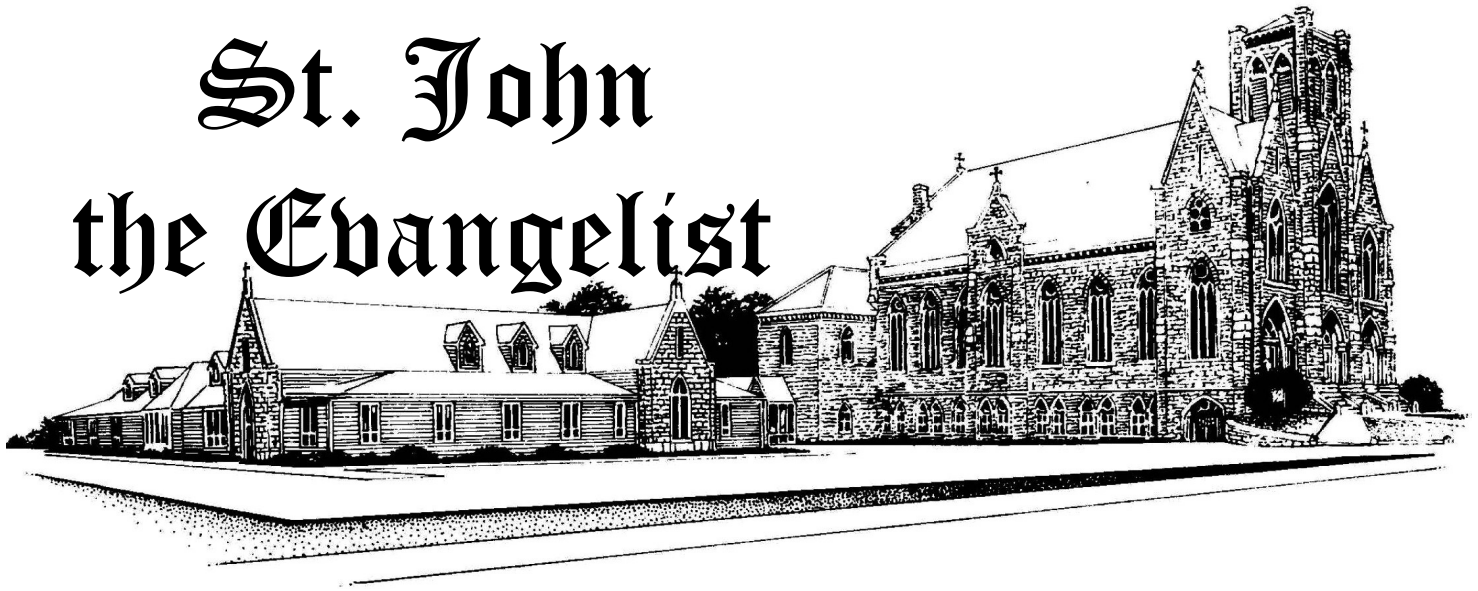


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## **WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS**

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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**

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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,  
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Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, April 12, 2026:  
 Acts 2:42-47/ Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/  
 1Pt 1:3-9/ Jn 20:19-31

The readings for this weekend’s Masses begin on page 164 in the pew missal.



<b>MONDAY, APRIL 6</b>	9:00 AM	All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
<b>TUESDAY, APRIL 7</b>	9:00 AM	Special Intention
<b>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8</b>	9:00 AM	For the conversion of sinners
<b>THURSDAY, APRIL 9</b>	9:00 AM	All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
<b>FRIDAY, APRIL 10</b>	9:00 AM	For an increase in devotion to the Holy Eucharist
<b>SATURDAY, APRIL 11</b>	8:00 AM	Cheri Tripp (living)
	4:00 PM	For the conversion of sinners
<b>SUNDAY, APRIL 12</b>	8:00 AM	Parishioners of St. John’s
	10:00 AM	Michael W. Duffy (living)
	6:30 PM	All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church **THIS Saturday, April 11.**

*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.*



**Easter Collection—Clergy Trust**

The Easter Collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. These priests have given their lives to faithfully service Christ, the Church, and you. Please be generous to this important collection. For more information, please visit [www.clergytrust.org](http://www.clergytrust.org).

**Divine Mercy Sunday**  
**NEXT Sunday, April 12, 2026**

On the Sunday after Easter, the entire Catholic Church is called to gather throughout the world to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. This beautiful devotion led Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, on the occasion of the canonization of St. Faustina, to officially designate the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday in the Roman liturgical calendar. From Saint Faustina’s diary, it is clear that this Octave Day of Easter is a day chosen by Christ as a day of extraordinary graces—a complete outpouring of His mercy upon all who approach Him with great trust and expectant faith. On April 22, 2001, one year after establishing Divine Mercy Sunday, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized its message quoting St. Faustina: “Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: ‘Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy.’ Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity.” The words of Jesus to Saint Faustina: “My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of my tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My Mercy. **The souls that will go to confession and receive holy communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.** On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of my most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The feast of mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. **It is my desire that it will be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter.** Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the fount of My mercy.”

—Divine Mercy Diary of Saint Faustina #699

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

The Sunday in the octave of Easter is Mercy Sunday established by Pope John Paul II, on April 30, in the Jubilee Year of 2000, and is to be observed by the universal Church. The schedule for Mercy Sunday, **NEXT Sunday, April 12, 2026**, in the afternoon at St. John’s will be as follows:

- 1:30 PM** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the rosary.
- 2:00 PM** Confessions will be heard.
- 2:30 PM** Readings from the diary of St. Faustina will be proclaimed.
- 3:00 PM** The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be chanted.
- 3:30 PM** Benediction and Final Blessing.

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



### 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.

### 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.

### EASTER TO DIVINE MERCY Mercy Beyond Belief

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### St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative Christ is Risen, Christ Will Come Again!

“Everything possible must be done in order that a human being may be desired, awaited, experienced as a particular, unique and unrepeatable value right from the beginning, from the moment of his conception. He must feel that he is important, useful, dear and of great value, even if infirm or handicapped, even dearer in fact for this reason.”

Address of His Holiness John Paul II to Young People Gathered in the Vatican Basilica 1979

### 2026 Rummage Sale

Mark your calendars! The St John the Evangelist annual rummage sale will be held on **June 12th, 13th, 15th and 16th**. It's never too early to start thinking about making donations. Watch the parish website and upcoming bulletins for specific information about drop off dates along with a list of items we can and cannot accept. This year we are in need of clothing racks to better display donated clothing. If you know of any resource that might be willing to help us with this please contact the parish office at 508-435-3313 or [stjohnshopkinton@verizon.net](mailto:stjohnshopkinton@verizon.net). THANK YOU!

### CURSILLO

Consider taking a weekend away with the Lord. Experience a CURSILLO Weekend! Cursillo is a short course in Christianity, held over a 3-day weekend. It is designed to help and teach you how to become Christ to the world. Weekends for 2026: Women's: April 9-12, Men's: June 11-14. For more information, please contact Bill & Jeannette Krans at [bjkrans@hotmail.com](mailto:bjkrans@hotmail.com). Anyone who has already experienced a Cursillo weekend and wants to be more involved in small groups, please email us.

### Boston Catholic Men's Conference Saturday, April 18, 2026 "To Whom Shall We Go?"

The Boston Marriot Quincy, 1000 Marriot Drive, Quincy  
For more information and to purchase tickets, visit:  
[www.bostoncatholicmen.com](http://www.bostoncatholicmen.com).



### Religious Education Reminders

Monday, April 6: Grade 9, 7PM-8PM

Tuesday, April 7: Grade 7 & 8, 6PM-7PM

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

1st Communion rehearsal....Wednesday, April 29, 4:30PM

First Communion.....Saturday, May 2, 11AM

### St. John the Evangelist's George R. Carlino Scholarship

In order to promote and foster the faith of our young people in the one true Church founded by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, the Roman Catholic Church, two \$1,000 scholarships will be available to two graduating seniors from St. John's Parish, who have been accepted to a college, university or trade school.

--The applicant must be a Confirmed, practicing Catholic, i.e., attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation and have fulfilled their Easter Duty.

--Write an essay of not more than 1000 words on the following topic: The sainthood of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Who is he? What was his Catholic life like? Describe his website and summarize one of the events he highlights. Was there anything unusual about his death? What is his significance to us in this day and age?

These scholarships are made available through the late Mr. George R. Carlino, who was a very prayerful and devout parishioner of St. John's. Mr. Carlino was concerned with the spiritual welfare of the parish's young people, in an age that can be so challenging to the principles of our Catholic faith.

Please see our website: [www.stjohnshopkinton.com](http://www.stjohnshopkinton.com) for the application form to accompany the essay. Applications should be sent c/o Debbie Lysik, St. John the Evangelist Religious Education, 20 Church Street, Hopkinton, MA 01748, and are due by **Monday, May 4, 2026**.

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

St. John's High School Youth Group is now over 50 members. We are having a planning meeting for our spring and summer events in the lower church area on **Sunday, April 12, at 5:30PM**. The meeting will end by 6:25PM in time for attending 6:30PM Mass. Come and join us! If you can't attend the meeting but would like more information, find us on GroupME: [groupme.com/join\\_group/110789869/V8WiBhN8](http://groupme.com/join_group/110789869/V8WiBhN8) or for more information email [stjohnshopkintonyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnshopkintonyouthministry@gmail.com). Also, find us on Instagram at [stjohnsyouthgroup](https://www.instagram.com/stjohnsyouthgroup).

### SUMMER BIBLE ADVENTURE

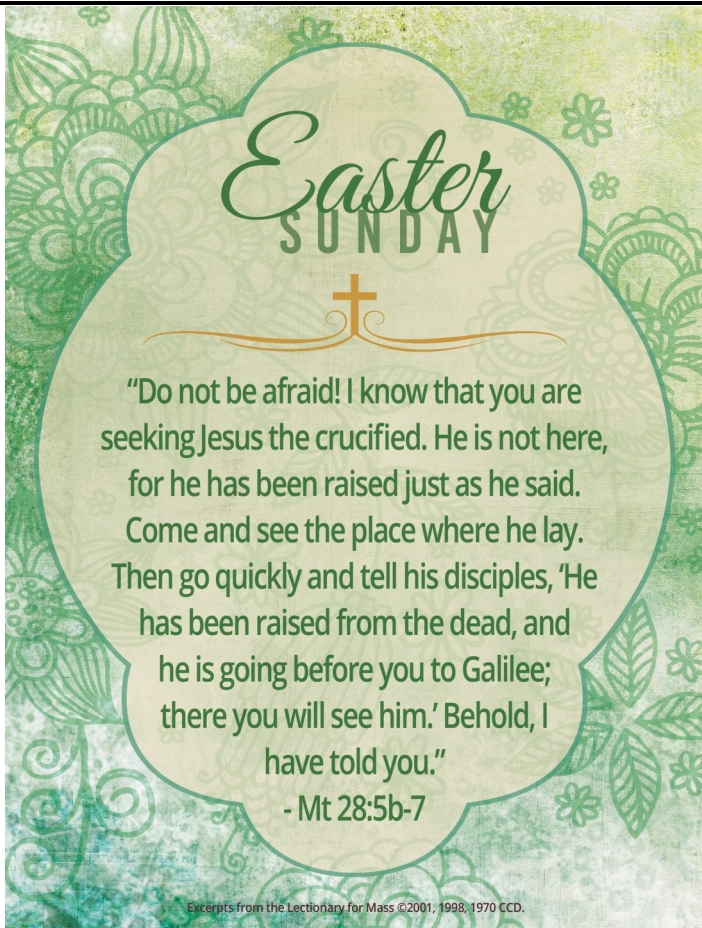
See the parish website for more information and to register.

### Troop 4 Hopkinton PANCAKE BREAKFAST Saturday, April 11, 2026, St. John's Parish Hall 7:30AM-11:30AM

Admission: \$10 general/\$7 seniors, gluten free options  
Advance tickets: \$8 general/\$6 seniors  
Kids under 5 and veterans eat FREE

If you have any questions, please email: [pancake-breakfast@troop4hopkinton.com](mailto:pancake-breakfast@troop4hopkinton.com). This fundraiser supports scout activities, summer camp and high adventure trips.

APRIL 5, 2026



**Easter**  
SUNDAY

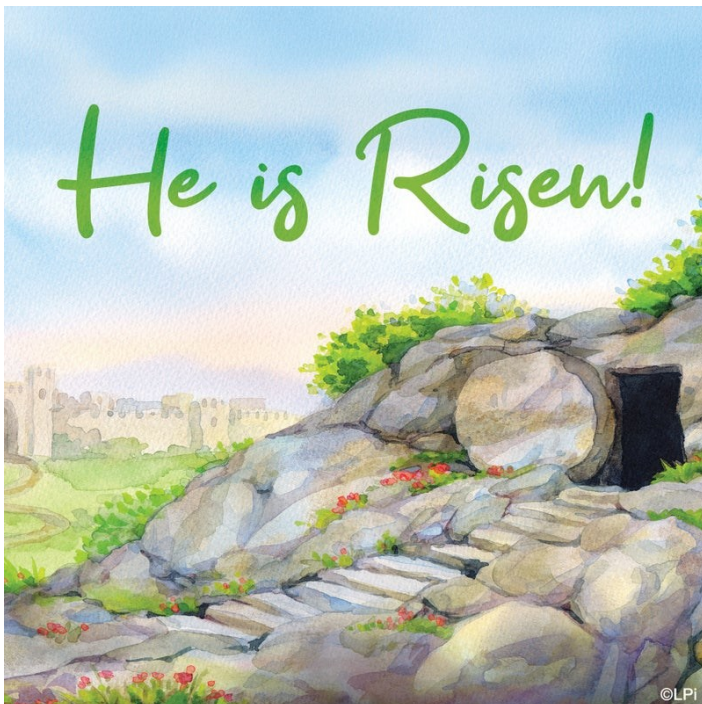
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*Fr. Cannon and the entire staff at St. John’s wish you and your families a happy and blessed Easter season.*



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