He will guide you to all truth.

Just as our Blessed Mother Mary and the Evangelist, called John, came together at the foot of the cross to serve Christ crucified, so also do the parish families bearing their names come together to serve God by serving each other and all who make up the body of The Risen Lord.

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**Weekend Mass Schedule**
- St. John: Saturday @ 4:00 PM
- St. Mary: Saturday @ 4:00 PM
- Sunday @ 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, & 6:00 PM
- Sunday @ 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM

June 2 through mid-September, there will be only one Sunday evening Mass to serve the collaborative... 6 pm at St. John’s.

**Weekday Mass Schedule**
- Monday - Friday @ 9:00 AM
- Saturday 9:00 am Mass alternates between parishes. Refer to calendars.

**Reconciliation**
- Saturday @ 3:00 - 3:45 PM or by appointment

**Eucharistic Adoration**
- First Friday of the Month
- Beginning Friday, 9:30 AM
- Concluding Saturday, 9:00 AM in the OPC Chapel

**Masses are Available via Live Stream**
Visit www.chelmsfordcatholic.org
LIVEVIEW resides on the right-hand sidebar of the home page

**Parish Office Hours**
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday • 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Wednesday • 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
- Friday • 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
- Sunday • 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

June 16, 2019
The Most Holy Trinity

But when he comes, the Spirit of Truth, He will guide you to all truth.

- John 16:13
at St. Mary's

**SUNDAY, JUNE 16**
6 pm Music Ministry Team Rehearsal • 5:00 pm • Church

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19**
Music Ministry Extra Rehearsal • 6:30 pm • Music Room
Boy Scout Troop 77 Meeting • 7:00 pm • Parish Hall

**THURSDAY, JUNE 20**
Rosary Makers • 10:30 am - 12:00 pm • PC Conf Room 2
Rosary • 12:00 - 1:00 pm • PC Chapel
Adoration • 3:00 - 9:00 pm • PC Chapel

**FRIDAY, JUNE 21**
Adoration • 7:00 am - 9:00 pm • PC Chapel
Knitting and Crocheting • 3:00 pm • PC MR 2

**SATURDAY, JUNE 22**
Adoration • 9:30 am - 3:00 pm • PC Chapel
Reconciliation • 11:00 am - 12:00 noon • Church
Music Rehearsals • 1:00 - 4:00 pm • Music Room
Collaborative Bell Choir Rehearsal • 2:30 pm • Choir Loft
String Ensemble/Ministry Rehearsals • 3:00 - 4:00 pm • Church
Anointing of the Sick, following 4 pm Mass • Church

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23**
6 pm Music Ministry Team Rehearsal • 5:00 pm • Church

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**2ND ANNUAL HAIL MARY CHALLENGE**

We are again challenged to collectively pray 1,000,000 Hail Marys in 6 Months! (April 28 - Oct 31)

DID YOU KNOW that when praying the Rosary, you are praying 53 Hail Marys?!
DID YOU KNOW that both parishes have active Rosary Groups?!
Join St. John’s Monday-Friday at 8:30 am, in the church, preceding daily Mass and/or join St. Mary every Thursday at 12 noon in the St. Mary Parish Center Chapel.

Turn your weekly count into the containers that are located in the vestibule of each church (for your convenience, we have tally slips available). These containers will be emptied every Sunday, tabulated and the count published weekly in the bulletin. The June petition, when reciting our Hail Marys is...

“...for parishioners or their family members who are suffering in any way: from grief, physical or mental and emotional pain, employment hardships, or personal and family relationships, that they may be strengthened through the loving care of Our Blessed Mother and her son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.”

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**St. Mary**

**Daily Mass Attendees**

Have you ever considered serving as a Lector, Sacristan or Eucharistic Minister? St. Mary’s is currently looking for more people to join our team of Daily Mass Servers (7 am, Monday - Friday). We are especially in need of Sacristans and Lectors.

If you would like to be part of this beautiful ministry, please contact Karen Cusick via email at k_cusick@comcast.net or phone at (978) 670-8937. When emailing or leaving a phone message, please provide your name, email, phone number and the position(s) in which you are interested. Instruction/training will be provided.

**Next Weekend**

at the St. Mary 9:00 am Mass, we will be honoring St. Mary’s graduated High School Seniors.

May your graduation be the beginning of many more wonderful achievements in your life.
ANNUAL AFRICAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Harvest of Abiding Love and Unity

Sunday, September 22, 2019
12:30 pm at St. John Church

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

One Day Retreat for Grieving Parents
Saturday, September 14
St. John Church
9:00 am - 6:30 pm

This retreat offers spiritual support for grieving parents who have experienced the death of a child, no matter the age or reason. For more information, or to register, contact phassett99@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible Fun 2019

ROAR: Life is Wild
God is Good
AUGUST 5-9

Register TODAY by clicking on the VBF ROAR button on our homepage!

“Building a Community in Christ”

The Chelmsford Catholic Collaborative will AGAIN be represented in the Chelmsford 4th of July Parade!

If you are interested in helping to build the float or being part of the parade, contact Julie at juliesouza.a@gmail.com.

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Strawberry Festival and Raffle Event!

The St. John Hospitality Committee would like to thank our parish communities for their generosity in both their donations of baked goods and for their support of the event by their attendance. Many purchased a sweet treat to compliment their Sunday morning coffee, or paired up a yummy bowl of strawberry shortcake alongside a cup of cold strawberry lemonade!

and... Congratulations to John Hage, the winner of the 4 Spinners tickets. Thank you to all those who purchased raffle tickets, which raised over $300 for the St. John Faith Formation Scholarship.

St. John’s Beautification Offering

This offering is used to fund the beautification of our Altar. With your voluntary donation, you can request that it be “In Memory Of,” “In Appreciation Of” or “For the Intentions Of” someone.

THE June FUND HONORS THE FOLLOWING

Alice • Altevers Family • Blakely Family • Tena and Quinto Bussolari • Cawley-Sullivan Family • Mr. and Mrs. William Chase Jr • Lorraine B Corcoran • Egan Family • Emile • Ernest • Eileen Francoeur • Edward Griffin • Elizabeth T. Harrington • Michael F. Harrington • Greg Martinez • Rev Leonard McGrath • Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Palermo, Sr. • Barbara A. Regan • Taranto Family • Ruth Tocci • Toni • Rita Wren

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday following 9:00 am Mass - 10:30 am ...at St. John OPC Chapel

In addition to our monthly First Friday Adoration, there is now another opportunity to spend some quality time with the Lord. Come for 5 minutes, or an hour! We are looking for adorers who would be interested in sitting with the Lord on weekly, bi-weekly or monthly basis—whatever best suits your schedule—as well as individuals who would be interested in being a substitute adorer for those needing coverage in the event of illness, vacation, etc.

Please join us in this quiet time to see if maybe you are being called to commit to this beautiful and grace-filled ministry.

ATTENTION HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

ATTENTION All Eucharistic Ministers

From now until the Annual Outdoor Mass on Sunday, September 15, 2019, all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are asked to sign in if you are planning to serve at Mass. We ask that you please arrive a few minutes early and check the binder that will be located at both parishes. NOTE: You can sign up for future dates as the entire summer schedule will be included in this binder. We thank you for your faithful service to your parish family!

ATTENTION HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Celebrating this season of your Life

You and a family member or caregiver are invited to the 2ND ANNUAL Anointing Mass and Luncheon Wednesday, July 31

Mass at 11:00 am at St. John

Invitations will be sent out shortly...

If you are homebound, and do not receive an invitation, please contact Rae at (978) 251-8571/256-2374, ext 325.

of what’s happening in our Collaborative!
We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives. Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail. We ask for Your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed.

This Father’s Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways—both big and small—they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent; grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers, pastors and coaches and the women of our families.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You. In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen

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Require the use of our Facilities?

If so, please...

RESERVE YOUR SPACE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

Doing so will assure that the space and time you require is available for your use, and your use ONLY! Note that the ministry who has their time and space officially scheduled will supersede any impromptu and unscheduled meetings in that same time and space. The party who does not have the official reservation will politely be asked to relocate.

When requesting the use of facilities at either parish, please use the Facility Request Form, which can be found on our parish website. Under “I WOULD LIKE TO”, choose the church in which you are looking to reserve, then choose RESERVE A ROOM. From there, you can download the form and return to Rae at the parish office. (We will offer an online version of this form soon.)

If you have any questions, please contact Rae at rae@chelmsfordcatholic.org or ext 325.

** IMPORTANT TO NOTE ** If you happen to make impromptu use of any of our meeting rooms, and have not been asked to vacate, we ask that you please be respectful and return the room to its original set-up condition, as that room may have already been set up according to specifications for a future reservation.
My Dad has always been a fascinating man to me. Most of us, if we are honest with ourselves, are a mass of contradictions in how we come to address life in general. My Dad, on the other hand, was very much one of those people you would describe with, “What you see is what you get.” He tended to confront life and issues directly, with a consistent set of norms. He was not someone who deviated from what he considered right and wrong. He was also not someone who would act contrary to what he believed, just to make others happy.

I saw this in his faith journey. My Dad stopped going to church when I was about five or six years old. Over the years we talked about what it was that prevented him from going to Mass. He never got deeply into the issues with me, but it was quite clear that he had difficulties with some particular Church teachings. He needed to come to terms with those issues in his own way before he could return. But, at the same time, my Dad was always quite clear that he still believed in Christ and in God. He did not see himself as *not* being Catholic; he just needed to be true to who he was.

While he refrained from going to church, he never prevented us from going. In fact, he made it very clear that since it was important to Mom for us to be there, we would be at Mass with her every Sunday until we became adults. He also encouraged me in my own faith journey. God and the Church have always been important to me, and my Dad supported that wholeheartedly. We would talk a lot about the faith, and he was very knowledgeable about Catholicism. In his own way he helped me to grow and deepen my relationship with God. He was truly a big supporter of my journey to the priesthood. But, again, it was more about *my* journey than his.

But something fascinating happened when I was in college: Dad began going to church! I am not sure what happened or how he reconciled his differences with the Church because we never really talked about it. Again, my father was either all in or all out. And he did not merely come back! He began to help my Mom teach confirmation classes, he became an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and he eventually was selected to serve on the parish council. And until he became truly sick, I do not think my Dad missed Mass. But, he would not drive with my Mom to church for the simple reason that she took too long to leave after Mass. Mom has a tendency to need to talk to everyone in the Church before leaving, or at least it seems that way. My Dad had no patience for that once Mass was over; he was ready to go home and so he did.

I remember when I told my Dad in 1989 about my decision to go into the seminary. He was very clear that his only concern was my happiness. If I believed this was something I needed to do, then he was going to support me 100%. We talked about the decision and my firm belief that God was calling me. For Dad, that was enough. I know my Dad has always been proud of me, but I will never forget the look on his face on my ordination day. During the preparation of the altar, he got to carry up one of the gifts to the Cardinal. The smile on his face is something I will always treasure.

I also remember our conversations when he became truly sick. I was asked to go back to school after being ordained, but that meant leaving New England. Dad and I talked about what I should do. I did not really want to leave because I would be so far away from him and Mom. I would not be able to give my support during this time of need. But Dad was very clear in his response, “You were ordained to support the needs of the Church. If this is what the Church needs you to do, then you *do* it! You made a promise of obedience and you must be true to your word.”

My Dad also had no fear of dying. His faith was firm and his trust in the promises that Christ made us in his death and resurrection was unwavering. His only difficulty was in the prospect of not being with my Mom. The idea of being separated from her was really hard for him. But, at the same time, he understood his own condition and knew that it was going to happen. Rather than get angry about it, he accepted the truth that at some future time they would be together once more, and that was enough for him. His love for her was unbreakable.

Dad taught me a lot about life and faith: the most important thing in life is to be a person of integrity. It is important to know what you believe and to live it out faithfully. I might not have always agreed with my Dad, but I can say that my most deeply rooted beliefs in how I should live my life come from watching how he lived his.

Happy Father’s Day to all our wonderful fathers!

If you have any questions about anything, please do not hesitate to ask me directly, or send your questions to me at fr.brian@chelmsfordcatholic.org.

Please keep me in your prayers.

In Christ,
"I AM NOT AFRAID BECAUSE GOD IS WITH ME. I WAS BORN FOR THIS!"

A friend sent me the Novena to St. Joan of Arc, knowing she has always been a great inspiration for me as both a spiritual warrior and virtuous woman. I, in turn, invited our Faith Formation team to pray it together as we form a new team, navigate change, and rely on God’s providence to direct us in our work.

The Novena had immense meaning for me as I contemplated why St. Joan draws me to herself so powerfully. She is a perfect example of why faith matters. She was heroic but not fearless. She never deviated from her mission but her struggles to accomplish her mission and inspire others to lift the banner of God were constant throughout her life. She lit the fire of faith in the hearts of her countrymen and they flocked to her, rallied beneath her banner, and began fighting and winning battles—but not without great effort, personal suffering and sacrifice.

She was not timid about sharing her faith and her mission. She was outspoken when she was challenged which won her as many enemies as it did admirers. She believed that God had called her and that He would help her. Yet, she was painfully wounded in battle several times. Her faith helped her do hard things and overcome tremendous obstacles. How did she manage through it all to keep raising the banner of God?

She recognized that the war she waged was not only outside herself, but also within. God didn’t merely ask her to lead an army to victory. God asked her to abandon herself: her fears, her pains, and her weaknesses, and place herself squarely and firmly in His care. By overcoming herself and allowing her human frailty to decrease, Joan was able to allow Christ to increase in her: she died for the glory of God so that His will could be done.

Joan’s story remains incredibly relevant today. We are called to wage a war that is, in many ways, very similar to Joan’s. Instead of a physical army swarming our land, we are faced with a cultural war: on marriage, on families, on the sanctity of life, and on the very foundations of our faith. We are being called to overcome the temptation of mediocrity. We are being called to lift the banner, and with arrows flying, carry it up the hill, inspiring the faith in others.

Just as Joan’s work was only fulfilled in her martyrdom, in her total gift of self to Christ, so too will our battles only be won when we truly die to ourselves and leave ourselves solely in the care of Christ. When we die to our fears and temptations, when we decrease our own importance, we allow Christ’s hope and strength to increase. Only when we successfully turn ourselves over to Him do we become vessels for His glory, making His will present and witnessing to His goodness. It is time for us to put on our armor, pick up our spiritual weapons of prayer and fasting, and in these times of great trial entrust all to God.

If we want to win the battle that wages around us, we must also wrestle with the very real possibility that we will be “burned at the stake.” We should look to The Maid of Orléans for guidance, in turning to Christ and accepting His mercy and inspiration for those times when we fail to trust in Him. She can help us to win the war within so that our fight for beauty, truth, and goodness may not be lost without.

Our Faith Formation team has adopted her as our patron saint. May she be an inspiration to us to accept our call to be steadfast in our mission. Like Joan, may we have faith that our lives have a purpose. Like Joan, may our faith inspire others to lift the banner of God, and live according to the faith, despite overwhelming odds and paralyzing challenges. Like Joan, may our faith also have the power to protect us and help us do hard things and overcome tremendous obstacles. May we keep our eyes firmly fixed on the cross as we loudly proclaim Jesus’ Holy Name.

Vive la Jehanne!
Thank you to those who have donated and helped us to raise $7,505 towards our goal of $10,000! ALMOST THERE!

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Be Part of Our NEW Way of Passing on the Good News!

What Good News?
The Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! All good news needs a someone to tell the story or no one will ever hear about it. This is true even with God’s story; it needs messengers who will tell it to others. Would you like to help us tell the story of salvation to the next generation? Consider becoming a catechist this year!

What NEW Way?
This year in the Collaborative we are launching our brand new Family Faith Formation program. The focus of this program is on helping families make faith an integral part of their lives together. Our motto is “Uniting the Heart of the Church with the Heart of the Home.” Would you like to help empower parents pass on their faith to their children? Consider becoming a catechist this year!

Just How Much Help do you Need?
LOTS! The collaborative has over 1,000 children registered in faith formation and we want each and every one of them to grow in his/her personal relationship with Christ. You can help them grow in their Catholic faith by serving as a catechist. As you nurture the faith of our young, you are sure to be growing your own. Our classes range from grade K-10, and we are happy to place you with an age group where you feel you can shine. We provide you with training, materials, and support. Classes meet on Sundays, and the program will begin in September. If interested or for more information, contact Heather Hannaway.

2019/20 Faith Formation Registration Continues...
Visit www.chelmsfordcatholic.org/Faith Formation/ then click on Registration under the church in which you are registering. There you will find all the directions needed for an easy online registration! If you do not have access to a computer, a paper registration can be obtained from the parish office during regular office hours.

On June 30th, Early Registration Fees end. Beginning July 1st, Standard Fees will apply.

Catholic Heart Work Camp Meeting
SUNDAY, JULY 7 • ST. JOHN HALL • 4:30 - 6:00 PM

Steubenville East Meeting
SUNDAY, JULY 7 • ST. MARY PARISH CENTER • 7:30 - 9:00 PM
This week’s second collection supports the formation and training of seminarians in the Archdiocese of Boston for service, we pray, as future priests. We are blessed that many are responding to the call to serve as priests. Please be generous and support these seminarians on their journey toward their ordination to the priesthood. For more information, please visit www.VocationsBoston.org.

Next week’s second collection will be shared by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). These two organizations communicate the Gospel by promoting works of justice, education and the dignity of human life. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes and will support our local communications needs, such as Catholic TV programming. For more information about these organizations, please visit...

(1) www.usccb.org/cchd,
(2) www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/catholiccommunication-campaign/index.cfm

While this collection supports national efforts, a portion of the proceeds are designated for local CCHD grants.
If you would like to request that a Mass be celebrated for a specific intention or person, please call the parish office. A donation of $10 per Mass intention is requested to be made at the time that you schedule your intention.

**St. John**

*Sat, Jun 15* 4:00 pm: Eileen Francoeur: Memorial  
*Sun, Jun 16* 8:30 am: Nathaly Dickerson: 2nd Anniversary  
10:30 am: For the People of the Parish  
6:00 pm: John Cryts: 10th Anniversary  
*Tue, Jun 18* 9:00 am: Nat and Rose Serra: Memorial  
*Wed, Jun 19* 9:00 am: Roger Ducharme: 4th Anniversary  
*Sat, Jun 22* 4:00 pm: For the People of the Parish  
*Sun, Jun 23* 8:30 am: LIVING INTENTION  
Eduardo Perez: Special Intention  
10:30 am: Betty and Larry McMahon: Memorial  
12:30 pm: LIVING INTENTION  
Mary Amanfo: Birthday Thanksgiving  
6:00 pm: Arlene White: Memorial

**St. Mary**

*Sat, Jun 15* 4:00 pm: Louis Boyer: Memorial  
*Sun, Jun 16* 9:00 am Gerald Arandorfer: Memorial  
11:00 am: For the People of the Parish  
*Mon, Jun 17* 7:00 am: Patricia McMillan: Memorial  
*Thu, Jun 20* 7:00 am: Theresa Ann McGovern: Memorial  
*Fri, Jun 14* 7:00 am: Marguerite Farley: Memorial  
*Sat, Jun 22* 4:00 pm: For the People of the Parish  
*Sun, Jun 23* 7:00 am: Susan Metheny: 3rd Anniversary  
11:00 am: Elizabeth and Russell Greenwood: Memorial

**Roses for Life**

Someone special you’d like to honor? You can do that by having a rose signifying your intention placed in the church, as well as publishing your intention in the bulletin. To book a Rose for Life, contact the parish office. Be sure to let them know at which parish you would like the rose placed. The suggested offering for a rose is $5.00.

This week’s St. John Rose for Life:  
*Jim Lorr</p>
Pray For Our Priests

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Donald “Don” O. Upton
of Chelmsford

Donald O. Upton, a resident of Chelmsford for over sixty five years, passed away on Friday, May 31, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was the husband to the late Dorothy A. (Nystrom) who passed away November 21, 2017. He was born on January 1, 1928 in Lowell, the son of Vincent and Helen (Muldoon) Upton. He attended Lowell schools.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was employed as a driver by Dana Trucking, Wright Trucking and Purity Supreme from where he retired in 1992. He was a member of the Teamster Local 49 and 829.

Don was a member of Mt. Pleasant Golf Club for over sixty five years. He was a Past President, original member of the terrible twelve, and Honorary Member of Mt. Pleasant Golf Club; where he enjoyed playing golf, cribbage and 45’s. He was also a life member of the Chelmsford Elks 2310.

Don is survived by his five children, Donna and her husband, Gerald Foley of Tyngsboro, MA, Deborah Burke of Chester, NH, Donald Upton of Nashua, NH, Dennis and his wife, Laura Upton of Nashua, NH and David and his wife, Carolyn Upton of Chelmsford, MA; eleven grandchildren, Jaret and Todd Foley, Sean, Bridget and Kerri Burke, Michael, Tabitha, Lindsey, Kara, Sophia and Danielle Upton, and seven great grandchildren, Ryan, Keegan, and Reagan Foley, Nora and Finn Burke, Brock and Jake Upton as well many nieces and nephews.

He was the father-in-law to the late John Burke, and the brother of the late Vincent, Clifford, Barbara and Theresa Upton.

His visiting hours was Tues., June 4th from 4 to 7 P.M. at the Dolan Funeral Home, 106 Middlesex St. Chelmsford. His funeral was Wed. June 5th at 8am from the Dolan Funeral Home, with a funeral Mass at 9am at St. Mary Church, 25 North Rd., Chelmsford. Burial in the Pine Ridge Cemetery, Chelmsford will follow. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made in his name to the Mt. Pleasant Golf Club Scholarship Fund, 141 Staples St., Lowell, MA 01851. Guestbook at www.dolanfuneralhome.com ARRANGEMENTS BY DOLAN FUNERAL HOME 978-256-4040.