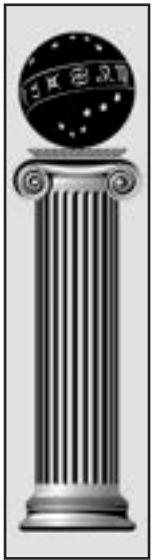


ST. JOHNS LODGE No. ONE

F. & A.M.

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April 2026

**3949th
Regular
Communication**



R.:W.: Mazen M. Alsabe
District Deputy Grand Master
Metro District
W.: Randy Boone
Grand Master of Ceremonies
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M.:W.: Rick Baccus
Grand Master
R.:W.: Richard F. Lynch
Grand Marshal

This Month's Communication: April 15, 2026

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St. Johns Lodge meets the third Wednesday of every month, except July and August,
at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center, 2115 Broad Street, Cranston, Rhode Island.
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Secretary's mailing Address: P.O. Box 8397 Warwick, R.I. 02888-0397
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Wednesday, April 08, 2026	Officers Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 15, 2026	St. Johns Lodge #1P DDGM's Visitation	6:30 PM
	Dinner	5:30 PM
Saturday, May 2, 2026	Semiquincentennial Lodge No. 250	11:00 AM
	With Euclid Lodge No.136 – Grand Lodge of Rhode Island	

Attest: M.:W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr., Secretary W.: Robert J. Larrabee, Master

Master's Message

My Worthy Brothers,
And then there were 4 more. Congratulations to SJIP's newest contingent of Brothers raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason. To wit, **Felix Diclo Jr., Brandon Silvestri, Robert Simmons III and Daniel Zirola Jr.** experienced what is sure to be a lifelong memory of their Masonic journey. I can attest that it was a thrill and a relief for me as well.



And now we venture into April and the hosting of **R. W. Mazen Alsabe's** final Visitation to the districts. SJIP will give him a proper rite of passage and a sendoff to Grand Council of the Grand Lodge, the next steps in his ultimate ascension to the Grand East. All DDGM visits are special, but this one even more so as I'm beyond honored to have this occurrence fall during *my* time in the East, since it was Br. Mazen who appointed me to our Officer Line.

On another note, where is Spring?!?! I'm tired of waiting. The winter (from you know where) just keeps lingering on. Of course, I'm secretly hoping that it'll be 90° and muggy the day this notice is received in your mailbox. If that ploy succeeds, I'll roll it out again for May.

Speaking of May 2026, this is a **Euclid Lodge No.136** visit to RI year, and it could not have planned itself out better for us and them. The Grand Lodge of RI events commemorating the observance of America's 250th birthday and the historic founding of Semiquincentennial Lodge No. 250 will surely be logged into the archives as another historic and memorable day in Freemasonry.

Euclid's travel bus will arrive at GL for the day's festivities, and upon completion, we will venture back to SJIP's home base at the Scottish Rite Cathedral to carry on the 40+ years of Brotherhood and friendship between our respective Lodges. To say that Euclid and their **W. M. Andrew Donaldson** are excited at the prospect of signing the petition to create the commemorative Semiquincentennial Lodge 250 would instantly be the understatement of 2026. Further details will be communicated as the date approaches.

OK, you knew this was coming, the shameless, yet prosperous, plea to sustain the flow of donations to SJIP's My Giving Page, eponymously named "**SJIP for Dana-Farber & The Jimmy Fund.**" which funds DFCI research. To date, we have funneled \$4,437.39 to the cause, and I graciously thank each of you who have donated. Some have donated twice, you know who you are, as do I. All donations, no matter the size, make a tangible difference. <https://danafarber.jimmyfund.org/goto/SJIP>



Please note the scrolling option on the *My Giving Page*. It lists previous donations. Donors can identify themselves and personalize any messaging associated with their contribution to be visible on the scroll. You can also remain anonymous if so desired.

Dinner for the April 15th stated communication will begin @ 5:30 PM and Lodge will open @ 6:30 PM to conduct our business and commence with the work of the evening.

As is customary, dinner reservations are required and can be made by calling 401-861-1757 or by email at SJ1prov@gmail.com no later than the Friday preceding the stated meeting. For April, that date is Friday the 10th.

As always, objective and constructive feedback is welcomed.

Fraternally,

W. M. Robert James Larrabee

Robert James Larrabee
Master, St. Johns No. 1 Providence



Brotherly Wellness Update

Lino Martin

976 Long View Drive, North Attleboro, MA 02760

Neville "Rusty" Booth, Jr.

401-828-7925

43 Hall Street, West Warwick, RI 02893-4631

Let us remember all our Rest and Recuperation Brothers who could use a call, card or visit. Please report all such brothers to the Master **W. M. Robert Larrabee** or any of the following **Wellness Committee** members; Kenneth Phillips, Karapet Emdjian or contact Bob O'Brien at bob.obrien@gmail.com or **401-487-4750**

April 15th Monthly Communication

- 5:30 PM: Dinner
- 6:30 PM: St. Johns open to transact such business as shall regularly come before it.
- 7:30 PM: DDGM's Visitation

Call: Brother Senior Steward @ **401-861-1757**

or email: sj1prov@gmail.com

No later than **Friday, April 10th** for reservations.

Any Brother with special dietary needs beyond the listed menu, please mention it in your message.

Please refrain from using \$100 or \$50 dollar bills when paying for dinner. The Lodge has a limited amount of change available the night of our meeting. Thank you.

235th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Of Rhode Island

Monday, May 18, 2026 at 9:00 AM



Lodge & District Events

Saturday 04/04/26	Logia Libertad #50	7:30 PM
Wednesday 04/08/26	Officers Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Saturday 04/11/26	Gaspee Chapter DeMolay	2:00 PM
Tuesday 04/14/26	Overseas Lodge #40	7:00 PM
	DDGM's Visitation	
Wednesday 04/15/26	St. Johns 1P	6:30 PM
	DDGM's Visitation	
	Dinner	5:30 PM
Monday 04/20/26	Rising Sun Lodge #30	7:30 PM
Saturday 04/25/26	Gaspee Chapter DeMolay	2:00 PM
Monday 04/27/26	Jenks Lodge #24	7:30 PM
Saturday 05/02/26	Euclid Lodge No. 136	11:00 AM
	Semiquincentennial Lodge No. 250	
	Grand Lodge of Rhode Island	

April's Program



Degree presented by the
Gaspee Chapter of
the Rhode Island DeMolay



Newest Master Masons



Brandon Silvestri, Felix Diclo Jr., W. Robert J. Larrabee, Robert Simmons III and Daniel Zirolì Jr.



St Johns Lodge Number One Providence ~ Officers 2025-2026



Master: W.: Robert Larrabee
Senior Warden: William C. Gouge **Junior Warden: W.: Scott E. Miller**
Treasurer: R.: W.: Ronald P. Reed **Secretary: M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr.**
Chaplain: W.: Bryan W. Cooper **Asst. Secretary: Stephen M. Mulcahey**

Senior Deacon: R.: W.: Jason E. Greene **Junior Deacon: Octavio Gomez**
Senior Steward: Alan Vukas **Junior Steward: Sean C. Paley**

Marshal: John P. Gauthier
Sentinel: Joseph A. Pileo

Tiler: Karapet Emdjian **Associate Tiler: Thomas J. Kumes**
Master of Ceremonies R.: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Lodge Reporter: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Finance Committee: W.: Edward D. Bertrand (2026), W.: Scott E. Miller (2027), Edward O. Quinn (2027)

Living Past Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

St. Johns Lodge No. 1P

1971 Hagop Tikoian
 1975 Robert D. Coleman
 1976 Barry A. Phillips
 1980 Carl E. Croft
 1981 Ralph DiScuillo
 1982 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
 1984 Gregory W. Dexter
 1986 Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
 1993 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
 1994-95 Thomas A. Ashley
 2001 Gregory W. Dexter
 2002 William E. Whetstone
 2006 Gerald T. Plemmons
 2007 Russell A. Kawa
 2008 Kenneth B. Phillips
 2009 Ronald P. Reed
 2010 Edward D. Bertrand
 2011 Donald L. Williamson, Jr.
 2013 Richard F. Lynch
 2014 Robert J. O'Brien
 2015 Timothy L. Culhane
 2016 William J. DeLuca
 2017 Edward D. Bertrand
 2018 Richard Gonzalez

2019 Mazen M. Alsabe
 2020 Scott E. Miller
 2021 Joshua A. Irizarry
 2022 John B. Paliotta
 2023 Joseph J. Bernier
 2024 C. Jason Shealy

Barney Merry Lodge No. 29

1978 William E. Whetstone
 1990 David Lancaster
 1992-93 Robert B. Ellston
 1997-98 William E. Whetstone
 2000 Ronald P. Reed

Thomas Smith Webb No.43

1985 Mohamed H. Hussein ^
 1986 Dennis C. Smith
 1987 Louis Micheli Jr.
 1988 Thomas F. Gregory ^
 1989 Duncan C. Watson

1989 Bryan W. Cooper ^
 1990 Steven Skaling ^
 1992 Thomas F. Gregory ^
 1993 Louis Falaguera
 1993 William M. Troberman ^
 1995 Joseph Costa
 1996 Eugene Thibeault
 1999 Frank DiMascio ^
 2000 Eugene Thibeault
 2004-05 James F. Desmarais
 2007 Philip R. Hartnett
 2008 Robert Boehm
 2010 Gary Moe
 2011-12 Dennis Sullivan

(*) Corinthian Lodge No. 27
 (^) Orpheus Lodge No. 36



Honorary Past Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

2025 Scott C. Alexander *
 *deceased

Living Past Grand Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

1994-1995 Ralph DiScuillo
 2000-2001 Benjamin A. Phillips
 2001-2002 Dennis W. Pothier
 2004-2005 Bradford L. Barco
 2005-2006 Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr

2007-2008 Steven E. Smith
 2008-2009 Richard S. Sokoll
 2009-2010 Richard L. Ault, Jr.
 2014-2015 Wyman P. Hallstrom, III
 2015-2016 Raymond E. Hassell

2016-2017 Stephen T. McGuire
 2017-2018 Peter Iacobucci
 2018-2019 Glenn S. Carlson
 2020-2021 Gary S. Kaufman
 2021-2022 Robert B. Ellston

2022-2023 Robert A. Palazzo
 2023-2024 Douglas J. Grant

St. Johns Distinguished Service Medal

1967 W.: Kinglsey L. Bennett*
 1968 Kenneth W. Fawthrop*
 1970 W.: Harold W. Thatcher*
 1971 W.: Rufus C. Fuller, Jr.*
 1971 W.: J. Harold Robertson*

1975 M.: W.: Wesley Reuter*
 1980 W.: Ralph W. Wilkins*
 1982 W.: James F. Candelet*
 1992 M.: W.: Arthur R. Cole, Jr.*
 1992 W.: Anthony Marcello, Jr.

1994 M.: W.: Ralph DiScuillo
 1995 R.: W.: Edward L. Calamar, Jr.*
 2000 R.: W.: Henry V. Aharonian*
 2005 W.: Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
 2007 W.: Gregory W. Dexter

2009 R.: W.: Russell A. Kawa
 2014 R.: W.: Kenneth B. Phillips
 2023 M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr.
 *deceased