

COLLABORATIVE OF  
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & ST. JOSEPH

FIRST SUNDAY OF  
**LENT**



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- March 1, 2020 -

**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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w: stjohnsquincy.org  
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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.)

### Novena to Mary, Untier of Knots

Have you heard about **Novena to Mary, Untier of Knots**? Are you facing personal difficulties beyond you in your family, or places of work? Or do you know anyone who is tied down by knots that keep them from uniting themselves to God?

Please join other parishioners who turn to Our Blessed Virgin Mary to intercede to free us from what binds and confuses us. We can always ask her motherly help to resolve our difficult problems, the obstacles and knots we face in our lives that seem to be irresolvable. The Virgin Mother unties the knots that we cannot untie by ourselves and that prove to be roadblocks in our lives.

Father Joseph warmly invites you to a thirty -minute novena prayer to start on **Sunday, March 8** for nine consecutive evenings beginning at 6:00pm in St. John the Baptist Upper Church. Please call the Collaborative Office to register for the **Novena to Mary, Untier of Knots**: 617-773-1021 or 617-472-6321 or email: stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org

## COLLABORATIVE TEAM

### Pastor

Rev. Matthew M. Williams

### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph Boafu

### Senior Priest In Residence

Rev. Arthur Wright

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## ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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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,

As we enter into this Lenten Season, with prayer and fasting and works of Mercy, I would like to invite you to pray for Life and to join me in bearing witness to Life. I will be leading prayer services on the following dates: Wednesday, March 4, Sunday, March 8, Wednesday, March 18 and Sunday, March 22. The services begin at 2:00pm and are prayed in front of the clinic in Brookline. If you are interested in joining me please contact the rectory with your information (or speak to me directly) and I will be in touch.

Your Brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matt+



## February 26 - April 5 40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

### HELP SAVE LIVES IN Boston!

**You can protect mothers and children** by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!

**With God's help**, here are the proven results in 25 coordinated campaigns:

- 16,742 babies saved from abortion
- 196 abortion workers converted
- 104 abortion centers closed

**Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:**

- **Vigil location:** Sidewalk outside Planned Parenthood, 1055 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, MA.
- **Vigil hours:** (7 am to 7 pm daily)
- **Local contact:** Rita Russo, 781-762-4391  
[40daysforlifeboston@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlifeboston@gmail.com)
- **Learn more ...** get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

**More info at:** [40daysforlife.com/BOSTON](http://40daysforlife.com/BOSTON)

**(Bus from Norwood and Dedham Friday nights, Contact [annie40days@gmail.com](mailto:annie40days@gmail.com) or 781-769-5398)**

Prayer Launch Sunday, February. 23 at 4 pm, St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood

Campaign Kick-Off, Wednesday, February 26, 3 pm at Planned Parenthood

Praise and Worship Vigils Thursday, 6 pm, March 5, 12, 19, 26, and April 2. Candlelight Vigils

Friday nights at 7 pm, February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27, and April 3.

Spanish Vigils Saturday mornings at 10:30 am, February 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4.

Sunday Family Vigils at 2 pm, March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29. **Concluding Service April 5 at 3 pm.**

Wednesday Rosary at 2 pm, March 4, 11, 18, 25, and April 1.

**ALL EVENTS EXCEPT FEBRUARY 23 ARE ON THE SIDEWALK AT 1055 COMMONWEALTH AVE., BOSTON**

# FAITH FORMATION

## Teen Youth Group will meet:

Sun. March 8, 15, 22 \*Regular time 4:45pm -7:30pm We start at 4:45 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.

Friday, March 6th– Middle School Drop In @ Saint John the Baptist 6-8pm.

Friday, March 13th - SOUP & STATIONS PARISH EVENT @ St. John the Baptist @ 6:00pm



## LENTEN SCHEDULE 2020

### ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

**Stations of the Cross**  
Fridays at 3:30pm

**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 9am.



#### 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 in Boston after doing the CROSSWALK from St John to St. Joseph, 12 noon.

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

### HOLY WEEK

#### Holy Thursday, April 9

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

#### Good Friday, April 10

Morning Prayer  
St. John, 8:00am

#### Stations of the Cross

St. John, 12:00pm  
St. Joseph, 3:00pm

#### The Lord's Passion

St. John, 3:00pm  
St. Joseph, 7:30pm

#### Passion of the Christ Movie

St. John, 7:00pm

#### Holy Saturday, April 11

Morning Prayer  
St. Joseph, 8:00am  
Easter Vigil  
St. John, 7:30pm

#### 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 6:30pm- 8:00pm alternating St. John (3/4, 3/18, 4/1) & St. Joseph (3/11, 3/25, 4/8) parishes.

### ST JOSEPH

**Stations of the Cross**  
Fridays at 7:00pm

#### 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 - 11:30am 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 Confession Times

Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8pm  
March 11th  
March 25th  
April 8th

## LEN + 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  
550 Washington St. Quincy

# INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

### Saturday, February 29

8:00am Memorial the St. Pierre Family  
4:00pm 6th Anniversary Frank Colletta

### Sunday, March 1

8:30am Memorial Brian, Christopher and Jeffrey Calcagni  
11:00am Mass for the People  
5:00pm 8th Anniversary Frederick Opanasets

### Wednesday, March 4

8:00am Memorial James A. O'Malley

### Friday, March 6

8:00am

### Saturday, March 7

8:00am  
4:00pm Memorial David Barke

### Sunday, March 8

8:30am Mass for the People  
11:00am 5th Anniversary Maureen O'Neil Piccarini  
5:00pm Birthday Memorial Ralph & Josephine Tutela

Donations: The bread and wine for this week is donated in memory of Richard Lang. 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 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 29

4:00pm Memorial Francesca, Carmelo and  
Leonardo Lorenzano

### Sunday, March 1

8:30am Birthday Memorial Al Devera  
10:30am Memorial Joseph Nghiem Chu

### Monday, March 2

9:00am

### Tuesday, March 3

9:00am

### Thursday, March 5

9:00am

### Saturday, March 7

4:00pm Memorial Mary E. & Normand "Gerry" Gerard

### Sunday, March 8

8:30am 1st Anniversary Lola Heiler-Stillman  
10:30am Private Intentions

Memorial Donation: The bread and wine for this week is donated in memory of John DiPietro. 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

**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](http://www.stjosephsquincy.org) or [www.stjohnsquincy.org](http://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.

# This Week

## Collaboration Offertory

<b>St. John's Parish</b> (weekend of February 22/23)	
Offertory	\$6,112.97
Online Giving	849.50
Total	\$6,962.47

<b>St. Joseph's Parish</b> (weekend of February 22/23)	
Offertory	\$3,762.00
<b>2nd Collection</b>	1,466.00
Total	\$5,228.00

**Second Collection** \$2,331.27

March 1 (1 collection) & **March 7/8 (2 collections)**  
**Annual Fuel Collection**

**March 1 (2 collections)** & March 7/8 (1 collection)  
**Utility & Energy**

**HUNGER FOR JUSTICE**  
IS COMING TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & ST. JOSEPH  
APRIL 10TH & 11TH 2020



On April 10th and 11th, 2020, dozens of teens are going to gather in order to save the lives of hundreds of children around the World. The Hunger for Justice is a program that allows young people to make a significant impact on the problem of world hunger. By pledging to go without food OR SOMETHING ELSE for 30 hours, participants not only raise money to help alleviate this type of suffering, but also gain a limited understanding of how it feels to experience hunger. The Hunger for Justice is physically safe as an abundance of calories are obtained through drinking water, Gatorade, and juice. You can also eat if you wish (while encouraged, it is not mandatory to fast during the event!) We persevere through the thirty hours together by keeping busy with a Kick-Off rally, teens sharing their stories, games, music, dancing, prayer, reflection, and (hopefully some) sleep in our cardboard homes on Good Friday night. On Holy Saturday, we will feed our homeless brothers and sisters in Boston and participate in service projects for those in our local community. The Hunger for Justice concludes with a Mass Celebration and a delicious BREAKfast Saturday night after the Vigil Mass. Teens who have done the Hunger for Justice in the past refer to it as one of the best experiences of their lives...COME SEE FOR YOURSELF!

**LEADERSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED - LEADERS WILL RECEIVE 80 HOURS OF SERVICE (must be committed to Thursday evening Meetings.) APPLY ONLINE TODAY: <https://andreaic03.wixsite.com/hj2020stjsg> or just come to the meeting to check it out.**

**LENTEN CROSSES:** The High School Youth Group will be participating in a Lenten Retreat called "Hunger For Justice". During the retreat, which is from Good Friday (4/10) through Holy Saturday (4/11), the high schoolers will be serving our homeless brothers & sisters in Boston and participating in service projects throughout the south shore. In addition, the retreat is a "homeless experience" so the high schoolers will be giving up their cell phones and NOT eating the entire time! We are inviting the parish to join us in the retreat by supporting the high schoolers through the Lenten Crosses. Please take one (or more) of the purple Crosses at the entrance of the church and bring back the item the following Sunday. We need many cases of bottled water for the high schoolers during the retreat, as well as socks, granola bars, and other food (purchased with the gift certificates) which we will give to our homeless brothers and sisters. All donations must be brought to the Church by March 29th at the latest. Thank you for your prayers and support of our high schoolers and our youth ministry!



**St. John's – St Joseph Bereavement Ministry**  
New Year blessings to all. Our Collaborative will have three bereavement group sessions this year (2020). We invite all those experiencing losses to take advantage of all this program offers.

The program includes:

- A welcoming, safe, confidential, empathic, compassionate, and nonjudgmental setting for sharing experiences of grief and loss.
- Scripture and prayer, art and music, meditation, journal writing, poetry, etc.
- Listening with compassion and empathy as we tell our stories.

Each session consists of 8 weekly meetings of 8-10 participants who are expected to attend all sessions. Early registration is encouraged to ensure a place.

- Next session is Tuesday April 21 - Tuesday May 26 from 6:00PM to 7:30PM in St. Joseph's Rectory (the Parish Offices.)
- Summer session is Tuesday July 7 - Tuesday August 25 from 2:00PM to 3:30 PM and will meet in St. John's Rectory.
- Fall session is Tuesday September 29 – Tuesday November 3 from 6:00PM to 7:30PM in St. John's Rectory.

REGISTRATION: Call the Collaborative Parish Offices at 617-773-1021 or email us at: [stjohns@stjohnsquinncy.org](mailto:stjohns@stjohnsquinncy.org). Leave your name, telephone number and email address.

## Senior Group Meeting

This coming  
Wednesday, March 4th  
will be the next  
Senior Group Meeting.  
Time: 12-2:00pm  
St. John's Church Hall.

