

#### Established 1866

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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

SENIOR DEACON
Deacon Anthony C. Sicuso

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

508-435-3313x22 Mary Pawela, 1-6 Debbie Lysik, 7-10 Ken Lysik, 9 & 10

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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



"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." - Lk 12:39-40

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, August 17, 2025: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/ Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/ Heb 12:1-4/ Lk 12:49-53

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 231 in the pew missal.



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9** 

4:00 PM Kaitlyn Kenney

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 10** 

8:00 AM JoAnn Morgan (living intention)

10:00 AM Beatrice C. McMullen

& Joseph Michael McMullen, Jr.

6:30 PM Parishioners of St. John's

**MONDAY, AUGUST 11** 

9:00 AM Stephen Malloy

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 12** 

9:00 AM Brian Malloy

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13** 

9:00 AM John Dudley

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

9:00 AM For the conversion of sinners 4:00 PM Parishioners of St. John's

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory 7:00 PM For an increase in devotion to

Our Lady

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 16** 

8:00 AM Edward Francis Baker, Jr.

4:00 PM Louise Kehoe

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 17** 

8:00 AM Louise Pini 10:00 AM Lucinda MacLaine

6:30 PM Parishioners of St. John's

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church THIS Saturday, August 16.



# THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated **THIS Friday**, **August 15**.

#### **HOLY DAY MASSES**

Thursday, August 14 at 4PM Friday, August 15 at 9AM and 7PM

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



### 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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

### **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.

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.

Please note there will not be Adoration on Tuesday, August 19, Friday, August 22, and Tuesday, August 26.



#### **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 (435-3313x20) to register.

#### **Has Something Changed?**

Have you moved or changed your phone number? Do you now use online giving and would rather not receive envelopes anymore? Be sure to call or email the Parish Office at 435-3313x20 or stjohnshopkinton@verizon.net to let us know about the changes in your life so we can update our records. Thank you!

#### Going on Vacation?

Have a safe trip and be sure to visit <a href="www.masstimes.org">www.masstimes.org</a> for church locations and Mass times while traveling!

#### **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.

#### St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative

"National leaders in the pro-life and pro-family movements are celebrating the One Big Beautiful Bill for delivering meaningful support to American families. From strengthening the Child Tax Credit to expanding adoption incentives and ending taxpayer funding of abortion, this legislation reflects a commitment to life at every stage, according to Massachusetts Citizens for Life. Organizations like Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, March for Life, and Students for Life Action are applauding Congress for advancing policies that uplift mothers, children, and the culture of life."

https://www.masscitizensforlife.org/



# THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY AND HER CHILDREN— THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

This Friday, August 15, we honored Our Blessed Mother Mary's Assumption into Heaven with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, joining all the Angels and Saints in Heaven and the holy souls in Purgatory who "feel" their Mother with an ever greater increasing love.

"Taken up into Heaven, Mary shows us the way to God, the way to Heaven, the way of life."

-Pope Saint John Paul II



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE IS OPEN IN THE SUMMER

**Please Note:** The Religious Education office is open in the Summer except for a couple vacation weeks. Please reach out with any questions or concerns to <a href="mailto:dlysikstjn@verizon.net">dlysikstjn@verizon.net</a> or 508-435-3313 x22. Please know that if you do leave a message it goes right into the email for dlysikstjn. Your message will be returned immediately.

#### **NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION:**

Registration is ongoing for NEW students. For those wanting to enter their child/children into our program for the FIRST TIME, you must fill out a one-time registration form and provide a copy of their baptismal certificate if not baptized at St. John's. The registration form can be found on our website (stjohnhopkinton.com) under the "Religious Education" tab. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Debbie Lysik at 508-435-3313 x22 or <a href="mailto:dlysikstjn@verizon.net">dlysikstjn@verizon.net</a>.

#### ALREADY IN OUR PROGRAM?

For those already in our program, you will receive information at the end of the summer about signing up for class day & time.

#### St. John's High School Youth Group

If you are interested in planning or suggesting any events for the fall or if you would like to be on our distribution list for activities, please contact us at: <a href="mailto:stjohnshopkintonyouth-ministry@gmail.com">stjohnshopkintonyouth-ministry@gmail.com</a>.

## WORCESTER CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

**September 27, 2025** 

St. Joseph School, 47 Whitcomb Road, Webster, MA 7AM Registrations begins

8:30-6PM, Program: Adoration, Rosary, Speakers, Lunch, Confession, Mass

Tickets: \$25 for students, \$50 for adults (until Sept. 16, and \$60 for adults after Sept. 16)

Morning pastries, coffee and lunch included

See the website for more information and to purchase tickets: <u>www.wcwconference.com</u> or call Corinn Dahm at 508 -277-3969.

### St. Cecilia Parish's 2025 Annual Flea Market

St. Cecilia Parish will begin collecting donations for their upcoming Flea Market to be held September 12th, 13th, & 14th. Drop off days are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, August 12th through September 4, 9AM-12PM at the St. Cecilia's Family Center, 54 Esty Street, Ashland. They will be accepting donations of small household items, no clothing. Please see St. Cecilia's website for a complete list of items they are accepting and unable to accept: <a href="style="color: blue;">style="color: blue;</a> of the set o

#### **CROSS ROADS**

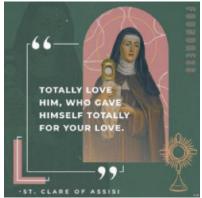
By Deacon Tony

Wisdom 18:6-9; Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48

Today's readings speak for themselves in many ways. In some ways they echo some of the themes of last week's readings. To summarize, they all say something about our priorities, whether we put the Lord, his will, and his ways first, in how we live and what we say and do. Together, the readings imply a question about whether we have faith and hope in the Lord to guide and protect us. Abraham did. He obeyed the Lord to begin a journey toward the promised land, even though he did not know specifically where he was going. And he obeyed when told to sacrifice Isaac, Abraham's only son. Abraham had faith and hope in the Lord as being trustworthy. For that faith and obedience, Abraham was saved from having to sacrifice Isaac.

The Lord delivered his chosen people from their bondage to Egypt. They were warned about what was to happen on the Passover. They sacrificed and persevered in their faith and hope in the Lord, their lives were saved, and they began their exodus from Egypt. As time went on, they would have problems and lapses; but the Lord stayed with them on their journey.

We too are chosen. God delivered us from our bondage, that is, our bondage to sin, through the sacrifice of Christ, his only begotten son. We too are on a journey to the promised land of the heavenly Jerusalem and to be in joyous communion with God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Lord stays with us on our journey as well, as we are members of the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church, the one and only apostolic, universal, and holy Catholic Church. Christ, in his glory will come again to judge the living and the dead. As we are part of creation, we were created through him and for him. Will we be prepared? Even though we do not know the day or the time, we must not be caught by surprise as the servants in today's gospel. We must persevere in our duties to spread the word, to care for others, to help those who are needy. We must persevere in our responsibility to be friendly, supportive, generous and to be encouraging to others, especially when they are suffering. We must persevere in the light provided by our faith and hope in the Lord. We walk by faith, not by sight; and we have been given much including the holy Sacraments. Much is expected of those who have been given much. No excuses! Our priorities must begin with God who helps us in all our worthy endeavors and struggles!









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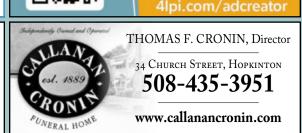
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