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June 27, 2021

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep."

- Mk 5:36bc, 38-39

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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: Saturday 3–3:30 p.m. in Chapel or contact the Rectory to schedule an appointment

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.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 26, 2021

4:00 p.m. Josephine & Richard Clark Memorial
 Ida DeSimone Memorial

Sunday, June 27, 2021

9:00 a.m. Robert Kisich Anniversary
 Lorene Harling Memorial
 11:00 a.m. Lucienne & Van Gallant Memorial
 Fr. William Cummings Memorial

Monday, June 28, 2021

12:10 p.m. Calabria Mejia (Healing)

Tuesday, June 29, 2021

12:10 p.m. Cheryl Normile (Healing)

Wednesday, June 30, 2021

12:10 p.m. James Higgins (Healing)

Saturday, July 3, 2021

4:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. John's

Sunday, July 4, 2021

9:00 a.m. Lucille Kelley Memorial
 11:00 a.m. Lucienne & Van Gallant Memorial



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

Mary Wall, Vinny Nguyen, Arlene Hinsley, Larry Higgins, Rick Gerbrands, David Barry, Patricia Gillan, Cyril MacDonald, Pat Fisk, Lawlor Family, Bobby Rudolph, Bill Baril, Josie Woodwell, Jean McCarthy, T.M., Joan Melanson, Elaine Rossignol, More Family, Luther Family, John More, Andrew More, Normile Family, David O'Hearn, James Higgins, Dani Steininger, Johnson Family, Mary Clarke, Thomas Fisher, Gerry Luongo, Lee-McCarthy Family. Joan Gianino, Helen Dixon, Christina Sicari, Bob Cyr, Amber Healy Bassett, Antonio Pinto, Linda Voutour, Don Coram, Alexia Jones, Lorretta McQuade, Jeanette Donoghue, Joy Sanders, Maria Frazier, Mary White, Michael White, Sandy & Terry Sullivan, Paul G. Levesque, Elsa LaTorre, Sue & Bob Bullen Elaine Capebella, Izilda Lopes, Barbara Glick, Mary Corbett, Pamela Nadeau, Mary Hurley, Theodore (Teddy) Coughlin, Margaret Pedro, Sephora Rubim, John MacIsaac, Calabria Mejia, Margaret Pedro.

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Healing Prayer

Lord Jesus heal me. Heal in me whatever you see needs healing. Heal me of whatever might separate me from you. Heal my memory, heal my heart, heal my emotions, heal my spirit, heal my body, heal my soul. Lay your hands gently upon me and heal me through your love for me.

Amen

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 Cpl Alexander J. Casey
 (U.S. Marines)

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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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)

Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Young Adult Ministry

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Sunday Mass Invitation

Cardinal Sean has indicated that very soon the dispensation from mandatory attendance at Sunday Mass will be lifted and so he, and all of us at Saint John's extend the heartfelt invitation to come back to the celebration of Sunday Mass here. While we would never want to apply the word obligation to such an invitation offered to adults, we do urge a spiritual friendship with Jesus Christ which is culminated each week at the Eucharist. We also have as a motivation for such invitation the desire to see and speak with all of the good folks of our parish. While we will continue to offer live streaming of all funeral Masses celebrated here, we will soon end the streaming of Sunday Mass in order to urge in person attendance.

Thank you and God Bless, Fr. Joe.

Reminder

If you have forgotten your envelopes or are visiting, please use one of the yellow "Welcome" envelopes found in the information centers located at the entrances of the church. If you know your parish number please place it where it says envelope #

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

You may have noticed the St. Vincent De Paul Boxes, located near the entrances and information centers of the church. The donations collected in these boxes go to those in our parish community, in need of services provided by St. Vincent De Paul Society. The St. Vincent De Paul Society of our Parish community is dependent on your generosity to help those in need. Please give to these donations boxes, as you are able, on your way in and out of the church. No contribution is too small.

Even pocket change can make a difference.

Thank you.

Thank You for your Continued Support During this Difficult Time

Parishioner's donations for June 19th & 20th

\$2,562.00.00 from the English community

\$1,299.00 from the Haitian community

\$ 988.00 from online giving

\$4,849.00 Total

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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!

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!



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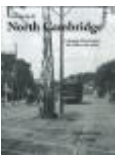
Young Adult Trivia Night

The Young Adult Group is hosting an outdoor Trivia Night in the St. John's parking lot on **Saturday July 10th at 6.30 pm**. Come down and have a good time! In the interest of taking an abundance of caution, we would like to encourage you to bring your own beverages and snacks as we will be limiting any communal sharing of food. For more information or to RSVP about this and other activities hosted by the Young Adult Group, feel free to email youngadults@stjohncambridge.org

Covid Testing/Vaccines

Wednesday, June 30th will be the last day for testing and vaccinations here at St. John's. If you or anyone you know is unable to access a vaccination site. PRO EMS is offering in home vaccinations. If you are in need of a vaccine please call St. John's rectory at 617-547-4880 an

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

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A Prayer of Thanks

God, thank you for summer, for green grass and honeysuckle, leafy trees running streams bare feet balmy days singing birds laughing children baseball games cookouts sunshine clear skies the smell after a summer rain beauty and fecundity everywhere I turn.

Amen.

(A prayer by Bob Hostetler, used with permission.)



Christmas Holiday Fair



The Holiday Fair will be held on November 6th and 7th. We are so happy to be back to help our parish financially. If anyone has any suggestions, new ideas, donations, or information on donating please feel free to contact Joan Rudolph by text or call at 617-435-9646 or by email at jrsings@live.com.

We're looking forward to the FUN! So start your knitting, and crocheting, and don't forget to save those attic treasures and jewelry to donate. More information on our bake sale will be published at a later date. This year's Christmas Holiday Fair is dedicated to the memory of Lorene Harling, Maureen Neil & Ann Sheahan who worked tirelessly for so many years. Ann will be watching that Jewelry Table, Maureen will giving out numbers and Lorene will be directing us from Heaven. We are saddened by the loss of our friends. They will be greatly missed.

It is with a heavy heart that we have lost two more of our Church & Holiday Fair Family. Leslie Mili who was always there helping her mother in law Olga with the white elephant table & Lucille Kelley who turned all the little children and some adults into lions, tigers, and kittens. You will never be forgotten.

Holiday Fair Helpers



The Holiday Fair Committee is looking for people to fill some pretty big shoes. With the loss of so many of our friends we are in need of volunteers to continue to make our fair a great success. If you would like to join the Holiday Fair team please watch for notices regarding meetings in upcoming bulletins or you can reach out to Joan Rudolph at 617-435-9646 or email jrsings@live.com.

Weekly Reflection

Two people in today's gospel approach Jesus for healing. However, both have turned to Jesus for healing as a last resort. There are people in our parish community who for a variety of reasons hesitate to go to Jesus in their need. Is there someone you know that needs a word of encouragement, or someone to help them turn to Jesus? Pray this week for the grace to extend yourself to this person so that he/she will put aside their fear or hesitation and turn to Jesus for help.

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Pastor's Corner

The selection from the Gospel of Mark offered for proclamation on this 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time juxtaposes the story of a woman who has been afflicted with an ever worsening hemorrhage which has burdened her for twelve years and the story of a small child, the daughter of a synagogue official, whose daughter, he has been informed, has died. Both seek the assistance of Jesus, but in different ways. The woman seeks Jesus' help by reaching out and touching Him. Mark emphasizes that it is Jesus body which will be the source of grace and healing by including such a detail.

For Jews, it was more frequently touch, rather than words, which would bring about healing. The woman is healed because she has proceeded in a humble and submissive manner, but she is healed as well because she has had the faith to touch Jesus. The synagogue official's request is granted by Jesus because he too has demonstrated great faith, even to the point of approaching the One who has been rejected by others at the synagogue in the past and will be totally in the future.

Jesus calms the people who are gathered at the little girl's bedside and this time He takes the child by the hand. Mark continues to emphasize the importance of real contact with Jesus as the element of healing in the relationship. The girl, helpless in death, must be touched by Jesus because she is unable to touch Him herself. "He took the child by the hand and said to her 'Talitha koum', which means 'little girl, I say to you, arise!'" Notice that Mark has described the girl as a child of twelve, the same number of years that the woman has been afflicted and a number instantly recognized as historically important to the Jews. The resurrection of the little girl is a precursor of the Resurrection of Jesus and even includes the detail of her getting something to eat to emphasize the physical resurrection.

What is the message of these hopeful and heartfelt stories of healing in Mark's Gospel for those of us who look to follow Jesus intimately today? One of the clear lessons is that if we are to seek and intimate and loving relationship with Jesus it must be one of real commitment, first offered as our desire to seek Jesus in friendship (the woman reached out and touched Him) and then offered as Jesus' commitment to us in grace (He took the child by the hand and spoke to her). We demonstrate a real and committed desire to be in a relationship with Jesus and to ACT as if we are in the ways in which we show love of neighbor. When we take and eat of the outcome of Jesus' willingness to sacrifice His life for us which is the Eucharist, do we receive in a passive and distanced manner or do we receive in a deep and committed manner which alerts us to the real presence of Christ in that Sacrament? How do we respond to the Gospel mandate to love others in service and with generosity? Is it a perfunctory performance which omits passion or is it a real and dedicated demonstration of the love of God, instilled in us from the moment of our baptism? We should and must take the opportunity to love in gratitude for the love that our God has shown in Jesus.

We continue to thank those who give with generosity to the regular and special collections which help to maintain and grow our parish. We have seen more and more coming to the celebration of Mass on Sundays and more activities are springing up which are a sign to us of turning the corner in hope. Thanks and have a great week!

God Bless, Fr. Joe

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