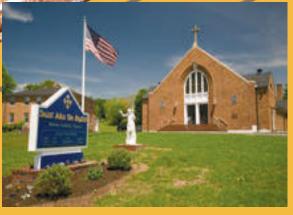
St. James & St. John the Baptist CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE PARISH

"Our Collaborative Parish, St. James & St. John the Baptist is a welcoming multi-cultural Catholic Community, always faithful to the Gospel, loving and sharing Christ".







SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST 114 Lincoln Avenue Haverhill, MA 01830

MASS SCHEDULE: Sunday: 10:00AM Weekdays: 9:00AM Monday – Wednesday – Friday HOLIDAYS: As announced

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If you are looking for a spiritual home, please introduce yourself to any member of the parish staff or fill out a registration form, available at the entrances of the church. If you would like more information about the Catholic Church, please call the parish office at 978.372.8537.

THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM AT ST. JAMES: 3th Sunday of the month, on the following months: Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec. at 1:00PM.

BAPTISM AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST: 2nd Sunday of the month on the following months: Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec. at the 10:00AM Mass. (*Only 2 children may be scheduled for baptism at each Mass*)

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION: Both Churches, Both Parents and Godparents: 1st Sunday of the month: on the following months: March, June, Sept., Dec. at 11:00AM meeting at the St. John's lower Church. Parents are asked to pre-register at the Collaborative Parish Office/Rectory, one month before baptism instruction takes place. Bringing the child's birth certificate. Please, call the parish office first.

MARRIAGE: Arrangement with a priest of the parish, six months prior to the wedding.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 3:00-3:30PM at St. James lower church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call the Collaborative Office if you have a family member or friend who is unable to attend church due to age or infirmity. We will provide pastoral visits with administration of the Sacraments.

COLLABORATIVE PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Father Anthony Le Permanent Deacon: Jose Nelson Agudelo

Collaborative Administrative: Dianne Young & Laura Sullivan stjamesandjohnofficeparish@gmail.com

Collaborative Financial: Andrea Sevigny stjamesandjohnofficeparish@gmail.com

Collaborative Coordinator of Faith Formation: Joelle Mather - stjamesandjohnfaith@gmail.com

> **Collaborative Coordinators of Music:** Philip Clayton & Cynthia Arsenault

> > OFFICE HOURS: Weekdays: 8:30AM - 4:30PM

Weekends & Holidays: Office Closed

Please call 978.372.8537 and leave a voicemail or email: stjamesandjohnofficeparish@gmail.com - Thank you!





Faith in Action, It All Starts with You

We are so grateful to all of you who have helped launch a successful 2022 Catholic Appeal campaign. Here at St James Parish we have raised \$9,163 so far, which means we are at 43% of our goal \$21,265 and St John the Baptist Parish we have raised \$1,890 with 25% of our goal of \$7,555. If you have not had a chance to do so, please consider making your gift to the Appeal today by picking up an envelope at the back of the church or make an on-line donation at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. Participation from every household in the parish is important and every gift makes a meaningful difference in putting faith into action to support the parishes, schools, and communities within our Archdiocese. Thank you.

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SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS THIS EASTER

Today's collection will benefit Clergy Trust which cares for the health and well-being of all our diocesan priests in good standing. Through your donation to this collection, you not only provide active priests with the support they need to continue their ministry, but also ensure that our senior priests continue to live in community with access to the high-quality care they need. Clergy Trust relies on your generosity to this collection, and every gift is greatly appreciated. If you would prefer to make an online donation, please scan the QR code in our bulletin or visit *clergytrust.org* to contribute quickly and easily. Thank you for helping support our priests this Easter.

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MASS INTENTIONS

	Saturday, April 9:00AM (SJ <i>)</i> 7:00PM (SJ)	16 th (SJ) <i>Holy Saturday</i> Morning Prayer EASTER VIGIL		
	8:30AM (SJ)			
	Monday, April 18th9:00AM (SJB)Parishioners of St. John the Baptist Parish7:00PM (SJ)Liturgy of Word and Adoration (Spanish)			
	Tuesday, April 19th (SJ)9:00AMMark Nichols ~ In Memory9:30AMAdoration			
	Wednesday, April 20 th 9:00AM (SJB) Maria LaFleur ~ In Memory			
	Thursday, April 21st (SJ)9:00AMPaula Nichols ~ In Memory, Req. by family9:30AMAdoration			
	Friday, April 22 nd 9:00AM (SJB) Dorothy Goudreault ~ Birthday Remmeberance by Daughter 7:00PM (SJ) Liturgy of Word and Prayer Group(Spanish)			
	Saturday, April 23 rd (SJ) 9:00AM (SJ) Parishioners of St. James Parish 4:00PM (SJ) Amy McLaughlin ~ Health, Req. by Judy & Norman Sunday, April 24 th Divine Mercy 8:30AM (SJ) Thomas Behan ~ 2nd Anniv, Req. by family 10:00AM (SJB) Rev. Joseph P. Smyth ~ For the Repose of his Soul 11:30AM (SJ) Milagros Morales Danilo Serrano			
		Anita Cleto Patria Garcia Edward Soto James Paul Kocsis	Jose Brito Arturo Velasquez Rafael Soto	
	3:00PM (SJ)	Accion de Gracias a San Miguel SJ) See Holy Week Schedule		



To reserve a weekday or weekend Mass for a deceased loved one or a special intention, please contact the parish office at



978-372-8537 or stjamesandjohnofficeparish@gmal.com

CHURCH SUPPORT - WEEKLY OFFERTORY

The weekend offerings of April 2/3 at: St James' Offertory: No funds available at this time and St John's Offertory: No funds available at this time. We will update as soon as possible.

The collection of this weekend is for the Clergy Trust Fund, Please support our retired priests.

Thank you very much for your love and generosity!

2nd COLLECTIONS:

4/23-24 Parish Energy and Utilities 5/1 Parish Capital Improvements



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Saturday, April 16th 9:00am (SJ) Morning Prayer 7:30pm (SJ) EASTER VIGIL

Easter Sunday April 17th 8:30am (SJ) - 10:00am (SJB) 11:30am Spanish (SJ) - 3:00pm Vietnamese (SJ)



HAPPY EASTER!!



Wishing all parishioners at St. James and St. John the Baptist a Happy Easter! May you all be blessed and protected always with Easter love!

Pastoral Reflections from Father Anthony EASTER SUNDAY

It seems that after the death of Jesus no one bothered to think that he would rise again. The women were only interested in anointing his body. But when they saw the empty tomb, they were puzzled and confused. If the angel did not appear to explain, the empty tomb would remain an unfathomable mystery.

When the women returned and told the Elevens what had happened outside the tomb, they did not believe it, thinking it was a hoax. How could the angel say that the Jesus was resurrected! "But Peter got up and ran to the tomb" (Lk 2:12a). He also saw as the women reported. But he was surprised, did not believe. Indeed, it is difficult to believe that Jesus had risen, even though Jesus foretold many times about his death and resurrection, "The Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified, and rise on the third day" (Lk 24:7). The disciples remembered only the first half of the announcement.

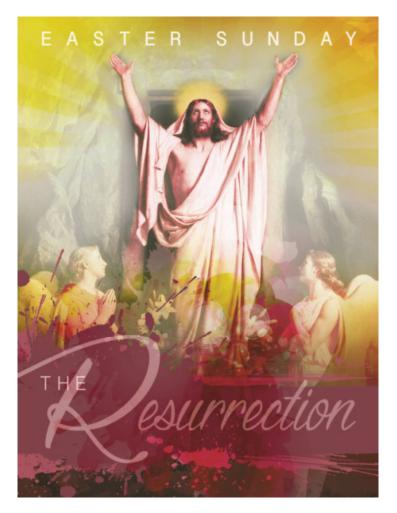
It seems that the pain was so great that they quickly forget! Thus, the angel appeared to remind them, "And they remembered his words" (24:8). When the resurrected Jesus appeared also to remind them (24:44). Later the Holy Spirit will also do this work, which is to remind them of all that Jesus said, "The Advocate will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you" (Jn 14:26b). Reminder is to connect the past with the present and the future. Their past was haunted by the painful death of Jesus. Human fate is easily bogged down in the sad past, no longer able to hope and live happily.

"Why do you seek the living one among the dead?" (Lk 24:5). Jesus opened the door of the tomb widely. To meet him, we have to find him outside the grave. Christianity does not end with the cross and the grave. Christ is now full of a new life. His body is no longer lying there, but has risen. He is with us on every path of life. He comes when we don't catch a single fish all night. He stays in our homes when we close the door out of fear. We often find his wrong address, because we do not believe that he was really resurrected. If we believe that he is the source of all life, our lives have been transformed.

There are still graves in our lives. There are graves where many dreams, hopes, and things we love and cherish by. They are a sign of brokenness, pain and disappointment. What can we expect from them, or only regret? Only Easter faith can help us feel joy amidst so many tears, daring to bury what has to be buried, and to lose what has to be lost. Because Resurrection is not about resurrecting a dead body, but has become a statement: Love is stronger than death, No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" (Jn 15:13). Therefore, love has become a transcendent vitality and the greatest power above all powers, because it transcends all limits and barriers of life.

The greatest challenge for those who want to walk with Christ is to live the Easter Gospel in the heart of their lives, letting his self-giving love guide the way. Through this, we discover the true face of God in life, especially in those with whom we come in contact every day. Amen.

Readings for today's Mass begin on page 150–153 of the Breaking Bread Missal 2022 Proper parts of the Mass begin on page 3.



BULLETIN DEADLINE: Fridays by 12:00PM Please email bulletin notices to: stjamesandjohnofficeparish@gmail.com

EASTER SUNDAY

April 17, 2022



Liz Murphy Open Hand Pantry is in need of:

Cookie, Brownie, Cake mixes. Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, Relish. Lemonade, Ice Tea, Kool-aid drink mixes, Coffee, tea bags. Cereal, Crackers, Juice Boxex. Boxes pasta salads. Freeze pops. Shampoo, Body Wash, Toothpaste (no kids flavors), razors, deodorant (mens and womens)

Please no medications: (Insulin, cough syrup, cold medications, aspirin, OTC drugs, etc.)

The pantry staff and the clients thank you for your continued support and donations.

ANNUAL DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24th will be celebrated from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at All Saints Church in Haverhill, MA. This year's program will include:

2:00pm - 3:00pm - Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Litany, Hour of Mercy Prayers, and Chaplet.

3:00pm Catechesis on Healing Prayer, and a Healing Team Presentation.

3:30pm - 4:00pm Rosary followed by Benediction. After Benediction anyone wishing to attend the Healing Prayer service can go downstairs to the Parish Hall to partici-

pate. (There will **NOT** be a Mass during this time.) Priests will be available to hear confessions from 2:00pm – 4:00pm. All are invited to attend. Remember to start the Novena on Good Friday, April 15.

For more information or for a brochure about the Novena & Chaplet call Gerry & Ann Marie Johnston at (978) 372 – 3824. Please remember to leave full name and phone number.



In their book, Miracles of the Eucharist, authors Bob and Penny Lord recount a number of Eucharistic miracles from around the world. One in particular took place in a church in the town of Lanciano in Italy. It was in the 700's A.D. that the bread and wine from the Eucharist became actual human flesh and blood. This flesh and blood have been left in their natural state exposed to normal atmospheric conditions and without the addition of any chemical preservatives. They have been tested many times, most recently in 1970, and have been found to be real human flesh and blood type AB.

Anyone interested in, or questioning, the reality of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist will find this to be a very interesting book. It would make a wonderful Easter gift for oneself or for someone who is going through doubt.

Also! If you or a loved one is doubtful, pray to Blessed Carlo Acutis (Model of Holiness) who lived for Christ. There is a website that explains about this young holy man's life who died at the age of 15 in 2006 – <u>www.miracolieucaristici.org</u>. It is worth taking the time to view, read and listen to!

If you would like to share your own story about belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, please send it to me at gerannjo@yahoo.com or if you do not have a computer you may send in your hand-written testimony to me at the following street address: Gerald Johnston, 41 Goodale Street, Haverhill, MA 01830-4209.

We all need to hear your story. Your article can appear anonymously if you prefer. However, I need to know your name to confirm . Just let me know if you want it to be anonymous. Thank you and God Bless,

Gerry Johnston, Year of the Eucharist Coordinator.



To the Faith Formation Families!

Or in person program is coming to an end with the last class on april 10th. Here some important information:

- 1. First Communion will be o May 14, 2022 at St. James Church.
- 2. First Penance and a short meeting time with students will be on May 7th , 2022 at 10:00am at St James lower Church.
- 3. For the students that have been homeschooled I will need to view your folders both the blue and purple ones on Many 10th.
- 4. Reminder only students enrolled in the Faith Formation /classes and those that have been baptized can make their first communion/first penance.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns at stjamesandjohn-faith@gmail.com



April 17, 2022

LOS SACRAMENTOS

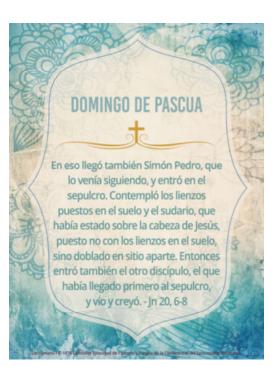
Bautismos en Español: El Segundo Domingo del mes, a la 1:00PM.

Catequesis pre-bautismal: El primer Domingo del mes, a la 1:00PM, en el centro parroquial (161 Winter St.), **obligatorio para los padres y padrinos.** La registración se debe hacer previamente en la Rectoría, con el acta civil de nacimiento.

Bodas: Se debe consultar con el sacerdote o el diácono con 6 meses de anticipación

Confesiones: Sábados: 3:00-3:30PM en St. James in la iglesia de abajo o llamar a la Rectoría por una cita.

Sacramento de los Enfermos: Si tienes un miembro de familia o amigo que no pueda asistir a la iglesia por edad o enfermedad, por favor llamar a la oficina para que se le provee de visitas con la administración de los sacramentos.



GRUPOS

*La Legión de María se reúnen los miércoles a la 6:00pm *La liturgia de la Palabra se celebra los días Lunes, Miércoles y viernes a las 7pm .

*Grupo de Oración Carismático se reúnen los viernes a las 7:30pm en la Parroquia St. James (Iglesia de abajo).



Para reservar una **Misa** para algún familiar suyo por favor contactar la oficina de la parroquia al teléfono 978-372-8537 o email: stjamesandjohnofficeparish@gmail.com

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Schedule Today!

Free Pregnancy Ultrasound

The Pregnancy Care Center in Haverhill will soon be referring for ultrasounds onsite at their new location at 107 Merrimack Street.

If you are pregnant in your 1st trimester and would like a free ultrasound, please call or text to schedule an appointment.

Family members and partners welcome!

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE April 18th & 19th 9am - 1pm

Call/Text (978) 373-5700



