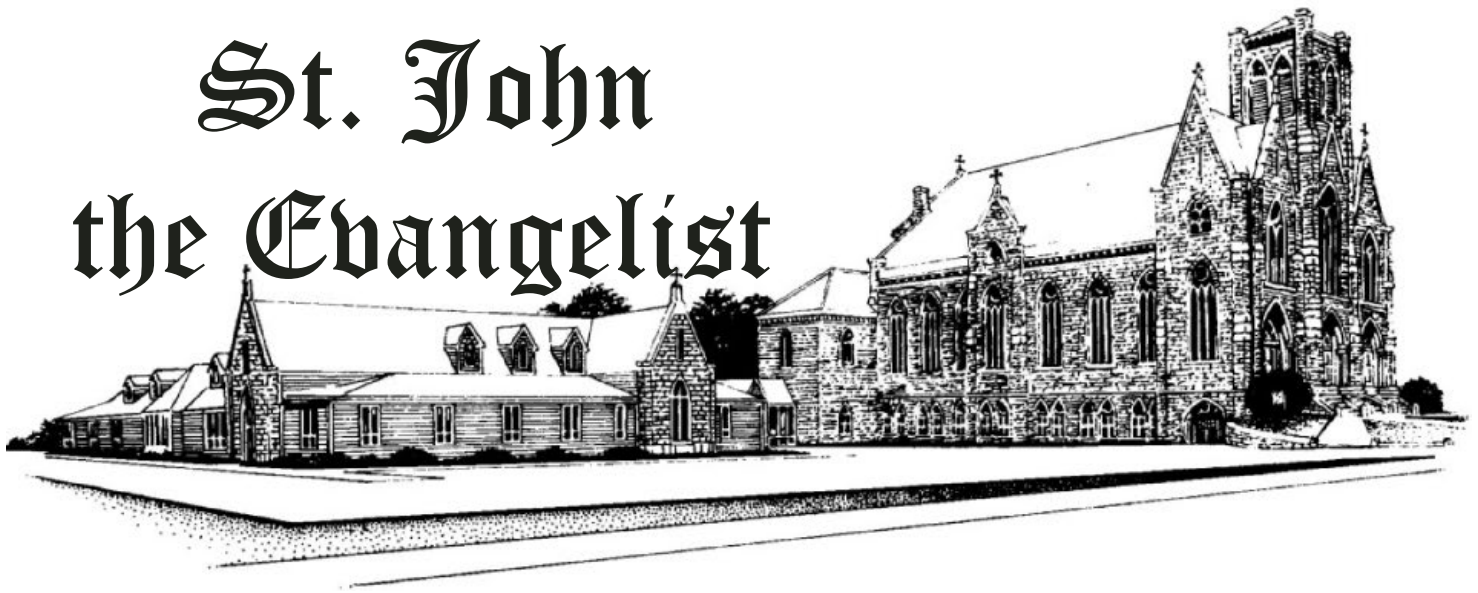


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Please introduce yourselves. We hope to know and serve you. We hope you become an active part of our Parish Community.

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM
Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 8:30-9:15 AM in the lower chapel

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11:30 AM
Please call for information

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arranged at least 6 months in advance

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PARISH "NEWS" DEADLINE

All copy must be submitted in writing no later than Monday noon. (Holiday weeks may require a longer lead time.)

ST. JOHN'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those that need a little help,
please call: 508-435-3313x207



So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." - Jn 18:37

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, December 1, 2024:

Jer 33:14-16/ Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/

1Thes 3:12—4:2/ Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 266 in the pew missal.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

4:00 PM Tara Sharma

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM Special Intention

6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

9:00 AM Fr. Thomas Bouton (living intention)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

9:00 AM Melissa Jubane

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

9:00 AM Special Intention

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

9:00 AM For the benefactors of our St. Vincent de Paul Society

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00 AM Beny & Soraya Chua (living)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

8:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

4:00 PM In thanksgiving for St. Andrew

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

8:00 AM Raymond & Rose Leveille

10:00 AM Gerald & Betty Lamoureux

(25th wedding anniversary—living)

6:30 PM Parishioners of St. John's



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

8:45 AM Grades 1-6

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

2:45 PM Grade 6

4:30 PM Grades 1-4

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

4:30 PM Grades 2 & 5

6:30 PM Grades 7 & 8

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 9AM Mass in the lower church every Tuesday and Friday, beginning with the Litany to our Blessed Mother. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited at 11:45AM followed by Benediction. Please feel free to drop in for a visit.

NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY

2nd collection **THIS** weekend
Retired Religious Sisters

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE *Blessed Virgin Mary.*

A Holy Day of Obligation

Masses at **9AM & 7PM** on Monday, December 9
in the upper church

SAVE THE DATE

Advent Evening of Prayer with Fr. Lacombe

Wednesday, **December 4, 2024 at 7PM** in the lower chapel

Global Mission Apostolate

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners, we were able to send off a check to Fr. Henault in the amount of \$10,000 for his work at the St. Damien Clinic for Hansen's Disease in Gonaives, Haiti. A sincere THANK YOU to all who helped make this possible. The civil unrest and gang violence in Haiti is ongoing so please keep Fr. Henault and all the Haitian people in your prayers.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

There will be a holy hour of Divine Mercy **every Monday from 6:30-7:30PM in the lower church.** All are welcome.

Holy Hour for the Conversion of Sinners and Prayers for the Dying

There is a holy hour here at St. John's parish for the conversion of sinners and prayers for the dying on **Thursdays at 6:30PM in the lower church.**



Please Remember in Prayer

All confined, all in need of healing...Please pray for all deceased and their families...Our servicemen and women, and their families, and all who suffer in embattled countries.

PLEASE NOTE: Parents or caregivers need to accompany small children to the restroom to ensure their safety and hygiene. Their reassuring presence provides support and supervision to address any issues that may arise while the child is alone.

TRAVELING?

FREE ministry to traveling Catholics: You can check out www.masstimes.org from any internet connection to find out the name, location, and Mass schedule of the nearest Catholic church anywhere in America.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated **8:30-9:15AM** in the lower church **THIS Saturday, November 30.**

Rest in Peace

Susan Henault

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish, please introduce yourself. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will support your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents. Please call the Parish Office (435-3313x203) to register.

Monday Zoom Rosary

Monday evenings at 7PM. This 30 minutes once a week provides a quiet and reflective time. You also pray in the comfort of your home but with a community of faith praying with you. Try it out. All are welcome! Contact Deacon Guy (deaconguy@verizon.net) for more information and Zoom link.

St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative

Christine Yeargin Interviews

Seth Dillon CEO of the Babylon Bee on Abortion

*"Harmful misinformation is telling a woman that abortion is a decision about **her** body when another body and life is at stake. Harmful misinformation is calling a baby a clump of cells. Harmful misinformation is calling abortion healthcare. Harmful misinformation is presenting abortion, not adoption, as the best answer to an unwanted pregnancy."*

Christine Yeargin Episode 09 with Seth Dillon (Seth Dillon was the Keynote Speaker on October 4th, 2024 at the Mass Citizens for Life Banquet).

KNOWING THEM...PRAYING FOR THEM... HELPING THEM GET TO HEAVEN!

In the Catholic Church the month of November is traditionally given over to prayer and fasting for the holy souls in Purgatory. The most powerful form of prayer for the souls in Purgatory is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. We have the opportunity to assist the holy souls through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. They cannot help themselves, but they do remember us with gratitude in their prayers.

"Of all prayers, the most meritorious, the most acceptable to God are prayers for the dead, because they imply all the works of charity, both corporal and spiritual."

—St. Thomas Aquinas

YOU ARE NEEDED

"Enter into Purgatory often, because they need you there."

—Jesus' words to Saint Faustina (and to us too!),
Divine Mercy Diary #1738

How can we help our brothers and sisters in Purgatory?

The best way is to have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered for them or devoutly assist at Holy Mass for their relief or release. Make the stations of the cross for their consolation. Pray the rosary, the chaplet of Divine Mercy. By gaining indulgences (ccc 1471-1479). Offering up pain, self-denials, and sufferings. Eucharist adoration. Offer up works of mercy, almsgiving and fasting.

LOVE SHOULD NOT DIE AT DEATH



REMINDER: If you have not yet picked up your child's/ children's home school books, please come by the Rel. Ed. Office. The books are on a table outside the Rel. Ed. Office. If there is a balance due, you can pay online or leave a check in the mail slot in the Rel. Ed. Office door. (Checks can be written to St. John's.)

Religious Education Classes Collecting Donations for Mustard Seed

During this Advent Season, the Religious Education classes will be collecting socks, gloves, mittens, hooded sweatshirts (can be gently used) and hats for the Mustard Seed food kitchen in Worcester. During the month of December, please have your child bring an item to class. There will be boxes outside the Religious Education office that you could also place them in.

Thank you from the Religious Education Staff



Advent Wreath Making Workshop

December 1, 2024

Come anytime between **1PM-3PM**
St. John's Parish Hall

Create Your Own Fresh Advent Wreath

All materials provided,
including assorted fresh greens and candles.
Please bring your own clippers if you have them.
\$30 per wreath, payable by cash or check, at the door.
Refreshments will be served.

**To reserve your wreath
please RSVP by Monday, November 25th** to Jackie Condon
(Jacquelyn.Condon@Bain.com or 617-794-3161)

**We order wreaths based on number reserved, so
please reserve yours today!*

Knights of Columbus Coat Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting gently used coats through the end of December. There will be a container in the vestibule of the church where you can place your coats. These coats will be dry cleaned and repaired if necessary and given to individuals in need of a warm coat this winter. You are encouraged to drop off your donated coats early so the Knights can get these coats to individuals who are in most need of a coat as early in the winter as possible. Thank you for your support of this important cause. Should you have any questions please contact Grand Knight Joe Altman at 508-380-0163 or joealtman@verizon.net.

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

**Daniel 7: 13-14; Psalm 93: 1, 1-2, 5,
Revelation: 5-8: John 18: 33-37**

Today we celebrate Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the universe. Last week we were learning about the end times. In a sense, today we are learning about the beginning and the end: Jesus Christ is the Alpha and Omega (the beginning and the end). It is He who is our destination, not this earth. Paraphrasing a part of the first chapter of John's gospel: in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God, and everything was created through Him and for Him.

I stumbled across a random commentary which suggests that when God created the universe, God spoke to the heavens. And when God created fish, God spoke to the waters and seas. And when God created trees, and all types of vegetation, God spoke to the earth and its soil. But when God created humanity, God spoke to Himself, Father Son and Holy Spirit: "Let us create man, and fashion him in our own image and likeness." Reflecting on this, it is clear from any perspective that in the vast cosmic expanse of creation, we are the only creation made in the image and likeness of God; and we were created with and for the Word of God made flesh, Jesus Christ, King of the universe, whose dominion is firm and lasts forever! In the words of the commentator, "God is our natural habitat." In other words, we were created to live with Him, we in Him and He in us; a gift and a destination not to be squandered.

When any living creation is separated from its natural habit, eventually it dies, fish out of water, trees and other vegetation out of the soil, and we when we leave God, His commandments, His trustworthy and essential precepts, and His sacrificial love as lived by the Word Made Flesh, we endanger our own spiritual lives. As we advance toward Advent, let us strive to live more fully in our natural habitat, with and for a loving God who is always there for us, and who came to save humanity amid the vastness of all creation.





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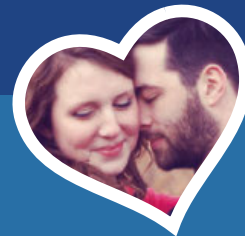
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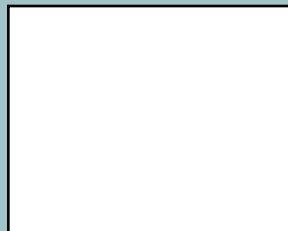


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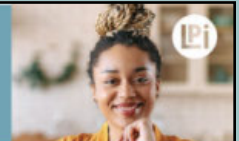
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