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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

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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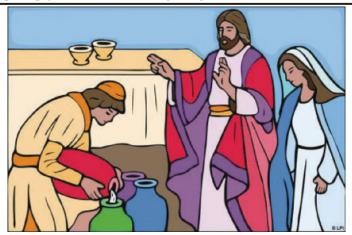
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PARISH "NEWS" DEADLINE

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: 508-435-3313x27



There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

- Jn 2:1-3

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, January 26, 2025: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/ Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c)/ 1Cor 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 90 in the pew missal.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

4:00 PM

Grace Fortin

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

8:00 AM David Healey 10:00 AM Eleanor Canepa

6:30 PM Parishioners of St. John's

MONDAY, JANUARY 20

9:00 AM Special Intention

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

9:00 AM Ralph Rotolante

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

10:00 AM For the legal protection of unborn

children

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

9:00 AM Special Intention

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

8:00 AM For the conversion of sinners 4:00 PM Albert & Jeannette St. Jean

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's 10:00 AM Reverend Andy Remillard

6:30 PM Carol Canestrari

This Week

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19—NO CLASSES MONDAY, JANUARY 20—NO CLASSES

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church THIS Saturday, January 25.

Join Us For Coffee, Donuts and Conversation COFFEE, DONUTS & TRIVIA!

St. John's parish family invites you to join us for coffee, donuts, and trivia in the parish center following the 10AM Mass this Sunday.

2nd collection **THIS** weekend Parish Upkeep & Maintenance

2024 Giving Statements

Tax time will soon be here. If you are in the envelope system and would like a donation statement for the year, please call or email the parish office at 508-435-3313 or stjohnshopkinton@verizon.net. If you give electronically, please log into your account and go to your giving profile to get the statement or contact the office for assistance.

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.

DIVINE MERCY AND THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS

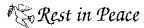
God doesn't want any of His wayward children to be lost, but truly rejoices when they repent of their sins, turn back to Him, and are saved. (Luke, Chapter 15)

I have come to call sinners, not the self-righteous. Mark 2:17

PLEASE NOTE: During Mass, 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.

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.



Eleanor Hahesy John Bosco Kim



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.

MUSTARD SEED

Thank you for your continued support of the people who come to this Catholic Worker Soup Kitchen for a nourishing meal. Please use the boxes on the tables at the rear of the church for your donation. Thank you for your generosity.

St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative Reflection from 9 Days for Life Novena January 16-24

"Abortion is currently legal in more states than not. Continuing work is urgently needed to protect children, women, and families from the tragedy of abortion. At this critical moment, whether we reside in states with pro-life or pro-abortion policies, we are presented with opportunities and responsibilities to continue building a culture that welcomes, celebrates, and protects human life. Our prayer and action are essential to maintaining policies that protect life, where they exist, and preventing the spread of policies that lead to more abortions. As we mark the solemn anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* this January, recalling the millions of lives that have been lost to abortion, may we recommit ourselves to the cause of life."

United States Council of Catholic Bishops

Save the Date! St. John the Evangelist Holy Hour for Life Friday, January 31, 2025 at 7PM Fr. Cannon presiding, Lower Church

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. John's St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all the parishioners that helped to provide a Merry Christmas for those in need. Ten Hopkinton families received gifts and goodies from Santa's helpers (parishioners) and 31 families received food gift cards. We appreciate your holiday donations and welcome donations during the year as well. Feel free to use the envelopes in the back of the church with the beautiful new donation boxes that have been added there or mail your donations to the parish office. Thank you again for your continued support and please keep us and our neighbors in need in your prayers.



First Reconciliation

45 children received First Reconciliation this past week after weeks of preparation with their catechists and their parents. Congratulations to all!

High School Youth Group Movie Night

All high school students are invited to a movie night **THIS Friday**, **January 24**, **at 7PM** in the parish center. Refreshments will be served. We will be watching **The Blind Side** movie on the new AV system in the parish center. Bring a friend! Please RSVP on our website so we can get a general count for food and drinks. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact George Gaughan at 617-593-6588 or **stjohnshopkintonyouthministry@gmail.com**.

CHESTERTON GALA

Chesterton Academy of the Immaculata, a new joyfully Catholic, classical high school is hosting their inaugural **Chesterton Gala** on **February 1, 2025, at 6PM** at the Boston Marriott Newton. This will be an unforgettable evening in support of Catholic education. It will feature a keynote address by Dr. Peter Kreeft and Prof. John Walker, of EWTN's Chesterton Station, as 'G.K. Chesterton'. The evening includes a cocktail hour, dinner, speaking program, and silent auction. Tickets are \$150 per person. Learn more and purchase tickets, ads, and sponsorships at <u>chestertonimmaculata.org/gala</u>.

HOLY MARY-REFUGE OF SINNERS -MOTHER KNOWS BESTOUR LADY OF LOURDES

Our Blessed Mother appeared 18 times to Saint Bernadette Soubirous beginning on February 11 and ending July 16, 1858. On the apparition of February 24, Mary asked Bernadette for penance and prayer for the conversion of sinners.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

The Blessed Mother appeared to three shepherd children, Lucia, Jaicinta and Francisco, on May 13, 1917, to request a favor from them. Our Lady asked "are you willing to offer yourself to God and bear all the suffering He wills to send you as an act of reparation for the sins by which He is offended and of supplication for the conversion of sinners?"

OUR LADY OF CHAMPION*

Our Blessed Mother appeared to Sister Adele Brise in 1859, Wisconsin, U.S.A. to ask Sister Adele to "make a general confession and offer Holy Communion for the conversion of sinners."

*The only approved apparition of Our Lady in the U.S.A.

HELP ME TO SAVE SOULS

The prayer most pleasing to Me is prayer for the conversion of sinners. Know My daughter that this prayer is always heard and answered. Words of Jesus to Saint Faustina, Divine Mercy Diary #1397

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 96:1-3, 7-10; 1Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11

At one time or another I think we all have, or know somebody who has, run out of something important at a crucial time. No matter how we organize or prepare the unexpected can happen. It can be anything: money, the right words when we really need them, patience, health, energy, confidence, even faith. With the challenges of our current world, one can sometimes feel like one has nothing left in body, mind and soul when a tragedy strikes, or if the burden of the responsibilities of many years feels like we have nothing left, or that we have spent ourselves to the point where it even may be difficult to take a peaceful and productive rest, leaving room only for anxiety, panic, or discouragement. But none of those things are "part of life," as some people profess. God did not create us to feel this way. Anxiety, panic, discouragement and other such impediments are not "part of life" or a part of the Lord's creation. In our fallen nature, it is humanity itself that creates such things.

In the last three Sundays, we have had wonderful examples of the nature of God through Jesus Christ: The Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord, and the Wedding feast at Cana. We have learned of the Lord's gentleness, compassion, humility, glory, power, His obedience to the will of the Father, and the love, respect, and obedience Jesus has for His mother.

Amid all the troubles, sadness, stumbling blocks, fatigue, hardships, and doubts that we may have, the Lord is there for us, and so is his Blessed Mother. The new Jerusalem, the Kingdom of God, is here in the Holy Roman Catholic (universal) and Apostolic Church. Do all that you can when you can, and hand the rest of it to the Lord and His Blessed Mother. Build your relationship with Christ and his mother through prayer, sacrament, and the Rosary. At Cana, the Lord transformed gallons and gallons of water into the finest of wines. Never doubt that the Anointed One of God can transform and restore each of us! Look up to The Lord and the intercession of the Blessed Mother. The Lord is just waiting to help fill and transform what may be lost or lacking. Finally, follow the advice of the Blessed Mother at Cana (advice applicable to all things in our lives on this earth): "Do whatever HE tells you." That is advice we must never ignore, delay or fall away from; because at some point, we all run out of time and into eternity!





St. John's 2025 calendars are available at the back of the church.







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