St. John the Guardian of Our Lady Parish

at St. John the Evangelist Church - 80 Union St, Clinton, MA 01510

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home. John 19 26-27

Rev. James S. Mazzone, Pastor
Rev. Henry Ramirez, Associate Pastor
Rev. Raymond M. Goodwin, In Residence
William Griffin, OFS, Deacon
George O'Connor, Deacon

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Staff:

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil	4 p.m. 6 p.m. Portuguese Mass (Chapel)
Sunday	7:30, 9 & 10:30 a.m. 12 p.m. Spanish Mass
Monday	5:15 p.m. (Chapel)
Tuesday – Friday	7 a.m. (Chapel)
Holy Day Vigil	5:30 p.m.
Holy Day Mass	7 a.m.,12:10 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Confessions:

Each Saturday – 2:45 to 3:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at least 1 year in advance by calling the Rectory Office.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptismal instruction for parents takes place on the first Sunday of each month at 12 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Friday in the Chapel.

Miraculous Medal Novena Devotion:

Mondays following the 5:15 p.m.

St. John's Gym

149 Chestnut St, Clinton
Phone: 978-365-9085
Email: stjohnsgymorg@gmail.com

St. John's Cemetery

Parker Rd, Lancaster
Phone: 978-368-8816

CARE Food Pantry

St. John's Gym - 149 Chestnut St
Open Thursday's: 4-6 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Parish Center
80 Union St
Tuesday's: 7 p.m.

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Dear Friends,

This coming Thursday, August 8th, 2019, marks the 144th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone for St. John the Evangelist Church on Union Street. The original St. John's Church, which seated three hundred, was built on South Main Street in 1850. Nineteen years later, in 1869, a larger church, seating nine hundred, was dedicated on Pleasant Street. Only seven years later, more than four thousand Catholics from Clinton and its surrounding towns gathered on August 8th, 1875, to witness the Most Reverend Patrick Thomas O'Reilly, Bishop of Springfield, bless the cornerstone for our present church which seats fifteen hundred.

What an extraordinary twenty-five years those must have been between 1850 and 1875! What growth! What transformation! I imagine there were many souls who were baptized in the first St. John's Church, married in the second St. John's Church, and whose children were baptized in the third St. John's Church.

One hundred and forty-four years later we are now Saint John, Guardian of Our Lady Parish, united from three Catholic churches — Our Lady of Jasna Gora, Our Lady of the Rosary, and St. John the Evangelist — with weekly Masses and devotions in three languages: English, Portuguese, and Spanish. Our ethnicities are many. We are richly diverse, but we are one parish family.

How will our family grow at St. John, Guardian of Our Lady Parish over the next five, ten, fifteen, twenty, and twenty-five years? Many years from now, it would be wonderful for a church historian to point out "those extraordinary twenty five years of growth and transformation from 2019-2044." In my own daily thoughts and prayers for our beloved parish, a single sentence from the Second Letter to Timothy continues to resound: "God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and discipline (2 Tim 1:7)."

How has the Holy Spirit been moving you in your own thoughts and prayers? Many of you have been sharing your prayerful thoughts with me by notes, letters, emails, texts, and in person. I am so grateful for all that you have shared with me. Please continue to do so. Let's do something extraordinary for the Lord and His Church in these years ahead. "For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and discipline."

~ Fr. Jim Mazzone

August 12 - 16
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Children entering Grades K - 5
St. John's Gym
149 Chestnut St, Clinton

$10 per child or $30 max per family

Volunteers are needed to join in the fun!

Registration Forms, including volunteer information, can be found on all bulletin tables, in the Parish Hall and online at: https://www.stjohnsclinton.org/forms

Just a reminder....

The gathering scheduled for parishioners in the parish hall on Saturday, August 10 at 6pm has been moved to the following weekend on Saturday, August 17. Thanks for noting that change. In Christ, Fr. Mazzone

Join us for the
Novena to St. Joseph
held on the first Wednesday of each month
following the 7 a.m. Mass

Join Our Team!

We are looking for several volunteer catechists this CCD year (2019-2020). We have openings for:

Saturdays - Levels 1 & 2 - 9-10 a.m.
Sundays - Levels 3 to 7 - 8-8:45 a.m.
Mondays - Levels 3 to 5 - 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Tuesdays - Levels 7 & 8 - 3:30-4:30 p.m.

For more information, please call Ann or John at 978-368-0052 or email ccddirectorstjohnsclinton@gmail.com.

Eucharistic Adoration

Adorers are needed for Mondays at 1 p.m., Tuesdays at 4 p.m. & Thursdays at 2 p.m. For more information, please contact Sue Belfield at 508-869-0508.

Aides are needed to help the Good Shepherd Program each Wednesday morning or afternoon. For more information, please call Sue at 978-365-2359 or smnohrden@hotmail.com

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

II Kathryn Probst & Jacob Portka

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY – August 3, 2019
8:00 AM † Mary McIntyre
4:00 PM † William Riehl Req. by Mary Pat & Joe Garrity
6:00 PM (Portuguese) For the People

SUNDAY – August 4, 2019
7:30 AM For the People
9:00 AM † Betty McNally Req. by Sue & Bill Belfield
10:30 AM † Mimi Gaynor Req. by husband, Jack & Family
12:00 PM (Spanish) Health & Blessings for Rosenda Ramirez - 100 years old Req. by Hijos, Nietos, Bisnietos & Tataranietos

MONDAY – August 5, 2019
5:15 PM † All Dominicans, Living & Deceased Req. by the Tivnan Family

TUESDAY – August 6, 2019
7:00 AM † Richard Cardillo

WEDNESDAY – August 7, 2019
7:00 AM † Nancy Nicholas McElheney Req. by sisters, Betty & Mary Lou

THURSDAY – August 8, 2019
7:00 AM † Phyllis Ksepka

FRIDAY – August 9, 2019
7:00 AM † Judith Genelli - 1st Anniversary Req. by Judy Davidson

SATURDAY – August 10, 2019
4:00 PM † Brian Noone Req. by wife, Rosalie
6:00 PM (Portuguese) For the People

SUNDAY – August 11, 2019
7:30 AM † Edward Kalinowski Req. by his Family
9:00 AM For the People
10:30 AM † Judith Genelli - 1st Anniversary Req. by daughter, Jennifer
12:00 PM (Spanish) For the People

Weekly Collection
July 27 & 28, 2019

Sunday Collection $7,107.00

Thank you for your generosity each week!

August 2019 Second Collections:
August 4 - Parish Development Fund
August 11 - Aid for Churches in East & Central Europe
August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day

THANKS!

Dear community of Saint John the Guard of Our Lady,

As Pope Francis has said in his apostolic exhortation Christus Vivit: "the word 'vocation' can be understood in a broad sense, as God's call. It includes the call to life, the call to friendship with Him, the call to holiness." The vocation to the priestly life is God's answer to the prayers that all of you have done for priestly vocations. We have listened and answered God's call knowing our weaknesses and limitations but supported by the people's prayers. I want to thank everyone for their welcome, patience, affection and testimony during these fifteen months. This time spent with you all has been a great blessing for me. I can say with great joy that I felt at home and that I could experience the love of God through your lives. This time with you has helped me in human and spiritual growth. Now I will continue my Theological formation at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. I ask you all to continue to accompany me with your prayer, so that God may continue doing his work in my Christian and vocational life. Thanks again to all. You all are in my thoughts and daily prayers. Seminarian Victor Henao

Vigil Lights
August 4 - August 10, 2019

In memory of Brothers of Saratoga, Tom Mortimer
Req. by Walter & Anna Nosek

In memory of Brothers of Saratoga, Nibben O'Toole (Jim) Req. by Walter & Anna Nosek

In memory of Brothers of Saratoga, Johnston MacLean Req. by Walter & Anna Nosek

In memory of Brothers of Saratoga, Chris Dziczek
Req. by Walter & Anna Nosek

In memory of Brothers of Saratoga, Tony Donnini
Req. by Walter & Anna Nosek

In memory of Brothers of Saratoga, Big Al Vattes (Gary) Req. by Walter & Anna Nosek

In memory of Frederick, Regina & Thomas Niichter
Req. by their Family

In memory of John Champagne
Req. by the Champagne Family

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

"Restore the Church – Build the Future" is the theme for the **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe** (CCEE) which will be taken up in our diocese on the weekend of August 11. Your donation supports strengthening Catholic education, seminary formation and development of new lay leaders in 28 countries. Even in those areas where there has been economic progress, many dioceses remain in dire poverty due to the legacy of communism. The continuing problems posed by secularism also require major investments in developing the next generation of Church leaders.

Eastern Ukraine suffered greatly for many years as a stronghold of communism. The Catholic faith was illegal or restricted, so atheism grew stronger and family values deteriorated. Today the Catholic Church is working to rebuild these values. In Kharkiv, Ukraine, women who find themselves in unplanned pregnancies believe that abortion might be their only answer. Many of these women grew up as orphans themselves. Thanks to this annual appeal, you have given these women an option to protect life. Two homes for single mothers were established where they can live with their children. While living in these homes, women receive help with child care and employment. Not only have you helped these women choose life, but you also have given them the tools to create stable living and working situations for themselves and their children.

For more information about the collection and who it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccee. I ask that you keep these programs in your prayers and that we join our fellow Catholics in the United States in contributing generously to this collection. Thank you for your help to restore the Church and build the future in Central and Eastern Europe.

With every prayerful best wish, I am
Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

Pray for Priests

On the bulletin tables are monthly lists of priests of our diocese. Please pray not only for them but also for our seminarians.

Our Lady of Knock News

The annual Our Lady of Knock Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, August 18 at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will follow at the Old Timer Restaurant. All Hibernians are urged to attend.

Readings for August 4

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

CCD Registration

Hello families! If you have not registered your child(ren) for the 2019-2020 CCD year, please complete the forms and mail them to the rectory at 149 Chestnut St, Clinton 01510 Registration forms can be found on the CCD Table in the Parish Hall or online at https://www.stjohnsclinton.org/forms

Every Second Sunday of the Month is designated as Food Pantry Sunday. It is a special Sunday when we ask families to bring non-perishable foods to church. If you cannot do it on a particular Sunday, Food Care Donation Boxes are left at entrances to the Parish. Our most needed items are: Peanut Butter, Canned Fruit, Spaghetti & Spaghetti Sauce. Thank you for your help, your donations make it possible for us to serve the less fortunate in our community.

St. John's Gym – 149 Chestnut St - Thursdays: 4 – 6PM

Plastic or reusable bags needed!

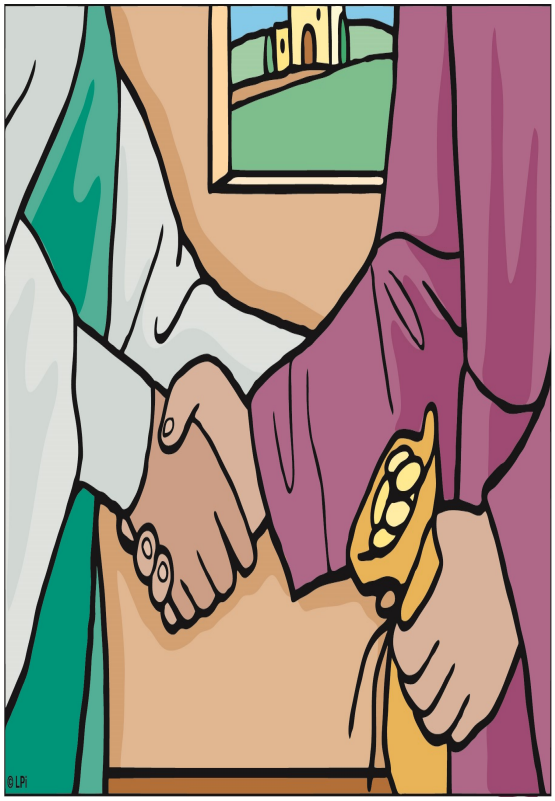
The CARE Food Pantry is in need of your extra plastic or reusable bags to help distribute food items to those in need each Thursday. Bags can be dropped off in the collection bins at each church entrance, the drop box in the Parish Hall or at the Pantry on Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m.

Liturgical Schedule

August 3 & 4	4 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Lector:	S. Belauskas	J. Donahue	D. Dunn	T. Duff
EM:	J. Gaughan	J. Donahue	K. O'Loughlin	C. Burgoyne
	B. Keane	P. Ball	B. Guerin	K. Burgwinkle
			P. Brekka	
AS:			A. Baya	G. Beirne
				J. Beirne
				T. Beirne
				J. Beirne

August 10 & 11	4 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Lector:	J. Daley	P. Kerrigan	R. Cronin	G. Grady
EM:	C. Schlegel	P. Cherubini	C. MacGillivray	P. Shibley
	S. Segelhorst	A. Dziokonski	M. Pulnik	E. Shibley
AS:		R. Combs	V. MacGillivray	A. Kelly
			S. Pirelli	F. Kelly
				R. Kelly

DOMINGO 18 DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



Querida comunidad, como lo ha dicho el papa Francisco en su exhortación apostólica Christus Vivit: "la palabra 'vocación' puede entenderse en un sentido amplio, como llamado de Dios. Incluye el llamado a la vida, el llamado a la amistad con Él, el llamado a la santidad." La vocación a la vida sacerdotal es un don, es la respuesta de Dios a las oraciones que todos ustedes han hecho por las vocaciones sacerdotales. Nosotros escuchamos ese llamado y con nuestras debilidades y limitaciones le seguimos respondiendo a Dios, "aquí estoy, Señor, envíame a mí." Quiero agradecer a todos por su acogida, paciencia, cariño y testimonio durante estos 15 meses en los cuales he tenido la bendición de compartir con ustedes. Puedo decir con alegría que me sentí en casa y que pude experimentar el amor de Dios a través de sus vidas. Este tiempo con ustedes me ha ayudado en el crecimiento humano y espiritual. Ahora debo continuar en la formación teológica en el Seminario de Saint Mary en Baltimore. Pido a todos ustedes me sigan acompañando con su oración, para que Dios siga haciendo su obra en mi vida cristiana y vocacional. Nuevamente gracias a todos, los llevo en mi corazón y están presentes en mis oraciones.
Seminarista Victor Henao

1. Campamento bíblico de verano para niños, Agosto 12 al 16. Informes con Marita.

2. Abiertas las inscripciones para RICA, las clases inician el Martes 23 de Septiembre

3. Grupo oracion, Viernes 6:30 pm.

AVISOS IMPORTANTES

- Preparacion pre-bautismal por favor contactar a Karina Mendez. Despues de misa de 12pm.
- Para colocar las intenciones de la misa de 12 cada Domingo. Marita Wallace.

"Sacramento de confesion" Sabados de 2:45 a 3:45 En la capilla de abajo o pedir cita durante la semana con padre Henry al 978-3680366 extensión 204."

DOMINGO 4 DE AGOSTO DESPEDIDA, SEMINARISTA VICTOR HENAO	Eucaristia 12 pm	Iglesia principal
DOMINGO 11 DE AGOSTO	Eucaristia 12 pm	Iglesia principal