

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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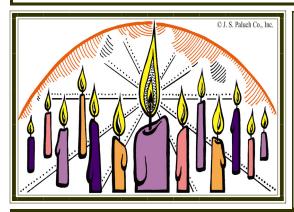
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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 23, 2011

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS for members of our Parish who are ill, remembering especially Ann, Bob, Brian, Grace, Kathleen, Kay, Mary, Peggy and Nancy.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: This weeks second collection supports Catholic World Missions. By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church and share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. Please visit www.propfaithboston.org for more information.

SACRAMENTAL AND DEVOTIONAL SERVICES

Adoration: Thursdays, 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. • Anointing of the Sick: First Saturday, following 5 p.m. Mass Baptism: Schedule with Priest • Funeral: Contact Parish • Marriage: Arrange six months prior
 Penance: Saturday 3:30-4 p.m., Chapel (or by appointment) • Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Contact Parish

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

7:00 a.m.; 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday:

7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; 5:00 p.m. (except July-August)

Weekday:

7:00 a.m. (Monday-Saturday)
Holy Day: (As announced)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30-4 p.m., Chapel (or by appointment)

The Mission Statement of St. John Parish

Baptized into Christ, we are a community of believers, bonded by our desire to learn and to live the Gospel message.

As a Eucharistic people,
we share a commitment to foster
our personal and communal growth in faith
and to witness to Christ's presence
by our service to those in need,
both within and beyond our parish community.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

This Week:

Sunday, October 23

Grade 2 Mass 8:45 AM
Grades 1 – 6 Class 10:00 – 10:45 AM
Grade 2 Church Tour
Grade 10 Enrollment Mass 5:00 PM
Grades 7 & 8 Class 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Grade 10 Friends for Good* 6:00-7:00 PM
Grades 9 & 10 Class 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Next Week:

Sunday, October 30

Grades 1 – 6 Class 10:00 – 10:45 AM

Wednesday, November 2

Grades 1-6 Class 3:30 - 4:45 PM

* Every student attending the full Friends for Good session will be credited with one-half hour of community service which may be applied to the twenty-five hours required for Confirmation. Students will sign-in upon approval.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: On Wednesday, November 2 and Thursday, November 3 Deacon Tom Smith will be training altar servers in the upper church from 3:30- 4:45 p.m. Any child who has made his or her First Communion is eligible to serve. Interested children should attend both sessions, and servers must be available to serve the following Saturday or Sunday (11/5 or 11/6) at Mass. Please contact Anne Connors, 781-237-0565 or anneconnors@verizon.net to register or with any questions.

GROW Teen Wellness Workshop & Social:
Sunday, October 30 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM at The
Wellesley Free Library, Wakelin Room. The
event, designed for grades 9 - 12, will include food,
friends and discussion. It is sponsored by
iGROW – Interfaith Gathering 'Round Our
Wellness - an outreach effort developed by the
Wellesley houses of worship, including St. John the
Evangelist Parish, to promote wellness and raise
awareness of teen mental health issues.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS: If you have an item to be considered for bulletin publication, please submit it in writing before **Tuesday noon**; you may fax or email our rectory office.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE Colleen Oteri & Ben Esposito

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Retreat Houses and Spiritual Centers – There are two Jesuit facilities in Massachusetts offering retreats and programs of spiritual direction: the Campion Renewal Center in Weston and Gonzaga - Eastern Point Retreat House in Gloucester.

Of great interest to more and more people are the "Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola", a structured regimen of meditations, prayers, considerations and contemplative practices designed to help the Catholic faith become more fully alive in our everyday lives. The program is set out in a sparse, practical handbook. It presents a formulation of Ignatius' spirituality in a series of prayer exercises, thought experiments, and examinations of consciousness to help people (usually with the aid of a spiritual director) experience a deeper conversion to life with God in Christ. For specific information, go to the websites: campioncenter.org and easternpoint.org, or contact a member of the Faith Formation Commission.

St. John's Adult Faith Formation Calendar

October 24, 7:30 p.m. (church) – "The New Translation of the Roman Missal"; lecture by Father Gregory John Hoppough, C.S., professor of liturgy, Blessed John XXIII Seminary.

November 5, 7:30 a.m. (social hall) - Men's Group

November 8, 6:30 p.m. (chapel, social hall) – Program for Women

November 10, 7:30 p.m. (parish center) – Book Discussion, Elizabeth Johnson, Quest for the Living God

November 14, 7:00 P.M. (social hall) - "What is Human Trafficking and What Can I Do About It?", Sr. Carole Lombard, Director of Peace and Justice, Sisters of St. Joseph (Boston)

Other Programs of Interest

October 20, 5:50 p.m., The Eucharist in the Early Church, Daniel Harrington, S.J., B.C. School of Theology and Ministry (The Church in the 21st Century) October 25, 5:30 p.m., The Eucharist: The Center of Catholic Life, Cardinal Seán Patrick O'Malley, Murray Function Room, Yawkey Center, Lower Campus (The Church in the 21st Century)

October 29, 8:30 a.m., Archdiocesan Justice Convocation

November 6, 7:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Parish, Newton Centre, Social Justice Forum, "Immigrants – Illegal?"

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 22	7:00 a.m. Memorial	+	Paul J. O'Sullivan
Suturday, October 22	5:00 p.m. Anniversary	† †	George L. Tully III
Sunday, October 23	7:30 a.m. Memorial	† †	Michael Peretti
Sunday, October 23	8:45 a.m. Memorial	†	Kathleen E. Morris
	11:00 a.m. Memorial	†	Alice & Irwin Bofferding
	Memorial	† †	Agnes Marx
	Memorial	! ⊹	Sam S. Mullin
	Memorial	† †	Henri C. Seibert
	Memorial	† †	Adeline & Elmer Swanson
	5:00 p.m. 1st Anniversary	† †	William E. Guarente
Monday, October 24	7:00 a.m. Memorial	! ⊹	Eileen Doherty
Tuesday, October 25	7:00 a.m. Memorial	† †	John & Louise Russell
Wednesday, October 26	7:00 a.m. Memorial	† †	Kathryn Whitlow
Friday, October 28	7:00 a.m. Memorial	† †	For the Parish
Saturday, October 29	5:00 p.m. Memorial	†	John W. Buckley
Sunday, Octoberber 30	7:30 a.m. Anniversary	† †	William & Theresa Lyons
Suriday, Schoolist 30	8:45 a.m. Memorial	†	Andrew Miller
	11:00 a.m. Memorial	†	Patrick McGill
	Memorial	† †	Mildred Kelly
	Memorial	1	Donna Kerley
	Memorial	†	Carol Mungovan Leonardi Janes
	Memorial	† †	Mary Cahill
	Memorial	† †	Sr. Mary Claire Walton
	5:00 p.m. Memorial	†	John Chiasson

MUSIC FOR THE HOLIDAYS: The music groups (Parish Choir, Family Mass Musicians, Contemporary Music Ensemble) for our regular weekend masses are rehearsing now and welcome your participation. No auditions are required, just a desire to sing or share playing your musical instrument. In addition to those groups there are the special occasion masses and events, i.e. Thanksgiving Day, Parish Christmas Concert, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, where we also welcome your participation. Additional rehearsals for these special events will take place on Sunday evenings, 6:15-7:45pm on Oct 23, Nov 6 and Nov 20 in the Music Office. Understanding that we all have overloaded schedules, you may wish to be part of only one or two of these special holiday events. All are welcome!

ST. JOHN PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

The offertory continues to be 6.7% less than last year at this time. Thanks to all of you who have submitted your annual appeal contributions. Watch for *Parish Pay* our online giving program.

Offertory	Actual	Budget	Variance
September	\$ 36,037	\$ 36,043	
October 2	9,498	12,764	
October 9	5,209	6,390	
October 16	8,377	10,587	
TOTAL	\$ 113,998	\$ 122,241	(\$8,243) or (6.7%)
Annual Appeal	Actual	Budget	<u>Variance</u>
July-October	\$ 101,867	\$ 101,288	\$579 or 0.6%

A NEW HOME FOR ST. JOHN'S FORMER

ORGAN: Back in April 2008, volunteers brought our wonderful Casavant pipe organ into the church piece by piece from moving vans. The organ was like a huge jigsaw puzzle. In October 2008 we celebrated the inauguration of the organ with a dedication recital. One piece of the project was unanswered until early this past summer. The Allen electric organ which had fulfilled our needs for some years had been stored in the garage. What a blessing that it has found a new home at St. Peter's Parish in Dorchester, and word is that they are thrilled with it.

PETITION DRIVE FOR ASSISTED SUICIDE:

Between now and December 7, supporters of a bill to legalize physician assisted suicide will be trying to gather 68,911 signatures from Massachusetts voters. This is the first step in putting this measure on the ballot in November 2012. The position of the church is that all suicide is a tragedy. In a recent homily, Cardinal Sean said, "A vote for assisted suicide is a vote for suicide." Please consider church teaching if asked to sign the petition for this suicide initiative.

THE CONTEMPORARY MUSIC ENSEMBLE is

a new group that provides music for select Sunday 5 p.m. masses. These masses will coincide with the evening CCD class schedule. Our next appearance will be on 10/23 at 5 p.m.. Practices will be held about once per month and no formal music training is required- just a willingness to praise God and have fun! If you sing or play an instrument and would like to get involved in this exciting ministry, please contact Julie Freeman, at 781-431-2470 or frejul@msn.com

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION: "Of all devotions that of adoring Jesus in the blessed sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments." -Saint Alphonsus Liguori

Prayer nourishes the soul and opens our hearts to God's graces. There is nothing quite like personal and private prayer before the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Therefore, we invite all to the Forty Hours Adoration of Christ in the Eucharist on Thursday, October 27th, Friday 28th, and Saturday, 29th. Hours of devotion will be from 7:30 a.m. each day, closing at 10:00 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and just before the 5:00 p.m. vigil Mass on Saturday, Oct 29th.

A New Automated
Giving Program
for St. John's



In recent years, the number of people who manage their finances online has increased dramatically. Many cite convenience and control as their primary reasons for moving to automated payments and online account management – less time and paper wasted writing checks and mailing envelopes, less chance for late or missed payments, better budget planning and oversight, and helpful year-end reporting.

St. John's is pleased to announce a new Automated Giving program, *ParishPay*, that offers not just convenience and control, but something even better - a more effective way to support our Parish and sustain our vibrant spiritual home. Weekly offertory collections are not consistent, a reflection not only of economic factors but the variations in Mass attendance that occur with vacations, holidays, and other life events. A significant Automated Giving program will provide the Parish with more consistent and stable contributions, which will enhance our ability to budget and manage our resources.

With *ParishPay*, you can set up a secure, automatic monthly contribution from a checking, savings, or credit card account to replace your weekly offerings. ParishPay can also be used for special collections, Grand Annual Appeal contributions, and special celebrations (like Christmas and Easter.) There is no cost to you to participate in this program, and you can start, stop, or adjust your contributions privately via secure web access. Find out more by visiting our website www.stjohnwellesley.org - you'll find complete information and instructions for signing up and getting started. It's easy, it's safe, and best of all - it's better for St. John's.

SERVICE COMMISSION

CHRISTMAS WISH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Christmas Wish effort is gearing up and we are looking for new and continuing volunteers to administer this growing program. The program supports families in St. Johns as well as families in Brockton, Lowell, South Boston, and Roxbury by providing Christmas gifts to about 400 children in need. We are looking for volunteers to assist in any number of ways: coordinating wish lists from the various parishes, matching children to sponsors, shopping, coordinating shoppers and sponsors, processing contributions, and collecting gifts. Please consider giving even a small amount of time to the program as we enter this time of giving. If you have questions please feel free to contact Kathy Maher at katherine.l.maher@gmail.com or Liz Corcoran at efcorcoran@aol.com.

ROSIE'S PLACE: A refuge for poor and homeless women since 1974 offers emergency and long term assistance to women who have nowhere else to turn. For many years, St. John's Parish has taken turns providing evening dinner for the women. Saturday, November 5th is our next opportunity to share in this gift. Rosie's Place is currently in need of: sliced ham, baked potatoes, frozen vegetables, rolls and cupcakes. Volunteers are needed to prepare food and deliver it to St. John's parking lot between 3:15 and 3:30 p.m. If you are interested in supporting this event and for specific needs, please contact Pam McCourt at mccourtpam@comcast.net, (781)235-0612 or Barbara Tully atbtully87@comcast.net, (781) 235-6182.

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SO OTHERS MAY EAT (S.O.M.E.): Since 1995, our parish has helped serve the homeless by providing sandwiches for the Bristol Lodge in Waltham. The sandwiches are distributed to the clients of the Bristol's various programs for the needy and provide a nourishing mid-day meal for the residents of shelters which are closed during the daytime hours. St. John's provides hundreds of sandwiches on the 4th and 5th (when there is one) Sundays of each month. Please bring sandwiches to the church kitchen refrigerator. (Sandwiches should be wrapped and without condiments.) Please contact Liz Phillips at (781) 237-4430 or Liz.phillips@comcast.net.

NEW PARISH REGISTRATION/UPDATE

If you are just beginning to worship with us at St. John Church, WELCOME! We invite you to register as members of our Parish. You may drop your completed information in the basket, or return it to our Parish office. Please introduce yourselves when you have a chance!

NAME			
ADDRESS			
TELEPHONE			
E-MAIL			
□ THIS IS A NEW REGIST	PATION (You wil	l be sent a complete re	gistration card)
□ THIS IS AN UPDATE FO	□ Cha	nge of Name nge of Address l envelopes	☐ Moving out of Parish☐ Someone in Hospital☐ Someone Homebound

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK				
October 24th	Monday	Lecture: "The New Translation of the Roman Missal"; by Fr. Gregory John Hoppough	7:30 p.m., Church	
October 25th	Tuesday	Marian Movement	7:00 p.m., Chapel	
October 26th	Wednesday	AFFC Meeting	7:00 p.m., Parish Center	
October 27th	Thursday	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	2:00-6:00 p.m., Chapel	
	•	Forty Hours Devotion	7:30 a.m10:00 p.m.	
October 28th	Friday	Forty Hours Devotion	7:30 a.m10:00 p.m.	
October 29th	Saturday	Forty Hours Devotion	7:30 a.m.– 5:00 p.m.	

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION:

The Door is Open for You!

The initial meeting of the RCIA is today, October 23rd at ten o'clock in the Rectory. If you are considering joining us, the invitation is always open:

You are welcome to come this week or in the following weeks.

It all starts with your questions!

Please contact the Parish Office or Svea Fraser at sveafraser@comcast.net.

THE ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBERANCE FOR PRE-BORN CHILDREN: will be celebrated on the evening of All Souls Day, Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church in Natick (44 East Central St., Rte 135). The guest homilist will be Rev. J. Bryan Hehir, Secretary for Health & Social Services of the Archdiocese of Boston. A special invitation is extended to parents, grandparents and siblings who grieve the death of children as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion. These losses may be recent or extend over many years. A light reception will follow in the downstairs hall. Sacramental Reconciliation (Confession) will also be available after Mass. For more information, contact Project Rachel at (508)651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

KINDLY REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Joseph S. Stabnick, father of Joseph Stabnick who has gone home to God.

May the souls of all our faithful departed share in the fullness of life and peace with God.

Parish Financa Council

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Pastor	Rev. Thomas F. Powers	781-235-0045	Sandy Avellone Ann Barlow
In Residence	Rev. J. Bryan Hehir	781-235-0045	Brian Boyce
Visiting Clergy	Rev. Robert G. McMillan, S	J	Joe Creonte
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Pastoral Planning Group	Jim Stokes		

PARISH LITURGICAL COMMISSION

THE CREED

Over the past several weeks we have discussed some changes in the Roman Missal translation, starting with the Introductory Rites (please log onto St. John's website, www.stjohnwellesley.org and go to "Previous Bulletins" for Oct. 2, Oct. 9 and Oct. 16, 2011. See the last page.)

The Collect or Opening Prayer concludes the Introductory Rites. This prayer includes the intent of the celebration and "collects" the prayers and intentions of the people, after which there is a short silence and the people make the prayer their own by acclaiming, "Amen." All sit, then, for the Liturgy of the Word. The Liturgy of the Word includes the biblical readings (which remain virtually unchanged), followed by the homily, then the Profession of Faith (the Creed) and finally the Prayer of the Faithful.

The Liturgy of the Word reaches its high point in the proclamation of the Gospel. However, the use of Scripture in the Mass does not end when the Liturgy of the Word has finished. In fact, the words of Scripture flow throughout the prayers of the Mass. One of the goals of the new translation of the Missal is to make clearer the links between the prayers of the Mass and the text of Scripture.

After the homily, all stand to recite the Creed. Of note are the few, yet significant, word changes in the Creed. The words in italics are new:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven (all bow up to and including "and became man") and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried, and rose again
on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and

I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Notable among these new translations is the change from first person to plural: "We believe" to "I believe." Literally, the Latin reads "Credo," which translates "I believe." In addition to being a more precise translation, "In its origins, the Creed was a baptismal formula, which accounts in part for its first person singular blessing. Today, the 'I believe' is the confession of the Church, the belief of the one Mystical Body, as well as the profession of the individual faith." (Mystical Body, Mystical Voice, 152). Similarly, the word "consubstantial," which replaces "one in being," is a more precise translation of the Latin consubstantialem. This word is the Latin rendering of the Greek homoousious, meaning "of the same substance" (with the Father), thereby upholding the truth of Jesus, God the Son, being equal yet distinct from God the Father. Both the Father and Son have in common the same divine nature.

The Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Prayer of the Faithful. (www.holynamecathedral.org Roman Missal, July 10, 2011 bulletin entry)

Please contact any of the following if interested in finding out more: Steve Brown, Pat Colton, Pat Feige, Svea Fraser, Jerry Kehoe.