

# Saint John the Evangelist Parish

**Serving Wellesley - Newton** 

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# Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 27, 2013



# All Saints Day

Friday, November 1, 2013

Holy Day Mass Schedule 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon & 5:30 p.m.

# REGULAR 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. and 5:00 p.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

# This Week:

# Sunday, October 27

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

# Next Week:

# Sunday, November 3

Grades 1 – 6 Class 10:00 – 10:45 AM Grade 2 Church Tour

Grades 7, 8 Class 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Friends for Good 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Grade 9 Friends for Good 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Class 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Grade 10 Class 7:00 – 8:00 PM

# Wednesday, November 6

Grades 1-6 Class 3:30 – 4:45 PM

Grade 2 Church Tour

# RIGHT OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a journey that welcomes all seekers to learn about our Catholic Christian faith. It offers everyone, Especially you who are reading this announcement, the opportunity to extend an invitation to those you know who might be thinking about becoming a Catholic, who are baptized but not confirmed, who are Catholic but want to know more about our faith, or who for whatever reason may have left the Church.

We will convene *this* Sunday, October 27 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Church Rectory. Let us open wide our doors, go out, and bring the Church closer to the people! Questions? Please contact the Church Office at (781) 235-0045 or Svea Fraser at sveafraser@comcast.net and (781) 237-7560)

#### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**CONVERSATIONS IN PRAYER**: Prayer is always God's initiative. It is our response to God's presence in our lives. Various forms of meditative and contemplative prayer can help us be more open and present to God. Missed the few sessions of Meaningful Conversations about Prayer? Please join us this week, on Monday,Oct 28th for Session four in the Parish Center Chapel from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

**AFFC BLOG:** For the month of October, the Adult Faith Formation Commission is discussing **Mary**, the **Mother of God**. Please visit our website at www.affc@stjohnwellesley.org to find reflections written by parishioners as well as links to lots of great information, such as St. John's on Facebook to receive regular updates on our monthly theme!

*OCTOBER*, *THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY:* The Rosary has been loved for generations as a scripture - based prayer honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary. During October we encourage you to experience this beautiful devotion. To assist you there are some rosaries and pamphlets at our Church entrance. Also, every Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. you are welcome to pray the rosary with Parishioners in the lower Chapel.

# LIAM BERGIN LECTURE: "Proclaim the Lord's Death Until He Comes in Glory"

Tuesday, November 12 -7:00 p.m., Social Hall

How does our faith in Jesus Christ influence the way we meet the challenges that face the church and the world in times of economic, political, ecclesia and personal uncertainty? In 1932 the German Benedictine Odo Casel wrote that Christian life and worship is an insertion into the "mystery of Jesus Christ". Although not well known, the influence of Casel on the Second Vatican Council and beyond has been significant. This lecture presents some of the ideas of Casel that may well inspire women and men of faith today.

Liam Bergin is a priest of the diocese of Ossory (Ireland). He has been teaching sacramental theology at Boston College since 2011. Previously he was rector of the Pontifical Irish College in Rome for ten years. He has written and edited a number of articles and books in theology and has commented on many contemporary Church issues in the media. Since transferring to Boston, he has become an incurable Red Sox fan!

Mondays, October 28 Conversations in Prayer

7:00-8:30 p.m., Parish Center

Wednesday, October 30 John Allen Lecture -

*The Francis Papacy: Reform, Renewal and Resistance*, 6:00 p.m., Robsham Theater, BC

Tuesday, November 5, Evening for Women

6:00 p.m., Social Hall/Chapel (more details on next page) **Saturday, November 9 Film/Supper Night** Following

the 5:00p.m. Mass, Social Hall (more details on page 4)

Tuesday, November 12, Liam Bergin Lecture

7:00 p.m., Social Hall

2013 ANNUAL APPEAL: Copies of the St. John Annual Financial Report and 2013 Annual Appeal are available at the back of the Church and also can also be found on the Finance Council's page on our website

Also included in the package is a **2013 Annual Appeal** Collection pledge card. ParishPay, our online giving program, can also be used for contributions to the Annual Appeal. Please visit the **ParishPay** page on our website for more information.

> Thank you for your continued support of St. John the Evangelist Parish!



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

**MARIAN MOVEMENT**: Pray the Rosary every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

## **BE AN ALTAR SERVER AT ST. JOHN!**



Fr. Tom Powers will be training Altar Servers in the upper Church from 3:30-5:00 p.m.

> on Monday, October 28, Tuesday, October, 29 Monday, November 4, and Tuesday, November 5

Any child who has made his or her First Communion is eligible to serve. Interested children should attend ALL sessions, and servers must be available to serve the following Saturday or Sunday (November 9/10) at Mass.

Please contact Anne Connors, 781-237-0565 or anneconnors@verizon.net to register or with any questions.



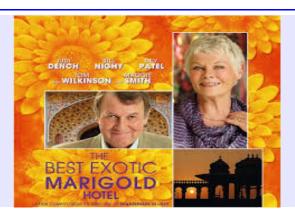
ATTENTION YOUNG SINGERS: Christmas Youth Choir sign-up and first rehearsal will take place next Sunday. November 3rd: 10:50-11:50 a.m. All students in grade 1-8 are invited to participate. High School Assistants are also welcome (counts towards confirmation community service credit)! 7 Rehearsals will take place on the following dates: 10:50 -11:50 November 3,10\*, 17,24 and December 8,15,22\*. Note\* November 10th and December 22<sup>nd</sup> rehearsals are 10:00-11:00 a.m. Children will participate in the Parish Christmas Concert 12/8 AND/OR Christmas Eve 5:30 Family Mass. All rehearsals are in St. John's Chapel. For more information, please call Maria Wardwell, 781-237-2148.

**PROJECT RACHEL RETREAT:** "After my abortion, I was broken and desperate for help. I turned to Project Rachel. After the experience, I left feeling like a whole person again. Forgiveness became a reality for me, a feeling I never imagined was possible." The pain of abortion haunts many women. Retreats offered by the **Project Rachel** ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston can help women find hope, healing and reconciliation after abortion. If you or a loved one is suffering from post-abortion pain, contact Project Rachel about upcoming "Come to the Waters of Healing" the retreat to be held November 23, 2013. For more information and to register for the date of your choice, call **Project Rachel** at 508.651,3100 or email help@projectrachelboston.com. *All inquiries are confidential*.

EVENING FOR WOMEN 2013-14: This year's theme, Becoming a Space for God... A Journey Into the **Heart of Life** invites us to travel down new avenues of seeing and hearing to experience the grace in everyday life. Through reflection, prayer, sharing, with a fabulous potluck, we'll travel this road together every first Tuesday evening. The next Evening for Women will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 6:30 p.m. start in the Social Hall Moderator: Sr. Evelyn Ronan, SND All Welcome! (Bring a favorite Fall recipe!)

# WEEKEND MASS PARTICIPANTS

	Saturday, October 26	Sunday, October 27			
	5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Powers	Fr. Connelly	Fr. Powers	Fr. Hehir	Fr. Hehir
Lector	Sally Miller	John Stewart	Kelley Tuthill Ward	Paula O'Connor	Dan Kenslea
Eucharistic Ministers	Carolyn Anderson Mae Capobianco Christine Tierney Joe Tierney	Deirdre Heilbron John J. Riley	Mike Cassa John Riley Joan Riley Kathy Smith Jim Stokes	Tim Murphy Maryann Murphy Margaret Klingmeyer Richard Wright Virginia Wright	Anne Wachtmeister Tim Curtin Liz Curtin



FILM/SUPPER NIGHT: The next Film/Supper night will be held on Saturday, November 9 and will feature the movie Best Exotic Marigold Hotel. The event will take place in the Social Hall following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Bring your favorite Fall recipe and drinks. *All Welcome!* 

The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel follows a group of British retirees who decide to "outsource" their retirement to less expensive and seemingly exotic India. Enticed by advertisements for the newly restored Marigold Hotel and bolstered with visions of a life of leisure, they arrive to find the palace a shell of its former self. Though the new environment is less luxurious than imagined, they are forever transformed by their shared experiences, discovering that life and love can begin again when you let go of the past.

**Special Request**: Join a small Host Committee for Film/Supper Night. A role that is fun and easy. Please contact Anne Wachtmeister at anne@belmont-hill.org for information.

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS for members of our Parish who are ill, remembering especially:

Alice, Arthur, Bob, Eileen, Jim,
Joe, Kathy, Kerry, Pat, Peggy and Steven.

# PARENT'S OF LITTLE ONES PLAYGROUP

Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.



Come by the Social Hall with your child/ren on Wednesday mornings and meet other parents and their little ones! Everyone is welcome! No need to RSVP. To be added to the email list, please contact Chrissy Cassa at chrissy.cassa@stjohnwellesley.org

# REMEMBERING ALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED

Throughout the month of November, we will invite you to inscribe the names of your loved ones in our Memorial Book. The Memorial Book will be located in the Church Entrance and will be carried to the altar at the offertory of each Mass for our prayerful remembrance.

# ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The Sacrament is administered after the Liturgy on the first Saturday of the month (Saturday, November 2). Those who are chronically ill, are having treatments, or will be having surgery are invited to come receive this source of strength.



#### **SERVICE COMMISSION**

Dear St. John's Parishioners: The Service Commission gives you a big THANK YOU! Thank you for your enthusiastic response to our invitation to Come and See how the parish is living the gospel through service. You learned of the broad and varied service programs run by so many parishioners. You learned how volunteers can help on a monthly, annually or sporadic basis. Many of you volunteered to join a specific program and even more took home the information pamphlet to become more aware of service opportunities at St. John's. Lastly, everyone enjoyed the cider, donut holes and post-Mass reception.

Please email the Service Commission members with any questions or volunteer requests at SC@stjohnwellesley.org. Thanks again for your strong response. - St. John Service Commission













#### Collaborative News



The St. John and St. Paul parishes will, in the near future, be joined in a collaborative under a plan developed by the Archdiocesan Pastoral Commission. The St. John, St. Paul collaborative committee will, from time to time, publish in both bulletins, and on both parish websites, information regarding this collaboration. In the coming weeks, we will be presenting a series of 14 "Frequently Asked Questions."

# 14. It has been said that evangelization is a critical component of the Parish Collaborative process and the long term strength of the archdiocese. What does it mean to be an "evangelizing parish"?

Evangelization (reaching out to our brothers and sisters and drawing them more fully to Jesus Christ) is a component of the Parish Collaborative Process because evangelization and collaboration are two critical ways to enable the mission of Christ and the Catholic Church to grow stronger. To make our Catholic community stronger, we need to find ways to welcome our brothers and sisters back to active practice of the faith. Evangelizing parishes exercise what is called "radical hospitality." They are always mindful of the lost. They pay careful attention to what they look like to people coming through the door for the first time. They make excellent and bold use of social media. They are committed to forming disciples, who in turn form other disciples. They have a strong focus on adult religious experiences, and adult faith formation, especially in small groups. We all know Catholics in Wellesley and elsewhere who have drifted away from the Catholic Church. To make our Catholic community stronger, we need to find ways to welcome our brothers and sisters back to active practice of the faith.

We welcome your comments and feedback.

Please email your questions or comments about Parish Collaboratives to - stjohn.stpaul@gmail.com

LABYRINTH CHOIR: On Saturday, November 16, 2013 at 7:30 pm Labyrinth Choir, a professional choir of 16 voices, will present a concert called "Wanting Memories." Dr. Ysaye Barnwell's song (Sweet Honey in the Rock) is the inspiration for our program: "I am sitting here wanting memories to teach me to see the beauty in the world through my own eyes." Our concert will feature choral songs and poetry highlighting remembrances and memorials, culminating in the Fauré Requiem, accompanied by Laurence Carson and Suzanne Sheppard. The Requiem, a poignant choral work, will have the added dimensions of staging, lighting and an art installation by Anna Etsuko Tsuri (staging/lighting) and Takashi Horisaki (artist). Please join us for an evening of beautiful songs, as well as a traditional piece, the Requiem, presented in a novel way. The audience will be encouraged to participate in song and poetry. For more information: www.labyrinthchoir.org and email: info@labyrinthchoir.org.



**COATS FOR KIDS** "Anyone who needs a coat will have one." Coats/fleece are needed for all ages and all sizes including babies, toddlers, children, teens and adults. St. John will be Collecting coats/fleece at the Rectory Garage following the Masses on the weekends of November 2 & 3 and November 9 & 10.

PARISH REVENUES: The results through October 20 are listed below. The Offertory Collection this past weekend moved us ahead of last year at this time and our projected budget. We have changed our Parish Annual Appeal report to reflect a comparison to the previous year. We are approximately 11% below last years collection to date. Please consider using Parish Pay, our online giving program. Information is available on our website or by calling the Parish Business Office. One time donations are available on this site. *Thank you to all* 

Weekly Offertory				
Actual-to-Date (10/20/13)	\$132,529			
Prior Year-to-Date (10/20/12)	\$130,879			
<b>Budget-to-Date (10/20/13)</b>	\$129,625			

Annual Appeal
Actual-to-Date (10/20/13) \$147,060
Prior Year-to-Date (10/20/12) \$195,580
Percent of 2013-14 Budget 33.1%



# CHRISTMAS WISH 2013:

St. John Christmas Wish Committee invites new members to join us for this special work of filling Christmas wishes for many children in the surrounding

communities of Roxbury, Lowell, Brockton, and Wellesley. We will gather over 400 children's requests and fulfill them through the generosity of our St. John community families through sponsorship, shopping and donations. Help us as a parish coordinator assistant, data entry assistant, or phone helper making follow-up calls to St. John volunteers. To join our committee, please contact Liz Corcoran at efcorcoran@aol.com or Sarah Connolly at the Rectory at st-johns@comcast.net.

CALENDAR						
Day	Date	<b>Event</b> Time		Location		
		Family Mass Music Rehearsal	8:00-9:00 a.m.			
Sunday	October 27	Parish Choir Rehearsal	10:00-11:00 a.m.			
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		Contemporary Music Group Rehearsal	4:15-5:00 p.m.			
Manday	Monday October 28	Altar Server Training	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Church		
Monday		Conversations in Prayer	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Parish Center, Chapel		
T 1	0-4-120	Altar Server Training	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Church		
Tuesday Octo	October 29	Marian Movement	7:00 p.m.	Chapel		
Wednesday	October 30	Parent's of Little Ones	9:00—11:00 a.m.	Social Hall		
Thursday	October 31	Adoration	2:00-6:00 p.m.	Chapel		
Friday	November 1	All Saints Day Mass	7:00am, 9:00am, Noon & 5:30 p.m.	Church		
	November 2	Men's Group	7:30 a.m.	Social Hall		
Saturday		Coats for Kids	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.	Church Garage		
		Anointing of the Sick	Following 5:00 p.m. Mass	Church		

St. Paul's All Saints Day Mass Schedule Friday, November 1, 2013 6:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**LECTORS:** Copies of the new Lector Workbooks are available for pickup in the Glen Road Sacristy.

# NEW SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: Attending Mass at MCI Framingham

St. John's is starting a Prison Ministry group lead by long-time parishioner, Julie Songer. As an opportunity to learn what a prison and prison ministry is about, Julie is hosting a group to attend Mass at the Chapel at MCI Framingham, the state's only women's prison. Many of the women are incarcerated for short periods as a result of mental illness or addictive behavior. They are mothers, sisters and community members who have made some bad decisions. They very much appreciate any indication of support or validation from "the outside" when they are locked-up in prison and told they do not matter.

- Have you ever been touched by the Matthew: 15:36: "I was in prison and you came to visit me"?
- Would you be interested in another way to show your belief that all life is sacred?
  - Catholic Catechism: "Human life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains forever in a special relationship with the Creator, who is its sole end.
- Could this be a way to put your faith into action and support Catholic social justice teachings?
  - James 2:14-17. What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

Come and See....with a group of St. John's parishioners who will attend Mass at the chapel at MCI Framingham on Sunday evening, November 17, 2013. We will arrive at MCI Framingham at 5:45pm to clear security and go to the chapel for Mass. Please call or email Julie Songer by October 27, 2013 if you would like to join the group. For security clearance purposes, you need to respond by October 27<sup>th</sup> to Julie with your: 1) name (as it appears on your MA driver's license), 2) MA driver's license #; and, 3) date of birth. Julie's contact information is: jmsonger4@yahoo.com; 617-817-6628.

## SACRAMENTAL & DEVOTIONAL SERVICES

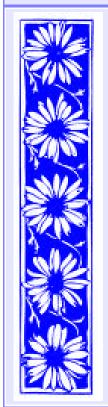
Adoration: Thursdays, 2:00-6:00 p.m., in the Chapel

Anointing of the Sick: First Saturday, following the 5:00 p.m. Mass • Baptism: Schedule with Priest

Funeral: Contact Parish Priest • 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

KINDLY REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Mary Ann Coffey, mother of Theresa Keresztes who has gone home to God. May the souls of all our faithful departed share in the fullness of life and peace with God.

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



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Saturday, October 26	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Patricia M. Cavanuagh
	5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Mary K. Brady
Sunday, October 27	7:30 a.m.	50th Wedding Ann.	†	Janice & Bob Peretti
	9:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	John Turco
	11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Mildred Kelly
		Memorial	†	The Murphy Family
		Memorial	†	Lila Storey
	5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Russell Morgan
Monday, October 28	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Andy Stillo
Tuesday, October 29	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Mary Martinelli
Wednesday, October 30	7:00 a.m.	Healing	†	James O'Connell Morgan
Thursday, October 31	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	John Davis
Friday, November 1	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	The Cassidy & Dawson Family
Saturday, November 2	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	James Regan
	5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Mary Ann Coffey
Sunday, November 3	7:30 a.m.	7th Anniversary	†	Thomas Fuss
	9:00 a.m.	10th Anniversary	†	Anne McCann
	11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Sheila N. Young
		Memorial	†	Jean Ricupero
		Memorial	†	Dorothy Fernekees
	5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	George Sweeney

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PARISH DIRECTORY					
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Religious Education, Grades 1-6	Linda Messore	781-235-5337			
Religious Education, Grades 7-10	Jane Leonard	781-237-0141			
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