



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



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

**SUNDAY OF EASTER**

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always." - Jn 14:15-16

**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.



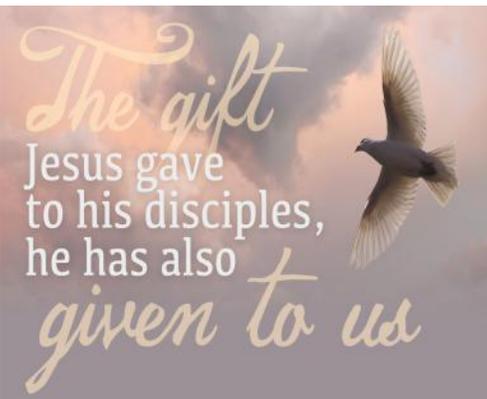
### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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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.)



*Please remember during this difficult time that St. John the Baptist and St. Joseph's Food Pantries are here to assist our parishioners in this time of need. Both food pantries are Open every Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30pm.*

#### COLLABORATIVE TEAM

##### Pastor

Rev. Matthew M. Williams

##### Parochial Vicar

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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

p:617.472.6321  
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.

Last week a parishioner sent me and all the priests of the Collaborative a hope-filled letter and a face mask. In my personal letter she noted: *"Stay well and please continue to provide HOPE to all of us at home..."* Amen! That is our goal, to bear witness to Jesus, who is our hope and salvation.



Continuing on with this theme of being a witness to hope, I would like to share a testimony from another member of our Collaborative Team, Pete Culhane.

## **Pete Culhane - Finance and Operations Director**

If you want to see the Holy Spirit in action, stop by the Food Pantry at St. Joseph's on a Wednesday night. Our brothers and sisters with needs start lining up about a half hour before the door opens in what has become a sort of social distancing social gathering. While this is going on, the Pantry leaders Noreen Mastroianni and Bob Allison usually have a couple other volunteers helping them put together not only bags of food that include a choice between chicken or beef for the meats, but also items that have become just as important recently like hand sanitizers, paper towels and Food Pantry Gold - toilet paper. When the door opens and the bags are distributed something amazing happens every time. The gift receivers begin sorting through the contents of their bags and place items they do not need on a table outside the Pantry for others to satisfy their needs. Remember the early Christians? About this time each Wednesday the Givers start showing up in their cars to unload more food and supplies personally donated for the next week. One week we actually had more food and supplies coming in than what was distributed. It is true that we are living in a scary time, but it is equally true that the Holy Spirit is alive and well and hard at work in our faith community.

### **PENTECOST NOVENA & THE FUTURE OF OUR PARISHES:**

I am in the midst of meeting with our Finance Councils and the Collaborative Pastoral Council, reviewing with them our financial situation amidst COVID-19. I am so grateful for all of our parishioners who have continued to support our parishes, we are so blessed by your generosity and kindness. That being said, our parishes are in financial distress and need help. By the grace of God, I have been working with our leadership on a (PARISH) LIFE-SAVING strategy. Our efforts must BEGIN WITH PRAYER and the SPIRIT'S GUIDANCE. **I AM PLEADING WITH YOU AS YOUR PASTOR, PLEASE JOIN ME IN A NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

**PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT  
NOVENA BEGINS: FRIDAY MAY 22  
CONCLUDES: SATURDAY MAY 30TH  
Information regarding the Novena included in this bulletin**

I truly believe the Lord has a plan, and that He will guide and protect us.

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matt+

# FAITH FORMATION

Hello Parishioners and friends of St. John the Baptist and St. Joseph!

We hope this email finds you and your family healthy and well. Please see below for our Collaborative updates for this week (5/11 - 5/17):

The doors of our churches will be open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the following schedule:  
St. John the Baptist: Daily, Mon-Sun, 12-6 PM  
St. Joseph: Sunday, 8:30 AM-12 PM

We are so incredibly grateful to Mother Olga and the Daughters of Mary Nazareth who keep Vigil before the Blessed Sacrament, allowing parishioners the opportunity to come and leave their burdens at the feet of our Eucharistic Lord.

#### Confessions:

The (CAR) Light is on for You  
We are taking extra precautions for the safety and well-being of our parishioners and priests. Our Collaborative will continue to host outdoor, drive-through Confessions at St. John the Baptist on:  
Wednesday's, 6:30-7:30 PM and  
Saturday's, 2-4 PM



MONDAY-SATURDAY  
Daily Mass 8 AM

MONDAY-SUNDAY  
Adoration 12-6 PM @  
Saint John the Baptist  
Holy Hour 3 PM

MONDAY  
Live Worship 8 PM

WEDNESDAY  
Confession 6:30-7:30 PM

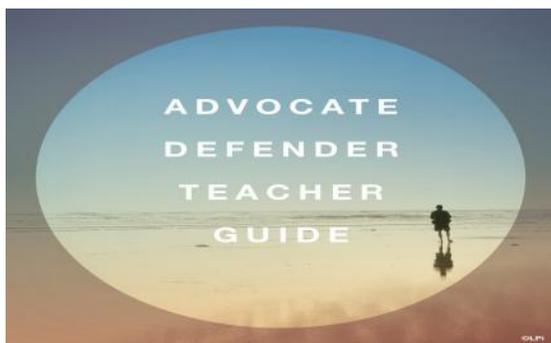
SATURDAY  
Confession 2-4 PM

SUNDAY  
Adoration 8:30-12 @  
Saint Joseph  
Holy Mass 11 AM



#### MAY POSTING PARTY -

The month of May is POSTING PARTY MONTH. We are asking that every Parishioner and Friend of our Parish to please make a commitment to post the Fr Matt "Homily Highlight" every day. This will help us evangelize, spread the word and help our Parish tremendously. You can find these on St John's Parish Facebook page.



Fr. Matt Williams  
1.69K subscribers  
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Please Subscribe to Father Matt's YouTube channel for all live stream events.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/FrMat12003>

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the members of our community who have passed away since the last time we have gathered as community for Holy Mass:

Jim Lyons, Vincent Yukas, John Sugrue, Michelle Bickford, Annette Solimini, Katherine Dwyer, Mario Malvestuto, Patricia Plaziak, Patrick Kenney, Rose M. Ferris, Edward A. Mack, Arthur Crisafulli, James Hogan, Ann Jennette, Therese A. Maloney, Filomena A. Ricci, Dorothy F. LeBlanc, Shirley J. Gilbody, Vincent Villard, Doris Rucker, Marie L. Petrell and Marion M. Ricca

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

# INTENTIONS

## Spot Light



### Novena to Mary, Untier of Knots

Have you heard about Novena to Mary, Untier of Knots?

Please join other parishioners who turn to Our Blessed Virgin Mary to intercede to free us from what binds and confuses us: Family conflicts, a financial problem, illness, problem in your personal life, etc. 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.

Father Joseph warmly invites you to a thirty-minute novena prayer to start on May 13, at 6:45pm. Please order your booklet: Novena to MARY, Untier of Knots, Vojtech Kodet, O. Carm and send e-mail or call St. Joseph Rectory to register for the Novena to Mary, Untier of Knots: 617- 773-1021/ [stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org](mailto:stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org)



**shine\_official** Hey my name is Amber Doyle. My favorite color is purple and my favorite ice cream is cookie dough. My life before Jesus I felt alone and that I was alone with my problems and no one would ever understand anything I was going through. I believed that if I was good at sports or had many friends than I would feel better, which wasn't true. After finding Jesus I have realized that he knows all my struggles and will be with me through them all and I am not alone. He made me realize that I only need to be myself and trust in him to be happy which is very true.



### Always on Mission

#### Evangelizing in Challenging Times Podcast:

Even in quarantine, we can still evangelize. In fact, the call to share the Gospel is heightened in times like this. Learn how the task of evangelization is being done and can be done, virtually, in the Archdiocese of Boston. This week, hear from our own Youth Minister, Francesca!

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/always-on-mission-evangelizing-in-challenging-times/id1507773436>

#### Live Worship Monday's:

Join our Youth Minister, Francesca, each Monday night at 8 PM for LIVE Worship and Praise. Find her on our St. John the Baptist Facebook Page or on Instagram @Shine\_\_OFFICIAL (underscore underscore).

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#### Live Streaming:

We will continue to LiveStream Holy Mass daily. Masses are privately said in the Convent of the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth. We will LiveStream a Eucharistic Holy Hour with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and recitation of the Most Holy Rosary at 3 PM daily, Monday through Sunday. The 3 PM Holy Hour is privately prayed but made public for the spiritual well-being of the Christian faithful who long for the Eucharist.

#### Saint J's Cares:

Please remember our "St. Js Cares" email account for those in need of prayer intentions or assistance with daily needs, or if you know of someone who is isolated and alone and needs us to reach out to them. Please email [SaintJsCares@gmail.com](mailto:SaintJsCares@gmail.com).

# This Week

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## Novena to the Holy Spirit Prayers Novena to the Holy Spirit - May 22- May 30

**Day 1 Charity** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Let us bow down in humility at the power and grandeur of the Holy Spirit. Let us worship the Holy Trinity and give glory today to the Paraclete, our Advocate. Oh Holy Spirit, by Your power, Christ was raised from the dead to save us all. By Your grace, miracles are performed in Jesus' name. By Your love, we are protected from evil. And so, we ask with humility and a beggar's heart for Your gift of Charity within us. The great charity of all the host of Saints is only made possible by your power, Oh Divine Spirit. Increase in me, the virtue of charity that I may love as God loves with the selflessness of the Saints. Amen. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, Amen. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Novena to the Holy Spirit -

**Day 2 Joy** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Let us bow down in humility at the power and grandeur of the Holy Spirit. Let us worship the Holy Trinity and give glory today to the Paraclete, our Advocate. Oh Holy Spirit, by Your power, Christ was raised from the dead to save us all. By Your grace, miracles are performed in Jesus' name. By Your love, we are protected from evil. And so, we ask with humility and a beggar's heart for Your gift of Joy within us. All of the Saints are marked with an uncompromisable Joy in times of trial, difficulty and pain. Give us, Oh Holy Spirit, the Joy that surpasses all understanding that we may live as a witness to Your love and fidelity! Amen. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, Amen. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Novena to the Holy Spirit -

**Day 3 Peace** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Let us bow down in humility at the power and grandeur of the Holy Spirit. Let us worship the Holy Trinity and give glory today to the Paraclete, our Advocate. Oh Holy Spirit, by Your power, Christ was raised from the dead to save us all. By Your grace, miracles are performed in Jesus' name. By Your love, we are protected from evil. And so, we ask with humility and a beggar's heart for Your gift of Peace within us. The Saints were tempted, attacked and accused by the devil who is the destroyer of peace. When we are accused by the devil, come to our aid as our Advocate and give us Peace that lasts through all trials! Amen. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, Amen. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Novena to the Holy Spirit -

**Day 4 Patience** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Let us bow down in humility at the power and grandeur of the Holy Spirit. Let us worship the Holy Trinity and give glory today to the Paraclete, our Advocate. Oh Holy Spirit, by Your power, Christ was raised from the dead to save us all. By Your grace, miracles are performed in Jesus' name. By Your love, we are protected from evil. And so, we ask with humility and a beggar's heart for Your gift of Patience within us. Oh Holy Spirit, you give lavishly to those who ask. Please give us the patience of the Saints who are now with you in heaven. Help us to endure everything with an eternal patience that is only possible with your help. Amen. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, Amen. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Novena to the Holy Spirit -

**Day 5 Kindness** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Let us bow down in humility at the power and grandeur of the Holy Spirit. Let us worship the Holy Trinity and give glory today to the Paraclete, our Advocate. Oh Holy Spirit, by Your power, Christ was raised from the dead to save us all. By Your grace, miracles are performed in Jesus' name. By Your love, we are protected from evil. And so, we ask with humility and a beggar's heart for Your gift of Kindness within us. Jesus approached sinners with immense kindness. Holy Paraclete, please treat us humble sinners with the same kindness and give us the ability to treat all others with that kindness as well. Amen. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, Amen. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Novena to the Holy Spirit -

This particular novena was written specifically for PrayMoreNovenas.com and it is based on the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and a desire for sainthood. It is only through the power of the Holy Spirit that someone can become a Saint. We can not save ourselves and it is only by the grace of God that we are saved. So, we must rely completely on the power of the Holy Spirit and the death of Our Lord Jesus. That is the essence of this novena. The Pentecost novena is really THE original novena. The disciples waited in unity and prayer for the Holy Spirit for nine days after Jesus' ascension to heaven. Jesus asked them to pray constantly in the upper room until the descent of the Holy Spirit. "They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers." – Acts 1:14 Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/novena-to-the-holy-spirit>

Rest of the days prayers will be in next week's bulletin.