

**ST. JOHN'S PARISH WEEKLY**  
**Sunday, July 26th, 2009**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

*THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S*

Today	July 26	9:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with Coffee Hour afterwards
Monday	July 27	6:30 pm – Yoga (in the Parish Hall) 8:00 pm – AA Women's Step Group (in the Guild Room)
Tuesday	July 28	10:30 am – Support Group for Young Mothers with Newborns, a.k.a. "J.P. Moms" (in the Guild Room)
Sunday	August 2	9:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with Coffee Hour afterwards

*ANNOUNCEMENTS*

- Summer services are at 9:30 a.m.: The hot, sunny weather is finally upon us – or at least so we hope! We are gathering one hour earlier for worship through Labor Day.
- Welcome Visitors to St. John's! If you are new to the community or just visiting the neighborhood, you are invited to join us after the service for refreshments and conversation. If you would like to get more information about St. John's or be in touch with a priest, please fill out a visitor's card. They can be located in the seatbacks of most pews. For more information about St. John's and planned events, visit our website: [www.stjohns-jp.org](http://www.stjohns-jp.org).
- Our Sabbatical Priest, Anne Minton, is Happy to Meet with anyone in the St. John's community who would like to speak with her or wants her counsel. Feel free to contact Anne M directly at [amminton@comcast.net](mailto:amminton@comcast.net) to find a time to get together.
- Sunday School Teachers Are Being Sought to Help with Classes Next Fall. If you might be interested in joining the team of parents and parishioners who lead the children's groups downstairs, please contact Rebecca Young at [rebeccayoung04@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccayoung04@gmail.com).
- The Third Set of Assignments for the Coffee Hour Rota Has Been Published. It covers Sundays from the end of June through the middle of October. A hard copy of the rota is posted at the back of the church. Please check your date! If you cannot do your assigned week, please arrange to exchange with someone and inform Emily if you trade. If you are not on this list and want to be, contact Dick Laton-Taylor at [di.claire@verizon.net](mailto:di.claire@verizon.net).
- Yoga has shifted back to Monday evenings. Classes are at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
- The pediatric clinic at Martha Eliot Health Center in Jamaica Plain is collecting "gently used" children's bikes for a Community Safety Fair in July. The bikes will be used in a bike rodeo to teach local, underprivileged youth about bicycle safety. After the fair, the bikes will be raffled off to participating children. Please contact Stacy Leavens at 617-971-2406 or [stacy.leavens@childrens.harvard.edu](mailto:stacy.leavens@childrens.harvard.edu) to donate or if you have questions.
- Volunteers Are Needed for Collection & Distribution of AFM Food Boxes: Contact Rob Watters or Dawn Tesorero if you can help. There are several practical issues that we need to address to make AFM at St. John's a success:
  - ✓ We need to arrange a regular rental of a trailer (small U-haul) or a small truck (14 ft box truck) at a discounted rate each month for Angel Food pick-up and delivery.
  - ✓ We need to find boxes to use each month. We will require each person to bring a box, laundry basket or such for exchange but we will need some boxes to get us started. We probably need to start with 20-30 medium size boxes.

- ✓ We are still looking for a volunteer to take special orders once a month on a Wednesday evening at the church. We will be advertising set hours for placing orders in person for people who are not able to place orders online, or who are using food stamps. If you have any ideas, see Rob or send an email to [AFM@stjohns-jp.org](mailto:AFM@stjohns-jp.org).

### *NOTES OF THANKS*

- Praises be to God for votes by the General Convention of the Episcopal Church to authorize blessings of same-sex marriages and to remove restrictions on gays and lesbians being called to serve as bishops.
- Alleluia for the healthy, happy birth of Sarah Elisabeth Derby Mahnke at MGH last Monday evening!
- Thank you for the ongoing prayers for healing and forgiveness in the Hutchinson/Breslin family.
- Thanks to Marcus Butler & Christopher Yulo and to Andrew & Lori Deane who provided the Coffee Hour refreshments today.

### *PRAYER REQUESTS*

- Prayers of healing for Anna Cherniahivsky, daughter of Maryfrances Davis, who is recovering from fractures after a fall.
- Please pray for our former associate rector, Gretchen Grimshaw, who had serious back surgery and is recovering at home.
- Please pray for James Howard, uncle of Rebecca Young, who is being treated for cancer.
- Please pray for Jeremy Jackson.
- Prayers are requested for Erskine Callender, father of Natasha Callender, who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- Please pray for Margaret and Ed Stedman. Margaret has been diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma and is currently undergoing treatment.
- Prayers are requested for Jae Saul, friend of Dawn Tesorero and Pat Race, who is suffering from a rare blood disease.
- Please pray for Christine McQuaid, aunt of Franklyn Salimbene, who has been ill.
- Prayers are requested for Kim Daly, dear friend of Linda McMahan, and her family as her mom undergoes treatment for advanced stage cancer.
- Please pray for Franklyn Salimbene.
- Please sustain your prayers for Ann Davis Goodrum and David Goodrum as David continues a renewed course of treatment for the colon cancer found in his lungs.
- Please continue to pray for Matteo Torres Singer, son of our former associate priest the Rev'd Michele Torres and her partner Emily, who is suffering from a rare brain affliction.
- Continued prayers are requested for Lloyd Dixon who is being treated for cancer.