

St. John the Evangelist

- SATURDAY (2/20):** 5:30PM — *Arthur & Helen Sheehan* (by Bill & Cathy Asbell) & *For the Success of the 40 Days for Life Campaign.*
- SUNDAY (2/21):** 8:30AM — *Clark Leonard* (by St. John Parish Council).
- MONDAY (2/22):** 12:00PM — *Beulah Yacavoni* (by Bob & Dorothy Tucker).
- TUESDAY (2/23):** 12:00PM — *For the Success of the 40 Days for Life Campaign & For the Parishioners of St. Edward and St. John the Evangelist.*
- WEDNESDAY (2/24):** 8:00AM — *For the Parishioners of St. Edward and St. John the Evangelist.*
- THURSDAY (2/25):** 5:00PM — *In Thanksgiving to St. John Paul II for Prayers Answered.*
- FRIDAY (2/26):** *No Mass*
- SATURDAY (2/27):** 5:30PM — *Clark Leonard* (by Bob & Dorothy Leonard).
- SUNDAY (2/28):** 8:30AM — *Charlotte Tallman* (by Bill & Nancy Clements) & *Clark Leonard* (by his family).

Calendar of Events

- 2/21: First Sunday of Lent**
8:10AM — Rosary (St. John)
8:30AM — Mass (St. John)
- 2/22: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**
12:00PM — Mass (St. John)
6:00PM – Parish Council Zoom Call
- 2/23: Tuesday of the 1st Week of Lent**
12:00PM — Mass (St. John)
- 2/24: Wednesday of the 1st Week of Lent**
8:00AM — Mass (St. John)
- 2/25: Thursday of the 1st Week of Lent**
5:00PM — Mass followed by Exposition (St. John)
5:30PM — Confession (St. John)
- 2/26: Friday of the 1st Week of Lent**
No Scheduled Events
- 2/27: Saturday of the 1st Week of Lent**
5:30PM — Mass (St. John)
6:30PM — Confession (St. John)
- 2/28: Second Sunday of Lent**
8:10AM — Rosary (St. John)
8:30AM — Mass (St. John)
1:00-4:00PM – Confirmation Retreat (Virtual)

Parish Prayer List

Theresa Ahern, Bill Asbell, Helen Babonis, John Benoit, Courtney Bernhardt, Maggie Byrne, Michael Carey, Eleanor Clements, Louise D, Terri D, Rebackah Duprey-Jones, Gary Elzerman, Kay Erff, Terry Gray, John Holland, Dan Jodoin, JoAnn Keenan, Michael Knight, Francis Lampart, Fred List, Tim Longchamp, Normande Messier, Mary Millay, Michelle Mondor, Norma Ryan, Norma Smith, The White Family, Lesley Werner & Parishioners in Homes & Hospitals.

Requiescat in pace

For all the Unborn, Phyllis Geraghty, Donald King
“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”

Sunday Scripture Verses

Genesis 9:8-15; Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Peter 3:18-22 & Mark 1:12-15
The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him. After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: “This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. They are days of both fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence. The rule of fasting states that only one full meal a day can be taken. Two small meals, “sufficient to maintain strength”, are allowed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals breaks the fast, but drinking liquids does not. The rule of fasting obliges all Catholics from 18 to 59. Abstinence refers to the eating of meat. The common estimation of the community is used to determine what falls under the category of meat. The rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years or older. The substantial observance of the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious obligation. Self-imposed fasting on the other weekdays of Lent is recommended. Abstinence on all Fridays of the year is also highly recommended. Parents and teachers should see to it that, even those who are not bound by the laws of fast and abstinence because of age, are brought up in an atmosphere that is conducive to a sense of penance.

2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal

St. John:

Goal: \$24,623

Pledged: \$18,690

Percent to Goal: (76%)

**Numbers reflect amounts as of February 9th, 2021*

Christ Our Hope Campaign

St. John:

Goal: \$133,558

Actual: \$61,124

Percent to Goal: (46%)

**Numbers reflect amounts as of February 9th, 2021*

40 Days for Life Vigil

Daily Prayer Booklets and Bracelets are at the back of the church. If you wish to do an on-site vigil at the Planned Parenthood facility in Barre, please visit www.40daysforlife.com/barre to schedule your time.

If you wish, you are invited to do your prayer vigil from your home using the Daily Prayer Booklets. Thank you for praying with us!

Best Lent Ever

Please remember that The Best Lent Ever Journal is available for all parishioners in the entrance of our church. It's an important accompaniment for your daily video reflections. IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP for your daily Lenten Reflections at BestLentEver.com/2021

Daily Mass Intentions & Votive Candles

There are openings available for weekday & weekend Mass intentions. The stipend for a Mass intention is \$10. Call the Rectory Office to set these up. Votive Candles to burn during the week may be scheduled, too, with an offering of \$5 per candle.

Vocation Chalice

Call the Rectory Office to sign-up for a week to receive the Vocation Chalice and pray for vocations. Upon return, the chalice, etc will be cleaned and disinfected before it's given to the next person.

Parish Council Meeting

There is a Parish Council Meeting Monday, February 22nd at 6pm via Zoom.

Stewardship Report

St. John:

Sunday Offertory (2/13/21 & 2/14/21): \$ 1,539

Month Ending: \$

Building Fund: \$ 65

Month Ending: \$

Liturgical Ministers

St. John the Evangelist:

Saturday February 27, 2021

Ushers — Ann Colgan, Karlene Langley

Lector —Kathy Wawrzyniak

EM — Kathy Wawrzyniak

Sunday, February 28, 2021

Usher(s) — Nancy Clements

Lector — Paul Milne

EM — Nancy Clements

Religious Education & Confirmation for 2020/21

February Zoom Class Schedule

Confirmation Virtual Retreat February 28th 1-4 pm

Stations of the Cross at St. John

Father Julian will be saying the Stations of the Cross at 12 Noon each Friday during Lent. Booklets are available to use. We ask that you keep them with you to use each week and then return them after Lent. Fr. Julian is also asking for volunteers to lead the Stations. It can be one volunteer per week or several individuals.

Exposition on Saturday Nights during Lent

Following the 5:30pm Mass on Saturdays during Lent, Fr. Julian will have Exposition immediately following Mass. Everyone is welcome to stay and pray. He will continue to offer to hear Confessions following Exposition.

“Lent is a period of spiritual combat which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism.”

~Pope Benedict XVI ~

Sanctuary Candle (St. John) ~ For all the People in the World Suffering with the Corona Virus and for a Cure Sacred Heart ~ For the Success of the 40 Days for Life Campaign.

Blessed Mother (St. John) ~ Healing Intentions of Eleanor Clements.

St. Joseph ~ Special Intention

St. Thérèse of Lisieux ~ Special Intention

St. Patrick ~ For the Protection of the Unborn, Vulnerable Adults and the Elderly