

## Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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# The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist June 24, 2012



"I tell you, among those born of women, no one is greater than John...."

#### **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).

#### 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 (781) 235-0045. **Pre registration is required.** 

If this invitation is something you might like to explore further, Sr. Evelyn would be happy to meet with you. You may reach her by e-mail at evelyn\_ronan@comcast.net or by phone at the number listed above.

#### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

To assist in our planning the Adult Faith Formation Commission is looking for expressions of interest in one or more of the following programs –

- 1) <u>Scripture study</u> small groups, meeting either in homes or at church; mornings or evenings, weekdays or weekends; systematic reading and discussion of sections of old and new testaments
- 2) <u>Book discussion group</u> reading and discussing one book a month (generally about 200 pages) on a range of topics.
- 3) <u>Discussions of general issues of concern to</u>
  <u>Catholics</u> broad-ranging discussions of issues, challenges and opportunities of concern to
  Catholics; weekday mornings or evenings.
- 4) <u>Lectures and discussions</u> 30-45 minute talks by knowledgeable men and women followed by questions and discussions; weekday mornings or evenings or Sunday afternoons or evenings.
- **5)** <u>Film discussion group</u> -- viewing and discussing one film a month, documentary or fiction with religious theme; weekday or Saturday evenings.

Please send us an email message or call with your name and the program(s) of interest. There is no obligation, no commitment! Thanks.

#### St. John's Faith Formation Commission

AFFC@stjohnwellesley.org (617 969 0950 – John Stewart)

Linda Colozzi, Pat Kelleher (chair), Sister Evelyn Ronan (advisor), John Salvati, John Stewart and Anne Wachtmeister

#### 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 Wrensch.

#### ST. JOHN PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for your support these last few weeks, however, we still need your <u>HELP</u> 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>	Actual	<b>Budget</b>	<u>Variance</u>
May 20	7,094	7,520	
May 27	7,769	4,951	
June 3	7,743	8,440	
June 10	10,928	10,203	
June 17	6,269	7,043	
TOTAL	\$412,063	\$432,623	(\$20,560) or (4.8%)
Annual Appeal	Actual	<b>Total Budget</b>	Variance
July-June 17	\$434,459	\$ 433,850	100% of our Budget

Thank you to all contributors. We are \$600 over 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**.



Live "Town Hall Meeting" with Cardinal Seán on Religious Liberty - Tomorrow night, June 25

Cardinal Seán invites you to join the live "town hall meeting" he is hosting tomorrow evening, Monday June 25 at 8pm, on CatholicTV. Questions from the viewing audience will be received and responded to by the Cardinal and other panelists. Please mark this in your calendars. This broadcast is part of the "Fortnight for Freedom" initiative of the U.S. Bishops which runs from June 21 to July 4. Please see BostonCatholic.org/Freedom for more information.

#### Cardinal Sean is asking Catholics to recite a prayer for religious liberty during this fortnight.

O GOD OUR CREATOR, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome - for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us - this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Peter's Pence Collection This weekend 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

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.



#### 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.



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.

#### **SERVICE COMMISSION**

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: Service Commission Leadership Opportunities.

**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. *This* 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.

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



Julie and Frank McConville, with their children, spouses and grandchildren, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, July 1st. All friends and parishioners are

invited to join with them on this joyous occasion for a reception in the Social Hall immediately following the Mass.



*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 the bulletin, you must submit the information to the rectory office before **Tuesday**, **noon**. However, submissions for the July 8 issue will be due by **Friday**, **June 29** because of the July 4th holiday.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

	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
We she		11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Agnes Marx
			Memorial	†	Sam S. Mullin
1			Memorial	†	Alice & Irwin Bofferding
Who a			Memorial	†	Adeline & Elmer Swanson
	Monday, June 25	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Special Intention
	Tuesday, June 26	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Margaret Hostage
	Wednesday, June 27	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	For the Parish
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	Saturday, June 30	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Lauchie Blake
a The	•	5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Jerry Welch
	Sunday, July 1	7:30 a.m.	Memorial	†	William Fitzgerald
	J. J	9:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	For the Parish
		11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Sheila N. Young
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			50th Wedding Anniv.	†	Julie and Frank McConville

#### **PARISH DIRECTORY**

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Religious Education, Grades 1-6	Linda Messore	781-235-5337
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#### **Parish Pastoral Council:**

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