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Third Sunday of Advent *December 14, 2014*

Rejoice



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. & 5:00 p.m.

Weekday:
7:00 a.m. (Monday-Saturday)

Holy Day: (As announced)

CONFESSION - in the Chapel
Saturday: 3:30-4:00 p.m. (or by appt.)

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

This Week:

Sunday, December 14

Grades 1 – 6 Class 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.
Grades 7 & 8 Christmas Celebration 6:00–7:00 p.m.,
Philbin Hall

Wednesday, December 17

Grades 1 – 6 Class 3:30 – 4:45 p.m.

Saturday, December 20

Grade 1 Christmas Pageant Practice 2:30 p.m.

Next Week:

Sunday, December 21

Grade 1 Christmas Pageant 9:00 a.m. Mass

No classes. Classes resume January 11th.

A full calendar of all events is available at the Religious Education section of the Parish website, www.stjohnwellesley.org.

REMINDER: All financial donations (Offertory, Annual Appeal, and Capital Campaign) *must* be received by December 31 to be included in your 2014 Tax Statement.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION WEB RESOURCES

Check out these interesting and informative websites to learn more about the Catholic Church, our faith, and what is going on in the world.

Crux (www.cruxnow.com)

National Catholic Reporter (www.ncronline.com) and
Catholic News Service (<http://www.catholicnews.com>)

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES: Due to the upcoming holidays and Holy Days, there will be early deadlines for bulletin submissions:

Bulletin for December 27-28 due **Thursday December 18**
Bulletin for January 3-4 due **Tuesday, December 23**

SACRAMENTAL & DEVOTIONAL SERVICES

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 3:30p.m., Chapel (or by appt.)

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):
Contact Parish

RCIA - IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process for Catholics who have not had the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist or Confirmation; for Adults who are members of another religion or have been baptized and want to know more about the Catholic faith and perhaps become Catholics. To learn more about the RCIA, please contact Svea Fraser at (781) 237-7560 or sveafraser@comcast.net

CHRISTMAS MUSIC & CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Would you like to make a donation towards Christmas music or flowers in memory of a loved one this holiday season? If so, you may make your donation by using an offertory envelope, the collection basket, Parish Pay, or by dropping your donation in the mail or by the Rectory. Please make sure to include the name(s) of those you want remembered in this special way, and to print their name(s) clearly. The deadline to submit the name of a loved one is **Friday, December 19 at noon.**



COLLABORATION COUNTDOWN

November, 2012	Diocesan announcement of Disciples in Mission (Collaboratives)
June, 2013	Implementation of the Collaboratives in Phase I
July, 2013	The St. John-St. Paul Inter-Parish Team began bulletin & website announcements explaining the Collaborative
June 2014	Implementation of the Collaboratives in Phase II
June, 2014	St. John and St. Paul volunteer to be included in Phase III
September, 2014	Archdiocese announces St. John and St. Paul will be included in Phase III of the Collaborative Diocesan Plan
October, 2014	Diocese conducts consultation with St. John's and St. Paul's Parish Councils, Finance Councils and Staff
December, 2014 Postponed	Proposed date for the announcement of the new Pastor for the St. John-St. Paul Collaborative
June 2, 2015	Formal launch of the St. John-St. Paul Collaborative (Phase III)



2014 Advent Happenings

AN ADVENT GIFT FOR YOU - Special small books to nourish your mind and heart as you prepare for Christmas. Available now at the Glen Road entrance to the Church.

December 13-14

BIRTHING KIT COLLECTION—THIS WEEKEND

During this Advent season, our Service Commission invites us, as a Parish, to assist in supplying 'Birthing Kits' as a way to reduce the mortality rates for mothers and newborns in Haiti. Birthing Kit Collection will take place at all the Masses on the weekend of December 13-14.

Sunday, December 14

PARISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Our Parish Choir, Family Mass Musicians, Christmas Youth and St. John School Chorus come together to provide a concert of Christmas music that will delight all ages at 2:00 p.m. in the Church!

Tuesday, December 16

ST. JOHN SCHOOL CONCERT

All are welcome to this experience of joy!, Tuesday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Sunday, December 21

FAMILY MASS CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Religious Education First Grade classes will be in costume as they present the Christmas Gospel—Sunday, December 21 at the 9:00 a.m. Family Mass in the Church

Wednesday, December 24

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

There is no better way to prepare for Christmas! Come for this special gift of Confession on Wednesday, December 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Chapel.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHRISTMAS 2014 MASS SCHEDULE:

Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24

4:00 p.m. (Upper and Lower Church), 5:30 p.m. (Family Mass), 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. (9:30 Choir Program)

Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25

10:30 a.m. (No 5:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day)



†**ST. KATHARINE DREXEL FOOD PANTRY:** This ministry organizes a food collection on the second Sunday of each month for the Food Pantry at St. Katharine Drexel, our sister parish in Roxbury/Dorchester. Next Sunday, December 14 is St. John's opportunity to help assist the Food Pantry. Please bring your donation of non-perishable food items to the Glen Road entrance. Please contact Angela Spinale at (781) 431-0008 with any questions.

FAMILY GATHERING: Families are invited to 'break-open' the Gospel for the following day and share what they 'hear', and to enjoy a Lord's Day potluck supper together. Gather in St. John's Lower Church on Saturday, December 20 from 6:30-8:45 p.m. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Monica Lacouture or Fr. Ed Riley at: holyfamilyboston@gmail.com.

CALENDAR

Day	Date	Event	Time	Location
Sunday	December 14	Family Music Rehearsal	8:00-8:45 a.m.	Music Office
		RCIA	10:00 a.m.	Rectory
		Parish Choir Rehearsal	10:00-10:50 noon.	Music Office
		Christmas Youth Choir Rehearsal	10:50-11:50 a.m.	Chapel
		Parish Christmas Concert	2:00 p.m.	Church
		Contemporary Music Group Rehearsal	4:15-4:45 p.m.	
Tuesday	December 16	Marian Movement	7:00 p.m.	Chapel
		St. John School Christmas Concert	7:00 p.m.	Church
Wednesday	December 17	P.O.L.O. Playgroup	9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	Social Hall
Friday	December 19	Bible Study	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Parish Center
Saturday	December 20	Confession	3:30-4:00 p.m. (or by appt.)	Chapel

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

TREES & TRIMMINGS: Now that Trees & Trimmings has come to an official close, we wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your fantastic support and assistance throughout this past weekend, but also in the months leading up to the event. There was so much work and planning that so many contributed to make this a collective success. And there were so many who graciously donated items, time, money, husbands, and wives. No one person can do this alone and it takes our incredible community to pull it off with both big and small contributions.

Your generosity will have a continuing impact on our School, tuition, technology, and programs for the children for the coming year. T&T 2014 is a wonderful gift you have given the school at this special time of year.

As Chairs of Trees & Trimmings, our job really was enjoyable because of the wonderful captains and leaders of all the areas. We especially enjoyed developing new friendships, building upon existing ones --we hope all of you did as well.

Our sincere thanks to all of you! With warm wishes to you and your families for a wonderful Christmas season,

Marie Carroll, Tricia Parmele and Brian Loftus

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: *This* weekend's second collection is the special monthly (Annual Appeal) for St. John Parish. Please remember that donations **must** be received by December 31 for tax purposes.

WEEKEND MASS PARTICIPANTS

	Saturday, December 13	Sunday, December 14			
	5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Powers	Fr. Hehir	Fr. Powers	Fr. Hehir	Fr. Connelly
Lector	Kate Brady	Joellen Toussaint	Deirdre Isabelle	Pat Murray	Anita Martin
Eucharistic Ministers	Bart Celli Doris Celli Anne DeFilippo Bob Feige	Bill Larrenaga Clare Mungovan Bob Mungovan	Mary Barber John Calcio Susan Calcio Renee Curtin Jim Stokes Sheelah Sullivan	Jon Bonsall Kathy Bonsall Paula Gomez Margaret Klingmeyer Stephen St. Thomas Ann Swanson	Patrick Dowdall Susanne Dowdall Liz Phillips Lucy Kapples Anne Wachtmeister
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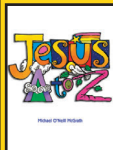
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

	Saturday, December 13	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Brendan Mahoney
		5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Mary G. Cahill
	Sunday, December 14	7:30 a.m.	Memorial	†	Bill Monahan
		9:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	John G. Makis
		11:00 a.m.	29th Anniv.	†	John J. Dunn
			Memorial	†	Sheila N. Young
		5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Stavros Cosmopoulos
	Monday, December 15	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Edward Ouellet
	Tuesday, December 16	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	—
	Wednesday, December 17	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	D. Delvena Kloss & Mary Ellen Smith
	Thursday, December 18	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	For the Parish
	Friday, December 19	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Mary Moore
	Saturday, December 20	7:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Theresa Locker
		5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Mary Hennessey
	Sunday, December 21	7:30 a.m.	Memorial	†	Walter Frazee
		9:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Cindy Smith
		11:00 a.m.	Memorial	†	Agnes Marx
			Memorial	†	Sam S. Mullin
			Memorial	†	Alice & Irwin Bofferding
			Memorial	†	Adeline & Elmer Swanson
			Memorial	†	Kevin Onstott
			Memorial	†	Robert L. Massard
			Memorial	†	Gael & Brian Sullivan
		5:00 p.m.	Memorial	†	Alice Dennehy

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS for members of our Parish who are ill, remembering especially:
Alanna, Bob, Carolyn, Cindy, Jim, John, Joseph, Kristen, Lynn and Mary.

Parish Pastoral Council - PPC@stjohnwellesley.org

Ronda Dew	Steve Healey	Suzanne Pasko (Chair)
Tony DeProspo	Mark Kelley	Paul Rolincik
Rose Mary Donahue	Marci Loeber	Christian Rubio
Art Greenwood	Mary Mullen	Sheelah Sullivan

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Brian Boyce	Tom Fontaine	David Spinale
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