the altar for a special homily, with other ways to participate and learn about the Mass.



# PARISH NEWS FOR ST. ANN'S

St Ann's Weekly Offertory: will now be displayed on the Collaborative page.

## MASSPASS BOOK FUNDRAISER

### West Bridgewater Food Pantry

Will be selling MassPass books at the end of each Mass beginning this weekend.

If you purchase a 2018 book for \$25, you will be given (for free) a 2017 book which is good until the end of December.

Together in Christ Collaborative

Collaborative Pastoral Council Meeting

10/11/17- St. John's Parish Center at 7pm

Opening Prayer and Remarks – Fr. Ring (10 mins)  
Approval minutes of last Collaborative Pastoral Council Meeting

Updates from Fr. Ring (20 mins):

- Increased Offertory Programs – St. John's results and status of St. Ann's database updates
- St. Ann's Finance Council Meeting update and notes

Pastoral Plan Writing Committee update – Fr. Ring (15 mins)

Open discussion (10 mins)

Closing prayer – Fr. Ring (5 mins)



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 & SUNDAY, OCT 15, 2017

### LECTORS

4 PM—Elaine Landolfi  
 8:30 —Terry Daly  
 10:30—Martin Heavey

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4 PM — Ray Ledoux  
 Jerry Bean  
 Joe Ritucci

8:30 — Anne Garvey  
 Lynn Winkler  
 Mary Ann Chartier

10:30 — Peter Del Sette  
 Colette Yeo



## 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.

## Programs for your enjoyment!

Bible Study — Monday evenings — 7 PM — St John's — lead by Deacon Joe.

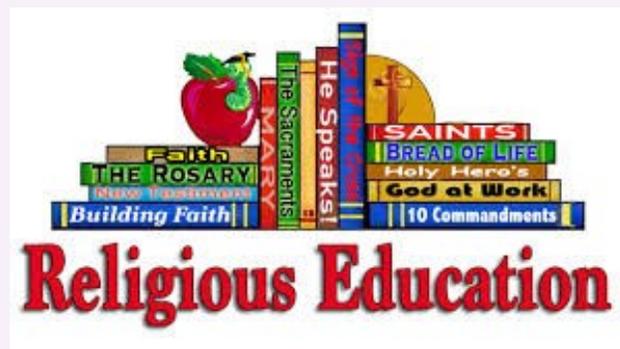
Adoration — Tuesday Evenings — 7 PM — St. John's

All are welcome.



OCTOBER 8—14, 2017

ACCESS THIS SITE FOR INFORMATION AND FUN ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.  
<http://www.nfpa.org/public-education/campaigns/fire-prevention-week/promoting-fpw>



## Religious Education Classes have begun.

Registration forms for this year's Religious Education Program can be obtained on our web page and at the doors of the church. Registration is still available.

Please remember that all registration forms require a late fee but can still be turned in. Registrations are due ASAP.

**A fourth grade teacher is desperately needed for this year. Please call Charlotte Leines if you can help out. 508-588-7140**



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

# PARISH NEWS FOR ST. JOHN'S

## St. John's Shared Treasure:

Monies for St. John will now be reported on the Collaborative Page.

**Please keep the following in your prayers:** Karen DeBenedictis, Carter Cullen, Theresa Capachione, Phyllis MacDonald, Ginger & John Margesion, Bob McGanty, Harry Hewins, Erica O'Sullivan, Bill O'Connell, Florence Lacey, Edie Lincoln, Danny Nichols, Kathy Turke, Christopher MacDonald, Jessica Chetwynd, Martha Bundeff, Sharon Farrell, Kim LeMoine, Christine Lombardi, Bill Estes, Rita Flaherty, Donald Rush, Tyler Martin, John Spellman, Fr. Ed Doughty, Amanda Little, Patricia Estes, Vince Adornato, Kenneth Upham, Joan Fusco, Pat Zemeitus, Bob Solakof, JoAnn Micalizzi, Barbara Worswick, Kay Levoshko, Tammy Engstrom, Bob Hill, Jim Cassidy & The residents of Sachem & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

### St. John's Music Ministry

Children's choir, Adult/Teen, Monthly Teen, Seasonal, Family Mass choir opportunities!

Contact Paul Hoffman, Music Director for details.

"The Pastoral Plan Writing Team (consisting of both staff and parishioners of both parishes) has been meeting regularly since this summer and is hard at work formulating a "Local Pastoral Plan". This "Plan", which is reflective of our needs, goals, and desires as the "Together in Christ Collaborative", has been using the results from the Disciple Maker Index survey that our communities participated in this past winter, and has proven to be an invaluable resource in this work. We hope to bring forward a "Vision Statement" soon, which will "set the tone" for our ongoing work here in the Collaborative. Your prayers, good wishes, and input are all greatly sought and appreciated."

## CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

St John's is currently behind in payments to the Catholic Campaign in the amount of \$4000

Life is busy. We make commitments and promises and in the hustle and bustle of life, we forget.

If you made a pledge for the Catholic Campaign, please check to make sure you followed up and sent the donation.

St. John's would love to close this debt. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Thur. 10/12 — Ultreya Mass — St John — 7 PM — Chapel  
Sat. 10/14 — Family Hike & Outside Mass — 9 AM  
Youth Comm. Mtg. — 6:00-7:00  
Pasta with the Pastor — 7:00 PM  
Weds. 10/18 — PFC Mtg. — 7 PM — St John's Rectory  
Fri. 10/20 — Prayer Group — 10:00—11:30 @ St. John's

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS AND AIDES ALWAYS NEEDED

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF OCT 10TH.



## Religious Education

WE ARE NO LONGER HAVING CLASSES ON SUNDAY FOR CONFIRMATION

### TEACHERS NEEDED

4:30—5:30

Tuesdays — Grs. 1,5, & 6

Wednesdays — Gr. 1

Thursdays — Gr. 1

6:00—7:00

Mondays — 2—9th Gr. Teachers

Wednesdays — Grs. 7 & 8

### St. Vincent de Paul - St. John's Conference



In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say: "Many are invited, but few are chosen."

**To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve others by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?** We are in need of volunteers both men and women. It takes a few hours a month but the good feeling of helping others lasts a lifetime.

Anyone who is in need of food or other assistance or is interested in joining St. Vincent de Paul please call and leave a message on our **HOTLINE** at **508-378-3760**.

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