

### **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

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Deacon Anthony C. Sicuso

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

508-435-3313x22
Mary Pawela, 1-6
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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



He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom," He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." - Lk 23:42-43

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, November 30, 2025: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Rom 13:11-14/ Mt 24:37-44

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 269 in the pew missal.



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22** 

4:00 PM Josephine DesChamps

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23** 

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's 10:00 AM Joseph Michael McMullen, Jr. 6:30 PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24** 

9:00 AM Sally Walsh Campbell

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25** 

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

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26** 

9:00 AM Katie Lundy (living intention)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27

9:00 AM Benefactors of the St. Vincent de

Paul Society

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28** 

9:00 AM David & Faith Murray

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29** 

8:00 AM For the conversion of sinners 4:00 PM Fr. John Kim (living intention

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30** 

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's 10:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory 6:30 PM In Thanksgiving for St. Andrew

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.



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

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

## Fr. John Kim to Celebrate Mass at St. John's

Our former deacon, Fr. John Kim, will be returning to St. John's to celebrate Mass on the weekend of the First Sunday of Advent (November 29/30). He will be saying the 4PM Mass and the 10AM Mass.

## **Grand Annual Collection**

Our 2025 Grand Annual Collection is underway. The Grand Annual is the single most important component of the parish budget after the regular offertory collections. If you did not receive a letter in the mail, and would like to contribute, there are envelopes at the back of the church or you can put your contribution marked "Grand Annual" in the regular collection basket. Thank you for your continued support of St. John's! It is very, very much appreciated!

#### TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGE

Please note that beginning on November 24, Church Street will have a new traffic pattern. Church Street will be one way from Main Street to Church Place. We expect this will have minimal effect on our weekend Mass traffic.

#### 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.

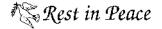
# Please Remember in Prayer

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.

# **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.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church THIS Saturday, November 29.



Margaret Wicker Catherine M. Sweet



## **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!

# **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.

# St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative Catholic Vote Speaks Out

**Against Expansion Access to In Vitro Fertilization** 

"President Donald Trump announced two new initiatives aimed at expanding access to in vitro fertilization (IVF), saying the measures will make fertility treatments more affordable and widely available...CatholicVote President Kelsey Reinhardt criticized Trump's efforts to promote IVF, 'As Catholics who believe every human life begins at conception and deserves protection, we are deeply disappointed by the White House's decision to promote IVF. a practice that routinely destroys or discards embryonic children in the name of 'treatment,'" Reinhardt said immediately after the announcement. "The longing for a child is holy, but a child can never be the product of a laboratory process that treats life as disposable...We urge President Trump to reconsider this approach" Reinhardt continued, "and instead fully commit to the far better path already hinted at in his policy: addressing the root causes of infertility. Restorative Reproductive Medicine (RRM) offers real, ethical care by diagnosing and healing the underlying conditions that prevent conception, rather than bypassing the body through an expensive, low-success, morally unacceptable procedure like IVF." October 16, 2025

https://catholicvote.org/trump-unveils-ivf-expansion-plansparking-criticism-and-ethical-concerns-among-pro-lifeleaders/

# A Big Thank You from Pregnancy Help in Natick!

Thanks to all who gave items and monetary donations this month to Pregnancy Help, a ministry of the Archdiocese. Your donations were personally delivered last week to the center and were received with much gratitude. Thanks to your generosity, vulnerable mothers and babies will receive encouragement and material assistance from this center.



# Religious Education Classes Collecting Donations for Mustard Seed

During this Advent Season, the Religious Education classes will be collecting socks, gloves, mittens, hats, hooded sweatshirts (can be gently used) & blankets for the Mustard Seed Soup 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

# 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>.

# St. John's Young Adults

St. John's Young Adults group now has a page on our website (<u>www.stjohnhopkinton.com</u>) under "Fellowship and Formation" where you can also access and follow their new Facebook page.

# COAT DONATION DRIVE Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus are accepting donations of slightly used coats for its annual collection Drive. There are donation containers at the back of the church. The Knights are seeking slightly used coats of all sizes (adult and child sizes) to support the winter needs of the local community. This Coat Donation Drive will continue through December 31<sup>st</sup>. Should you have any questions or are aware of anyone in need of a coat, please contact Vin Lawler at (617) 899-2494.

# 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.

# THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

The way of the cross represents the sorrowful journey that Jesus made with the cross to die on Calvary. The Church teaches that the souls in Purgatory undergo a process of purification that must include suffering. The holy souls in Purgatory now see more clearly the great pain Jesus suffered in shedding His Precious Blood for their forgiven sins by His death on the cross...(without the shedding of blood, there is no forgiveness, Heb. 9:22). We help the holy souls in Purgatory receive much relief and consolation from the Precious Blood as we follow Jesus on the way of the cross. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the way of the cross gives the holy souls the greatest relief and consolation.



# Advent Wreath Making Workshop

November 30, 2025
Come anytime between 1PM-3PM
St. John's Parish Hall

## Create Your Own Fresh Advent Wreath

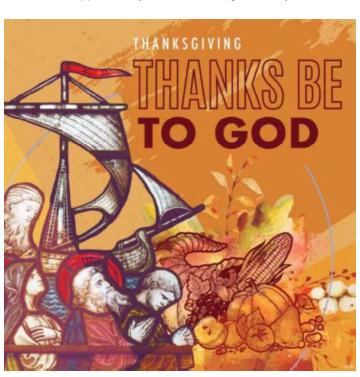
All materials provided, including assorted fresh greens and candles. Please bring your own clippers if you have them. \$30 per wreath, payable by cash or check, at the door. Refreshments will be served.

To reserve your wreath\*
please RSVP by Monday, November 24th to Jackie Condon
(Jacquelyn.Condon@Bain.com or 617-794-3161)

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

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank you for your ongoing support. As Thanksgiving and Christmas are nearing, we are in urgent need of cash donations and gift cards. All gift cards are welcome but the most useful, in \$50 denominations are: Market Basket, Price Chopper, Target, Walmart, gas. In the past two months, we have helped 24 families with food, rent, car, phone, insurance. This is a big jump in assistance! Last year, we helped 54 families at Thanksgiving, 25 families with food at Christmas and 10 families with gifts. All donations can be dropped off at the parish business office or the donation boxes in the Church foyer. If you are interested in playing Santa to a family please call Colleen at 508-497-9144. Thank you so much!! We appreciate your continued generosity.





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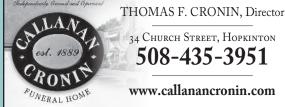
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