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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Please introduce yourselves. We hope to know and serve you. We hope you become an active part of our Parish Community.

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM
Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 8:30-9:15 AM in the parish center

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11:30 AM
Please call for information

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arranged at least 6 months in advance

ORGANIST

Bernadette Nadeau

PARISH "NEWS" DEADLINE

All copy must be submitted in writing no later than Monday noon. (Holiday weeks may require a longer lead time.)

ST. JOHN'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those that need a little help,
please call: 508-435-3313x207



“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?” Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, August 1, 2021:
*Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/
 Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35*



SATURDAY, JULY 24

5:00 PM Mary & Eugene Daly, Jr.

SUNDAY, JULY 25

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's
 10:00 AM John Kiley
 6:30 PM For the conversion of sinners

MONDAY, JULY 26

9:00 AM Eliza Johnson

TUESDAY, JULY 27

9:00 AM For the spiritual welfare of the clergy

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, JULY 29

9:00 AM Susan Kelly & family (for healing)

FRIDAY, JULY 30

9:00 AM Sean Richard & family (for healing)

SATURDAY, JULY 31

8:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 5:00 PM Mary & Eugene Daly, Jr.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's
 10:00 AM Special Intention
 6:30 PM Matthew O'Leary

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

There will be a holy hour of Divine Mercy **every Monday** from 6:30-7:30PM in the lower church. All are welcome.

Holy Hour for Conversion of Sinners

There is a holy hour here at St. John's parish for the conversion of sinners on **Thursdays at 6:30PM in the lower church.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 9AM Mass in the lower church every Friday, beginning with the Litany to our Blessed Mother. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited at 11:45AM followed by Benediction. Please feel free to drop in for a visit.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and the Brown Scapular

July 16th is the memorial of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Carmel in Hebrew means “Garden of God”). This feast day is dated through pious tradition as the day in the 13th century, that Our Lady of Mt. Carmel gave the brown scapular to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite priest serving in England. St. Simon was exhorted by Our Lady to make available this scapular to the faithful.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will extend her patronage to the faithful who wear the scapular, especially at one's hour of death. The faithful in turn pledge:

- Devotion to Our Lady and the teachings of the Church,
- To live a chaste life according to one's station in life
- And to say the rosary daily or
- Recite daily the Little Office of the BVM.
- Observe the fasts of Church with abstinence from meat on Fridays.

One must be vested by a priest or deacon with the accompanying prayers.

For those interested, the vesting of the brown scapular of the Carmelites will be available after the Masses **THIS Sunday, July 25**. For those that currently wear the scapular, one's vesture could be renewed.

Morning Offering of the Brown Scapular

O my God, in union with the Immaculate Heart of Mary (here kiss the scapular as a sign of your consecration), I offer Thee the Precious Blood of Jesus from all the altars throughout the world, joining with It the offering of my every thought, word and action of this day. O my Jesus, I desire to gain every indulgence and merit I can, and I offer them together with myself, to Mary Immaculate, that She may best apply them to the interests of Thy most Sacred Heart. O Precious Blood of Jesus, save us! O Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us! O Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Jesus and the Lost and Found

The Mercy Chapter

What woman having ten coins and losing one would not light a lamp and sweep the house, searching carefully until she finds it?...Rejoice with me because I have found the coin that I lost. In just the same way, **I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents.** Luke 15:8-10

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church **NEXT Saturday, July 31.**



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish, please introduce yourself. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will support your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents. Please call the Parish Office (435-3313x203) to register.

Has Something Changed?

Have you moved or changed your phone number? Do you now use online giving and would rather not receive envelopes anymore? Be sure to call or email the Parish Office at 435-3313x203 or stjohnshopkinton@verizon.net to let us know about the changes in your life so we can update our records. Thank you!



Please Remember in Prayer

All confined, all in need of healing...Please pray for all deceased and their families...Our servicemen and women, and their families, and all who suffer in embattled countries.



“One day, through the Rosary and the Scapular, She will save the world.”

—St. Dominic’s Prophecy of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Rosary and the Scapular, AD 1208.

WEDNESDAY EVENING ROSARY

On Wednesday evenings at **6PM in the lower chapel**, the rosary will be offered. This will be held every Wednesday evening throughout the year. Please feel free to come on down, and don’t be afraid to let your children join in. Rosary booklets will be made available for those who need a refresher in this beautiful Marian devotion.



St. John’s Bible Study

Our Parish Bible Study is now virtual. We meet **every Tuesday evening at 7:30PM** for one hour via Zoom under the direction of Fr. Conrad. Please join us! If you wish to receive the link and be on our participant list, send your email request to rusoire@aol.com.

DIGNITY MATTERS

Help Dignity Matters provide homeless women with undergarments and feminine hygiene products. These items are not covered by food stamps and are rarely donated to shelters, but these items are **DESPERATELY** needed. Please donate: bras—new and gently used; female underpants—new with tags; tampons and sanitary napkins. **St. John’s will be collecting these items to donate. Please place your donations in the bin in the Parish Center hallway.**

Religious Education Registration

Registration is ongoing for new students. For those wanting to enter their child/children into our program for the first time, you must fill out a one-time registration form and provide a copy of their baptismal certificate if not baptized at St. John’s. The registration form can be found on our website (stjohnhopkinton.com) under the “RELIGIOUS EDUCATION” tab. For more information please contact Debbie Lysik at (508) 435-3313 x208 or dlysikstjn@verizon.net.

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St. John’s Pro-Life Initiative Prayer Chain

We’re looking to expand our Pro-Life Initiative and want to encourage others in our parish to assist us in our Pro-Life efforts. We invite you to join our Prayer Chain and pray for all unborn babies and their mothers. Will you sign up to commit to praying regularly for this vital effort? Please call Denise St. Jean at 508-435-6827 or email denisestjean7@gmail.com to sign up.

Stories from the Sidewalk: A jogger named Drew stopped near us on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood and took out his rosary to pray for 15 minutes before resuming his run. He said he does this often during his runs.

JULY 25, 2021

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

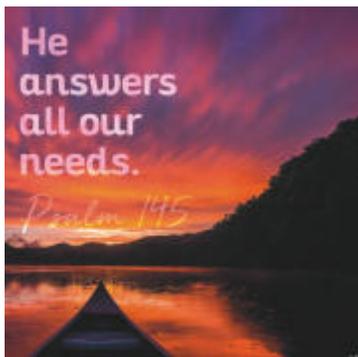
2 Kings4: 42-44; Psalm 145: 10-11, 15-18;

Ephesians 4: 1-6; John 6: 1-15

Today's gospel highlights the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. That miracle is the only of Christ's miracles for which there is an account in all four of the gospels. Though they differ in some details, the message is clear: the Lord God always provides sustenance for us at our deepest levels, our deep seeded yearning for something more than this world can offer, that is, to know and to be with God for eternity. We also learn something about what part we each are to play, even though at times we may feel unequal to the task. Today is the beginning of Sundays to come where we will depart from Mark's gospel, to hear from chapter 6 of John's gospel about the mystery of the Eucharist.

Today's readings begin in 2 Kings with Elisha's miracle feeding 100 people with twenty barley loaves (the bread of the poor), and some grain. Yet some was left over. In John's gospel Jesus feeds five thousand with five barley loaves and two fish donated by a boy. Yet twelve wicker baskets were filled with the leftovers. Jesus becomes the perfect fulfillment of Elisha's miracle, and the Lord's promise to provide. The Lord will "...satisfy the desire of every living thing...The LORD is near to all who call on him in truth.": when we call on him humbly, sincerely, and with faith.

There are so many challenges for us in what can be a brutal and upside-down world, including in our own country. Christ's example tells us what we are to do. He fed the hungry. We too must feed the hungry, but not just with food for their bodies. Some people are more than hungry for solace when suffering difficulties, for compassion, friendship, respect, understanding, a helping hand, and encouragement. What can we do about such things? At times everyone has felt unequal to the task. Perhaps that boy with just five barley loaves and two fish, and the apostles felt the same way. The fact is that every little thing that we do adds up and encourages others to do the same. That can especially be true if we as Church respond to Saint Paul's letter to the Ephesians, and his plea for unity. When we live our faith well the Lord gives us the spiritual food that we need. He gives of himself, the Bread of Life. He gives us peace if we accept it. We become part of "one body, one spirit, one Lord who is over all and in all." The Lord God sustains us with what we need, and more, to participate in the work of salvation. Have faith, for the Lord will multiply our relatively meager efforts to heal the divisions in his Church, in our country, and in the world.



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