

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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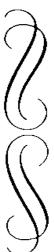
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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 13, 2011

We lovingly remember the following Beloved Ones, who died during this past year.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon



Mildred Morgan
Sheila Young
Theresa Boyce
Geraldine Crowley
Lawrence Fogerty
Rev. Albert Hughes
Eleanor Nestor
Madeline Cronin
James Sheehan
John Buckley
Sabina Bartzak
Pasquale Picariello



Richard Crino
James O'Donnell
Genevieve Burns
Edward McCarty
Barbara Colliton
Joseph Sincuk
George Kerr
Eileen Doherty
Elizabeth Mason
William DeLorie
Carmelo Monteleone
Alice Cameron
Louise Hogan

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.

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)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

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This Week:

Wednesday, November 16 Grades 1 – 6 Class 3:30 – 4:45 PM Grade 1 Parent Meeting & Visit

Saturday, November 19

Grades 9 & 10 Optional Movie Matinee & Discussion 2:30 PM, Church Social Hall (Pre-registration is required; please e-mail ileonard9@comcast.net.)

Next Week:

Sunday, November 20

Grades 1 – 6 Class 10:00 – 10:45 AM Grade 1 Parent Meeting &Visit 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

* 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 arrival.

ATTENTION YOUNG SINGERS: All students in grades 1-8 are invited to participate in the Christmas Youth Choir. High School Assistants are also welcome (counts towards confirmation community service credit)! Five rehearsals remain and will take place on the following dates and times: November 13 9:50-10:50 a.m.

November 20 10:50-11:50 a.m. December 4 10:50-11:50 a.m. December 11 10:50-11:50 a.m. December 18 9:45-11:00 a.m.

Children will participate in the Parish Christmas Concert 12/11 AND/OR Christmas Eve 5:30 p.m. Family Mass. All rehearsals are in St. John's Chapel. For more information, please call Maria Wardwell at (781) 237-2148.

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS

for members of our Parish who are ill, remembering especially

Ann, Brian, Grace, Kathleen, Kay, Mary, Peggy and Nancy.

SECOND COLLECTION today—and each second Sunday—is our Special Monthly for St. John the Evangelist Parish. As always, your continued generous support is most appreciated.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

BIBLE STUDY: Several small groups (fewer than 12 participants) will soon be organized. They will meet at times, in locations and with a frequency most convenient to participants. The groups will use "The Ignatius Catholic Study Bible", a wonderful publication based on the Revised Standard Version of the Bible (see Ignatius Press). Our first effort will be "The Gospel of Matthew". The cost of the 87 page publication is \$10. We would deeply appreciate it if those who will definitely or even possibly participate could send us an email indicating their preferences for time and location. Contact marciaryan918@gmail.com

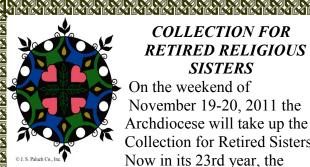
Adult Faith Formation Calendar

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

Other programs of interest

November 17, 5:30 p.m. –Lecture: "Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament" by Rev. Msgr. Kevin W. Irwin, School of Theology and Religious Studies at The Catholic University of America. This lecture is sponsored by B.C., Church in the 21stCentury Center. Heights Room, Corcoran Commons

THE MUSIC MAN: Directed and music directed by Chris Holownia. Performances will be Saturday, November 26th at 2:00 & 7:30 PM, Sunday, November 27th at 2:00 PM, Friday, December 2nd at 7:30 PM and Saturday, December 3rd at 2:00 PM & 7:30 PM. All performances are held at the Weston Town Hall in Weston, MA. For more information, visit http://www.westonfriendly.org/tickets/ or (617)795-2195.



COLLECTION FOR RETIRED RELIGIOUS SISTERS

On the weekend of November 19-20, 2011 the Archdiocese will take up the Collection for Retired Sisters. Now in its 23rd year, the

Collection provides needed financial support for religious communities who have served the Archdiocese of Boston as educators and health care and social service providers. In recognition of the Sisters' years of dedicated service please give generously. For more information, please contact Sister Marian Batho, CSJ, Delegate for Religious at (617) 746-5637 or Sr Marian Barth@rcab.org, or please visit www.retiredreligious.org.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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		Memorial	†	Caroline Patricia Doiran	
		5:00 p.m. Anniversary	†	Robert K. Thorp	13

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, 6:15-7:45 pm on 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 7.9% less than last year at this time. Thanks to all of you who have submitted your Annual Appeal contributions to date. We have reached 35% of our budget for FY2012.

PLEASE CHECKOUT *PARISH PAY* OUR ONLINE GIVING PROGRAM ON THE WEBSITE.

<u>Offertory</u>	<u> Actual </u>	Budget	Variance
October 2	\$ 9,498	\$ 12,764	
October 9	5,209	6,390	
October 16	8,377	10,587	
October 23	11,956	9,452	
October 30	8,370	12,173	
TOTAL	\$ 134,324	\$ 145,866	(\$11,542) or (7.9%)
Annual Appeal	Actual	Total Budget	<u>Variance</u>
July-to-Date	\$ 152,420	\$ 433,850	35% of our Budget

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TREES & TRIMMINGS is on Dec 3rd – SATURDAY ONLY! As usual, our annual holiday market will be filled with everything you need for Christmas: freshly cut trees, custom decorated wreaths, boxwoods and roping, homemade baked goods, and more. This event has been successful for over 30 years because of the many hours of time given by School parents and Parish volunteers. We encourage you to get involved - it's a great way to meet new friends and rediscover old ones! Watch the bulletin for opportunities to volunteer or email event chair Kira Nelson (kira.nelson@verizon.net) for more information.



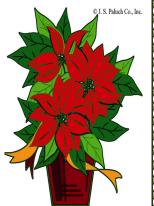
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Trees & Trimmings loves and needs donations of homemade baked goods for *Santa's Bakeshop*. Bake your favorite goodie or classic family recipe -- we can use cookies, brownies, bars, decorated Christmas cut-out cookies, breads, cakes, and pies! Please drop off all baked goods at Philbin Hall on Friday, December 2nd or contact Amy Kane at amykane@hotmail.com or Kathleen Rush at kathleenrush@verizon.net if you wish to make a contribution of your favorite holiday goodie. Thank you!

Red and White Poinsettias will be available at Trees & Trimmings this year. They are \$30 each and as lovely as ever. No pre-orders needed. "SUMMER BOUQUET" a signed, framed print by former Saint John parishioner E. Joseph Fontaine, will be our showcase raffle item this year. Tickets will be available after select masses and at T&T on Saturday 12/3 until 4pm. Please contact Heather Shanahan at heather@rjshanahan.com with any questions.

Feeling nostalgic? We would love to see any alumni parents at our evening **Bow & Pick** on Thursday, November 17th. Our 4th, 5th, and 6th grade parents will be there, and traditional refreshments will be provided! Questions about Trees & Trimmings or for volunteer opportunities, Please contact Kira Nelson (kira.nelson@verizon.net) or Susana Fantozzi (ssfantozzi@hotmail.com)



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Have you taken a look at our new Automated Giving program, *ParishPay*? 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

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

JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST!

Go to www.stjohnwellesley.org to sign up for email updates and keep up on everything that's happening here at St. John's - just click the Join Our Email list button.

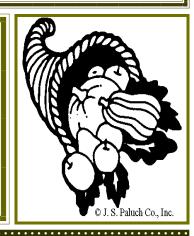
IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ST. JOHN LECTORS: The new workbooks, which begin 11/27, are now available. Please pick them up in the Glen Road Sacristy.

SERVICE COMMISSION



CHRISTMAS WISH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Christmas Wish effort is underway. We are still looking for more volunteers to assist with this wonderful service project. 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.

THANKSGIVING AT BRISTOL LODGE: Thanksgiving is just around the corner and with it, our commitment to serving dinner to 100 guests at Bristol Lodge in Waltham. This year we will need 12 20-lb cooked (but unstuffed) turkeys; mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce (16 large cans), butternut squash, corn, green beans, broccoli or peas; cider and cranberry juice. Turkeys, as well as other side dishes may be cooked as early as Tuesday prior to Thanksgiving. In addition to having a drop-off time at St. John's on Wednesday, individual food pickups can be arranged. Please contact Deirdre Heilbron (617.894.4416 or dgheilbron@yahoo.com) if you would like to help.





COATS FOR KIDS: This is a Boston-wide coat collection campaign for children, teens, adults and babies organized by Anton's Cleaners. Please collect any gently used coats/fleece for children, teens, adults and babies and bring them to the Rectory garage following all the Masses next weekend November 19/20. Please donate coats/fleece that do not have rips, broken zippers or stains. The coats will be brought to Anton's Cleaners in Wellesley for cleaning prior to distribution. Should you have any questions about this

campaign, please contact Deirdre Heilbron (617.894.4416)

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.

ST. JOHN PARISH Business Office HOURS MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

KINDLY REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

James Wayman, father of Ted Wayman who has gone home to God.

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

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK						
November 13th	Sunday	Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults	10:00 a.m., Rectory			
		Christmas Youth Choir Rehearsal	9:50 a.m10:50 p.m.			
		Music for the Holidays, Rehearsal	6:15 p.m7:45 p.m., Music Office			
November 14th	Monday	"What is Human Trafficking" Sr. Carole Lombardi	7:00, Social Hall			
November 15th	Tuesday	Trees & Trimmings Workshop	7:00-9:00 p.m., Parish Ctr, Sunroom			
		Marian Movement	7:00 p.m., Chapel			
		Parish Pastoral Council	7:30-9:00 p.m., Parish Ctr, Boardroom			
November 17th	Thursday	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	2:00-6:00 p.m., Chapel			
	·	Trees & Trimming Workshop	7:00-9:00 p.m., Parish Center, Sunroom			



THE R.C.I.A. CHALLENGE: Do you know someone who wants to know more about the Catholic faith? That person is probably not reading this bulletin. But you are!

Please consider inviting that person to join others seeking a deeper relationship with God, in community with others. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults offers just such an opportunity for asking questions and discerning the truth and goodness of our Catholic Christian faith.

We meet at ten o'clock on Sunday mornings in the Rectory. Contact the period office or Syon Frager (gyon frager@compact not) for more

parish office or Svea Fraser (sveafraser@comcast.net) for more encouragement.

PLANNING TO BE AWAY THIS WINTER? Please contact the Business Office if you are planning to be away from the Parish for an extended period of time during the winter months. If you let us know, we can suspend your offering envelopes and parish mailing. Remember, you can stay in touch with the St. John community while you are away by visiting us online at www.stjohnwellesley.org. There you can sign up for e-mail updates, read the weekly bulletin, and find links to our Twitter and Facebook.



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PARISH LITURGICAL COMMISSION

"Behold the Lamb"

When we finish exchanging the sign of peace with each other and singing or speaking the *Agnus Dei*, the Lamb of God prayer, the faithful kneel in preparation to receive Communion.

Since 1975, the year when the current *Sacramentary* became normative for the Masses offered in the United States, priests have prayed the following words:

"This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper."

The priest is joined by the faithful in the response,

"Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed."

HERE IS WHAT IS CHANGED (words in *italics*):

On November 27th, the First Sunday of Advent, we will begin to pray from the *Roman Missal*, Third Edition, the following revisions. The priest will begin with the prayer:

"Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb."

Then the priest will be joined by the faithful and together they will pray,

"Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."

Again, as with the other prayers in the *Roman Missal*, Third Edition, the bishops of the Church have attempted to provide more precise English translations from the official Latin texts. With the new translations of these two prayers, three separate biblical passages are referenced. In the declaratory invitation by the priest, the first sentence is the testimony of St. John the Baptist to the people that have come to him, identifying who Jesus is (John 1:29). The second sentence spoken by the priest is borrowed from one of St. John the Evangelist's dialogues with the angel in the Book of Revelation (19.9). Our participation in the Sacred Liturgy is our participation on earth, through the mediation of the sacraments, in the Sacred Liturgy of heaven, "the wedding feast of the Lamb."

In the second prayer, "Both priest and people respond scripturally, speaking to Christ after the example of the good centurion who, upon seeking the Lord's favor in healing his servant, says: 'Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof... but say the word and let my servant be healed' (Luke 7:6-7)" (Mystical Body, Mystical Voice 221).

Fr. Douglas Martis and Mr. Christopher Carstens, authors of *Mystical Body, Mystical Voice*, further explicate the reality of the Church's action at this time in the Sacred Liturgy: "The Roman Rite has adapted the centurion's words to the present liturgical context, changing 'my servant' to 'my soul' (*anima mea*), and when the Lord 'says the word' it is healed and filled with grace. Left unchanged, however, is the word *roof (tectum)*, signaling our own personal abode into which the Lord will enter (even though the Lord never did enter the centurion's house)" (ibid.).

If you want to dig deeper, or review what has been explained in the bulletin since the beginning of October, please refer to www.stjohnwellesley.org. In addition, a rich resource available to all is offered through Boston College School of Theology and Ministry: www.bc.edu/content/bc/schools/stm/c21online/resources/RomanMissal.html

The Parish Liturgical Commission has been meeting on your behalf to help prepare us all for the changes that will be inaugurated on the first Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011. Please contact any of the following if interested in finding out more: Steve Brown, Pat Colton, Pat Feige, Svea Fraser, Jerry Kehoe.

St. John the Evangelist Parish Adult Faith Formation Commission

HUMAN TRAFFICKING: WHAT IS IT AND WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT IT?

A talk and discussion with Sr. Carole Lombard,
Director of Peace and Justice, Sisters of St. Joseph (Boston)

November 14, 7:00 P.M. (social hall)

Sr. Carole Lombard, CSJ, is a member of the Boston Unit of the Leadership of Women Religious Task Force on Human Trafficking.

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery! The United Nations defines it as --

... the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation.

Victims of human trafficking are young children, teenagers, adult men and women. There are an estimated 700,000 sufferers annually, people brought across international borders illegally and almost always in violation of all standards of human decency and basic justice. Thus it is a serious human rights issue, a terrible problem with national and local ramification that should be of concern to all.

For information:

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