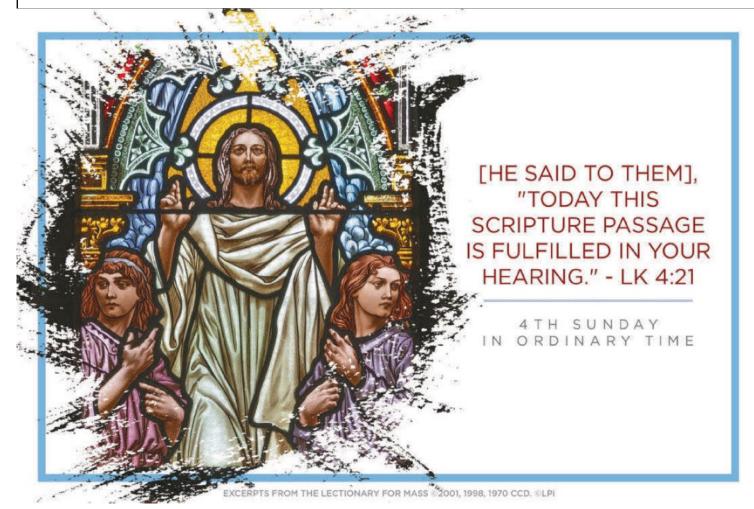
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January 30, 2022

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



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 3:30-4:00p.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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Saturday, January 29, 2022			
4:00 p.m.	Leslie Mili	Memorial	
Sunday, January 30, 2022			
9:00 a.m.	Lorene Harling	Memorial	
11:00 a.m.	Ann Sheahan	Memorial	
Monday, January 31, 2022			
12:10 p.m.	William F. Gill	Memorial	
Tuesday, February 1, 2022			
12:10 p.m.	Rob Sophia (Healing)		
Wednesday, February 2, 2022			
12:10 p.m.	Peg Rumsey	Memorial	
Saturday, February 5, 2022			
4:00 p.m.	Jeanne Brunet	Birthday Memorial	
Sunday, February 6, 2022			
9:00 a.m.	Jimmy Rita (Healing)		
11:00 a.m.	Joanne Downes –Breake	er Memorial	

For Whom Should We Pray

Do you know of someone who needs our communities prayers. Please call the rectory at 617-547-4880 or e-mail us at **info@stjohncambridge.org** and let us know. We will add his or her name to our prayer list

OFFERINGS FOR JANUARY



BREAD & WINE in loving memory of

EMILIA VIEIRA

SANCTUARY LAMP in loving memory of

JACK LEE

ALTAR FLOWERS in loving memory of

WILLIAM F. & STEPHANIE E. COURIER MERILYN & JAMES HOLLERAN

ALTAR FLOWERS in loving memory of

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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, Pat Fisk, Lawlor Family, Bobby Rudolph, Bill Baril, 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, Bob Cyr, Amber Healy Bassett, Antonio Pinto, Don Coram, Alexia Jones, Lorretta McQuade, Joy Sanders, Maria Frazier, Mary White, Michael White, Terry Sullivan, Paul G. Levesque, Elsa LaTorre, Izilda Lopes, Mary Corbett, Pamela Nadeau, Mary Hurley, Theodore (Teddy) Coughlin, Margaret Pedro, Sephora Rubim, John MacIsaac, Sr. Phyllis Doucet, Bob Gerbrands, Perrone Family, Betty Mitchell. Oreste Luongo, Katie Quinn, Alice Ronchetti, Jim Rita, Danielle Rousseau , Terry Swanson, Deborah Brunet. Rob Sophia, Jones Family

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

> 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.

FOURTH 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. **Administrator** – *Fr. Joseph T. MacCarthy* [.maccarthy@stjohncambridge.org—Ext. 12] Part-time Parochial Vicar with responsibilities to the Haitian community Fr. Gustave Miracle fathergus@icloud.com Deacon for the Haitian Community – Alfred J. Geneus - alfredgeneus@gmail.com **Priests in Residence** Rev. Thomas Leclerc, M.S., Th.D **Director of Music** – Mark Nemeskal nemeskal@verizon.net-Ext.16 **Organist**-Timothy Hughes-thughes56@comcast.net Faith Formation Coordinator –Maureen Megnia (617) 876-8849 or info@stjohncambridge.org **Business Manager** – Steve Kerwin businessmanager@stjohncambridge.org - Ext. 15 **Parish Secretary** – Maureen Megnia info@stjohncambridge.org – Ext. 11

Young Adult Ministry

youngadults@stjohncambridge.org

Thank You for your Continued Support During this Difficult Time

Parishioner's donations for Jan. 22nd & Jan. 23rd

\$2,291.00 From the English community \$1,071.00 From the Haitian community <u>\$1,147.00 From Online giving</u> \$4,509.00 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!

Covid Testing

Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order 4 free at home COVID-19 tests. The tests are completely free. Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days. Order your tests now so you have them when you need them. The tests available for order:

- Are rapid antigen at-home tests, not PCR
- Can be taken anywhere
- Give results within 30 minutes (no lab drop-off required)
- Work whether or not you have COVID-19 symptoms
- Work whether or not you are up to date on your COVID-19 vaccines
- Are also referred to as self-tests or over-the counter (OTC) tests

Learn more and order your tests now at www.covidtests.gov. If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, please ask a family member or friend to help you. Likewise, please reach out to people who might need your help with ordering

Lost & Found

A hearing aid was found on the Rectory stairs on Tuesday, January 18th. Please contact the rectory (617-547-4880) if this belongs to you or someone you know.

Reminder

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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 businesssmanager@stjohncambridge.org

Pope Tweets

Like Saul before his encounter with Christ, we need to change course, to invert the route of our habits and our ways, in order to find the path that the Lord points out to us: the path of humility, fraternity and adoration. <u>#ChristianUnity</u>

Project Afghan Relief Fund

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In partnership with Nielsen, we are collecting and coordinating the delivery of critical supplies to support our Afghan friends and families as they resettle. Your contributions promote dignity and hope. For more ways to give, visit <u>parf.us</u>. For supply drop-off instructions, please contact your supply drive coordinator. Your supply drive coordinator is:

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Soap/Body Wash	Comb/Hairbrush
Conditioner	Deodorant
Toothbrushes	Shaving Cream

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Beauty of Winter

God of creation, thank you for the beauty of winter- for snow, icy window panes, evergreen trees, warm coats, sledding, and hot cocoa. Let us enjoy Your creation in all its glory, this winter and always.

- Author Unknown

Covid Testing Resumes

Covid testing will be available here at St. John's parish hall. Resumed December 1st

No appointment are needed. Walk-in are welcome

Testing: Wednesdays only Time: 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

The 2022 Calendars have arrived!

If you would like to pick up a free calendar for the 2022 year, they are located at all tables in the back of the Church. Thank you to **Keefe Funeral Homes** for providing these calendars. Enjoy!

From the Pandemic Response Team:



In the light of spiking numbers of new COVID cases and the likely increase in those numbers in the upcoming holiday season, Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks. This mandate takes effect the weekend of December 18/19, 2021, till further notice.

Mass celebrants, deacons, readers, servers, choir members, and instrumentalists, should all wear masks except when they are speaking.

Children under the age of five are not required to wear masks. Children under the age of two should not wear masks.

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.

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.

Food Donation



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.

Weekly Reflection

In speaking to the prophet Jeremiah, God reminds him "before you were born, I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations, I appointed you." Whether a prophet or a disciple, the message is the same – God's love never fails and we are to mirror that love in our lives. St. Paul describes what that love look like in our lives. It is patient, kind, not jealous, not rude, does not hold grudges, is hopeful and truthful. To be loving as St. Paul describes is a tall order, and yet there is no doubt that this is our task as Disciples of Christ.

JANUARY 30, 2022

Pastor's Corner

Luke is known as the evangelist who makes a concerted effort to insist that the message of Jesus is offered not only to the people of the house of David but to the Gentiles as well. His is a universal offer of salvation coming from faithful unity with Christ and it that truth placed in the mouth of Jesus which has the people of the synagogue in a furious uproar. We saw that in last week's Gospel, the eyes of all look intently upon Him, when He speaks of salvation offered to those outside of Judaism, the Jews, having waited for such for so many generations, are angry and look to reject Him.

The humble truth is that Jesus' mission and message is offered to all people everywhere and that we are called to acceptance of all, regardless of practice, simply on the basis of Jesus' willingness to include all. We are reminded of Troeltsch' distinction between a church and a sect. A sect holds a message or truth and decides to close access to it on the part of the many. A church accepts the message of truth offered by God and immediately welcomes all to come and see. May our community always be a church of welcome in this way. Thanks and have a great week! God Bless, Fr. Joe

Blessing of Throats Next Weekend in Honor of The Feast of St. Blaise

The Feast of St. Blaise is celebrated on February 3rd. Blaise of Sebastea, also known as Blaise, served as bishop of Armenia in the 4th century and was also a wise physician. He once saved a child who was choking on a fish bone, which led to the **Blessing of Throats** on St. Blaise's feast day. The blessing of throats invokes God's healing and protection. Two blessed candles are joined in the form of a cross and placed around the throat of each person seeking a blessing. The minister then says the following prayer: "Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." We acknowledge our faith in God's protective love for all who call upon His name.

MARK your CALENDAR

Further information on the following events can be found throughout the articles in the bulletin. Here is a quick list of upcoming events.

February:

Blessing of Throats February 5th & 6th • March:

Ash Wednesday March 2nd **April**:

- Palm Sunday April 10th •
- Holy Thursday April 14th
- Good Friday April 15th
- Easter Vigil April 16th
- Easter Sunday April 17th



Winter Prayer



Lord: In the midst of Winter, when the days are cold and wind can pierce remind us of the warmth of your love. In the midst of Winter, when days are short, dawn c omes late, and dusk arrives early remind us that in the darkness your light still shines. In the midst of Winter, when the flowers of spring still lie hidden in the earth, when leaves are off the trees, and the world can seem bleak remind us that Easter is but a short time away. And when in our lives we feel as if we are experiencing a season of winter, reach out to us with the power of your resurrection so that we may feel the warmth of your love and see your light that alone can take away the darkness of our soul. - Cal Wick







