

*"To Preserve The Flame"*  
**SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH**

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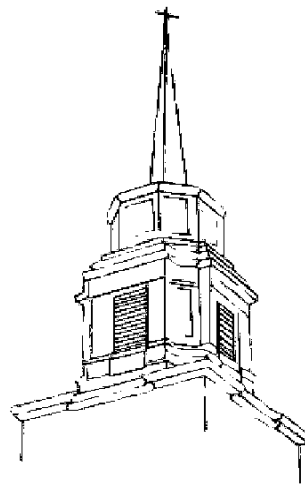
Donna Mastrovito  
Dianne Gustowski

**Director, After-School Program  
and Ascension Clothing Center**

Sr. Patricia Murphy, SSJ

**Music Ministry**

Sean Redrow, Director  
Lucia Clemente Falco, Asst. Dir.



**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Lord's Day Masses**

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 & 7:15  
PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 10:15 AM,  
12:15 PM & 7:15 PM

**Weekdays**

Monday-Friday 6:15 PM

**Holy Days**

Vigil 6:15 p.m.  
Holy Day 12:15, 6:15 p.m.

**Rectory Office Hours:**

Tues.-Fri. 9 am - 4 pm  
Jimmy Archibald, Manager  
[stjohnsworc@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsworc@gmail.com)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Mon.-Thurs.-6:45 pm  
Saturday- 3 pm

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Please contact the parish office  
at least one year prior to  
planned date of marriage

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Please visit the parish website  
under the "Sacraments" tab

**Sacrament of the Sick**

Please contact the parish office

**Monthly Mass for Healing  
Followed by the Celebration  
Of the Sacrament of the Sick**

4th Tuesday of the month  
6:15 pm

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 27, 2020

4:15 PM **Joseph Morrissey**, req. by Family

7:15 PM **Eva Mijic**, req. by Family

Sunday, June 28, 2020

8:00 AM **Rose and Al Johnson, Sr.**, req. by Family; **Frances and David Vautrain**, req. by Niece Barbara Thompson

10:15 AM **For all Victims of Covid-19**, req. by Family and Friends

12:15 PM **Frank V. Wright**, req. by Family

7:15 PM **Scott and Gwendolyn Gow**, req. by Family

Monday, June 29, 2020

6:15 PM **Margaret Murphy (100th Birthday Remembrance)**, req. by Family

Tuesday, June 30, 2020

6:15 PM **Joe Comeau**, req. by Family

Wednesday, July 1, 2020

6:15 PM **Dudley Francis Bowker**, req. by Frank Carroll and Family

Thursday, July 2, 2020

6:15 PM **Joe Hickey and Dan Best**, req. by Friends

Friday, July 3, 2020

6:15 PM **Robert Woods**, req. by Family

Saturday, July 4, 2020

4:15 PM **All Souls in Purgatory and Deceased Members of F.O.S.S.**

7:15 PM **Scott Lindberg**, req. by Family

Sunday, July 5, 2020

8:00 AM **William Bresnahan**, req. by Family

10:15 AM **Health and Intentions of John Malvarose**, req. by Family

12:15 PM **Francis P. Luca**, req. by Family

7:15 PM **Health and Intentions of all those affected by Covid-19**

The Rosary is prayed each weekday **beginning with the Angelus at 5:50 p.m.**

Dear Friends in the Lord,

First Communion Day and Confirmation Day are two of the most important days in the life of a parish. Which means that this Saturday is a huge day in the life of St. John's Parish. We celebrate both Sacraments, Communion at 11 a.m. and Confirmation at 4:15 p.m., on this Saturday. I join with you in thanking Donna Mastrovito and Carole Cronin for their work with the First Eucharist and First Reconciliation Class and to Dan Shaughnessy and Dianne Gustowski for their work with the Confirmation group.

Most importantly, of course, I join you in congratulating the young people, and their families, who are celebrating a significant moment in their lives:

Our Confirmation Class of 2020 is:

Amara Obijiaku, Ana O'Neil, Anthony Mattress, Corey Rondeau, DJ Mara Jr., Hannah Nordahl, Hunter Murphy, Jack O'Brien, Jasmine Burke, Julia Moynagh, Laura Kittredge, Mario Frascolla, Mason Hargrove, Matthew Clute, Michael Clute, Matthew Nelson, Michael Nelson, Mia Wright, Mia Granger, Micaela Guries, Nestory Ngolle, Nick Garry, Ryan Coonan, Saoirse McGinn, Sara Doherty, Tori Creamer, Tyler Vigeant.

Our First Communion Class of 2020 is:

Addison Ford, Adrian Torres, Aniyah Marie Olivencia, Antonella D'Andrea, Cassandra Valentin, Emma Pasenello, Gabriella Abasciano, Jacob LeClaire, Jaedon Thiboutot, Jesus Manuel Saldana, Jr., Joseph Letoruneau, Julian Coale, Keara Meredith Carey, Macrina Montalvo, Mason Richardson, Mollie DeSavage, Morgan Riddick, Nicolina Pasquale, Olive Phelan, Oritsetosan Dominga Unokesan, Patrick Sturrock, Ricci Tyra B. Del Mar, Shane Burke, Sofia Gwen L. Demain, Teagan Dumas.

Being a member of the "Class of 2020" is to be part of a unique group. Whether it is a graduation from Pre-School to Graduate School or a Sacramental class from Eucharist to Holy Orders and Marriage, the experience is nothing like what was expected. It has been, I hate to say it, unprecedented. Still, over the past weeks I have been at an Ordination, a Baptism, Marriage, Funeral, Confirmation and Anniversary of Ordination and there is one thing that I am completely sure of – God was present, too! These are not the celebrations that we had envisioned, even hoped for. Yet, all of them, are still worth celebrating and still dispense the grace necessary to endure life's challenges and be filled with God's grace. Plus, for many years to come, when you say that you were part of the "Class of 2020" we will all know how special you are!

In Christ's Peace,  
Fr. John Madden

## THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### THIS WEEK'S HYMNS

Introit: *Omnes gentes plaudite minibus*, Ps. 47: 2  
Op.: # 527 I Know That My Redeemer Lives!  
Prep.: # 715 Jesus, Lead the Way  
Comm.: *Christus resurgens*, Rom 6: 9  
# 585 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light  
Cl.: # 610 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a  
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11  
Mt 10:37-42

**LIVE STREAMING-** Sunday Masses will be live-streamed according to the following schedule on the parish Facebook Page:

- *Saturday Vigil: Live-streamed @ 4:15 PM*
- *Sunday Mass: Live-streamed @ 10:15 AM or 12:15 PM*

**PARTNERS IN CHARITY** has received gifts and donations in the amount of \$55,940. The parish goal is \$76,600 so we are more than 70% to the goal. Thank you, especially in these uncertain times, for your generosity to this important Annual Appeal of the Diocese.

**THE CLOTHING ROOM** at the Ascension Campus will be re-opening on Tuesday, July 7. We will resume taking clothing donations at this time. Anyone coming into the clothing center will be required to wear a mask or face covering.

### **JOIN OUR GENERAL FLOCKNOTE GROUP**

- We encourage you to stay connected through Flocknote during this challenging time and receive Father Madden's weekly messages and other important updates. We encourage you to use the commenting feature on Flocknote to share your thoughts, concerns, and prayers - so our community as a whole can provide support and prayers as needed.

**NOT ON FLOCKNOTE?** Simply fill out the short form on the parish website to connect to St. John's on Flocknote. You can choose which groups in the parish you would like to hear from.

**PLASTIC BAG DONATIONS-** Our Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry is in need of donations of plastic bags for our "to go" meals and various donations that are given out each day. Any and all donations are appreciated and can be dropped off at the St. Francis Xavier Center, the rectory, or left in the back of the church. Thank you for your continued generosity.

### **IGNATIUS VOLUNTEER CORPS (IVC) NEW ENGLAND**

, a yearlong volunteer opportunity for women and men 50 years of age and better, is recruiting volunteers for the upcoming (September to June) year. Volunteers give two full days/week of service and commit to a monthly spiritual reflection program in the Jesuit tradition. IVC works with non-profits in the Boston/Worcester/Providence areas that address problems of homelessness, education, immigration and more. Get info and application by contacting regional director Dave Hinchin [newengland@ivcusa.org](mailto:newengland@ivcusa.org), or check out the IVC New England website @ [www.ivcusa.org/new-england](http://www.ivcusa.org/new-england).

### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER -**

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Let God amplify the love in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are September 12-13, 2020 in Medway, MA and Oct 16-18, 2020 in TBD, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

**SENIOR FRAUD HOTLINE-** RSVP's Senior Fraud HelpLine is a toll-free resource for seniors and their families to call when they are concerned that they are being targeted by scammers. If they are in doubt, they should check it out by calling 1-800-297-9760. Confidential. Knowledgeable. Local. Supportive.

**DAILY MASS ON TV AND THE INTERNET -** If you do not have Facebook and cannot stream the Mass here at St. John's, tune in on Monday through Friday on Charter TV3 on channel 193 at 9 AM for the local Daily Mass on cable celebrated by various priests from around our diocese. Also airs at 4:30 pm in Shrewsbury on Ch. 28, and 5 pm in Clinton area on Ch. 8.

### In Our Catholic Community...

**SUMMER CHANCERY HOURS**- Although the chancery is not yet open to the public, employees have been working in various departments throughout the crisis, both in office and at home. Beginning this Friday, June 19 through August 21 we will be CLOSED on Fridays.

**CAR DONATION PROGRAM**- Did you know you can donate your car, truck, motorcycle or boat to Catholic Charities and help us help your Worcester County neighbors? It's quick and easy to do. Just visit our website to donate your vehicle online at [www.ccworc.org](http://www.ccworc.org) or call 1-888-CAR-7308 1-888-CAR-7308 to arrange a convenient pickup time and confirmation of your donation from Catholic Charities Donation Angel Program. The car in your driveway can help us to continue to offer many services to children, families and elders in our community so that they may regain home for a brighter future. Thank you!

**VNA CARE** is seeking a compassionate Hospice Chaplain to join its interdisciplinary team. The chaplain provides pastoral care/counseling for those in hospice care and their loved ones as well as spiritual support for hospice team members. Candidates must have the ability to communicate with and relate to a diverse population of patients, families and caregivers at end of life in home and health care settings. As an organization, VNA Care strives to provide its patients, families, and caregivers with the highest level of care by providing the right care with kindness and compassion every day for every person. Requirements: Graduate of a School of Divinity, Seminary or Theological School with training in pastoral care and an understanding of hospice philosophy and practice.

### Financial Report

Last weekend we received \$5810.16. We have also received:

Monthly- \$265.00	Restoration- \$55.00
Stipends- \$600.00	School Rent- \$4833.72

**Total-** \$11,563.88 **Unrestricted-** \$11,508.88 **Restricted-** \$55.00

**FOOD FOR THE POOR:** \$340 IMO Anna Naum; \$50 IMO Phyllis Chaban; \$75 IMO Jennifer Lamby; \$100 IMO Joseph Morrissey; \$5000 from a friend; \$250 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$20 from a friend; \$20 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$50 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$200 from a friend; \$100 IMO Carolina DePari; \$255 from Employees of People United Bank

**Expenses-** \$8661.58

House (1681.12) Administration (5272.27) Altar (176.00) Church Gas (66.38) Rectory Gas (145.12) Ascension Gas (106.48) Envelopes (550.47) Schola (144.84) Funerals (482.00) Rectory Alarm (36.90)

**Food for the Poor**

Income- \$7179.80

Expenses- \$1184.09

This weekend's second collection is the Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father.

### Our Parish Community...

...Offers prayers and condolences to the families of Helena Largess Crewe, Patricia Brown and Robert Woods who have been born into eternal life.

### **Word of Life**

**“The Church always advances between the cross and the resurrection, between persecutions and the consolations of the Lord. This is the path: those who take this path do not go wrong.” — Pope Francis**