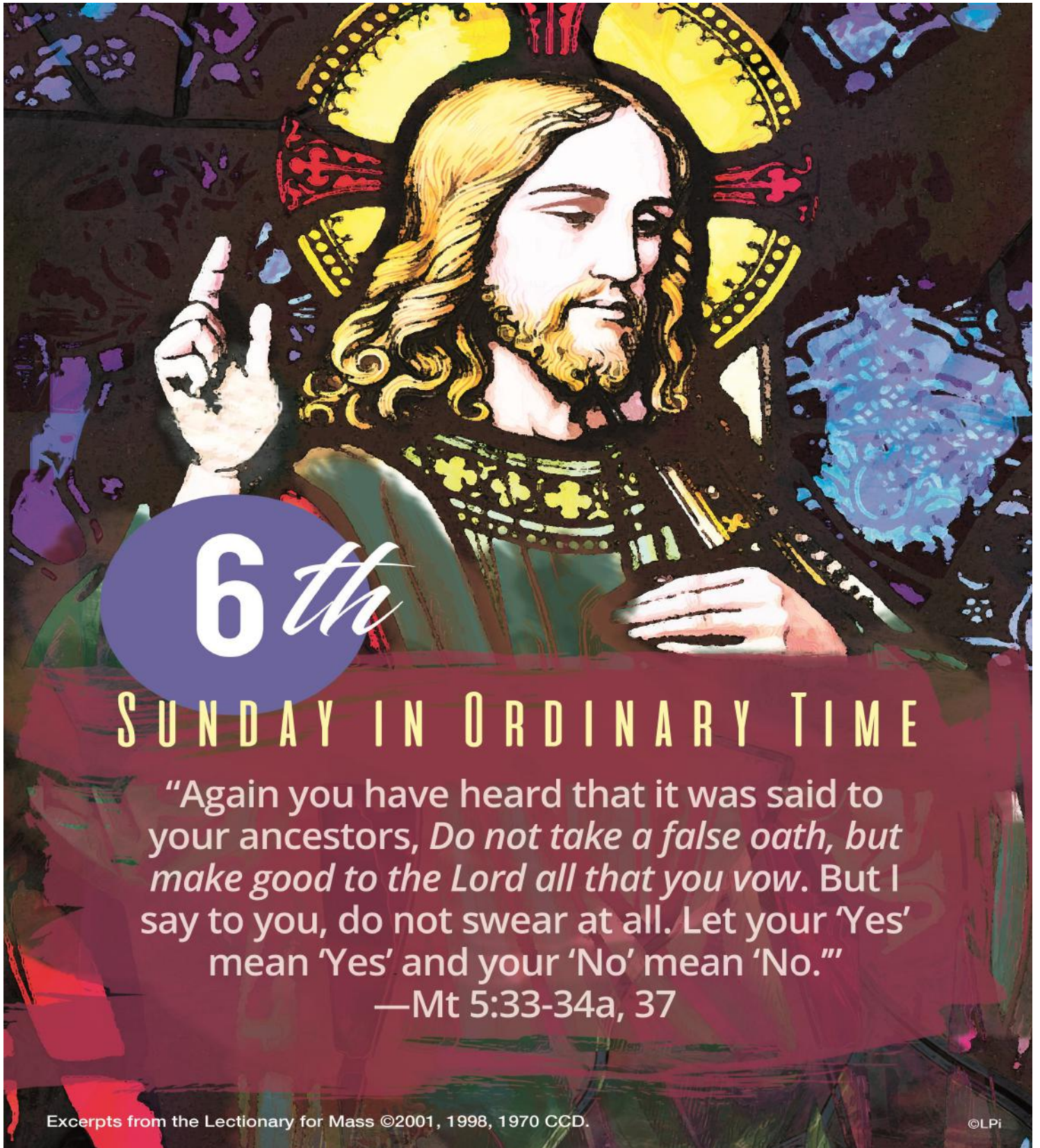




The Collaborative of  
**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH**  
and **ST. JOSEPH PARISH**



**6<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, *Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow.* But I say to you, do not swear at all. Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’”

—Mt 5:33-34a, 37

**W**elcome! 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.)



**Reminder: This Monday, February 17th the parish offices will be closed in observance of Presidents Day. Office hours will resume on Tuesday, February 18th.**

**Have a Great weekend!**

#### COLLABORATIVE TEAM

##### Pastor

Rev. Matthew M. Williams

##### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph Boafu

##### Senior Priest In Residence

Rev. Arthur Wright

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

#### St. Joseph's Food Pantry

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Hours: The pantry is open on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30PM for our neighbors in need (located in the rectory basement).

#### COLLABORATIVE 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

# FR. MATT'S CORNER

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace.

As a Collaborative family we are striving to be a community of sisters and brothers in Christ who support one another in answering our primary **vocation to holiness**. One of the most sacred times of year to work on this vocation is during **Lent**.

It is my prayer that we will join together this Lent to help one another strive for sanctification (**i.e. holiness - transformed in love - becoming the best version of yourself in Christ**). *Please see our Lenten Schedule* (turn the page) and prayerfully consider how you are being called to make this the **Best Lent Ever!**

As your Pastor I would like to formally invite you to join me at two specific events:

1. **Ash Wednesday, February 26th, St. John the Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m.**

**for a special Ash Wednesday Holy Hour featuring the amazing music of Angelique Bolduc & a personal encounter with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.**

**(Ashes will be distributed. )**

2. **Saturday, March 14th, St. Joseph's Church, 7:30 p.m. Encounter Christ Anew!**

**An evening of Praise, Worship, Adoration and Confession featuring Mike McDuffy**

I am not only hoping and praying that YOU will be there, but I am challenging you to "GO and Make Disciples" and INVITE two friends, family members or neighbors who may currently be away from the Church. You don't need to tell them it's a whole night- just tell them "COME GET YOUR ASHES WITH ME" (for Ash Wednesday HH), and /or, "TAKE A TIMEOUT AND RESET" (Ash Wednesday & Encounter Christ Anew).

**We have "tickets"** available to hand out to friends and family. These tickets are YOUR evangelization tools. What if your first Lenten practice is to RISK and INVITE two people to Ash Wednesday OR Encounter Christ Anew?? IT COULD very well be the invitation that changes their life and their eternal life.

Some things to consider:

- 67% of Americans say a personal invitation **from a family member** would be very or somewhat effective in getting them to visit a church.
- 63% of Americans say a personal invitation **from a friend or neighbor** would be very or somewhat effective in getting them to visit a church
- 63% of Americans say very or somewhat willing to receive information about a local congregation or faith community **from a family member**, and
- 56% of Americans are very or somewhat willing to receive information about a local congregation or faith community **from a friend or neighbor**.

Ash Wednesday seems to be a day EVERYBODY comes to Church, and Lent is a time when many look to be renewed spiritually—let's use this opportunity to invite, welcome, and bring our guest's home by making them *FEEL at HOME*.

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matt +

# FAITH FORMATION

**LENT+** **GET YOUR ASHES**  
*Ash Wednesday Holy Hour*  
**St. John the Baptist Church- Wednesday, February 26th**  
**All Are Welcome!**  
*Featuring the amazing music of Angelique Bolduc & A personal encounter with JESUS in the Blessed Sacrament!*  
*St. John the Baptist & St. Joseph Quincy. "Where everybody knows your name because we know HIM"*

**Holy Hour**  
**Wednesday, February 26th**  
**Begins at 7:30pm**  
**St. John the Baptist Church**  
**44 School St. Quincy**

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Ash Wednesday, February 26  
 Masses at 8am, 12:10pm & 4pm

Stations of the Cross  
 Fridays at 3:30 pm

Quincy Way of the Cross  
 Good Friday, April 10th, a prayerful journey to all seven of the Quincy Catholic Churches. The tradition of carrying the cross begins at Sacred Heart Church at 9 am.

**Hunger for Justice**

A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT  
 Thank you so much for all of your help with the Giving Cross. Please pray for our teens this Easter weekend (4/10-4/11) as they fast and pray at the Hunger for Justice Retreat.

Good Friday Quincy Way of the Cross (QWOTC) and Sandwich Making - Elementary & Middle School Youth Groups will participate in The QWOTC and then be making sandwiches for our homeless sisters & brothers in Christ after doing the CROSSWALK from St John to St. Joseph, 12 noon.

St. John's  
 Confession & Adoration Times  
 Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8 pm  
 March 4th, March 18th  
 April 1st

## LENTEN SCHEDULE 2020

**HOLY WEEK**

**Holy Thursday, April 9**  
 Morning Prayer  
 St. Joseph, 8:00 am  
 Mass of the Lord's Supper  
 St. Joseph, 7:30 pm

**Good Friday, April 10**  
 Morning Prayer  
 St. John, 8:00 am

Stations of the Cross  
 St. John, 12:00 pm  
 St. Joseph, 3:00 pm

The Lord's Passion  
 St. John, 3:00 pm  
 St. Joseph, 7:30 pm

The Passion of the Christ Movie  
 St. John, 7:00 pm

**Holy Saturday, April 11**  
 Morning Prayer  
 St. Joseph, 8:00 am  
 Easter Vigil  
 St. John, 7:30 pm

**Easter Sunday, April 12**  
 St. Joseph, 8:30am & 10:30am  
 St. John, 8:30am & 11:00am

**The Light Is On For You**  
**Adoration & Confession**  
 Wednesday evenings during Lent from 6:30 pm- 8:00 pm alternating St. John (3/4, 3/18, 4/1) & St. Joseph (3/11, 3/25, 4/8) parishes.

## ST. JOSEPH

Ash Wednesday, February 26  
 Masses at 9:00am & 5:30pm

Stations of the Cross  
 Fridays at 7:00 pm

**Lenten Lectio Divina**  
 Lectio Divina- "Divine Reading" is an ancient approach to praying with Holy Scripture in which we can experience God's Word in the reality of our own lives. Join us on the Mondays in Lent, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 at St. Joseph Rectory from 10 - 11:30 am for a time of prayer, meditation, reflection and discussion of the Sunday Gospel readings. As we share our faith, we grow our faith!

**Opportunities for Almsgiving**  
 BMV Sodality's Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit Friends of the unborn in Quincy.  
 St. Joseph's Food Pantry  
 Serving our parishioners in need with non-perishable food & personal care items.

St. Joseph's  
 Confession & Adoration Times  
 Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8 pm  
 March 11th, March 25th  
 April 8th

**LENT+** **ENCOUNTER CHRIST ANEW**  
**St. Joseph Church- Saturday, March 14th**  
**All Are Welcome!**  
*PRAISE \* WORSHIP \* ADORATION \* CONFESSION*  
*Featuring Father Matt Williams & Mike McDuffee*  
*St. John the Baptist & St. Joseph Quincy. "Where everybody knows your name because we know HIM"*

**Encounter Christ Anew**  
**Saturday, March 14, 2020**  
**Begins at 7:30pm**  
**St. Joseph Church**  
**556 Washington St. Quincy**

# INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

**Saturday, February 15**

8:00am

4:00pm 2nd Anniversary Joan M. Denaro

**Sunday, February 16**

8:30am 8th Anniversary Michael W. Norton

11:00am 16th Anniversary Aurora Casinelli

5:00pm

**Wednesday, February 19**

8:00am

**Friday, February 21**

8:00am

**Saturday, February 22**

8:00am 8th Anniversary Donald Wilson

4:00pm

**Sunday, February 23**

8:30am Mass for the People

11:00am 10th Anniversary Donna Saluti

5:00pm 1st Anniversary Christine Canavan

Donations: The bread and wine for this week is donated in memory of Antonio, Francesca and Nicholas Panarelli. 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 Vincent Borman and all our deceased relatives and friends. Also, please remember in your prayers all those who are ill and the intentions of our parishioners.

## MASS INTENTIONS ST. JOSEPH

**Saturday, February 15**

4:00pm Memorial Bridget & Patrick Kenny and

Ellen Wilcox

**Sunday, February 16**

8:30am Memorial Nancy & Keith Douglas

10:30am 3rd Anniversary Theresa J. Powers

**Monday, February 17**

9:00am Memorial George & Anna Toth

**Tuesday, February 18**

9:00am The Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday, February 20**

9:00am The Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, February 22**

4:00pm Memorial Dorothy Keyes

**Sunday, February 23**

8:30am 1st Anniversary Eleanor A. McBride

10:30am 6th Anniversary John DiPietro

Memorial Donation: The bread and wine for this week is donated in memory of Theresa J. Powers. If you would like to make a donation for the altar bread and /or wine please call the rectory.

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

Dear Parishioners,

We are inviting our WHOLE Parish Collaborative to be a part of the amazing HUNGER FOR JUSTICE program coming TO QUINCY this April 10 and April 11 (Good Friday & Holy Saturday.)

*The Hunger for Justice retreat is a 35+ hour retreat that begins on Good Friday (4/10) at 11am with a prayer service, Quincy Cross Walk from St. John the Baptist to St. Joseph Church, Veneration of the Cross at St. Joseph, followed by a "last supper" at St. John the Baptist before fasting for 30 hours. Our high-school aged students participate in group games, spiritual reflections, concluding prayer service, and then stay overnight at St. John parish hall to have a "homeless experience" by building shelters made of cardboard boxes. Saturday morning begins our day of service where students are bussed into Boston to serve our homeless brothers and sisters with food, supplies, and conversation. Confession is available to all at Arch Street. In the early afternoon, we will return to St. John the Baptist and break into smaller groups to serve at local charities in various locations. After the many service projects are completed we come together to process and discuss the service experience that we have just engaged in. Hunger for Justice concludes with the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday evening (4/11)– followed by a Resurrection party and celebration of Christ's Paschal Mystery at St. John the Baptist Church.*

This Retreat and Service Movement has empowered young people to serve our underprivileged neighbors and local homeless sisters & brothers in Christ, while raising money to provide assistance in third world countries. None of this can happen, without your help - even for a few hours.

To see how YOU can take part, please join us Tuesday 3/10, 6:00pm at St. John the Baptist Church Hall. This meeting is mandatory for interested adults.

Although teens are welcome, this meeting is primarily an informational meeting for Adults looking to help on any level. Those who come will learn how they can be involved, as well as discover how elementary & middle school-age children can be involved making sandwiches for our homeless sisters & brothers in Christ. Families and individuals alike are welcome to participate in the Stations of the Cross Quincy Walk while the teens of our city can partake in the whole retreat.

Please take a few minutes to youtube this event at Hunger for Justice Boston. Thank you so much for your help!

Andrea Alberti (Director of Evangelization and Outreach)



# This Week

## **Goodbye from Deacon Bill**

Greetings all. With much sadness but with much anticipation I'm writing to let you know that I will be reassigned by the Archdiocese in the upcoming weeks. Much like my ordained brothers in the priesthood, deacons are generally assigned for three-year terms. I have been assigned to St. Johns, and most recently to St. Joseph's too, for a total of 2+ terms. Time sure flies!

It is so critical for the ordained to live and experience different assignments and communities of faith in order to stay fresh and alive in the proclamation of the Good News. It is truly a good time for me to take on new responsibilities: the collaborative transition, begun in June of 2018, is in full swing and moving forward.

In last week's brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified." Ultimately a deacon's role is to assist his sisters and brothers in their journey towards that knowledge of Christ. I hope I've been able to accomplish this in small ways and pray for your forgiveness for the times when I did not, in what I said or more importantly, what I did not say! So, if I did not say it, I love you all, albeit as an imperfect brother. reading from 1 Corinthians, St. Paul wrote: "when I came to you,

Against the strong desire of Fr. Matt for a parish goodbye gathering, I've asked him for just a simple goodbye. I'll simply be available after masses to offer my gratitude to you all for your friendship. The word deacon comes from the Greek word for service: diaconia. You know, then, that a deacon would be most comfortable with a quiet exit! I'm certainly always available to talk and you can always connect with me at [deaconbillProulx@rcab.org](mailto:deaconbillProulx@rcab.org). I'll also post on our Facebook page when my next parish assignment becomes official.

I am forever grateful to my brothers, Fr. Matt, Fr. Joseph and Fr. Arthur. Great men of God! We are changed by those we encounter. And I am changed for the better because of them!

I pray for you all, as I ask that you remember me once or twice in your prayer.

God bless you all and see you soon.

Yours in Christ,  
Deacon Bill

### ***Collaboration Offertory***

<b>St. John's Parish</b> (weekend of February 8/9)	
Offertory	\$ 6,431.88
Online Giving	<u>1,031.50</u>
Total	\$ 7,463.38

<b>St. Joseph's Parish</b> (weekend of February 8/9)	
Offertory	\$3,455.00
Parish Maintenance	<u>2,654.00</u>
Total	\$6,109.00

Snow Camps Cookie Sale \$3,919.54

February 16 (1 collection) & February 23 (2 collections)

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Next weekend February 23rd **both parishes** will have a second collection to support the **Church around the World**.