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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:30PM
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00AM

Sacrament of Baptism

1st Sunday of the Month, Please contact the
Rectory to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:00 P.M. or by calling the
Rectory for an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements to be made at least six months
in advance.

Holy Communion at Home

Notify us of any parishioner who is unable to
attend Mass. Eucharistic Ministers are
available to visit weekly.

OUR MISSION

St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church is a family of believers in Christ. As sacramental people, filled with God's love, we strive to provide a welcoming community, supporting one another on our journey to salvation. We are committed to each other in a spirit of compassion and love while promoting hope, healing and evangelization in our midst.



PMASS INTENTIONS

Saturday October 27, 2018
4:30 PM Normand Robinson (Son; Raymond)

Sunday October 28, 2018
8:00 AM Russell & Edna Tripp; Birthday
 (Family)
 Tom Slowik; Month's Mind (Wife)
9:30 AM Joseph Henry (Colleen Polselli)
 & For the People of the Parish
11:00 AM Ann Gilbert Christ (Family)

Monday October 29, 2018
8:00 AM Kathleen Kamionek

Tuesday October 30, 2018
8:00 AM Joseph Gonsalves

Wednesday October 31, 2018
8:00AM Clare Boyd

Thursday November 1, 2018
 ~ *All Saints Day*
8:00 AM Kyle Pontes (Parents)
7:00 PM Tom Rodgers; 3rd Anniversary
 (Sister)

Friday November 2, 2018
 ~ *All Souls Day*
8:00 AM Kyle Pontes (Parents)
 Everett & Angelina Margarida (Family)

Saturday November 3, 2018
4:30 PM Gloria Amaral (Family)

Sunday November 4, 2018
8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Women's
 Guild
9:30 AM Doris McGuill (Claire Sullivan)
11:00 AM Anne & Jack Burke (Colleen Polselli)

THE CANDLE at the

Statue of The Sacred Heart
is perpetually burning in memory of

Sarah Valentine



October 21.....\$4,174.00
 World Mission Sunday.....\$1,716.00
 Annual Collection YTD..... \$16,659.00

May God bless you for your generosity!!



*Kindly take a moment to pray for the
 intentions, the welfare, the healing and
 salvation of...*

**Bruce Reynolds, Janet Mohr, Brandon Torres,
 Michael Elchuck, Deborah Silvia, Devyn Arruda,
 Brenna, Margaret Kelley, Marie Drago,
 John Massa, Susan Tremblay, Stacey,
 Katherine Buschman,
 Sr. Beverly Furtado, Kerri Martel,
 Carlos Silveira, Miguel DeSouza, Floris,
 Claire Sennett,
 Kevin Kelly, Cathy Finucane, John,
 Chloe Harding, Kerri, Jennifer Gormley,
 Louise Poirier, Edward Polgar,
 Joseph F. Heitzler, Jennifer Lavoie, Jim O'Hearn,
 Patrick Masterson, Dennis Martel, Kathy,
 Jeff Noetzel, Muriel & Henry Navarette,
 Joe Pimentel, Anne Sennett Bahm,
 Maureen Stewart, Paul Desmarais,
 Irene Rodrigues, Randy Carvalho
 & Our Service Men and Women**

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

is burning this week

For the People of the Parish



**From the
Pastor's Desk**



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Today's readings project a joyful tone. God rescues his people and gathers them once again to show them a new path. For Jeremiah, the prophet, this gesture affirms the promise God made to Israel. Moreover, the blind man of the Gospel asks Jesus for the gift of sight. Jesus recognizes the faith of this handicapped man and grants him his request. The joy of recovering his sight through this miracle leads the healed man to follow Jesus. We can ask ourselves whether this man, who received the gift of light, followed Jesus because he recovered his sight or because of the faith Jesus discovered in his heart. We really do not know. We can, however, ask the following question of ourselves: What moves us to be disciples of Jesus, the blessings and grace the Lord grants us as in response to our petitions or the faith that invites us to accept the will of God, even when it's not our own? The question and its many answers may serve as topics for dialogue or for the homily and reflection at any time during the week.

LECTIO DIVINA

The fourth step of *Lectio divina* is called *contemplatio*. This term translates into English as "contemplation." In this step you read the Bible passage yet again. Perhaps something new will strike you that you did not see through the previous times that you read the text. We ask ourselves the following questions: What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me? How does something in the passage change your way of thinking, or the emotions that you feel, or how you do things? Perhaps in our passage (Ezekiel 36: 25-27) your mind will be impressed by the knowledge that God will act on your behalf—*"I will sprinkle clean water upon you."* God is a powerful force

for good in our lives. With his grace we can be transformed. Perhaps you will feel cleansed of your sins—*"I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you."* Perhaps you will be emboldened to act in a new way because God has helped you.—*"I will put my spirit within you and make you live by my statutes, careful to observe my decrees."* The renewed spirit within us makes it easier to choose the good and avoid whatever is evil in our lives. In this step we open ourselves up to the message of the Bible and let the Word of God act upon us in our daily lives.



Please pray for repose of the souls of

***Frank Silvia, Charles Peixe, Tom Slowik
Jeff Gobeil, Fred Candeias,
Kathleen Kamionek, Thomas Hart
Joe Gonsalves & Claire Boyd***

whose funerals were recently held here at St. Johns. May Jesus lead them to a place of refreshment, light and peace. Kindly pray for the consolation of their families, friends and all who mourn their passing.

**Westport Community Blood Drive
St. John the Baptist Church
December 8 10am.-3pm.**

*Appointment Scheduling is now available for those who signed up at Church and others who wish to donate.

-CALL 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

-GO TO redcrossblood.org

-DOWNLOAD the Blood Donor App.

Schedule early for your preferred time.
Questions? Call Joan @508-636-6798



Schedule

Grades 1-6 **Sunday, October 28, 2018**
10:30-11:30 AM Religious Education Center

Confirmation I & II **Monday, October 28, 2018**
7:30 - 8:30 PM Religious Education Center

Grades 7 & 8 **Tuesday, November 13, 2018**
6:00 - 7:00 PM Parish Center

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Religious Education please contact Susan Orzeck at 508-636-5506.

Office of Safe Environment

The Office of Safe Environment is responsible for overseeing abuse response and reporting; counseling; prevention training, and education; and compliance. If you would like to learn more about how the Diocese of Fall River is working to keep your children safe, please call Deacon Joe Regali, Director of the Office of Safe Environment, at (508) 675-1311.

St. John's Women's Guild

invites all women of the parish to a
Communion Breakfast

Sunday, November 4th
in the Parish Center
following the 8:00 Mass

A continental breakfast will be served.

Please contact Elaine Margarida at 508-636-8738 or Ann Moran at 508-636-4922 for more information.





YOUTH CHRISTMAS CHOIR

For those students interested in singing in the Youth Choir in grades 3 & Up for the 4:30 Christmas Eve Service. Please see Scott Simpkin. Rehearsal will begin within the next few weeks after the 9:30 service in the choir area. Rehearsals will last approx. 15-20 minutes after which students will be escorted back to their Religious Education Classes.



The month of October is traditionally a time to **honor Mary**. As a constant reminder, **The statue of Our Lady is displayed in the niche on the left hand side of the church.**

We encourage you to pray the rosary and reflect on the sacred mysteries of Christ as a source of strength and comfort in our daily lives.

THE CANDLE at the foot of *Mary*
is burning this week

For the People of the Parish



Nomination Ballots are available this weekend Oct 27/28 for you to nominate parishioners to serve a 2-year term on the Parish Pastoral Council. There are **2 positions** open going into 2019. The PPC members have worked diligently for several years now and have made a lasting impact on the life of the parish by formulating and implementing a 3-year plan, and they are currently working on a 5 year strategic plan, which will carry over to the new council.



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