St. John the Evangelist



Established 1866

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 6:30 PM

Weekday Masses:
Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM,
Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day Masses: See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday in the lower chapel, 8:30 AM-9:15AM or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism:
Second & fourth Sundays of the month at 11:30 AM
Please call for information

Sacrament of Marriage:
Arranged at least 6 months in advance

ST. JOHN'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those that need a little help,
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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish, please introduce yourselves. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will become active in our parish community and support your parish with your prayers, your presence, and your talents. Please call the Parish Office to register at 508-435-3313 x20.

Parish "News" Deadline: All copy must be submitted in writing no later than Monday noon. (Holiday weeks may require a longer lead time.)

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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST — *HOPKINTON*



"Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'"
- Mt 25:34-36

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, November 29, 2026:
Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/ Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/ 1Cor 1:3-9/ Mk 13:33-37

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 252 in the pew missal.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
4PM David Minkle

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22
8AM Parishioners of St. John's
10AM Patrick and Karen Curley
6:30PM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23
9AM Anna Marie Duffy (living intention)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24
9AM Eva Garcia

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25
9AM John Knospins

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26
9AM For our Country

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27
9AM For the conversion of sinners

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28
8AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
4PM Epifania and David Guzman

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29
8AM Parishioners of St. John's
10AM Juan Porto (living intention)
6:30PM Special Intention

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.



COFFEE HOUR

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

Second Collection THIS Weekend

Retired Religious Sisters

Adult Religious Education Classes

Classes for adult Catholic faith formation are ongoing at St. John's. This catechetical instruction is offered for converts, the unbaptized, adult confirmations or for those seeking to be better informed in their faith. All are welcome! If you know anyone who may be interested, please spread the word. **Classes are held weekly on Tuesdays at 7PM in the parish center library.** Please call the parish office at 508-435-3313x20 if you have any questions.

Evening Opportunity for Confessions

In addition to our regular Saturday morning confession times, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered **Monday, November 30, and Monday, December 21, 6:30- 7:30PM in the lower chapel.**

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.

Traveling?

FREE ministry to traveling Catholics: You can check out **www.masstimes.org** from any internet connection to find out the name, location, and Mass schedule of the nearest Catholic church anywhere in America.

ADVENT EVENING OF PRAYER
SAVE THE DATE

We will be having an Advent Evening of Prayer with Fr. Robert Lacombe on **Monday, December 14, at 7PM in the lower chapel.** There will be opportunity for confessions as well.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church THIS Saturday, November 28.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Pro-Life

St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative

Never Forget

"From the moment of his existence a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person—among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life." CCC (2270)

"For Catholics involved in political life, from the holders of highest office to every ordinary citizen casting a ballot, there is a serious duty to make legal protection of that right the very highest priority. We take up this duty in obedience to and out of love for Jesus Christ, who promised us that whatever we do for the least of our fellow human beings, we do for Him. Matt. 25:40 "

https://www.masscitizensforlife.org/2022election

KNOWING THEM...PRAYING FOR THEM... HELPING THEM GET TO HEAVEN

What is an undulgence?

An undulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven.

An indulgence is partial or plenary as it removes either part or all temporal punishment due to sin. The faithful can gain indulgences for themselves or apply them to the dead (Holy Souls in Purgatory)

--Cathchism of the Catholic Church 1471

YOU ARE NEEDED

"**How can we help our brothers and sisters in Purgatory?**

The best way is to have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered for them or devoutly assist at Holy Mass for their relief or release. Make the stations of the cross for their consolation. Pray the rosary, the chaplet of Divine Mercy. By gaining indulgences (ccc 1471-1479). Offering up pain, self denials, and sufferings. Eucharist adoration. Offer up works of mercy, almsgiving and fasting.

The Lord said to me **"Enter Purgatory often, because they need you there."** *O My Jesus, I understand the meaning of these words which you are speaking to me, but first let me enter the treasury of your mercy.*

--Words of Jesus to Saint Faustina #1738

What is Jesus' "Treasure of Mercy"? The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and gaining indulgences is this Treasure of Mercy!

O Holy Souls, I promise never to forget you.

"We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayers into the house of the Lord."

--Saint Ambrose, Doctor of the Church 340-397

Love should not die at death

CURSILLO

Men's Weekend: December 3-6, 2026

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. For more information, please contact Bill & Jeannette Krans at bjkrans@hotmail.com.

Faith FORMATION

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



Advent Wreath Making Workshop

November 29, 2026

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 23rd to Jackie Condon (Jacquelyn.Condon@Bain.com or 617-794-3161)

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

COAT DONATION DRIVE

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus (KoC)

The KoC is accepting donations of slightly used coats for its annual collection Drive. There are donation containers at the back of the church. The KoC is seeking slightly used coats of all sizes (adult and child sizes) to support the winter needs of the local community. Coat collections will continue through Sunday, January 3rd. Thank you for your generosity! Should you have any questions or are aware of anyone in need of a coat, please contact Vin Lawler at (617) 899-2494.



NOVEMBER 22, 2026

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 23:1-3, 5-6; 1Corinthians; 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25: 31-46

Once again today's readings are about the end times, the coming of Jesus to raise those who have passed away, and the general final judgment of all humanity by Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Yet Jesus, King of the Universe is the same Jesus who gave His life for our salvation, the same Jesus who humbly took on our humanity, who lived among us, and who lived, died and rose from the tomb, all done in sacrificial love for humanity. He has given us all that we need for the protection of our souls through the Church and the Sacraments. He refreshes us and guides us in right paths. The Lord IS our shepherd. He anoints us, because we belong to Him. His kindness and goodness are always available to us if we open our minds, hearts and souls to Him. But remember, what we have not done for others in need, we have not done for Jesus. Whatever we have done to help, console and encourage others, we have done so for Jesus.

Yes, there will be a final judgment when Jesus returns and raises those who have passed, dividing between one sheep and another, and between the lambs and the goats. In other words, He will separate those who live for others, and those who live only for themselves. We are meant to imitate His life, of sacrificial love for others. But do not be afraid. Every time we pray and act on the Lord's Prayer, we pray for His kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven. "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your request be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).



St. John's SVDP

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul thanks you for your ongoing support. Our fiscal year just ended (9/30/26) and we have provided assistance to over 150 families, mostly with food, rent, utilities, car repairs and insurance. We anticipate that this need will continue to grow, especially as we are heading into the Holiday and winter season. **As Thanksgiving and Christmas are approaching, 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, and gas cards. You can bring them to the Parish office, drop them in the boxes in the rear of the church, or mail them to The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 20 Church Street, Hopkinton, MA 01748. Prior to the pandemic, we offered and distributed meals to our local "friends" through a heavily discounted program from St. Vincent de Paul Council of Boston. Now, without that resource available , we look to continue our parish support by providing a gift card or two per family for a more bountiful holiday meal. Thank you again!

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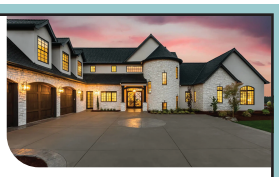
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