



# St. John the Baptist Parish

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### MASSES

SATURDAYS: 4:00 PM  
SUNDAYS: 8:00 AM AND 10:00 AM  
DAILY: WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS AT 8:30 AM  
HOLY DAY MASSES: 7:00 PM VIGIL, AND 8:30 AM

### FOOD PANTRY

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH FOOD PANTRY  
(ALSO SERVING RESIDENTS OF EAST BROOKFIELD)  
ADDRESS: 296 MAIN ST., NORTH BROOKFIELD

HOURS: FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH: 6:00-7:15PM  
THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH: 12:00 NOON-1:15PM.

PLEASE COME TO ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH DURING  
THESE HOURS FOR REQUESTS FOR FOOD ASSISTANCE.



### **REGISTRATION OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

#### **Welcome to Saint John the Baptist Parish !**

If you would like to register or you have changed  
your address, please fill out the following information  
and submit it to the parish office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### SACRAMENTS

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
SATURDAYS AT 3:15 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT

### BAPTISM

BAPTISMS ARE USUALLY HELD  
AFTER THE SUNDAY 10:00 AM MASS

### MARRIAGE

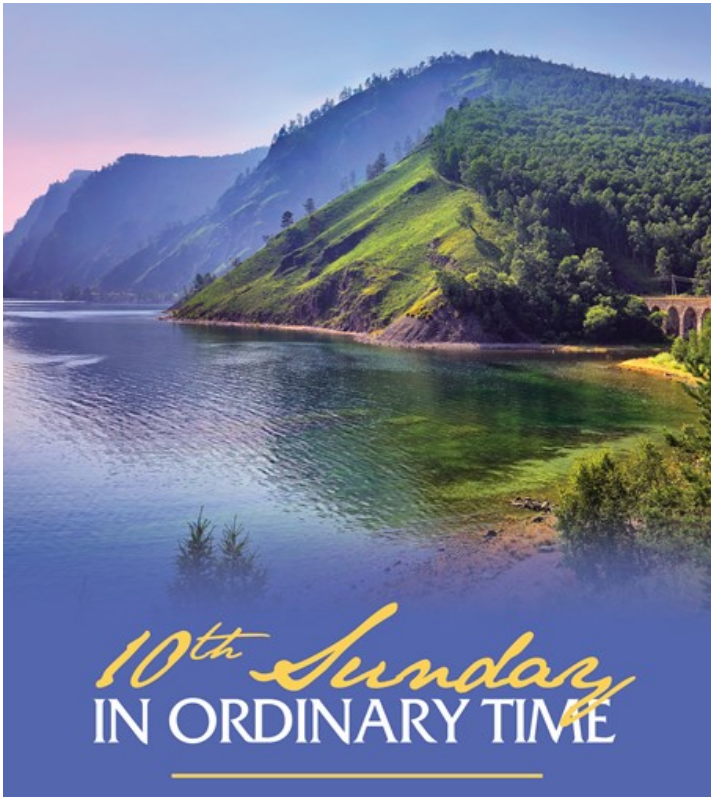
PLEASE CONTACT EITHER PRIEST AT THE RECTORY  
AT LEAST 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE DESIRED DATE  
OF THE WEDDING SO AS TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS.

### MINISTRIES

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR**  
KATHLEEN MONDOR

### MUSIC MINISTRY

SUZANNE LAMOUREUX      CHRISTOPHER DEPASSE  
AMANDA LAMBERT      KRISTEN DEPASSE  
ANDY NEWTON      RALPH PIGNATORE  
KEN WOOD





**Sacraments and other events**

**Saturday, June 9, 2018**

4:00pm Janet Lambert (1st anniv)  
req. by Donald and Donna Ryel

**Sunday, June 10, 2018**

8:00 am Lester and Lorraine Forgit  
req. by the family  
10:00 am Janet Lambert (1st anniv.), req. by the family

**Monday, June 11, 2018**

8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph's, N. Brookfield

**Tuesday, June 12, 2018**

8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph's, N. Brookfield

**Wednesday, June 13, 2018**

8:30 am Rev. James E. Lehane, req. by the parish

**Thursday, June 14, 2018**

8:30 am Deceased members of the Dupuis family  
req. by Gloria and Kathy Dupuis

**Friday, June 15, 2018**

8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph's, N. Brookfield

**Saturday, June 16, 2018**

4:00pm Roger Carpentier Jr., req. by Dee and family

**Sunday, June 17, 2018**

8:00 am Rev. Geoffrey Hughes, req. by the parish  
10:00 am Lee Tompkins  
req. by Nicole and his daughters

*Parish Support*

Week of May, 2018

Weekly	\$ 2,199.72
Monthly	\$ 290.00
Father's Day Envelopes	\$ 358.00

*Thank you for your continued generosity and support.*

**Readings for the Week of June 10, 2018**

Sunday: Gn 3:9-15/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7bc]/  
2 Cor 4:13--5:1/Mk 3:20-35  
Monday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4,  
5-6 [cf. 2b]/Mt 5:1-12  
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7a]/Mt 5:13-16  
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11  
[1b]/ Mt 5:17-19  
Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13 [2a]/  
Mt 5:20-26  
Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14  
[8b]/ Mt 5:27-32  
Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10  
[cf. 5a]/ Mt 5:33-37  
Next Sunday:  
Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/  
2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

**10th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today's first and Gospel readings deal with good vs. evil. In our world today, we see how evil exists when issues as right to life, fidelity in marriage, the drug trade, and abuse of the poor are in the forefront. Last year, just in Massachusetts alone, about 1600 people died from drug overdose and 52,000 across the nation went by the way of suicide. The shootings in our schools and other issues already mentioned are the signs of a multi-dimensional problem, all without the presence of God. Anger, discouragement, poor family relations, absence of love and concern are evident. Jesus, always stood up for love, justice, openness to others, forgiveness, determination, a vision of the kingdom where we are all brothers and sisters in God, charity, concern for the poor and life. God promised us that God would strike at the head of evil. We have known of this, just as the Blessed Mother said in her Magnificat *"the lowly will rise and the mighty will fall."*

In history, we know how many dictators and evil leaders have fallen and that justice followed. For us to build determination in our hearts, we have to turn to God in prayer and ask for the strength and determination to do good and to protect the youth and our own children from evil. We can beg God to be with us and to inspire us. God will give us the grace to get involved, rather than let life go by in the world of work, media, and fun and games. We have a wonderful community here that cares. God will guide us by the Holy Spirit's inspiration to reach out to the lost, just as our Lord and most beautiful protector Jesus did. Jesus continues to do so now and forever. Amen.

*"The Lord is my light and salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall." Psalm 27: 1-2*

God love you always,  
Fr. Rich



Our parish community would like to welcome the newest members of our Catholic community, Jennah Huntington and John Huntington, whose Baptisms were celebrated here at St. John's. We congratulate Caitlyn and Justin, their parents, and family, as we offer our continued support for all of them, as they continue their lives of faith among us.

*Our Parishioners  
from the Class of 2018*

High School Graduates	Graduated from:
Kayla Choquette	Tantasqua Regional High School
Will Demarski	Holy Name High School
Kimberly McSherry	North Brookfield High School

College Graduates	Graduated from:
Emily Hines	University of Massachusetts
Annie Sandoli	Harvard University
Sydney Schimmelpennigh	Assumption College

*Congratulations and  
continued blessings from our God*

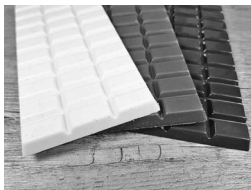
**Our Annual Chicken BBQ**

Sat. June 23rd  
starting at 5:00pm  
Bring your families and friends for the  
entertainment and fun



Tickets: \$12.00 adults  
\$5.00 children  
Please call for tickets at 508.867.3738  
or purchase them after weekend Masses.

**Annual Fathers' Day  
Candy Bars Sale**



The annual Fathers' Day candy bar sale will take place next weekend, June 16, 17. Dark, milk, and white chocolate bars will be on sale for \$1.00 each. Proceeds will go to Problem Pregnancy. in Worcester.



**27<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Strawberry Festival**

Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM  
St. Joseph's Hall  
One Seating – Takeout Available

Adults \$12.00 & Children ages 5-10, \$5.00  
Menu: Baked Ham, Homemade Baked Beans,  
Rolls, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw  
Strawberry Shortcake, Coffee, Iced Tea.  
Tickets will go on sale the weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Call St. Joseph's Rectory at 508.867.6811 for more



**St. Joseph's Strawberry Festival**  
Saturday June 16th at 5:30 PM  
Tickets: \$12.00 adults, \$5.00 children  
Please call: 508.867.6811.

**THANKS FOR THE CLEANUP**

Our parish thanks Shannon Daige and Hailey Gershman for the clean up for of the church pews service project. We also thank those who worked on the parish spring clean up. The property and church look great.

**RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK**

**Religious Freedom Week** will be celebrated in all dioceses nationwide from **June 22 to June 29**. Throughout the week we will focus on the importance of preserving the essential right of religious freedom, both now and in the future, for Catholics and all people of faith. This year's theme is "Serving Others in God's Love" reminding us that religious liberty allows people of faith to serve god and others freely in ministries like healthcare, adoption and foster care, education, immigration and refugee services to name a few. The significant feast days during the week (Saints Thomas Moore and John Fisher – June 22, Saint John the Baptist – June 24 and Saints Peter and Paul – June 29) inspire us to follow the example of these great Saints who loved God above all and remained faithful in the fact of adversity. Please visit [www.uscb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek](http://www.uscb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek) to download the "Pray-Reflect-Act" one pagers for each day on various religious liberty topics. These excellent resources are intended to inspire and to learn more about religious liberty from a Catholic perspective, help us to pray about particular issues and provide us with tools to act on what we learn. Additional information can be found at [www.worcesterdiocese.org/religiousfreedomweek](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/religiousfreedomweek).



*"In 1943, when France was occupied by German Nazis, the search for Jews began. In the face of grave peril, Sister Agnes convinced her mother superior to open their convent and offer refuge to a Jewish family. ...Let us devote ourselves anew to following wherever the Lord leads. Let us take courage from their example of faith."*

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