

COLLABORATIVE OF
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & ST JOSEPH



21st

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

Welcome! We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacon. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory. Your presence at our parish is greatly appreciated and welcomed.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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Saturday 4:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8:30am, 11:00am
& 5:00pm
Weekday Wednesday, Friday
& Saturday 8:00am

St. John's Food Pantry

p: 617.472.4908

Hours: The pantry is open on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30PM for our neighbors in need (located in the building next to the back door of the rectory.)

COLLABORATIVE TEAM

Pastor

Rev. Matthew M. Williams

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph Boafu

Senior Priest In Residence

Rev. Arthur Wright

Priest in Residence

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Jini Vickery

Music Director at St. John the Baptist

Paul Kelly

Youth Minister

Francesca Alberti

Evangelization & Outreach Director

Andrea Alberti



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Saturday 4:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am
Weekday Monday, Tuesday &
Thursday 9:00am
Rosary starts at
8:25am

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COLLABORTIVE OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS

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BULLETIN NOTICES

Must be received by the Rectory no later than 4:00pm
Monday Afternoons
to appear in the following
Sunday bulletin.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:30pm



**WITH GRATEFUL
HEARTS
THANK YOU**

Collaborative Farewell Celebration for
Joanne Curry, (DRE) and Sabrina Daniels, (Confirmation)
Sunday, August 25, Mass @ 11:00am followed by
Reception in St. John the Baptist Church Hall

Please join us for Holy Mass with a reception to follow (lower church hall), as we thank God for Joanne and Sabrina in their faithful ministry. Joanne worked as the religious education director for 19 years. Sabrina worked as the Confirmation director for 16 years. We wish them well in their new adventures.

FR. MATT'S CORNER



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace!

Last Saturday evening our collaborative sent two buses, filled with parishioners, to the 13th anniversary celebration of LIFT Ministries. I am so delighted to say that over sixty parishioners from our Collaborative attended (see the majority of them below). Thanks to the great work of Francesca and her mom, Andrea, many of our young people and families have been brought into a deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ, grounded in His Eucharistic presence. It's so awesome to see lives touched by His love.

At these special celebrations, we usually have a Eucharistic procession, where the priest brings the Monstrance containing the Blessed Sacrament through the congregation. Jesus literally draws near to you for a close, personal encounter.

Just before we began the evening portion of the event, a gentleman approached me to share what happened to him last year at LIFT. He said that he had experienced a lot of loss in his life and had a lot of grief and internalized pain. He said that as the priest brought the Blessed Sacrament to his area, he began to feel the presence of God. The closer the Eucharist got, the greater the intensity of grace. He was completely filled with God's love, and found himself weeping. Afterwards he felt like a completely new person, and found himself hungering for the Eucharist. Since last LIFT, he has been going to Adoration on a regular basis, and personally invited over 50 people to attend Saturday's event.

I share these stories to inspire faith. It's less about LIFT, and more about having expectant faith that God is real and He wants to do something in and through our lives. The ministry to youth and families this summer was rooted in building relationships and real, authentic community. Through these relationships hearts were open to hearing people's stories of how Jesus touched their lives. Before long many of these young people had their own story to tell, and it all began with relationships and real, authentic community. People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care.

Your brother in Christ,
Fr Matt+

INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Saturday, August 24

8:00am Birthday Memorial Joseph & Antonetta Leone

4:00pm Memorial The DeSantis & DiGuisto Families

Sunday, August 25

8:30am 7th Anniversary Ricardo Luy

11:00am Memorial Mary & Vincent Contrino

5:00pm Birthday Anniversary Charlotte Rose Kelly

Wednesday, August 28

8:00am Memorial John & Amelia DeSantis

Friday, August 30

8:00am Memorial Lucy Joyce, Laura Kobosky, & Theresa Joyce

Saturday, August 31

8:00am

4:00pm 1st Anniversary Don King

Sunday, September 1

8:30am 8th Anniversary Robert Larkin

11:00am 2nd Anniversary Benjamin James DiBona

5:00pm Mass for the People

Donations: This week the bread and wine has been donated in memory of Mary & Vincent Contrino. If you would like to make a memorial donation for the altar bread and/or the altar wine in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please call the rectory.

Your Prayers are requested for Mary T Bell, Luigi P Avitabile and for all our deceased relatives and friends. Also, please remember in prayer all those who are ill and the intentions of our parishioners.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, August 24

4:00pm 1st Anniversary Nicholas Chiaramonte

Sunday, August 25

8:30am Mass for the People

10:30am Birthday Memorial Ellen McGuinness

Monday, August 26

9:00am

Tuesday, August 27

9:00am

Thursday, August 29

9:00am

Saturday, August 31

4:00pm Memorial Phero Pham & Ba Huong

Sunday, September 1

8:30am Special Intentions

10:30am Memorial Catherine, Paul & Geraldine King

Memorial Donation: This week's bread and wine has been donated in memory of John Lawton & Joseph Doyle. If you would like to make a donation for the altar bread and /or wine please call the rectory.

Please remember in your prayers Joyce Shores and all our relatives and friends who passed away recently. May their souls and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. Amen

CELIAC'S DISEASE If there are members of our community that have gluten allergies, please know that we have low-gluten hosts (<.01 percent gluten), and that we can also provide special communion cup for consumption of the Precious Blood. Please contact Fr. Matt for more information.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION Congratulations on your engagement! Please contact Fr. Matt Williams at least six months prior to the wedding date.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND Please contact the rectory if a member of the parish is hospitalized or unable to attend Mass.

RCIA Adults interested in becoming Catholic, or Catholic adults interested in the Sacraments of Confirmation or First Communion are invited to call the rectory for information. on Stotts, 615.292.2884

BAPTISMS Congratulations on your baby! This Sacrament is celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM. Parents are asked to call the rectory for information

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Confession: Wednesdays, 8:30-9:00am at St. John the Baptist Lower Chapel 2:30-3:30 PM Saturdays in both churches.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Friday: 8:30am-3:30pm & 1st Saturdays 8:30am-9:45am at St. John the Baptist Lower Chapel

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (YOUTH) Grades 1-9 and Confirmation. The program is a collaborative Religious Ed. program. For information contact the R.E. department at 617-877-5014. Registration information is available online - www.stjosephsquincy.org or www.stjohnsquincy.org

SODALITY Meets the 1st Monday of the month (Sept -June) at 6:30 PM at St Joseph's Church for the Rosary & Benediction, followed by a meeting in the church.

HOLY NAME Meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month at the 8:30 AM Mass (Sept.-June) followed by a meeting.

FAITH FORMATION

Happy Birthday Fr. Arthur. Love, St. J's Youth Group



MEET BEN !!!!! (Big Evangelization Net)
Pictured above is "BEN" our Youth Group's donation to the Parishes after a HUGELY fun and Christ-encountering summer. "BEN" was at countless youth groups, the St. Joseph On Point Fire Pit as well as the featured attraction at

Living Water Week Vacation Bible School in July. Ben will be **Open for PLAY** for all Parish children and invited mass guests for the next couple of weekends (see dates below).

Sept 7 and Sept 8 St. Joseph's after all masses
Sept 14 and Sept 15 St. John's after all masses
We will have Religious Education Registration Open at these times as well.

Who can you invite to mass and to register for Faith Formation in the next couple of weekends?

*"Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls".
Mother Teresa*

If you are reading this bulletin - you can help catch souls (: Thank you for inviting others to come.

NOTE: If it is 70 degrees or higher BEN will be a water slide - so bring a bathing suit ! If below 70 degrees BEN will be open sans water.

High School Youth Group 5:00-7:30pm . 9/1, 9/8, 9/15

Almost every Sunday we have Sunday Youth Group. We start at 5:00 pm in the lower church of St. John's and go until 7:30 pm. We all attend the 5:00 pm mass as a youth group, and we want you to join us!! We play games and learn about our Faith. Parents, please ask your son/daughter to try this! Youth Group will be an amazing community for your child to navigate life with friends in Christ, and with Christ as an intimate friend

SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP

Middle School Youth Group 4:00pm-6:00pm . 9/1, 9/8, 9/15

Upcoming Sunday Youth Group Dates:

We have some really fun opportunities coming up again! Almost every Sunday we have Sunday Youth Group. We start at 4:00 pm in the lower church of St. John's and go until 6:00 pm. We all attend the 5:00 pm mass as a youth group, and we want you to join us!! We play games and learn about our Faith. Parents, please ask your son/daughter to try this! Youth Group will be an amazing community for your child to navigate life with friends in Christ, and with Christ as an intimate friend.

Sept 8th ~St. Joseph's Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for coffee and donuts in the garden, patio or rectory after the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses, all are welcome!

If you would like to be a host/ess for future Coffee and Donuts events there will be a sign up on the 8th with future dates. We would love to keep this tradition going.



BACK TO SCHOOL OLYMPICS

MIDDLE SCHOOL DROP-IN
SEPTEMBER 6TH,
6-8PM AT ST. JOHN'S QUINCY MA
COME JOIN US FOR PIZZA, FUN, AND COMMUNITY

Youth and Family Formation

The results are in - and engaging our young People in our Parish families is top priority for 9.9 out of 10 of our Parishes!! WE NEED YOU to make this happen. If you are interested in supporting St. J's Youth Ministry and Faith Formation PLEASE email shinethelight247@gmail.com

**THERE ARE LIMITLESS WAYS
PEOPLE OF ALL AGES CAN
HELP...**

Teaching, Shopping, Driving, Baking,
Cooking, Praying, Writing, Reading
Donating, Serving are just a few...

Religious Education Registration

Registrations will be mailed home next week and are also available after all Masses Sept. 7 & 8 @ St.



Joseph's and Sept. 14 & 15 @ St. John's.

Please save the date for Pumpkin Carving Oct. 20 - a FAMILY and FRIENDS Religious Education event. Thank you for your patience in this time of transition.

This Week

The **Senior Social Group Luncheon** new season starts on **Wednesday, September 11th at 12 noon till 2pm** in the St. John the Baptist Church Hall.

Lunch will be provided for a cost of \$5 per person and new-season dues of \$15 per person will also be collected.

Those who are coming are asked to please bring a dessert to share with the group.

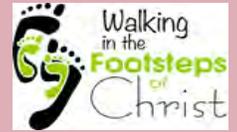
Along with our luncheon, we will have “Welcome Back Bingo”, opportunities to win at 50/50 drawings and, as always, some time to catch up with all of our friends we’ve not seen since the June Luncheon.

The coordinators are looking forward to seeing all of our regular members and want **everyone** in the St. John’s – St. Joseph’s parishes (and beyond!) to know we invite them to come and join us. From September through June, we have a variety of lunches, speakers and entertainment, typically on the first Wednesday of the month. Note: This month/September, due to the Labor Day Holiday, we have moved the luncheon to the 2nd Wednesday, September-11th.

Anyone who wishes to attend and **has not been attending luncheons or has any questions**, should RSVP to Rich Griffin at 781-363-3655.

Our St. John– St. Joseph Catholic Collaborative Bereavement Ministry

will begin its third seven-week program on Tuesday September 17th in St. Joseph’s Rectory from 6:00-7:30pm. To register, please call the Collaborative Offices at 617-773-1021 and leave your name, telephone number and email address. Or, you can send your information to our email at stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org.



The Bereavement Team includes:

Rev. Joseph Boafu

- Parochial Vicar and counselor
- Masters in Counseling Psychology
- Pastoral Ministry from Boston College, with a spiritual direction practicum.
- Former chaplain at Massachusetts General Hospital.
- One year internship with McLean Hospital
- Twenty-three years pastoral experience

Kathleen Garity

- St. John’s parishioner
- Masters in Theological Studies from Boston College
- Parish Council, Stewardship Committee & Religious education instructor

Sodality Opening Meeting

St. Joseph’s BVM Sodality will hold their opening meeting on Sunday, September 8th. We’ll meet at St. Joseph’s to attend the 10:30 AM Mass, then proceed to St. John’s Social Hall for a brief meeting and a celebration of the Sodality’s 70th Anniversary as an organization. This celebration is FREE to members, but \$10 annual dues is payable to St. Joe’s Sodality. Please reply to Sue Welliver, 62 Edison Park, Quincy, MA 02169 by Sept 4th. New members are always welcome!



The Vocational Crucifix ~ St. Joseph

August 25 ~ Peg O’Brien
September 1~ Desmond Family

If you wish to take the vocational crucifix for the week, there is a sign up sheet in the back of St. Joseph’s church. The purpose of this Vocational Crucifix is to pray for vocations into the religious life.

Banns of Marriage:

III Ryan Kekula & Becky Curran
III Ryan Sterling & Karen Almonacid



Collaboration Offertory

St. John’s Parish (weekend of August 17/18)	
Offertory:	\$5,286.28
Online Giving	<u>729.00</u>
Total	\$6,015.28

Holy Day ~ Assumption \$1,869.20

August 25 ~ 1 collection, September 1 ~ collection

St. Joseph’s Parish (weekend of August 17/18)	
Offertory:	\$3,304.00
Holy Day ~ Assumption	<u>691.00</u>
Total	\$3,995.00

August 25 ~ 1 collection September 1 ~ collection

August 25 ~ 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Isaiah is speaking on behalf of the Lord, directly to us: “...proclaim my glory among the nations.” This might seem like too much of a challenge. Take a few minutes to ask God to whom should you be proclaiming God’s glory? Is it a family member, a co-worker or a friend? Tell YOUR story of the importance of Jesus in your life. And, in case we think that task is for someone else, the Church in her wisdom reminds each one of us in today’s psalm refrain: “Go out to all the world and tell the good news!”