

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



## 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

**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. We encourage you to register in the parish by calling the rectory or visiting our website to fill out a registration form. 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 (Outdoor)  
5:00pm

**\*Please note, reservations are required for all masses.**

#### St. John's Food Pantry

p: 617.472.4908

Hours: The pantry is open on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 PM for our neighbors in need (located in the building next to the back door of the rectory.)

#### DAILY MASS

8:00am, Saturdays (Only)  
6:05pm, Monday-Friday  
St. John the Baptist Chapel

#### ADORATION W/ HOLY HOUR

3:00pm- 6:00pm, Monday-Friday  
St. John the Baptist Lower chapel

#### Sunday Holy Hour 3:00-4:00pm

#### DRIVE THRU CONFESSION

Wednesday, 6:45pm-7:45pm  
Saturday, 12:00pm- 2:00pm

#### YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, 6:00pm- 7:30pm

### COLLABORATIVE STAFF

#### Pastor

Rev. Matthew M. Williams

#### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph Boafu

#### Senior Priests in Residence

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Rev. Tom DiLorenzo

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Rev. Sebastian Varghese, CMI

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#### St. Joseph's Food Pantry

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Hours: The pantry is open on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 PM 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-2:30pm

# FR. MATT'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give us His peace.

## THE CAUSE OF OUR JOY - Mary, Our Blessed Mother

When we launched the **JOY Movement** last June, we did so with a **54 Day Rosary Novena**. I have NO DOUBT that the fruitfulness of our JOY Movement is due to the powerful intercession of the Our Lady. Momma is taking care of her kids!

The Holy Spirit is now leading us to **Marian Consecration**; where every parishioner is invited to consecrate his/her life, and indeed both of our parishes (our St. J's Collaborative and the JOY Movement) will be consecrated, to Jesus Christ through His Most Blessed Mother.

Our period of preparation begins Monday October 19, 2020, and our day of Consecration will be on Saturday November 21, the Feast of the Presentation of Mary. We invite you to obtain a copy of Fr. Michael Gaitley's **33 Days to Morning Glory**. **Please secure your own book, but if you need help**, a number of generous parishioners have donated extra books for us to give away. Just let us know.

During these very challenging times, we need our Heavenly Mother's help; her powerful intercession, protection from all evil, and her daily guidance. In acknowledging the evils that plague us, we cannot fail to recall that the devil, who is the "father of lies" and a "liar, thief and murderer", is real and wants to destroy the human race. He wants to destroy you! **WE NEED OUR LADY NOW MORE THAN EVER!** Through Marian Consecration, we give Mary permission and authority to work in our lives, and to guide us into the WAY (Jesus) of peace!

## **"WHY IS MARY DEPICTED STANDING ON A SNAKE?"**

I was blessed by the following article by Philip Kosloski of Aleteia. It gives us a beautiful teaching about our Lady's power over satan, and further reason why we would consecrate our lives to this great Mother.

One of the most common depictions of the Virgin Mary has her standing on a snake. Why is that?

The tradition finds its roots in a biblical verse that was translated in the Latin Vulgate (which was later translated into English in the Douay-Rheims Bible). In the Book of Genesis, shortly after Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit in the garden, God curses the serpent who tricked them and foretells his ultimate destruction.

*I will put enmities between thee and the woman, and thy seed and her seed: she shall crush thy head, and thou shalt lie in wait for her heel. (Genesis 3:15)*

Initially this was taken by the Church to refer to **Mary**, the woman who would give birth to the **Messiah**. It would be through her "Yes," that Satan would be defeated and the curse of Eve lifted.

St. Irenaeus puts it eloquently, "[Jesus'] obedience on the tree of the cross reversed the disobedience at the tree in Eden; the good news of the truth announced by an angel to Mary, a virgin subject to a husband, **undid the evil lie that seduced Eve**, a virgin espoused to a husband. As Eve was seduced by the word of an angel and so fled from God after disobeying his word, Mary in her turn was given the good news by the word of an angel, and bore God in obedience to his word."

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At the same time, the Greek Septuagint translates it as "he shall crush your head," referring instead to Jesus Christ. This was debated throughout the history of the Church, as St. Alphonsus Liguori relates in his book *The Glories of Mary*.

*Mary, then, was this great and valiant woman, who conquered the devil and crushed his head by bringing down his pride, as it was foretold by God Himself: "she shall crush thy head." Some doubt as to whether these words refer to Mary, or whether they do not rather refer to Jesus Christ; for the Septuagint renders them, "He shall crush thy head." But in the Vulgate ... we find "SHE," and not "He;" and thus it was understood by Saint Ambrose, Saint Jerome, Saint Augustine, and a great many others.*

St. Alphonsus admits that, either way, it was through the victory won by Jesus.

*However, be it as it may, it is certain that either the Son by means of the Mother, or the Mother by means of the Son, has overcome Lucifer...*

The good news is that Satan, the "serpent," has been defeated through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Mary's "Yes" made that possible, and through her free choice our Messiah came into the world.

Mary remains the "Terror of Demons," and it is no surprise that demons often flee at the name of Mary, fearful of the woman who reversed the disobedience of Eve.

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matt+

WILL YOU HELP SPREAD THE JOY???



In light of Fr. Matt's article and his recent homily segment posted on Facebook - What if we all committed to spreading the JOY MOVEMENT on our social media??? What if we, The St. J's Joy Movement volunteers and friends, posted the Joy Movement Icon with a personal invite to our Sept 25 Joy Event? Join us for outdoor adoration, praise and worship, and Joy Movement Reflection by Fr. Matt. People can bring a chair or drive-in for this wonderful night.

Monday this week the flier and the Joy movement Icon will be available on our Parish Facebook page and my personal page. Will you hit "share" and spread the JOY in a (social media) world that is desperate for it?

Mark your calendars:

Oct. 19 Fatima Drive-In Movie to kick off Upcoming Marian Consecration 33 Days to Morning Glory  
11am Outdoor Mass St John's  
4:00 pm Senior Mass

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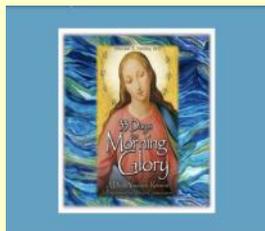
In the joy of Christ Jesus,  
Andrea Alberti

Director of Outreach and Evangelization  
St. John the Baptist and St. Joseph Parish Collaborative of Quincy, MA



# This Week at St. Js

## COLLABORATIVE MARIAN CONSECRATION



Every member of our community and all the friends of our community (and beyond) are invited to join us in consecrating ourselves to Jesus through Mary. It begins October 19 and we will consecrate ourselves and our parishes on Saturday November 21 (Feast of the Presentation of Mary). We will be using the book: 33 Days to Morning Glory by Fr. Michael Gaitley, SM. Please secure your own book, and if you need help please let us know. "It is through the most Blessed Virgin Mary that Jesus Christ came into the world, and it is through her that He must reign in the world" (True Devotion).

## HYGIENE DRIVE Support Our Local Scouts



**Who:** All Donations for Interfaith Social Services  
**What:** All Hygiene Products (List Below)  
**Where:** St. John's Church Lot (Drive through Drop Off)  
**When:** Saturday, Sept 12th (9am-12pm)  
 Sunday, Sept. 13th (12:30-4:30pm)

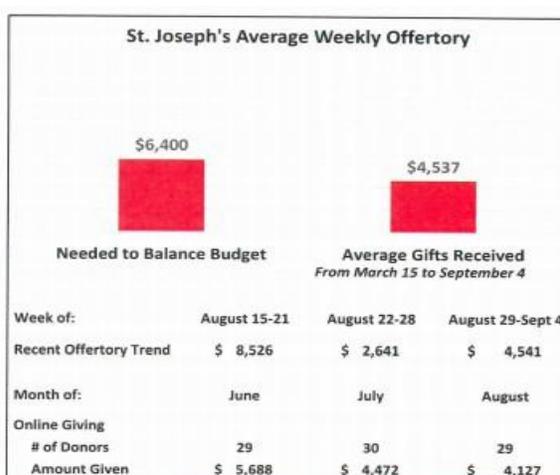
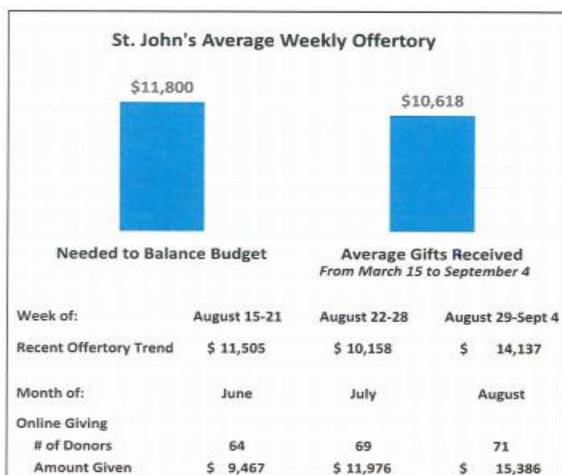
### Most Needed Items:

Toothpaste & toothbrushes, Dental floss, Unscented bars of soap, Body wash, Shampoo & conditioner, Shaving cream & razors, Deodorant (men's & women's), Feminine hygiene products, Diapers (esp. size 4, 5 & 6), Unscented baby wipes, Toilet paper, Tissues

**Adorers:** Thank you to everyone who has signed up to be an Adorer! We appreciate your time commitment and pray that this time dedicated to our Lord will be very fruitful and rewarding for you. **We are still working on logistics for opening up the additional adoration time frame from 12-3pm, M-F. We will notify everyone of the start date as soon as it has been determined.** For now, ideally we would like to have 2 adorers for each hour from 12-6pm. If you are interested in signing up for a 1 hour time slot, please go to our new Adoration Pro Website and follow the below steps:

**Adoration Pro Link:** <https://adorationpro.org/quincyma>

1. Click on the Button that says "Weekly Commitment" and that will bring you to the schedule page.
2. You can sign up for an hour on this screen by clicking the "sign up" button to the right of the hour you want.
3. **If you cannot commit to the same hour every week, you could add yourself to the "substitute adorer" list.** The sub list will get notified if a regularly scheduled adorer cannot make their 1 hour commitment that week. If the requested time works for someone on the sub list, the sub will be able to respond to the request with the provided link in the request.
4. There is a button at the bottom of the schedule page that says: "Become a Sub". Please use that button to add yourself to the sub list if you would like. After filling out your contact information, you can decide if you want sub requests to go to your email or be sent as a text message.



Note: The totals for the week of August 15-21 do not include two \$10,000 donations made by the City of Quincy to both parishes.

	St. John's	St. Joseph's	
Pre-Joy Movement Weekly Average (12 weeks)	\$ 8,996	\$ 3,729	Pre-Joy Movement = From March 15 to June 5
Post-Joy Movement Weekly Average (13 weeks)	\$ 12,115	\$ 5,283	Post-Joy Movement = From June 6 to September 4
% Increase	35%	42%	

## 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, financial insecurities, illness, problems 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 unresolvable. The Virgin Mother unties the knots that we cannot untie by ourselves.

Father Joseph warmly invites you to a thirty minute novena prayer each night at 6.45pm. Please order your booklet: Novena to MARY, Untier of Knots, Vojtech Kodet, O. Carm. Please send e-mail or call the rectory to register for the Novena to Mary, Untier of Knots: 617- 773-1021/ stjohns@stjohnsquincy.org

# This Week

## Weekend Mass Intentions:

### ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, September 12  
4:00pm ~ 25th Anniversary  
William Higgins

Sunday, September 13  
8:30am ~ 5th Anniversary  
James Inglis

### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Saturday, September 12  
4:00pm ~ Mass for the People

Sunday, September 13  
11:00am ~ 4th Anniversary  
Walter Young &  
2nd Anniversary Rita Martinson  
5:00pm ~ 10th Anniversary  
John Breen

## Daily Mass Intentions:

Monday - Friday @ 6:05pm  
Saturday Morning - 8:00am  
St. John the Baptist

Saturday, 9/12 ~ 1st Anniversary  
Michael Markham

Monday 9/14 ~ Memorial  
Russell Forte

Tuesday 9/15 ~ Memorial  
William Hurley

Wednesday 9/16 ~ 1st Anniversary  
Frances T. Andronico

Thursday 9/17 ~ Anniversary Mass  
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Scott

Friday 9/18 ~ Memorial  
Gioacchino & Sarah Russo

Donation: The bread and wine for the week of September 13th -19 is donated in memory of:

St. Joseph:

St. John the Baptist:

## Your Prayers are Requested for:

Please remember in your prayers all our relatives and friends who passed away recently especially Amelia Mattes, Nuala Donnellan, Francis Hogan, and Shirley J. Gilbody. May their Souls and the Souls of All the Faithful Departed Rest in Peace. **Amen**



## Clergy Health and Retirement Trust

SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS IN SEPTEMBER



SCAN HERE TO GIVE

Next weekend September 19/20 you will have the opportunity to support our priests. September is known as clergy Health and Retirement Trust month. Although there is no Special Collection in the parish (Our collection will stay in our parishes) there are ways in which you can give to the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust (CHRT). The CHRT offers programs for the health and wellness of all our Priests in good standing.

Here is what you can do to support our Priests:

- 1) Go to Clergytrust.org or scan the QR code box above to give with Venmo, Apple/Google Pay, and Pay Pal Via Givebutter.
- 2) If you receive envelopes from Our Sunday Visitor you can drop that Special Envelope marked "Clergy Benefit Trust" in the baskets and we will make sure it gets processed.

**Healthier priests mean stronger communities for all.  
Help us care for our priests in good standing by making a donation.**