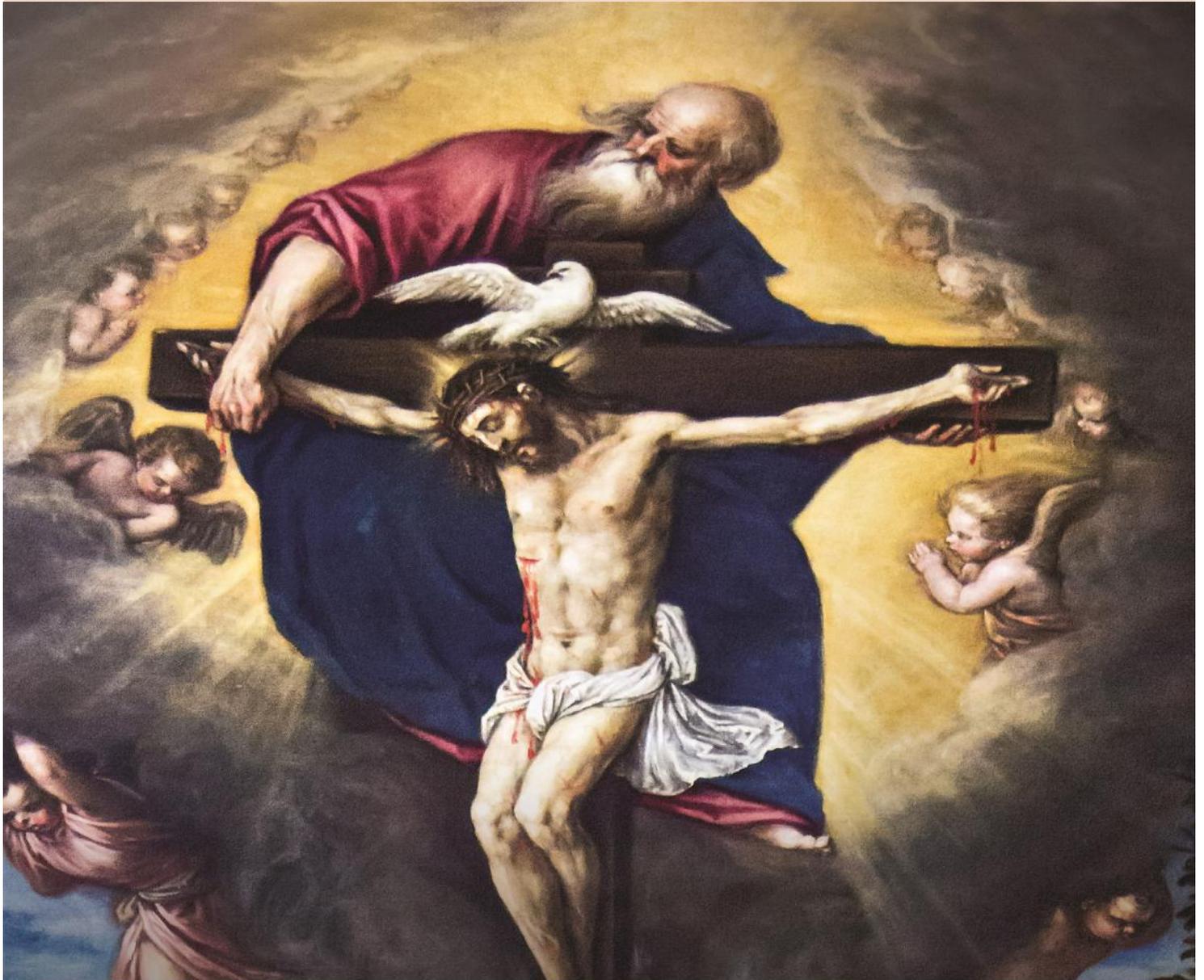


COLLABORATIVE OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & ST. JOSEPH



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16

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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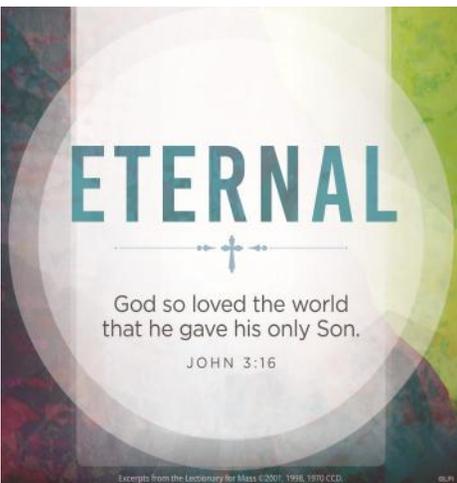
Saturday 4:00pm (Seniors)
Sunday 11:00am & 5:00pm

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.



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Sunday 8:30am

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

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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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, **JOY**, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.."(Galatians 5:22-23)"*

Peace. Peace. Peace.

I greet you in the words of Our Lady to the children of Medjugorje on June 25, 1981. Our Lady, Our Blessed Mother, is the Queen of Peace. She has been telling us for 39 years that we do not have peace because we have removed God from our society.

KNOW GOD...KNOW PEACE....NO GOD...NO PEACE!

St. Paul says that in the spiritual life, you reap what you sow. "For he who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption.." (Gal 6:5-7). Fr. Tom once stated: "*if you sow death, you will reap death.*" St. John Paul II stated that we live in "*a culture of death.*" The events of the past two weeks, peaceful protests aside, demonstrates to us the realities of sowing a Godless, throw-away culture, where human life is "disposable" and some lives are worth living and others may be deemed expendable. In other words, the inalienable rights of each unique, unrepeatable human person, that come from our Creator, are not acknowledged, revered, honored and respected in every human person.

The cries for justice, the cries for peace, the cries to set things right, are deeply felt by all of us. Fr. Joseph and I have had deep, long and meaningful conversations of what it is like for him as a black man in Boston. Sadly, he does experience discrimination, prejudice, inferiority and indifference. As a man of God, he is able to "turn the other cheek," see the good in his neighbor, and pray for them. The peaceful protests remind us that we don't have to go to Minneapolis, Minnesota to experience racial injustice or discrimination, it exists locally. It's real, and there is hope..

As we look to our own St. Js Collaborative Community, I firmly believe that the JOY MOVEMENT is inspired by the Holy Spirit and is **our call to action** for this hour. The WORLD needs JOY! Our COUNTRY needs JOY! MASSACHUSETTS needs JOY! QUINCY needs JOY! FAMILIES need JOY! I need JOY! And thanks be to God our St. Js Collaborative, as a community united in Christ and with one another, has JOY!



JOY is the FRUIT of the HOLY SPIRIT
JOY is the fruit making J.O.Y. the center of our lives: Jesus - Others - Yourself

Let's Start with our "Y"

"Y" stands for **YOURSELF**. It also represents our "**WHY**;" the reason for our existence and the reason for our JOY. Our "Why" is JESUS, who calls us to KNOW Him, LOVE Him and SERVE Him.

"LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND" (Matt 22:37).

"I GIVE YOU A NEW COMMANDMENT: LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU" (John 13:34).

Our "**WHY**" convicts us to take our "**Y**" ("yourself") and make a gift, a total gift, a sacrificial gift of self to Him (JESUS) and our neighbor (OTHERS). You are a GIFT and that GIFT is meant to be GIVEN AWAY: to JESUS (GOD) and OTHERS.

FR. MATT'S CORNER

"I" for Jesus | "Know Jesus..Know Peace"

This is the most important part of the acronym and the first one to be skipped over. If we want to put Jesus (God) back into society, we need to make Him the center of our lives. The old adage rings true: *"you can't give what you don't have."* The more our minds and hearts are blessed, transformed, and formed with the mind and heart of Jesus, we will walk in our dignity and treat others and ourselves with the reverence, respect and dignity that love demands. Also, if I do not have the Holy Spirit inspiring my work, you are just going to get "me" and my ideas, but if we invite the Lord through prayer and personal holiness, we will have heavenly wisdom to help us deal with problems and issues that are as much spiritual as they are temporal. Jesus says: *"seek first the Kingdom of God and it's righteousness and all these things will be given unto you" (Matt 6:33).*

Prayer, meaningful prayer, costs you something; your time. I am inviting you to begin by offering a **sacrifice of praise** to the Lord by setting aside 1% of your day for meaningful, personal prayer with Jesus. JOY begins with Jesus. **Know Jesus - Know Peace!**

As part of your daily prayer, will you please join me in praying this **Prayer of St. Francis:**

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is error, the truth;
Where there is doubt, the faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen*

We are also asking everyone to PLEASE COMMIT to our **54 Day Rosary Novena (June 23 - August 15).**

"O" is for Others

From the beginning we have sought to make our parish a place **"where everyone knows your name because we know Him."** Knowing a person's name speaks of human dignity, love, reverence and respect for the "neighbor," the "stranger," and the "guest" in our midst. It affirms the goodness of a person, letting them know **"it is so good you exist."**

Our faith must be put into action; *our faith must work through love* (Gal 5:6). I am inviting everyone to offer a **sacrifice of praise** in the way we come out of our comfort zones to **greet, welcome** and **reverence** the gift of each other. To seek to know each other's names. To be attentive to the vulnerable, the poor, the stranger, and sisters and brothers who may be victims of racism, or any form of discrimination.

Numerous times I walk into funerals and wedding receptions and I do not know anyone (except the bride and groom). I long for someone to recognize me and make me feel welcome. I have also been in funerals where I was the only "white" man in the room. This being a new experience for me made me feel different and longing for connection - which was immediately alleviated by smiles and welcomes. We have parishioners in our congregation who long for communion, yet feel the color of their skin, their economic hardships, their physical disabilities, struggles with addiction, their struggles with grief, make them different and an outsider looking in.

Faith Formation

St. Js Cares! We are a place that wants to know and learn everyone's name because we know Him! We welcome everyone because we have been first welcomed by Him. We are *"ambassadors for Christ"* (2Cor 5:20). I would like to take this moment to **THANK ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED US OPEN OUR CHURCHES, CREATING A WARM, LOVING AND WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT.**

In the days and months to come, we will be looking at creative ways to proclaim and bear witness to the Gospel of Life and the sacredness and dignity of every human person, especially our brothers and sisters experiencing racism, discrimination, and indifference.

In the meantime, here are some ideas on how we can place the GIFT of our lives at the service of OTHERS:

- Praying for an end of Racism and prejudice
- Praying for Peace in America
- Initiating an ACT of Peace by perpetuating positive communication: online, in your heart and in conversations.
- Reaching out to neighbors in need, and seeing how we can pray for them and if they have any material needs that our Food Pantries can offer,
- Sharing our SaintJsCares@gmail.com email with neighbors in need;
- Volunteering to help with the Church reopening process (we need cleaners, ushers/hospitality volunteers - all kinds of help);
- Sharing our youtube channel, daily homily highlights, Mass and Holy Hours with friends, as well as sharing all social media handles,
- Marking your calendar and spreading the word about the upcoming TOWN HALL MEETING launching The JOY MOVEMENT
- Signing up for a retreat, youth group, bereavement group, and invite a friend to come along (email: Andreainquincy@gmail.com);
- Volunteering at our Food Pantries;
- Volunteering to assist with buildings (painting, carpentry, electrical), and grounds (lawn and snow removal, etc.);
- Volunteering to serve as Lector, Extraordinary Ministry, Visitor to the Homebound (when things clear up) or Altar server.
- Offering your ideas on how we can place the GIFT of our lives at the services of OTHERS

Together, JOY can become a MOVEMENT that will change lives forever!

Your Brother in Christ,
Fr. Matt+

PS: If you would like to be part of the JOY Movement, please email SaintJsCares@gmail.com

PPS:

- Youtube Town Hall Meeting - June 11th at 2pm or 7pm
- 54 Day Rosary Novena begins June 23 and ends August 15 (Solemnity of Assumption)



SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, June 11th for our YouTube Live Town Hall JOY Meeting. We are asking all to attend at either 2 PM or 7 PM. More details to follow.

This Week

MASSt INTENTIONS

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday June 6th @ St. Joseph's
4:00pm Memorial Frank Keyes

Saturday June 6th @ St. John's
4:00pm Memorial Ennio Eleuteri

Sunday, June 7th @ St. Joseph's
8:30am 19th Anniversary
Adora Giagrande

Sunday, June 7th @ St. John's
11:00am 3rd Anniversary
Connor J. Norton
& Memorial John & Bernie Norton

5:00pm Mass for the People

Week Day Mass Schedule
And Adoration Monday-Friday
@ St. John the Baptist
Lower Chapel

3:00-4:00pm Holy Hour
4:00-6:00pm Adoration
6:05pm Daily Mass

Intentions @
St. John's @ 6:05pm

Monday 6/8 Anniversary Mass
Elizabeth McLoughlin

Tuesday 6/9 Memorial
John Baptist Tai H. Nguyen

Wednesday 6/10 The Dying

Thursday 6/11

Friday 6/12 4th Anniversary
Henry Costello

St. John's Food Pantry

For over 40 years, Saint John's Food Pantry has helped numerous families based on the love, support and dedicated work of its parishioners. The current Covid-19 pandemic has severely diminished the amount of financial donations the food pantry is receiving. This hardship, along with the fact that once the church reopened we can no longer provide donation envelopes in the pews, puts families who need our help at even higher risk.

Without your continued support and generous contributions, we will not be able to continue to help the countless number of families who are in need in our parish. We ask that you please take a moment and make your donation directly. Donations should be made **payable to "Saint John's Food Pantry"** and **mailed to Saint John's Food Pantry, 556 Washington Street, Quincy, MA 02169.**

The many parishioners, volunteers and the families that receive the assistance thank you for your kindness and continued support of Saint John's Food Pantry.

Confessions are held at St. John the Baptist parking lot.

Wednesday evenings 6:45-7:45pm

Saturday afternoons 12:00-2:00pm

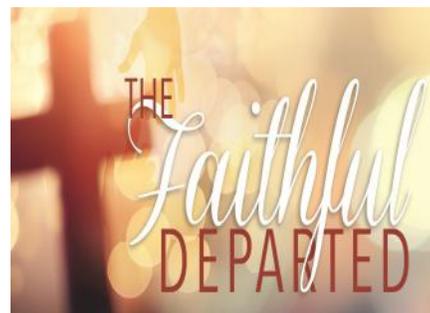


Ongoing
Novena
To
Our
Lady
Untier
of Knots
At 7:15pm.
Contact
The
Rectory
For
Details.

Donation: The bread and wine for the week of June 7th-June 13th is donated in memory of:

St. Joseph's: Robert, Barbara and Teresa Foley

St. John the Baptist:



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, Richard Omwenga, Edith B. Palumbo, Mabel Lombardo, Amelio Recupero, Vincent A. Cristiani, Fred Abdallah, Jean Genereux and Mary E. Duross

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