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Mother's
DAY

Sacred Heart Parish
Manchester -by-the-Sea
St. John the Baptist Parish
Essex

HER CHILDREN ARISE
and call her blessed
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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday Vigil:

St. John the Baptist 4:00 pm Sacred Heart 5:30 pm

Sunday Masses:

Sacred Heart 8:30 am St. John the Baptist 10:00 am

Weekday Masses: At Sacred Heart Manchester

Monday - Wednesday 8:00 am

Eucharistic Service 8:00 am Thursday & Friday

Rosary: Daily 7:30 am before Mass

Saturday 8:00am - Rosary for the Unborn

Adoration— Monday 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sacred Heart Church

First Saturday of the month 12 noon to 12:45 pm

St. John the Baptist Church

Second Saturday of the month 12 noon to 12:45 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Sacred Heart First Sunday of the month

St. John the Baptist Second Sunday of the month

Sacraments of Marriage and Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory for more information.

Mass Intentions

Saturday		May 9, 2015
4:00 pm	St. John	The People of the Parish
5:30 pm	Sacred Heart	Lee Thomas
Sunday		May 10, 2015
8:30 am	Sacred Heart	All Living and Deceased Mothers of the Parish
10:00 am	St. John	All Living and Deceased Mothers of the Parish
Tuesday		May 12, 2015
8:00 am	Sacred Heart	Tyler Gothie
Saturday		May 16, 2015
4:00 pm	St. John	The People of the Parish
5:30 pm	Sacred Heart	Fred Nataloni
Sunday		May 17, 2015
8:30 am	Sacred Heart	Margaret Maynard
10:00 am	St. John	Kathleen Feener

Thankful Tuesday at 7-Central in support of The Fr. Jack Gentleman Scholarship Fund

All Parishioners and friends of Sacred Heart Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish are invited by the Knights of Columbus to join them on Tuesday, May 12th at 7-Central in Manchester for their Scholarship Tribute Night and a portion of the patron's receipts this evening will benefit the Fr. Jack Gentleman Scholarship Fund. If you would like to join us, please call 7-Central for a reservation so they can plan ahead for the event.



Please remember in your prayers: All those who have died, especially Alan Kershaw, Mary Baker & Tyler Gothie and those who mourn the loss of a loved one; the sick and the suffering of our community, and for their families and caregivers; those in the military and in service to their community, those who have asked to be remembered in prayer, those who have no one to pray for them, and those who are searching for a faith community. Please pray for those who are unemployed and underemployed. If you would like to have a name or intention added to our prayer circle, please contact the rectory or email the requests to SHSJPrayerCircle@comcast.net.



Hospitality-Welcoming Committee Needs You

Our Hospitality-Welcoming Committee sponsors the weekly social and supports church-wide events. Each week, this committee needs volunteers to help set up, clean up, bake/bring food items. We are also interested in enhancing our activities in the area of welcoming new parishioners and new babies into the parish, but we need more volunteers. Please contact Joey Gustafson at 978-526-1106 or at joey@jmconsultinginc.net if you are interested. Even if you can only help occasionally, we have a role for you!

Religious Education K-5 Pin Awards

This years Pin Award Ceremony will take place on Sunday, May 17. Also, this ceremony will be a combined ceremony for both parishes. All are welcome to attend the 8:30 am Mass.

Mass Attendance for the Weekend of May 3, 2015

4:00 pm	St. John	78
5:30 pm	Sacred Heart	70
8:30 am	Sacred Heart	200
10:00 am	St. John	124

SACRED HEART PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekend of May 3, 2015

OCP	\$ 3,949.00
Cash	<u>390.00</u>
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 4,339.00

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekend of May 3, 2015

OCP	\$ 1,129.00
Cash	<u>531.00</u>
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 1,660.00

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

As we celebrate this special day, Mother's Day, I join with the staff of the parish in offering warm wishes to all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, step-mothers and all who are caring for families. We are grateful for the care and love that you show. We hold in our prayer mothers who have lost a child that they may find hope in the consolation and support of their families. We also remember mothers who have died, that God will welcome them into the joy of the Kingdom.

For all of you we offer the following prayer:

*Loving God,
as a mother gives life and nourishment
to her children,
so you watch over your Church.
Bless all mothers,
that they may be strengthened
as Christian mothers.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honor them always
with a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord, Amen*

Blessings and Peace,
Fr. Paul

Nepal Collection

On behalf of Cardinal Sean, thank you for your attentiveness to this important collection and expression of our solidarity with those who are suffering. The collection for Nepal at St. John the Baptist totalled \$1,098.00 and the collection total at Sacred Heart was \$1,349.00. Thank you again for all who contributed to this collection.

Recruiting Drive for the Knights of Columbus Council 1232

After Masses on May 9th and 10th Masconomo Council 1232 Knights of Columbus will conduct a membership recruiting drive. All men of the parishes are encouraged to join the Knights of Columbus and strengthen its capacity to sustain charitable outreach for the good of the Church.

SURPASSED 2015 CATHOLIC APPEAL GOAL—THANK YOU!

Congratulations! **Sacred Heart Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish** have both surpassed its 2015 Catholic Appeal goal of **\$60,975.00 and \$16,225.00**. I am truly grateful to the parishioners and families that helped us reach our goal. The Catholic Appeal provides critical funding to hundreds of pastoral, charitable, and educational programs that impact tens of thousands throughout our Archdiocese. Thank you for responding to Cardinal Seán's call to witness more clearly the depths of God's love for each one of us through this important effort. Fr. Paul

Cursillo Ultreya and Pot Luck

CURSILLO ULTREYA/ POT LUCK- The Cape Ann Cursillo Community is hosted their next ULTREYA/ POT LUCK on Saturday May 2nd at ST ANN/ HOLY FAMILY PARISH HALL 74 PLEASANT ST. GLOUCESTER, MA. The Pot Luck begins at 5pm with the Ultreya to follow at 6pm. Please join us for a great night of food, fun and fellowship!



Cape Ann Shave to Save

On May 22nd Jane Shaw & Dawn Burnham will be having their heads shaved. Jane is a two time breast cancer survivor. Both times she did not need treatments that would cause her to lose her hair. Dawn & Jane are doing this in honor of all those who did go bald. They are raising money for St Jude Children's Hospital. St Jude's is one of the largest Cancer Research facilities in the world. Children receive treatment no matter where they live. Families never have to worry about paying because of fundraisers like this.

Please consider joining them, Friday, May 22, from 6:30 – 9. At Sacred Heart Church hall in Manchester we will have local hair stylist shaving heads for St Jude. It doesn't matter how long your hair is. If you do not want to go bald please consider making a donation to this event. Stop by on the 22nd and help make a difference!

Jane Shaw- janegrayw@comcast.net

Dawn Burnham- dawnburnham_pchef@comcast.net

Donations can be made out to St Jude Children's Hospital and mailed to P O BOX 74, Essex, MA 01929.

A Night of Tasting

Thank you to all who joined us this past Saturday night in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall for St. John the Baptist Parish's "A Night of Tasting". Over \$1,000.00 was raised and everyone enjoyed Grilled Salmon which Chef Dan Enos cooked and served. Thank you Jack from Chebacco Liquors for sharing your knowledge of wine expertise also.

The Father Jack Gentleman Memorial Scholarship Fund

For the past 10 years, The Masconomo Council 1232 Knights of Columbus has awarded scholarships to two deserving seniors graduating from Manchester-Essex Regional High School. This year, it the scholarship doubled the amount granted and renamed the program in honor of our much loved pastor - The Father Jack Gentleman Memorial Scholarship Fund. A solicitation to purchase raffle tickets to support the Fund was mailed this month to both the parishes of Sacred Heart and St. John the Baptist for a prize drawing date of May 31st. For scholarship information on how to apply, please contact the guidance office at the High School.



Italian Night

Italian Night will be May 23rd at St John the Baptist Church. We have our Chefs - Sally O'Maley, Michael Antell, Janice Magno, Vita Lafavour & Pauline Pelosi. Kathy Anderson will again provide appetizers and Willa Veno is bringing the bread. Desert will be assorted Italian cookies. Tickets will be on sale after Mass or you can contact Dawn at 978-768-7535 or email address: dawnburnham_pchef@comcast.net Join us for a great evening of food and fun!

Tickets are \$15.00 per person and \$25 per couple.

Women of the Well

We're gentle. We're informal. We're seekers. We're women sharing our spiritual journeys...and we're eager to have you join us! Saturdays, 7:30-9:00 AM in St. John's rectory. No requirement other than being interested women on the journey.

Weekly After-Mass Social

Visitors and Parishioners, please join us for the weekly social each week after the 8:30 am mass. We have great food and great conversation. This is a great way to become part of the community and for the community to flourish. Beginning in May, we will begin to have social on the church lawn for the summer months. (In inclement weather, we will still have social inside the Parish Hall). Join us each week — even if only for a few minutes. You are part of the community, so your presence is very important to us!

Mary's Circle

Mary's Circle meets Thursday's at 11:00 am in the Sacred Heart Rectory. Our thought provoking conversations revolve around matters of our faith. These seemingly simple matters connect to our lives on a person level, and our conversations about our faith. Please extend an invitation to someone you know who might be interested in a women centered, faith-sharing group. We have read books, had guest speakers, and enjoyed a couple of social gatherings. Please consider this a personal invitation to joining this group of faith-filled women as we explore the different aspects of our faith and how it connects to us in relevant and familiar ways. Join us for Coffee, Confections, and Conversation!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our ministry continues to knit and crochet beautiful shawls and we have given away over 60 shawls. Shawls have been shared with loved ones overseas, across the country, and across town. We love being able to give them away to those who seek comfort. Whether it is a physical illness, a psychological situation, or you know someone who is suffering from a loss of any kind, why not bring him or her a Prayer Shawl? Prayers and blessings for their needs will surround and comfort them. We are continue to knit and crochet these shawls in our homes and together, once a month at the Sacred Heart Rectory. If you know anyone who would like a prayer shawl please let us know. You may contact Chris at the parish office or Gloria Landy, Jane Shaw, Eleanor Hatcher, Sally O'Malley, Ann Nadeau, Eileen Hardy, Kathy Anderson, Paige Donohoe, Dorothy Jodice, Ann Henrickson, or Barbara Stasium. The Prayer Shawl ministry meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4PM in the Sacred Heart Rectory. If you cannot join our ministry, please consider donating money, yarn (preferably soft yarn), or gift bags (to distribute them in). All donations are graciously accepted. We are always looking for more knitters and crochet'ers! Experience is not required. Please consider being a part of this ministry. Consider joining us, or making one in the privacy of your home. We have easy to follow patterns.

Ministry to the Homebound and Sick

Ministry to the Homebound and Sick continues to bring Eucharist to those who cannot make it to Mass. We have an awesome, faith-filled team dedicated to this ministry. Please let us know if you are aware of someone ill, homebound, or alone that would like to receive Eucharist, or a short visit from a fellow parishioner, please contact Chris at the Parish Office and we will make arrangements.

Baptism Prep Classes

Baptism preparation classes are being held in the Chapel at Sacred Heart Church and is currently offered the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00PM. Please contact the office to make your reservation. These classes are designed for parents and godparents of children about to be baptized. The goal of the class is to help parents become aware of the theological and historical reasons for baptizing your child and the significance of Baptism as a beginning, not an end, to a lifelong commitment. The one hour class explores the purpose of Baptism from both a spiritual and practical standpoint.

Ministry of Consolation

Our parish has a group of volunteers willing to sit and talk with someone after a loss. Please contact Chris at the parish office to schedule a time to meet. We have met with several people in the past year and their response has been very positive. Please consider calling Chris at the rectory to schedule a meeting.

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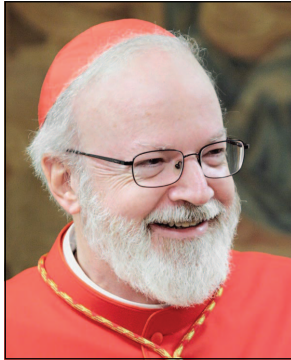
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