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*July 4, 2021*

## *ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH*



### 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

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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, 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

Monday, July 5, 2021

12:10p p.m. Leslie Mili Memorial

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

12:10 p.m. Lorene Harling Memorial

Wednesday, July 7, 2021

12:10 p.m. Lillian Pisani Memorial

Saturday, July 10, 2021

4:00 p.m. Victims of the Surfside Building Collapse

Sunday, July 11, 2021

9:00 a.m. Blandina & Joseph Arseneault Anniversary

11:00 a.m. Lucienne & Van Gallant Memorial

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

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

## FOURTEENTH 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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### 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 26th & 27th

\$4,171.00. from the English community

\$ 896.00 from the Haitian community

\$ 907.00 from online giving

\$5,974.00 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](mailto: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!





JULY 4, 2021

## 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](mailto:youngadults@stjohncambridge.org)

## Python Coding Camp

The Young Adult Group is planning to start an introductory Python computer coding class for youth in our community this Summer. Classes will be designed for students that have just completed their High School Freshman or Sophomore year. No programming experience is required. The intent will be to meet at the Church on **Saturday from 2-4 pm for about 8 sessions**.

The first meeting is planned for **July 17th** and will be slightly shorter to ensure all students have the right equipment and programs installed. We ask that students bring their own laptop and charger, if this is not possible, we can try to arrange for a computer to be provided. We ask that parents attend the first 30 minutes as well for an introduction to the course. For more information and to register, please email [youngadults@stjohncambridge.org](mailto:youngadults@stjohncambridge.org). As this is the first time it is being conducted, we're limiting student numbers this summer. But if things go well, we hope to continue to grow this project for the St. John community!

## A Summer Gloria

Glory be to God. for clear blue skies and sunny days for fresh green grass and leafy trees for vivid purple flowers and well-tended gardens for fluffy white clouds and gentle breezes for bright red buses and busy streets Glory be to God. for people stepping out with sandaled feet for children playing games with delighted squeals for picnics and street parties for street traders and market stalls for long days and short nights for open-topped buses and open-necked shirts. Glory be to God. for seasons for summer for sunshine.

*A prayer by Chick Yuill, 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](mailto: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 help 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](mailto:jrsings@live.com).

## Weekly Reflection

*We hear in today's gospel that Jesus returned to his hometown where he did not receive a warm reception. What they saw was a carpenter's son and so they questioned his wisdom, his authority and "they took offense at him." St. Paul also refers to the trials and hardships he encountered in his preaching. Despite the rejection they experienced, neither Jesus nor St. Paul backed away from their mission. How about you? When you encounter rejection or obstacles in speaking the good news, does following Christ feel too much for you. At those times, ask Jesus for the help you need to persevere as his disciple, in spite of the difficulties you may face.*

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## **Pastor's Corner**

This Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time brings with it not only our usual and blessed celebration of the Eucharist, but in this country of ours for which we are grateful, we celebrate Independence Day. The Fourth of July offers moments of fun and friendship which have become part of our collective memory of what it is to be an American and to hold true to the values professed in our history and to the tenets of the Constitution. The freedom that we celebrate and enjoy is also a part of our rich history as disciples of Jesus Christ. The Church has taught and continues to teach that freedom is the most precious gift of God offered to His people and that we are to use it with gratitude and wisely. Whether it be in the public square or within the context of faith and its expression, we believe that we are not recipients of “freedom from”, a gift which would focus on the primacy of the self, but rather “freedom for”, a gift which would advocate a selfless use of its goodness for the public good and the welfare of individual citizens.

The freedom which we receive as a part of our original constitution is meant to direct us in sacrifice for the other and never to merely be a conduit for our own self-aggrandizement. In addition, our appreciation of this gift brings with it a respect for the use of freedom of conscience and other by other people within the confines of what is right and good. Happy Fourth of July to everyone and we offer prayers for your safety and enjoyment.

The selection offered from the Gospel of Mark for proclamation at this Sunday's Mass brings with it the soon to be disturbing scene of Jesus' interaction with the folks in His hometown of Nazareth. He has entered Nazareth and its synagogue for the purpose of teaching but the people, at first astonished by His words, are soon overtaken by their doubts given that He is known to them as the son of Mary and a local carpenter. It is this rejection that Mark uses to emphasize the need for humility in approaching Jesus and His humble stance. These locals have placed their own judgments ahead of the words of Jesus and because of their hubris are unable to accept that this local could be the awaited Savior. “Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands?” Thus they are unable to work through and accept Jesus' message of salvation. They remain blinded by their own unwillingness to see. It cannot be that way with those who seek to be disciples of Jesus.

Rather we are called to imitate His humble stance and our humility will allow us to see and to hear all that is in store for us from the hand of Jesus. Such hubris can result in division, whether it be in regard to freedom exercised in the public square or within the confines of faith and its expression. We pray for unity for our country as we celebrate this honorable day and its gift to us and we pray for our Church, that institutional hubris will not result in a blindness that makes it impossible to accept the goodness of all. We cannot continue to be a country divided along political lines and we cannot continue to be a Church divided by the weapons of ideology. For unity we to Jesus.

We continue to announce that on July 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m. at the church the Young Adult group of Saint John's will gather to enjoy a night of fun and trivia. Please consider coming down to meet new people and to enjoy one another's company. If you do come, please bring something to eat and drink to share and enjoy. Thank you to all those who continue to offer with generosity to the work and life of the parish by giving with sacrifice to the regular and special collections at St. John's Your goodness is needed and appreciated. Thanks and have a great week!

God Bless, Fr. Joe



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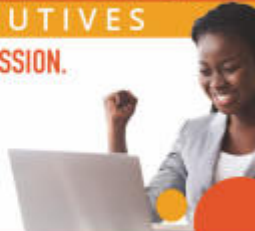
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