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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.

#### **PASTOR**

Very Rev. Richard E. Cannon, V.F. 508-435-3313x21 rec55xp@outlook.com

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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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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

### **ORGANIST/MUSIC DIRECTOR**

**Bernadette Nadeau** 

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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



"I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one."

- Jn 17:22-23a

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, June 8, 2025: 1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/ Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 198 in the pew missal.



SATURDAY, MAY 31

4:00 PM Lorraine Moreno

**SUNDAY, JUNE 1** 

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM Michael Pedroli

6:30 PM Stephen Cole (living intention)

**MONDAY, JUNE 2** 

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

**TUESDAY, JUNE 3** 

9:00 AM Special Intention

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4** 

9:00 AM Michael J. Duffy and Anna-Marie

**Duffy** (living intentions)

**THURSDAY, JUNE 5** 

9:00 AM Sharon Holcombe

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

9:00 AM Anne-Marie Moore

**SATURDAY, JUNE 7** 

8:00 AM In honor of the anniversaries of

all priestly ordinates

4:00 PM Parishioners of St. John's

**SUNDAY, JUNE 8** 

8:00 AM Special Intention

10:00 AM Louise Creswell and Nancy Ciceroni

6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

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**

### **Adult Religious Education Classes**

St. John's is once again holding special classes for adult Catholic faith formation. This catechetical instruction will be offered for converts, the unbaptized, adult confirmations or for those seeking to be better informed in their faith. If you know anyone who may be interested, please spread the word. Classes are held on Tuesdays at 7PM in the parish center library. Please call the parish office at 508-435-3313x203 if you have any questions.

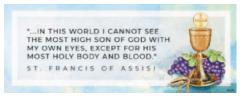
## **Divine Mercy Prayer Group**

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.

SAVE THE DATE!: The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit AND first-class relic of Carlo Acutis are coming to St. John's on Corpus Christi, June 21-22. Donate to our Miracles Exhibit: We are asking for donations towards this parish-sponsored event: make out a check to St. John's with "miracles" in the memo. To donate online, go to www.stjohnhopkinton.com, click "Online Giving", and select "Miracles – Corpus Christi". This event is dedicated to the youth of our parish, as we pray for our growth in faith and numbers at St. John's.



## Mass in Honor of the Sacred Heart and Spiritual Reparation

We will a have first Friday Mass THIS Friday, June 6, at 7PM in the lower church, in honor of our Lord's Most Sacred Heart, especially for the reparation of sins and sacrileges that so offend our heavenly Father: for our sins; the sins of those in the Church; and the sins of the world. Following the Mass, we will pray the litany to Our Lord's Most Sacred Heart.

"Do not let the past disturb you, just leave everything in the Sacred Heart and begin again with joy."—St. Mother Teresa

## **First Saturday Devotion**

All are invited to attend the First Saturday Devotion **THIS Saturday**, **June 7**, **at 7:15AM** in the lower chapel. The rosary will be prayed followed by the Fatima prayers and 15 minutes of private meditation, prior to the celebration of Mass at 8AM. Confession will be available following Mass.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church THIS Saturday, June 7.



## 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.

## 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.



## St. John's Annual Rummage Sale

St. John's Annual Rummage Sale will take place Friday, June 6 (9AM-7PM), Saturday, June 7 (9AM-5PM), and Monday, June 9 through Wednesday, June 11, (9AM-5PM). (No sale on Sunday). We would appreciate donations of clothing, jewelry, books, toys and games, household items, and small furniture. Donations are being accepted at the parish center now through June 4 from 9AM-4PM every day (except Sunday). Please have all items in good resaleable condition. If you have any questions, please call the parish secretary at 508-435-3313x20. We appreciate your donations, however, we CANNOT ACCEPT the following items: baby car seats, baby cribs, beds, box springs, computers, desks, dishwashers, dryers, large exercise equipment, footwear (shoes, boots, slippers, including all sport shoes), freezers, large office furniture, gas grills, lawnmowers, organs or pianos, mattresses, paint or chemicals, ping pong tables, printers, refrigerators, large rugs, seasonal decorations, equipment, sports equipment, stoves, televisions, treadmills, wall units, washing machines, VHS tapes, encyclopedias, or large china cabinets.

## **Bundle Sunday Weekend (June 13-15)**

St. John's Saint Vincent de Paul Society is again participating in this fundraising activity that will provide muchneeded funds to our ministry. The event held in June 2024 was a great success thanks to our generous donors. This money is used to help Hopkinton residents in need of food, rent, utility assistance, and many other basic necessities. SVDP will receive money based on the weight of the donations. We are asking that you donate to our annual rummage sale starting May 19th. Any clothes and shoes not sold at the rummage sale will then be put in the trailer on June 13th for the SVDP fundraiser. It is a win-win for our parish! If you miss the rummage sale donation window, then please still bring your clothes/shoes to our trailer between June 13th-15th. They can be boxed or bagged and NO other items can be accepted. The donations are sold in the SVDP retail stores. The trailer will be located in the church parking lot. Thank you for your support and we look forward to filling that trailer! If you have any questions, please call Lynn at 508-308-8414.



# <u>Thank You</u> To all our volunteers!

The biggest thank you for volunteering your time and energy to St. John's Parish this past year. Your help and talent do not go unnoticed. Our parish is lucky and grateful to have you in whatever area you volunteer. You have made our parish better and have possibly changed the lives of some. We wish you all well.

Congratulations to the class of 2025! May God continue to guide you and be with you as you continue your life journey.

## **George Carlino Scholarship**

Congratulations to Laine Valutkevich & Dylan Comiskey, this year's recipients of St. John the Evangelist's George Carlino Scholarship. They will each be awarded \$1,000. Their outstanding essays written about Blessed Carlo Acutis were the basis for this scholarship being awarded to them. We are confident that they will be equally successful at University of Maryland (Laine) and College of the Holy Cross (Dylan) and will continue their faith journey as they begin this next chapter in their lives.

## St. John's High School Youth Group

Upcoming events include: baking brownies for the Mustard Seed Soup Kitchen in Worcester for those who are food insecure on **Thursday**, **June 26 in St. John's Parish Hall Kitchen (Time TBD)**; Youth Group Hike: Mount Watatic, (tentatively) Saturday, June 7; Whitewater Rafting Trip: TBD in early July. We would love to include other ideas you may have to our spring calendar. If you would like to be on our distribution list for activities, please contact us at: <a href="mailto:stjohn-shopkintonyouthministry@gmail.com">stjohn-shopkintonyouthministry@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Baptismal Blanket Ministry**

**St. John's baptismal baby blanket ministry needs your help!** Volunteers are needed to make and donate baby blankets to be given to babies who are baptized here at St. John's. The blankets can be crocheted, knitted, or crafted from fleece. If you can help, blankets can be dropped off to the parish office. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 508-435-3313x20.

## **Summer Bible Adventure 2025**

July 14th through July 18th, 9AM to 12 Noon each day. Come join us for St. John's Summer Bible Adventure in the Parish Center. Sign up on our website: <a href="mailto:stjohnhopkinton.com">stjohnhopkinton.com</a>.

## Do You Need Transportation to Mass?

The Knights of Columbus will pay for transportation to bring the homebound or those who may need a ride to Sunday Mass. Please contact Grand Knight Joe Altman for information at 508-380-0163 or joealtman@verizon.net.

## **CROSS ROADS**

By Deacon Tony

Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26

Taking today's readings together as a message to all of us, Stephen becomes the first martyr of what has been called the infant Church. He becomes the first example of what Christ meant when he gave the apostles a new commandment, to love one another as he has loved us...which entails a willingness to give up one's life for the sake of others, because there is no greater love than that. We also see that there is hope for everyone. For Stephen's proclamation that Jesus was King over all the earth, he was stoned to death looking up to Heaven, as Jesus often did when praying to the Father, and forgiving those who persecuted him, and as Jesus did from the cross. Jesus looked to heaven in today's gospel, as he prayed for His apostles, that they would be one with Jesus as Jesus is one with the Father.

Where is the hope for all. Recall that as Stephen was being stoned to death, a young man named Saul was tending to the cloaks of those who were stoning Stephen, the same Saul who would become Saint Paul. We are reminded of Saint Augustine's declaration that all Saints have a past, and all sinners can have a future. Also, we recall that Jesus promised to return, and to send the Spirit to fortify us. Jesus prayed that we all be one as members of His Mystical body, we in Him and He in us.

Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, our destiny is to be with Him if we cooperate with His grace and the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Though we live in a violent world that to this day persecutes the Church, the Church remains, and continues to be a living institution, made of living stones, and as the Mystical Body of Christ, the longest continuous institution in History. In faith, that is our hope, even in the face of obstacles, persecution, violence, and ridicule. The Church is and ever will be a world changer with Christ as its head over all the earth, and all creation. So let us pray, and worship, looking to what is above: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the ONE AND ONLY GOD, who holds all creation together until the end of time.

## St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative

Our Lady of Life

**Holy Mother, Our Lady of Life**, teach us to see Life as you did: as a gift from God.

**Teach us** to understand that each person, at every stage in life, is precious in the eyes of God and is our brother or sister in Christ Jesus.

**Teach us** to defend the unborn, the disabled, the sick and the dying with all our strength, our love and our support.

**Teach us** to proclaim to the world the most sacred truth about the gift of life, with charity and conviction.

Please ask your Son, Who is the Way, the Truth and Life, to send us the Paraclete so that the face of the earth may be renewed in his Love.







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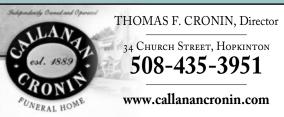
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