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March 3, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF **LENT**



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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 3:45-4:00p.m. in the upper church.

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

Haitian Youth Group Saturday 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. All are welcome

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 who has not received these sacraments and are considering doing so, please call Fr Joe MacCarthy at the Rectory.



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ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 2, 2024

4:00 p.m.	Francis Casey, Sr.	Memorial
	Francis Casey, Jr.	Memorial
	Lester Boyd	Memorial

Sunday, March 3, 2024

9:00 a.m.	Robert Luther	Memorial
	Paul Luther (Healing)	
11:00 a.m.	Arthur Leclerc	Memorial
	Christine Masiello	1st Anniversary
	Joseph Masiello	Memorial

Monday, March 4, 2024

12:10 p.m.	Rev. Msgr. Charles J. Bourque	Memorial
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Tuesday, March 5, 2024

12:10 p.m.	Vilma Sullivan	Month's Mind
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Wednesday, March 6, 2024

12:10 p.m.	Yvonne Leclerc	Memorial
	Yolande Kavanagh	Birthday Memorial

Saturday, March 9, 2024

4:00 p.m.	James & Sophie Reagan	Birthday Memorial
	Mary Ann DeAngelis	Memorial

Sunday, March 10, 2024

9:00 a.m.	Special Intention	(Healing)
11:00 a.m.	Emilia Vieira	Birthday Memorial



OFFERINGS FOR MARCH



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**Please remember our sick in your prayers
May God's healing presence be with them.**



Mary Wall, Vinny Nguyen, Arlene Hinsley, Larry Higgins, Rick Gerbrands, David Barry, Pat Fisk, Jean McCarthy, More Family, Luther Family, John More, Andrew More, Lawlor Family, M. M., James Higgins, Johnson Family, Kate Lee-McCarthy, John MacIsaac, Dpm., Kelly Nguyen, Elizabeth McLean, Irene Dupuis, John Walker, Maria Sim, Anthony Zigarelli, Cindy Beaulieu, Paulette DeLeo, Sue Rudolph, Roger Baker, Keith & Val, Matanie Cazeau, Mary Jane Nadeau, Debbie Morrison, Ginny Ryan, Paul Levesque, FJM, Domingo Espinal, Loretta & Bill McQuade, Alice Kelley, Kristen Rendon, Jones Family, Paul Luther, Maria Luther, Diane Johnson. V.S., Chris McLean, Jr., Cindy Tatturelli, Betty Mitchell, WBP, Cathy More, Richard & Rolande Keopke, Terry Swanson, Patricia Casola, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Cáceres Family, Gustavo Cáceres, JMM Steven Horan, Amy Garbarino, Michael Driscoll, Diane Vieira, John P. Tomaszewski, Madelyn Pimental, Mrs. Daniella Cross Connell

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

Staff Sergeant Alexander Clark
(U.S. Air Force)



Major Joseph Megnia
(U.S. Air Force)



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

Staff Sergeant Riley Higgins
(U. S. Army)

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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 change)

Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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**Parishioner's donations for
The weekend of February 24th & 25th**

\$4,689.00

**Thank you for your generosity toward the work
of our parish**

*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!

Next Week's Second Collection



"My Easter Gift to My Church," is a second collection which stays in St. John the Evangelist Parish



This weekend, the 2024 Catholic Appeal will officially launch here in our parish and across the Archdiocese. One of the most meaningful ways that we witness the presence of Christ and deepen the impact of our Church's ministries is by supporting the Catholic Appeal. As your pastor, I strongly encourage you to join me in giving a gift to this year's appeal. Many of you have already done so and I am deeply grateful. As a parish, I am hoping for 100% participation! When our parish reaches its goal of \$45,200.00 a portion of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our parish. To make a gift online, please visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. On behalf of Cardinal Seán and all those who benefit from your generosity, Thank you!

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

Thank you for your continued donations of **non-perishable** 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.

Easy Ways to Give to St. John's

No matter how you give, please register with us. Fill out the yellow welcome envelopes or yellow welcome sheet located in the Church. If you do not register, we will not be able to provide a yearly tax receipt for you. Give by using our QR code. Using your camera app to scan this code. On a touch screen touch QR code. Check our website for other easy ways to give to St. John's.



MARCH 3, 2024



Psalm 147:1

Praise the LORD. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise Him!

Do you like to sing, meet new people, make new friends belong to a group? Bring a friend or relative and please consider joining the Adult Choir for Palm Sunday, the Lenten sing and Holy Week. Please see Michelle French after mass, call (781) 820-0499 or email her at info@stjohncambridge.org (Please put "Music" in the subject line)

St. John's Men's Prayer Group

The Men's Prayer Group meeting is off to a great start. Please join them for their next meeting on Wednesday March 6th at 6:00 PM in the parish hall.

Any questions please contact Norbert at businessmanager@stjohncambridge.org.

Mass Scheduling Book for 2024

Scheduling Mass intentions for 2024. Please note we honor two intentions per Mass.

As always, we will do our best to accommodate all Mass intention requests.

Bread & Wine available for: June

Sanctuary Lamp available for: February, April, May, June, July, and November.

Flowers available for: April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December.

If you would like to book a Mass intention at any time during the year you may do so by email info@stjohncambridge.org or calling the rectory at 617-547-4880.

Catholic T.V.

Fr. Gus Miracle, part time priest here at St. John's will be celebrating Mass seen on Catholic T.V. Saturday March 2nd at 9:30 a.m. You can watch Fr. Miracle on catholictv.org Rebroadcasts are shown at 12:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m., and 12:30 a.m. the next day.



Lenten Baby Shower

During Lent, the "Lenten Bassinet" will be in the vestibule of the Church should you wish to place any NEW "baby shower" gifts such as:

- Boys and Girls newborn onesies
- Boys and Girls 3 to 6 month clothes
- Warm outfits size newborn
- Boy & Girl 0-3 months (long sleeve) winter onesies
- Baby Blankets
- Diapers/Wipes

Your generous gifts will be given to young mothers in need at Easter time through Pregnancy Help, an Office of the Archdiocese of Boston. Due to health regulations please send NEW items only.

Thank you.

Readings for the week of March 3, 2024

Sunday:	Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/ Jn 2:13-25 <i>Scrutiny</i> : Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/ Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday:	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 <i>Scrutiny</i> : 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Observances for the week of March 3, 2024

Sunday:	3 rd Sunday of Lent
Monday:	St. Casimir
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	
Thursday:	Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
Friday:	St. John of God, Religious
Saturday:	St. Frances of Rome, Religious; St. Catherine of Bologna
Next Sunday:	4 th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

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Pastor's Corner

The Gospel of John proclaimed on this Third Sunday of Lent describes a familiar scene from the public ministry of Jesus in which His anger at the desecration of the Temple leads Him to overturn the tables of the money changers and insist that those buying and selling at the entry ways leave immediately and stop turning His Father's House into a marketplace. But it is later on, when the Jews ask Him, "what sign can you give us for doing this?" that Jesus reveals His real purpose. He offers cryptically that if the Jews destroy this temple, in three days He will raise it up. While the Jews are incredulous because they believe Him to be speaking about the stone worship site, He is actually speaking about His Body and His eventual Death and Resurrection. This scene is a precursor of what is to come on Golgotha and at the tomb.

This Season of Lent is a preparation for all of us to experience the sacrificial event of the Cross and the miraculous Resurrection. We are uniting the sacrifice of our prayer for others and our sacrifice for those who have less with the gift of the Cross and we seek holiness because we look to be rewarded for such with a place in what we have come to know as heaven and to be eventually united to Jesus for eternity. We seek a conversion by the grace of God and our own commitments in faith so that we will be dedicated to the cause of holiness. It is why we hear many people offering hope for a "Holy Lent".

One of the ways in which we sacrifice during the Season and always is by giving alms for the satisfaction of basic human needs. We are in the middle of cooperating with the Archdiocese of Boston and all the parishes which happily call this home to raise funds for the Catholic Appeal. The Appeal works to satisfy basic human needs in such areas as housing, health care, Catholic education and other and the Appeal offers a goal for each parish so that working together, as a team, we can do our best for those in need. This year our goal is \$45,200, and, given that we have satisfied our goal for six years in a row, we are confident that, with everyone's help, we will satisfy it again. Please remember to be as generous as you can and to always use the designated Appeal envelope when you give. Thanks and have great week!

God Bless, Fr. Joe



Happy Birthday Fr. Joe

**Monday March 4th is
Fr. Joe's Birthday!**



Happy Birthday Fr. Leclerc

**Thursday March 7th is
Fr. Leclerc's Birthday!**

May God warm your heart and grant peace upon you, not only on your birthday but for every single day of your life! May this Birthday be just the beginning of many delightful and wonderful things the Lord has in store for you. Happy Birthday! In celebration of your Birthday, and for your devoted and faithful service, may God bless you, with happiness and peace.



Lent & Easter Schedule

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday 7:00 p.m. (in English & Creole)

Lenten Retreat

**March 18th 6:00 p.m. (Music), March 19th 6:00 p.m.
Reconciliation, March 20th 6:00 p.m. (Mass)**

Palm Sunday

**March 23rd 4:00 p.m., March 24th 9:00 & 11:00am
4:30 p.m. (Creole)**

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lords Supper

March 28th 6:00 p.m.

Washing of the Feet and Transfer of the Eucharist

Good Friday - Stations of the Cross

March 29th 3:00 p.m. (in English & Creole)

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

March 29th 6:00 p.m.

Veneration of the Cross Holy Communion

Easter Vigil Mass

Service of Light

March 30th 6:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday

**March 31st 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
(4:30 p.m. - Creole)**



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