

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ~ April 1, 2012

SACRED TRIDIUM

HOLY THURSDAY - April 5



The Lord's Supper, 7:30 p.m.
Followed by Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY - April 6



Walk with the Cross, Noon
Stations of the Cross, 3:00 p.m.
The Lord's Passion, 7:30 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY - April 7



Mass of Easter Vigil, 7:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY

April 8

Masses:

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.
(Family Mass)

11:00 a.m.
(Upper & Lower Church)

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, April 1

Grades 1 – 6 Class 10:00 – 10:45 AM
Middle School Day of Reflection 2:00 PM,
BC Alumni House
Grades 7 & 8 Class 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Grade 9 Friends for Good* 6:00 – 7:00 PM
Grades 9 & 10 Class 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Wednesday, April 4

Grades 1 – 6 Class 3:30 – 4:45 PM

Next Week:

Sunday, April 8 *Happy Easter – no classes.*

- 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.

EASTER FLOWERS & MUSIC



Would you like to make a donation towards our Easter music or Easter flowers in memory of a loved one during this holy season? If so, you may make a donation by using your offertory envelopes, the collection basket, Parish Pay, or dropping your donation off at the rectory or in the mail. Please make sure to include the name of the person you want remembered in this special way.



Thank you!



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT: The Eucharist will be exposed for Adoration following The Lord's Supper, until 10:00 p.m. Holy Thursday, April 5.

EVENING FOR WOMEN

*A Journey into the Heart of Prayer
in St. John's Gospel*



Tuesday of Holy Week, April 3, 6:30 p.m., Social Hall & Chapel. A truly blessed way to begin the 'holiest' of weeks in the entire year. We will enter into the 'Upper Room' and in doing so, truly enter into the heart of Jesus.

Moderator: Sr. Evelyn Ronan. **All welcome.**

Bring your favorite spring recipe!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

When the Adult Faith Formation Commission was created about a year ago we decided to keep the definition of our role in the parish as simple and straight-forward as possible. We wrote in March, 2011:

As Catholics we have all been blessed with an intense desire to live close to God – trying hard to accomplish on earth what we were created to do, pursuing lives that reflect the will of God and the message of the gospels. Yet, we all recognize, at least when we stop and really think about it, that our knowledge of our faith is inevitably incomplete and that there is a need, indeed an obligation, to grow in our understanding of all that relates to the essential mission of our lives. Expanding our knowledge of God and appreciating more fully the message of Christianity and the doctrines of the Catholic Church is a never-ending process, something that should be a regular part of "practicing" the faith we have been privileged to receive.

The Adult Faith Formation Commission was created with the basic goal of assisting members of the parish in this endeavor. St. John's has always done well in making available to people a variety of faith formation programs, activities and resources. But clearly there is much more to do and the members of the new commission are committed to working hard and creatively in responding to the needs of every adult in the parish.

We see our role as basically one of development, coordination and communication. In each, we can only succeed if we can enlist the help of many others, for the challenge is a big one and, as we all know, the days of Catholics sort of sitting back and having all parish activities "delivered" to us are long gone. If we are to be a community of religiously informed men and women, constantly searching for ways to improve our relationship to God, we have to help each other, contributing whatever talents we have to the common effort.

We hope this little "column" in the bulletin each week is helpful, both the notices of programs and events and the suggestions and ideas about ways to enhance our individual spiritual journeys. As always, we would love to hear from you, with your ideas, suggestions, complaints and concerns. And as we approach the most glorious week the year we want to thank you for giving us this golden opportunity to serve the parish we all love so dearly!

St. John's Faith Formation Commission

Linda Colozzi, Marcia Grondin, Pat Kelleher (chair),
Sister Evelyn Ronan (advisor), John Salvati,
John Stewart and Anne Wachtmeister
(Email: AFFC@stjohnwellesley.org)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

§	Saturday, March 31	5:00 p.m.	8th Anniv.	†	Vernon Young
	Sunday, April 1	11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Bridget T. Keaney
			Memorial	†	John & Elisabeth O'Hearn
§	Monday, April 2	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Victor Terranova
	Tuesday, April 3	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Margaret Hostage
	Wednesday, April 4	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Alan Davitt

The Light Is On For You...
Sacrament of Reconciliation
In the Chapel
Wednesday 6:30-8:00 p.m. and
Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-Noon

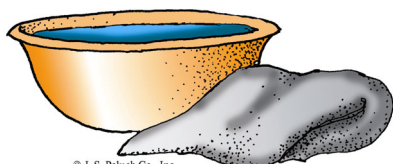


WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS for members of our Parish who are ill, remembering especially
Ann, Brian, Brooke, Jim, Kay, Mary and Moira.

EASTER CANDY COLLECTION: The Parish will be collecting your donations of Easter candy at all Masses **this weekend**. The candy will be used to fill Easter baskets for the families residing in the shelters operated by St. Mary's Women's and Children's Center in Dorchester. Easter baskets for 130 children and moms will be assembled by Religious Education students in grades 7 – 10 and delivered to St. Mary's before Easter morning. **Thank you for your generosity!**



HOLY THURSDAY



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A Special Invitation - As you know, a part of this celebration is a sacred ritual, cherished for generations; a dramatization of Eucharistic love - Jesus washing the feet of his disciples. Each year this **serving love** of Jesus is re-enacted to enable each of us to enter into it more deeply. If you would like to participate, there is a sign-up sheet in our Church 'gathering space.' We encourage you to consider sharing in this graced experience. For those who volunteer, further details will be sent to you, before April 5. **Thank you**

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.

GOOD FRIDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

The Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land, in the words of Paul VI is "not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities."

EASTER COLLECTION

Next week's diocesan-wide Easter Collection is for the 683 priests who have dedicated their lives to serving the Catholic faithful in our Archdiocese of Boston. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this important collection which will provide for the health, welfare, and retirement needs of all our active and senior priests.

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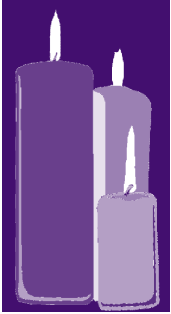
Have you taken a look at our new Automated Giving program, *ParishPay*? With *ParishPay*, you can set up a secure, automatic monthly contribution from a checking, savings, or credit card account to replace your weekly offerings. ParishPay can also be used for special collections, Grand Annual Appeal 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is administered **each first Saturday** of the month following our 5 p.m. Liturgy. On **April 1**, those who are chronically ill, are having treatments, or will be having surgery are invited to come receive this source of strength, healing and grace.



Holy Week and Easter are rapidly approaching and Parish Choir rehearsals are in progress. This is a marvelous opportunity to blend your voice in song with the other voices in the choir during some of the most important and solemn days of the year. The final rehearsal will take place on Sunday evening, April 1, at 6:15-8:00 p.m. in the Music Office.



WE PRAY FOR THE SAFETY of Family Members of our Parish who are Serving in the Military

Sr. Airman Melissa Beecher; Capt. Eric Calton; L.Cpl. Brandon Gerard Cotter;
Sergeant Adam Delaney; Sergeant Joseph Delaney; PFC William Gingrass;
Lt. Tom Hennessey, Jr.; Captain Gregory Holownia; Capt. Patrick H. Joseph;
Lt.Col. David Lamy; Lt.Col. John Lee, PFC Walter Mengden;
Pty.Off.3 Daniel F. Murray II; A1C Derek Sherman; Lt.Col. Christopher Spigelmire
and Staff Sgt. Raymond Wensch.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2012, IS A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE



FASTING is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

ABSTINENCE is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

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 REGISTRATION** (You will be sent a complete registration card)
- ☐ **THIS IS AN UPDATE FOR:**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name | <input type="checkbox"/> Moving out of Parish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Address | <input type="checkbox"/> Someone in Hospital |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Send envelopes | <input type="checkbox"/> Someone Homebound |

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

April 1	Sunday	RCIA Faith Maps	10:00 a.m., Rectory 3:00 p.m., Parish Center
April 3	Tuesday	Evening for Women Marian Movement	6:30 p.m., Chapel/Social Hall 7:00 p.m., Chapel
April 4	Wednesday	The Light is On for You - Reconciliation Contemplative Living with Thomas Merton	6:30-8:00 p.m., Chapel 7:30 p.m., Parish Center
April 5	Holy Thursday	The Lord's Supper Followed by Adoration until 10:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m., Church
April 6	Good Friday	Walk with the Cross Stations of the Cross The Lord's Passion	Noon, Church 3:00 p.m., Chapel 7:30 p.m.
April 7	Holy Saturday	Reconciliation Mass of the Easter Vigil	10:00 a.m.-Noon 7:30 p.m.

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

PLEASE NOTE

The Business Office will be closed
 Good Friday, April 6, 2012

DURING TIMES OF MASS, it is important that **handicapped parking spaces** be left available for those who need them.
 Thank you for your consideration and cooperation.

2011 TAX DONATION STATEMENTS: Please contact our Business Office if you would like to receive a tax statement of your 2011 donations made to St. John the Evangelist. Please call (781) 235-0045 or e-mail to stjohnbusinessoffice@comcast.net. **Thank you for your support!**



MARIAN MOVEMENT: Tuesdays, for those with special devotion to the Blessed Mother: all are invited to pray the Rosary, 7:00 p.m., located in the Chapel.

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