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May 16, 2021

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sacraments of the Church

Masses: Saturday Vigil – 4:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m. (Creole)

Daily Liturgy: Monday through Wednesday 12:10 p.m. **Communion Service** Friday 7:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: Suspended. Until covid restrictions are lifted.

Charismatic Prayer Sponsored by the Haitian Community: Thursday 7:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Infant Baptism: By appointment. Please contact the Rectory to make arrangements.

Inquirers:

Find out what it means to be Catholic while considering Baptism or Confirmation. If you are an adult whom has not received these sacraments and are considering doing so, please call Fr Joe MacCarthy at the Rectory.



Commercial Elevator Access



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 15, 2021

4:00 p.m. Fr. Joe MacCarthy 24th Ann. of Ordination

Sunday, May 16, 2021

9:00 a.m. Rose Melanson Anniversary
Kwasi Kpodo (Healing)

11:00 a.m. Victor & Betty Gelowtsky Memorial
Yvonne Gallant Memorial

Monday, May 17, 2021

12:10 p.m. Fr. Joe MacCarthy Anniversary of Ordination

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

12:10 p.m. Daniel O'Connor Memorial
Sandy Sullivan (Healing)

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

12:10 p.m. Daniel O'Connor Memorial
Judith & Kenny Chrispin –Action of Grace

Saturday, May 22, 2021

4:00 p.m. Daniel & Catherine O'Brien Anniversary
Judith & Kenny Chrispin - Action of Grace

Sunday, May 23, 2021

9:00 a.m. Judith & Kenny Chrispin-Action of Grace
11:00 a.m. Yvonne Gallant Memorial
Ann Pham Memorial

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Please remember our sick, their families, and caregivers, in your prayers. May God's healing presence be with them.

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Rest in Peace

Ann Ferrera

Norma Louise Bolduc

Loved Ones In Service Presently On Active Duty Serving Our Country

HN Kevin Lee
(U.S. Navy)

Airman First Class
Alexander Clark
(U.S. Air Force)



Captain Joseph Megnia
(U.S. Air Force)



Lance Corporal Robert Rudolph
(U.S. Marines Reserves)

Staff Sergeant Riley Higgins
(U. S. Army)

L C pl Alexander J. Casey
(U.S. Marines)

Our prayers go out to all men and women who are serving our country may God protect them.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PASTORAL STAFF

To reach our pastoral staff please call 617-547-4880 and choose one of the extensions listed below

Office Hours (time subject to season)

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Next Week's Second Collection Seminary Offering



Next week's second collection supports the formation and training of seminarian in the Archdiocese of Boston for future service as priests. We are blessed that many are responding to the call to serve as priests. Please be generous and support these seminarians on their journey toward their ordination to the priesthood. For more information, please visit www.VocationsBoston.org

Parish Giving

Online Giving is available on our parish website simply click the Online Giving Box, this will bring you to a Give Now page, click on sign in and scroll down to New? Register For An Account, and follow prompts for an account follow the instructions, and give one time, weekly, or monthly to the funds provided.

Remember Our Parish

Please consider remembering St. John the Evangelist parish when drafting your estate plans. For more information, please call Steve Kerwin at 617-547-4880 ext. 15 or e-mail at businessmanager@stjohncambridge.org

Thank you for your continued donations of **nonperishable** food items to local food pantries. These donations are ongoing and you can leave your items on the side porch of the rectory at any time.



St. Vincent de Paul Boxes

Thank you to all who have humbly, quietly and faithfully contributed to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your generosity has kept food on tables and heat in homes of those without.

St. Paul's Food Pantry

Greetings all, just a reminder that the ST. PAUL'S PARISH FOOD PANTRY REMAINS OPEN: Free bags of fresh produce, bread, and groceries every Saturday 10-12 outside the church, enter at 29 Mount Auburn Street.

All are welcome!



Thank You for your Continued Support During this Difficult Time

Parishioner's donations for May 8th & 9th

\$2,163.00.00 from the English community

\$1,116.00 from the Haitian community

\$ 849.00 from online giving

\$4,128.00 Total

If you have forgotten your envelope or are visiting, please use one of the yellow "Welcome" envelopes found in the information centers at the entrances of the church

Are you new to the Parish or just visiting

Welcome! Thank you for joining our parish in celebrating Mass. Whether you are visiting, or in the area for studies, or new to the community, please know that we are delighted to have you among us. We would like to meet you. Please say hello to any priest, minister or staff after Mass, or call 617-547-4880 or e-mail info@stjohncambridge.org
We are here to serve you!

MAY 16, 2021



First Holy Communion



Congratulations to those from St. John's who will make their First Communion this Saturday, May 15th at the 4:00 pm Mass, here at St. John's Church.

Immediately following the Mass everyone is invited to join in with the children to crown the statue of Mary,

Please pray for our St. John's Parish children as they receive their First Communion. May they always know the peace of Jesus and the light of His love in their lives.

**Saumara Bernard
Evalyn Keefe
Marvens St. Could
Norma-Rose Termé-Smith**

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

As we move into the summer months and many of our regular Lectors take vacation time, I am reaching out to ask for people to come forward and consider becoming Lectors here at Saint John the Evangelist Parish.

I am happy to meet with anyone who may be willing to offer their time and talent to expand our small army of readers at our Saturday and Sunday Masses.

I am especially reaching out to the young people who I see attending mass each weekend to ask you to consider offering your time to this most integral service to the church and to our parish.

If you are interested in learning more please reach out to me by email at nemeskal@verizon.net.

Thank you!
Mark Nemeskal

Weekly Reflection

Listen closely to today's gospel. It is as if we are eavesdropping on Jesus at prayer. Notice that he is praying for you! He is asking God to protect you, to keep you from the evil one and to consecrate you in the truth. Take some quiet time today to listen again to Jesus prayer for you. Have confidence that God hears Christ's prayer, that he is with you and strengthens your discipleship.

Morning Consecration to Mary

My Queen, My Mother, I offer myself entirely to thee.
And to show my devotion to thee,
I offer thee this day, my eyes,
my ears, my mouth, my heart,
my whole being without reserve.
Wherefore, good Mother, as I am thine own
keep me, guard me as thy property and possession.
Amen

Thank You for you continued support of the Catholic Appeal

Thank you to all who have participated in **St. John the Evangelist Catholic Appeal campaign**. Through the generosity of Catholics like you, the Catholic Appeal strengthens the ministries that serve our Archdiocese and helps us to live our faith together.

To make a pledge to the Catholic Appeal, please visit **bostoncatholicappeal.org** or pick up a pledge form at the back of the church. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Covid Testing

Covid testing is still available here at St. John's parish hall.

No appointment are needed. Walk-in are welcome

Testing: **Wednesdays only**
Time: **10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Location: **St. John the Evangelist Church**
2270 Massachusetts Ave.



Help Me Grow Prayer



*Christ in Heaven, another springtime is upon us, and we are blessed to have a fresh new chance along with it. Lord, I cry out to you because I want to do better for You. Give me the motivation to read more, pray more, and to make my flames brighter for You and Your word. Help my passion for You become stronger and more vibrant. Help me grow a newly energized mindset and keep me determined as I venture through this season of my life. In Your son's name, I pray.
Amen*

MAY 16, 2021

Pastor's Corner

The celebration of Ascension Thursday which occurred last week brought with it a message from the Early Church that Jesus was content to leave the disciples to organize and grow the Church and carry on His message and ministry in His absence. He leaves the disciples the Advocate, the Spirit of His love to guide and protect them and to help them in the evangelical mission which was now their call. Do you remember the first time that mom and dad or whoever took care of you growing up judged you to be responsible for yourself and to be left home alone to care for yourself and other siblings? While there were mistakes to be made, surely the new responsibility helped you to grow and to thrive. It must have been that way for the disciples in the early days of the Church. Mistakes were made and quarrels abounded, but there was, by the guidance and presence of the Holy Spirit growth and maturity. We continue on this path to this day, celebrating with confidence all that the Holy Spirit has in store for the people called by and loved by Christ.

The Gospel selection from the Gospel of John to be proclaimed at Mass on this Seventh Sunday in Easter continues with depth the story of the gifts left to the disciples in the wake of Jesus' departure from them. While always present to and through His Church, Christ will be no longer physically present with the believers and so offers a beautiful prayer to the Father in their names, a prayer replete with promise for the spiritual success of the Church. Jesus prays, "Holy Father, keep them in Your Name that You have given Me, so that they may be one just as We are one. . . . But now I am coming to you. I speak this in the world so that they may share My joy completely. . . . As You sent Me into the world, so I sent them into the world." The words of this intimate and heartfelt prayer give us confidence that our relationship with Jesus is consistent and loving and always true. As His word is true, so He as the Word is true and offers us insight into the truth of His love for us.

What does this mean in the concrete and as it applies directly to our lives and stories? It means that Jesus loves us no matter what our station or situation in life and that He does so more deeply and with more compassion if we sense that we are mired in difficulty. He is not merely present to His Church and people through the power of Holy Spirit but actively so in a way which can draw anyone from seeming darkness into the wonderful light of His love. To paraphrase the gospel, "do we believe this?" It is paramount that we do and that we respond in ways which are replete with gratitude and love of one

another. This is the intimate heart and vocation of the Church and so it was begun in the earliest days of the mission and ministry of the disciples.

Many thanks to those who give regularly and with generosity to the Sunday collection even in absentia. Your goodness and thoughtfulness has allowed us to steer the course during this still difficult time. Thanks to those who have given so that we might satisfy our assessment for the Catholic Appeal. We are making our way to success! This Saturday we will offer First Holy Communion to four children of our parish. We congratulate them and pray that mom and dad or whoever brings them to Jesus will bring them back again and again. Their pictures and story will be included in next week's bulletin. Thanks and have a great week!

God Bless, Fr. Joe

*Congratulation Fr. Joe
May 17, 1997*



*God's blessings on the
24th Anniversary of your Ordination.
Thank you for all you do in
the service of God.*

Growing up in North Cambridge

Hello friends of Growing up in North Cambridge, I hope everyone is keeping safe as we hope for an end to this COVID pandemic.

You will be pleased to know that Volume 56 of our journal is now available by U.S. mail, by using PayPal, or by visiting several of our local stores. I know you will find it packed with fun and interesting stories about the neighborhood that we grew up in. Enjoy. Meanwhile, I encourage you to send us a story of your own. That is what keeps this journal alive! Thank you .

Stephen G. Surette

Editor/Publisher

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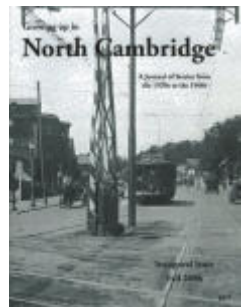
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