

# Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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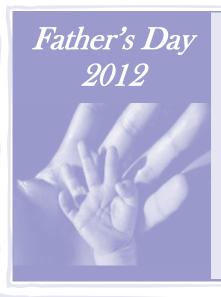
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### Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time • June 17, 2012



#### What Makes a Dad

God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree,
the warmth of the sun, the calm of the sea;
The generous soul of natures, the comforting arm of night,
the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle's flight;
The joy of a morning in Spring, the faith of a mustard seed,
the patience of eternity the depth of a family need.
Then God combines these qualities; when there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete; and so, He called it... Dad.

On this weekend, we remember all our Dads, both living and deceased; and hold them in love and grateful prayer.

#### **SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday:** 

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

**Sunday:** 

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.;

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

#### Registration

Religious Education registration packets for the 2012/2013 school year were mailed to all families. If you have not received a packet in the mail, it is available for download on the Parish website found at www.stjohnwellesley.org. The deadline for registering before the late fee is assessed was MAY 31. As a reminder, all 10<sup>th</sup> grade Catholic school students planning to be Confirmed in 2013 must fully participate in the second year of the Parish Religious Education Program.

We are always looking for teachers who are willing to teach any of the grades 1-10. If you are interested, please contact the religious education office at 781.235.5337 (grade 1-6) or 781.237.0141 (grades 7-10).



### FISRT COMMUNION PICTURES

Pictures of this year's First Communicants are available for pickup in the vestibule of the rectory. Parents, please collect your child's picture by *this Sunday, June 17*.

## Save the Date Workshop on Visiting the Sick

Starting Wednesday, October 3 and running for six weeks (Oct 3, 10, 17, 24 and Nov 7, 14), a workshop on Pastoral Care to the Sick and Homebound will be offered at St. John the Evangelist from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Kelly Dunn, a Certified Chaplain and former Director of Health Care Ministry for the Archdiocese, presently serving as the Coordinator of Nursing Home Ministry at Holy Family Parish in Concord, will teach the workshop.

The workshop will include a review of communications skills, the basics of pastoral visitation, key illness issues, spiritual needs and concerns, grief, loss and dying, and other care giving issues. Eucharistic ministers, pastoral visitors, parish nurses and others are encouraged to attend. Fee \$40. Registration information is available in the Parish Office or call (617) 746-5843. **Pre registration is required.** 

#### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

Jane Regan is a professor of theology and religious education at Boston College. Much of her research and writing have focused on adult faith formation, adult learning theory and adult spiritual development. She often serves as consultant to national groups on matters relating to faith formation.

A few years ago she wrote a article in *America* with the very provocative title "Adult Faith Formation: Will it Catch on This Time?". The major point of the article was that many in the church have been talking for years about the need for more emphasis on adult faith formation, but, sadly, the results have been meager.

She offers four major recommendations or sets of ideas for people involved to ponder:

- 1) Shifting more of the emphasis and resources to the "faith-building" potential of families and adults generally would eventually have a wonderful impact on the education of children and youth. Parents (and grandparents) should obviously be the primary educators of their children, so helping more adults become comfortable talking about their faith makes them much more capable of explaining God's presence in the lives of young people.
- 2) The fundamental focus of adult faith formation should not be on conveying information but on transformation in how people think of their lives as Christians. Adults, she argues, should be invited to look beyond the "what" to the "so what?" We should be asking how we can better relate our spiritual lives to our daily "worldly" lives.
- 3) "Sustained, critical conversation is an essential component of the faith formation of adults." Telling stories of real life incidents and talking seriously about things that matter is helpful for all of us. Among other things, it leads to better understanding and appreciation of the foundations of our faith and the implications of living a solid Christian life.
- 4) "The goal of adult faith formation is not only to enrich the faith life of the participants and strengthen the parish community. It does these things in response to the church's primary task and reason for being: to evangelize." Sharing what we know and believe is critical, especially as more and more baptized Catholics rarely, if ever, attend Mass or think seriously about the course of their spiritual lives.

Professor Regan's ideas about faith formation deserve to be taken seriously and considered by all. The documents of Vatican II made dramatically clear that each of us has a role to play in the Church. We have all been blessed to be part of a parish with a rich tradition of acting on that belief.

St. John's Faith Formation · AFFC@stjohnwellesley.org

#### ST. JOHN PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Many thanks to all who have contributed to our 2011-2012 Annual Appeal. We are close to achieving our budget. Please consider making a donation to achieve our goal before the end of the month.

Thank you for your support these last few weeks, however, we still need your HELP with the offertory if we are to make our budget. If you can help us bridge the \$20,000 gap, before June 30, we thank you in advance. Remember, *Parish Pay* is available for online giving.

<u>Offertory</u>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<u>Variance</u>
May 13	12,289	8,731	
May 20	7,094	7,520	
May 27	7,769	4,951	
June 3	7,743	8,440	
June 10	10,928	10,203	
TOTAL	\$405,794	\$425,580	(\$19,786) or (4.64%)
Annual Appeal	Actual	<b>Total Budget</b>	<u>Variance</u>
July-June 10	\$433,031	\$ 433,850	99% of our Budget

**MESSAGE FROM PARISHPAY**: ParishPay our electronic donation partner was recently acquired by a company called Yapstone. You may have noticed on your bank statement that your donation to St. John the Evangelist was processed by "Yapstone." Rest assured those donations are for St. John the Evangelist and moving forward your donations will show on your bank account statement as "ParishPay Donation." Thank you for your continued support.



Making it Easier to Give

It's easy, it's safe, and it's better for St. John's.

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 <a href="www.stjohnwellesley.org">www.stjohnwellesley.org</a> - you'll find complete information and instructions for signing up and getting started.

CATHOLIC "FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM" AND LIVE "TOWN HALL MEETING" WITH **CARDINAL SEAN:** The U.S. Bishops have announced a two-week effort of prayer, study, catechesis, and public action to emphasize both our Christian and American heritage of religious liberty. It is called "Fortnight for Freedom" and runs from June 21-July 4. Cardinal Sean is asking Catholics to recite a prayer for religious liberty during this fortnight and is inviting all Catholics to participate in a live interactive "town hall meeting" on CatholicTV on Monday, June 25, at 8:00 p.m. Questions from the viewing audiences will be received and responded to by the Cardinal and other panelists. Mark this in your calendars. Please see BostonCatholic.org/Freedom for more information.

*MASSACHUSETTS CORI CHANGES*: The Archdiocese of Boston requires that all clergy, seminarians, deaconate, faculty, staff and volunteers (17 years of age or older) be CORIed on an annual basis.

To facilitate the CORI reform law, the MA Department of Criminal Information Services recently put a new CORI access system in place. Please note that the this new system, Icori, requires that all individuals provide the last 6 digits of their social security number on their CORI request form.

We appreciate the cooperation of all those required to complete the annual CORI and thank you for keeping the pledge to protect those among us who are most vulnerable.



Peter's Pence Collection

**June 24-25** 

#### WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS

for members of our Parish who are ill, remembering especially Ann, Brian, George, Hamilton, Jim, Kathleen, Kay, Mary and Moira.

#### 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

THE GOOD SAMARITAN IS *YOU*. Thank you to all supporters of the 2012 Catholic Appeal. St. John Parish has raised \$47,824.92 (or 69% of our goal of \$68,853). Every family is asked to participate - please know that every gift matters. If you have not made your donation, please consider making your pledge this weekend. Information packets with pledge forms are at the Church entrance. For more information you may call (617) 779-3700 - or visit Catholic Appeal@rcab.org.



#### **SERVICE COMMISSION**

St. Francis House Annual Men's Clothing Drive

Thank you!



A sincere thanks to all who donated to our St. Francis House Annual Men's Clothing Drive that was held at our Parish last weekend. We got a huge response from the St. John community! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Service Commission Leadership Opportunities: From time to time, different organizations approach the Service Commission with programs and ideas that our Parish might be interested in supporting or adopting. For example, an ARUPE Group came and gave a presentation on their work supporting new immigrants. It was an interesting opportunity, but we were unable to ask for volunteers or pursue it further without identifying a point-person to lead the project. To provide an easy way for more parishioners to get involved with these exciting opportunities, the Service Commission is compiling an email list of people who might be interested in leading one of these volunteer projects. When new ideas comes up, an email will go out to the entire group to see if there is any interest; this will allow us to get the information out quickly and efficiently so we can gauge interest and respond promptly to potential programs.

To be notified of potential leadership opportunities as they arise, add your name to this email list by logging onto the website and click on the link: <u>Service Commission Leadership Opportunities.</u>

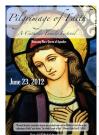
**SO OTHERS MAY EAT (S.O.M.E.):** St. John's provides hundreds of sandwiches on the 4th & 5th (when there is one) Sundays of each month for the Bristol Lodge in Waltham. **Next Sunday, June 24**, please bring sandwiches to the church kitchen refrigerator. (Sandwiches should be wrapped without condiments.) Please contact Liz Phillips at (781) 237-4430 or Liz.phillips@comcast.net.

#### STAY IN TOUCH WHILE TRAVELING THIS SUMMER!

Keep up with all the news posted to our website via RSS feed or email updates - just visit our website and look for the **FOLLOW US!** links.

### Please contact the Rectory if you know someone who is homebound, sick or hospitalized.

**ATTENTION:** St. John Parish now has hearing equipment which may be borrowed during Mass for those who have a need. Please see our pastoral staff for more information.



The Archdiocese of Boston will once again sponsor the Catholic Family Festival to be held at B.C. High on Saturday, June 23, 2012 from 12 to 8 pm. Last year's festival had over 1,400 attendees who left feeling energized and inspired in their faith. We hope to build upon that success.



**MARIAN MOVEMENT:** All are invited to pray the Rosary, on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:** If you have an item to be considered for bulletin publication, please submit it in writing to the rectory office before **Tuesday, noon**.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



	Saturday, June 16	7:00 a.m.	Anniversary	†	Julia McDermott
		5:00 p.m.	1st Anniversary	†	Bernadette DeGrandis
	Sunday, June 17	11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Joseph G. Murphy
			Memorial	†	Marie Earley
			Memorial	†	Sheila N. Young
	Monday, June 18	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Daniel Mcdonald
	Tuesday, June 19	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Special Intention
	Wednesday, June 20	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	For the Parish
ř	Friday, June 22	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	William DeLorie
į	Saturday, June 23	5:00 p.m.	50th Wedding Anniv.	†	Jack & Terry Callahan
	Sunday, June 24	7:30 a.m.	Memorial	†	Michael Peretti
	·	9:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Thomas W. Fitzpatrick
		11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Agnes Marx
			Memorial	†	Sam S. Mullin
			Memorial	†	Alice & Irwin Bofferding
			Memorial	†	Adeline & Elmer Swanson

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