

# COLLABORATIVE OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & ST. JOSEPH



7<sup>th</sup>  
SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said,  
"Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your  
son, so that your son may glorify you."

- Jn 17:1

**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.)



*Parish Office closed Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day.*

*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

Rev. Joseph Boafu

##### Senior Priest In Residence

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Follow our Pastor Fr. Matt Williams on twitter @frmatt4Boston

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### ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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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

556 Washington Street  
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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

# Faith Formation

## Spot Light

TEEN SPOTLIGHT

**KAYLEIGH**



shine\_\_official Hi! My name is Kayleigh Maynard. I'm on my high school swim team, my favorite color is purple, and my favorite ice cream is cookie dough. Before Jesus, I felt alone and I felt like Jesus didn't really know me or love me, but after having a relationship with Jesus, I know that Jesus is always right there next to me, and that I'm never alone, no matter how hard it gets. He knows me, loves me, and is always walking with me.



**Fr. Matt Williams**  
1.69K subscribers  
SUBSCRIBED

Please Subscribe to Father Matt's YouTube channel for all live stream events.  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/FrMat12003>

**MAY POSTING PARTY:**  
The month of May is POSTING PARTY MONTH. We are asking 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.

What if I want to Party More?  
- Anytime - ANY given day go to Fr Matt's YouTube channel and take the most recent video and just copy the link and post to your Facebook, Twitter, Insta, etc..

Please follow us on our Social Media handles:

- a. St. John the Baptist Facebook Page
- b. St. J's Families Facebook page
- c. SaintJs\_Families Instagram
- d. SHINE\_\_official Instagram
- e. Frmatt4boston Twitter



**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**

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# FR. MATT'S CORNER

## WELCOME BACK

Where are we?

Now more than ever people need JOY and we need YOU

The past couple of months have put an enormous financial burden on our community, including our parishes. The financial statements included in this bulletin give you a forecast that is very concerning for both of our parishes:

St. Joseph's will run out of savings in 10 months,

St. John the Baptist will run out of savings in 23 months,

The Archdiocese has made it clear; borrowing is NOT an option,

⅓ of the parishes in the Archdiocese are financially in peril, parishes are merging, Catholic schools are closing, parish staff are being laid off and the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center will be reducing its staff by 50%.

Where are we going?

*"..Weeping may last for the night, but joy comes with the morning" (Ps. 30:5).*

St. Js Cares:



**Goal: To invite all parishioners, past, present and future into our "St. Js Cares: The JOY Movement"**

**Jesus - Others - Yourself (by sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure)**

*To be disciples of Jesus Christ who seek to make a sacrifice of praise with their lives through their time (worship and evangelization), talents (service and ministering to others) and treasure (sacrificial giving).*

### What You Can Do:

**JOIN the movement: JOY stands for Jesus Others Yourself (J.O.Y.).**

We need everyone to embrace this invitation and join the movement in order to revive the financial situation of our parishes *before it is too late.*

### TIME (for JESUS):

Offer a *sacrifice of praise* as we cry out to God to guide us and provide for our parishes so that we can keep our doors open for the next generation.

**We are asking everyone to PLEASE COMMIT TO:**

The Novena to the Holy Spirit (May 22-30), &

The 54 Day Rosary Novena (June 23 - August 15).

### TIME & TALENTS (for OTHERS):

Offer a *sacrifice of praise* in the way we spend our time sharing the Gospel (Good News) with others:

- Reaching out to neighbors to gather prayer intentions and ascertaining material needs;
- Sharing our SaintJsCares@gmail.com email with neighbors in need;
- Sharing our YouTube channel, daily homily highlights, Mass and Holy Hours with friends;
- Sharing all handles on social media;
- Spreading the word about St. J's Cares: The JOY MOVEMENT and inviting others to join;
- Signing up for a retreat, youth group, bereavement group, and invite a friend to come along (email: Andreainquincy@gmail.com);
- Volunteering to help with the Church reopening process (we need cleaners, ushers: all kinds of help);
- Volunteering at our Food Pantries;
- Volunteering to assist with buildings (painting, carpentry, electrical), and grounds (lawn and snow removal, etc.);
- Signing up for the June 11th TownHall Zoom Meeting and inviting a couple of neighbors to join;
- Volunteering to serve as Lector, Extraordinary Ministry, Visitor to the Homebound (when things dear up) or Altar server.

### TREASURE:

Offer a *sacrifice of praise* through sacrificial giving. Each of us is asked to pray about the blessings we have received from God and how He may be calling us to sacrificially give back to our parishes. The Biblical principle of tithing is 10% of "first fruits" (wheat harvest, vineyards, paychecks, gifts, etc). We also recognize this may be difficult for many during these challenging days. We are asking if you are in a position to help, to please consider giving generously to compensate for our brothers and sisters who cannot give at this time due to Covid-19. Your kindness will help those brothers and sisters who may be in dire straits - whether tangibly through the charity our parishes provide or supernaturally by enabling our parishes to continue to be beacons of hope and instruments of the GRACE of Jesus Christ in the way we celebrate the sacraments, worship the Lord, proclaim the Gospel, and build (virtual) community.

It is tremendously helpful if you could sign up for online giving at this time. Having continued predictable sources of income helps us to project a more accurate budget for the future while providing reliable streams of income.

# FR. MATT'S CORNER

## JOYful Quote:

St. Clement writes: *"Let us, then, preserve the unity of the body that we form in Christ Jesus, and let everyone give his neighbor the deference to which his particular gifts entitle him. Let the strong care for the weak and the weak respect the strong. Let the wealthy assist the poor and the poor man thank God for giving him someone to supply his needs. The wise man should show his wisdom not by his eloquence but by good works; the humble man should not proclaim his own humility, but leave others to do so; nor must the man who preserves his chastity ever boast of it, but recognize that the ability to control his desires has been given him by another"* (St Clement, Pope, 1st Century).

## JOYful fact:

If each family were to increase their weekly offertory by \$10, we would be able to balance our budget and bring our JOY to the next generation.

This is approximately a 3-month initiative, ending in Mid-August. We will be discerning with parish leaders throughout the initiative and make decisions about the future of our collaborative parishes after the 15th of August.

In the meantime, the Collaborative Team will work strenuously to reduce expenses and find creative ways to raise revenue.

## Timeline:

- St. Joseph Finance Council Meeting (May 12th | 7pm)
- St. John the Baptist Finance Council Meeting (May 14 | 7pm)
- Collaborative Pastoral Council Meeting (May 18 | 8pm)
- Flocknote | Announces the St. Js Cares: "St. Js Cares: The JOY Movement" (May 21)
- Pentecost Novena | May 22-30th
- Bulletin | Announces the St. Js Cares: "St. Js Cares: The JOY Movement" (May 24)
- Mailing | Announces the St. Js Cares: "St. Js Cares: The JOY Movement" (May)
- YouTube Town Hall Meeting - June 11th at 2pm and 7pm ALL ASKED TO ATTEND
- 54 Day Rosary Novena | June 23 - August 15 (Solemnity of Assumption)
- Post Novena: Discernment about next steps

## Forecasted Monthly Run Rate Starting in July

	St. John's	St. Joseph's
Revenue	42,694	15,921
Salaries	23,426	11,024
Benefits	5,148	2,422
Insurance	6,600	3,300
Non-comp expenses	23,200	10,700
New Run Rate Per Month:	(15,680)	(11,525)
Projected Checking Balance on 6-30-20	126,587	79,478
Funds in Savings Account	234,732	30,051
Total:	\$ 361,319	\$ 109,529

Months until Savings Run Out :	23	10
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## What Will it Take to Breakeven

Revenue	\$ 56,054 (1)	\$ 26,377 (1)
Salaries	23,426	11,024
Benefits	5,148	2,422
Insurance	6,600	3,300
Non-comp expenses	20,880 (2)	9,630 (2)
New Run Rate Per Month:	0	0

(1) Revenue Increase	31%	66%
(2) Non-comp Cuts	10%	10%

Reduce Non-comp 10%		
# of families giving	400	250
\$ increase per week	\$ 7.71	\$ 9.66

# This Week

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

**Day 6 Faithfulness** 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 Faithfulness within us. You, oh Lord, are ever faithful. You are faithful until the end. Though we are weak and distracted, please give us the grace to be faithful to You as you are to us! 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 7 Gentleness** 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 Gentleness within us. Despite the gravity of our sins, oh Lord you treat us with Gentleness. Dear Holy Spirit, give us your power to treat all in our lives with the Gentleness 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.

**Day 8 Self-Control** 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 Self-Control within us. Your Martyrs had the overwhelming self-control to go joyfully to a painful death without shrinking from the opportunity to join You in heaven. Give us this self-control to have command over our emotions and desires that we may serve You more fully. 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 9 Goodness** 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 Goodness within us. We want to be like your Saints in heaven. Holy Spirit, renew us by your power with your Goodness that we may bring the Good News to the world. 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. About the Holy Spirit Novena

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>

**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, Marion M. Ricca, Gerald E. Loiselle and Richard Omwenga

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