

# St. John's Good News

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**October 2019**

## Fall Worship

September - December

8am ~ Rite I

10am ~ Rite II

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## From Rev. Rebecca....

The weather is still summerlike, but the days are getting shorter and the leaves are starting to change color and fall off the trees. The natural world is telling us, whether we like it or not, that the cold, dark days are coming.

At St John's we are busy and cheerful. Event after event is happening. Bonds of friendship and shared memories are withstanding the pressures of our modern, busy lives.

Our life together is a balm for our feelings of loneliness and despair. It is a structure that keeps us from feeling unloved and/or unimportant. Our life together is fed by our prayers for ourselves and each other and by the work we do together. It is grounded in our knowledge that we and what we do is important to God.

It is always the work of the church to push back the darkness and make way for the light.

Where can we make room for the light in our personal lives? Can this happen through busyness? Does it happen when we sit still? When we make time in our lives for some portion of the Daily Office? When we reflect on what we heard and experienced in Church? When we love our families AND our neighbors?

We come to the church as individuals. As individuals, we become members of the Body of Christ. As the Body of Christ, we share in our Savior's mission to be the light of the world.

As the days get shorter and the darkness lasts longer, our light that comes from Christ to us as individuals and to us as a community, is more important than ever.

In Christ,  
Rebecca

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**Lobster Roll Sale Results**

Thank you to all who volunteered for the sale—we sold nearly 200 rolls! The many hands that helped with mailings, purchasing, set up, clean up, delivery, etc., made things go smoothly, and of course, we thank everyone who purchased them. Your support is greatly appreciated!

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**Feast of St. Francis ~ The Blessing of the Animals**

**Sunday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> ~ 10am**

Bring along your furry (and non-furry) pals and join us to celebrate St. Francis of Assisi and our beloved animal friends! Please have small animals in appropriate pet carriers (cats, guinea pigs, etc.), and kindly bring pups on a leash.

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**St. John’s Pie Social, Annual Fair and Yard Sale**

Pie Social Event Kickoff: **Friday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>** at 6pm  
Annual Fair & Yard Sale: **Saturday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>** begins at 9am

See page 3 for more details!

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**St. John’s Annual Roast Beef Dinner**

**Saturday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 6pm**

One Serving ~ Limited Seating

Adults: \$14

Children 7 to 12 yrs. old: \$7

Children 6 and Under: Free

Served Family Style: Roast Beef, Roasted Red Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine, Salad, Roll, Beverage, and Homemade Pie

Please contact St. John’s parish office to RSVP:  
781-233-1242 or email: [StJohnsSaugus@gmail.com](mailto:StJohnsSaugus@gmail.com)

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**On the Horizon...**

**Stewardship!** This fall we will prepare spiritually to support St. John’s; not only to sustain and nurture the parish, but to also further our mission to assist the greater Saugus community.

**Birdwatching!** That’s right, we are organizing an autumn birdwatching Walk with The Rev. Nathan Ives—details to come!

**Every Child Deserves to Smile**



October 1 – 23 we will be collecting nutritious and sweet treats to fill Halloween goodie bags for the children. Some suggestions include individual servings of packaged cookies, crackers, granola bars, juice boxes, pudding cups and Halloween trinkets.

We also continue to collect every day needs of non-perishable food items; pasta, sauce, canned meats, etc., as well as large microwavable bowls or containers, serving utensils, can openers and colanders along with paper plates, napkins, plastic utensils, baggies, and toiletries.

Donations may be left in the *Every Child Deserves to Smile* collection container in the vestibule. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Seaboyer 781-662-4342/ [jmseaboyer@gmail.com](mailto:jmseaboyer@gmail.com)

**Knit, Crochet & More meets Thursdays at 1pm.** Bring a knit, crochet or craft project in the works, learn something new, or come sit and chat. Contact Jeanne Seaboyer with any questions 781-662-4342/[jmseaboyer@gmail.com](mailto:jmseaboyer@gmail.com)

**Founder's Day, September 7.** Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who helped to make our Founder's Day festivities a great success! Our patrons enjoyed a complimentary ice cream sundae and generously donated to our Ice (Cream) Bucket challenge for ALS. We surpassed our \$500 goal and will be sending a donation of \$658 to ALS. For those who missed the Founder's Day challenge and would still like to make a contribution, a donation bucket is still available in Ashworth Hall through the month of October. Again, our thanks go to the Belmonte Middle School students who presented their creations for display. Their phenomenal work was enjoyed by all!



Your generosity has allowed us to send three large boxes of school supplies to the Saugus Public Schools for distribution to the students who are in need of supplies. Thank you to all who made donations!

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**St. John's Annual Fair has been rescheduled for Friday & Saturday, Oct. 18th & 19th**

Join us on Friday night as we kick off our event with the Pie Social. On Saturday the fair goes into full swing with an outdoor cookout (downstairs for chowder & sandwiches), inside yard sale, hand-made gifts and cards, bake table, jewelry table, knit table, and a new hand-made craft table.

Volunteers for the silent auction and candy table are still needed. Please contact the office, Sandy St. Clair, or Donna Manoogian if you can lend a hand.

Donations (in good condition) of new, used or antique items for the silent auction are always greatly appreciated. We also need gifts for our raffle baskets; breakfast, boys, girls, Italian, and chef. Help us assemble great baskets!

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WORD SEARCH

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Acorns ~ Apples ~ Autumnal ~ Bonfire ~ Candy ~ Carnivals ~ Cinnamon  
 Cornstalk ~ Fair ~ Foliage ~ Football ~ Foraging ~ Ghostly ~ Harvesting  
 Hayride ~ Maple ~ Pumpkins ~ Scare ~ Shadow ~ Spice



**Officers:** The Rev. Rebecca Blair, Bridge Priest ~ T. J. Martin, Sr. Warden ~ Daniel Casey, Jr. Warden ~ Phil Littlehale, Treasurer ~ Janet Lancaster, Asst. Treasurer ~ Brenda Caggiano, Clerk of the Vestry

**Vestry:** Dale Coogan (2021) ~ Paul Felci (2020) ~ Rose Holt (2022) ~ Kieron Sharwood (2020) ~ Sandy St. Clair (2020) ~ William 'Bill' St. Clair (2021) ~ Jeanne Seaboyer (2020) ~ Jenna Sharwood (2020) ~ Diana White (2021)