

ASCENSION

of the Lord

While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven.

—LUKE 24:51



St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church
Dunellen, New Jersey

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil.....5:00 p.m.; **Sunday**.....8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon (Spanish)

Monday-Friday...8:00 a.m. (*Chapel*)

Tuesday....7:00 p.m. (Spanish); Second **Sunday of each month**...3:30 (Kiswahili)

Holydays.....8:00 a.m., Noon & 7:00 p.m. (*Church*)

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; closed on Friday. Evenings by appointment only

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Office of Faith Formation: 732-968-2621, ext. 13; stjohnpcl@gmail.com

For Pastoral Emergencies, please call: 732-968-2621, ext. 12

PARISH REGISTRATION: All families and individuals within the canonical bound areas of St. John the Evangelist are invited to register by contacting the Parish Office.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel and on the first Friday of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Chapel. You are invited to visit as your schedule permits. If you wish to be a regularly scheduled adorer, please contact the Parish Office. During Lent, Adoration takes place on Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

Sacrament of Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the First and Third Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Baptisms will not be performed during Lent. An instructional Infant Baptism Class is required for parents having their child baptized and is recommended for godparents. For more information and to register for Pre-baptism class, please call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage: Common Policy among the Dioceses in New Jersey recommends preparing for your wedding at least one year in advance. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday from 4:00-4:45 p.m. in the Reconciliation Room of the Church or by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office if you are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion.

Sponsor Eligibility: Godparents/Sponsor eligibility certificates are available for registered parishioners by calling the Parish Office. Godparents/Sponsors must be practicing Catholics who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist and, if married, are in a marriage recognized by the Church.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation is available for registered parish families with children in Grades 1-8. As the Primary Catechists of their children, parents are prepared and supported to lead their children in faith at home. Meetings are twice a month, one for parents only to prepare for monthly activity lessons and one for parents and children to grow in community. Sacramental reception years (2nd and 8th grade) have additional Sunday meetings to prepare for receiving First Reconciliation/Holy Communion and Confirmation. To register or for more information, please call the Office of Faith Formation.

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, June 2

8:00 a.m. Andrew Au by Josephine Kuok

Tuesday, June 3

8:00 a.m. George Craig by his children
7:00 p.m. Hilda Chung by Hijos y Nietos

Wednesday, June 4

8:00 a.m. Hilda Chung by friends

Thursday, June 5

8:00 a.m. Andrew Au by Josephine Kuok

Friday, June 6

8:00 a.m. Andrew Au by Josephine Kuok

Saturday, June 7

5:00 p.m. Karan Bauer by the Christian family

Sunday, June 8

8:30 a.m. Alfred Urenovich
by Bill, Pat & Will Hughes
10:30 a.m. Roberto Criscuolo
by Gianna Criscuolo & family
Noon Quinto Aniversario de Fallecida
Luz Dary Gomez by Hector Gomez

Please pray for the sick members of our parish: Louis Capozzi, Cathy Sloomaker, MaryAnn Briones, Joan Rabouin, Barry Gittens



Padrinos de Bautismo Y Confirmacion:

La ley eclesiástica manda que los padrinos para el bautismo y confirmación, deben ser católicos confirmados y activos en la parroquia, o sea que asistan a la misa dominical, ayudan al mantenimiento de la Iglesia, este casado/y por la Iglesia; si es soltero/a no debe estar en unión libre. Debe vivir una vida de acuerdo con las enseñanzas de la Iglesia. Solo Podemos entregar cartas a parroquianos que viven de acuerdo con estas normas.

Bautismos:

Los Bautismos en español son celebrados en el segundo domingo del mes a la 1:15 PM. No se celebran bautismos durante la Cuaresma. Para hacer arreglos para los bautismos en español, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial. Si la secretaria no puede contestar en ese momento, le puede dejar un mensaje con su número de teléfono para llamarle luego.

Formacion Religiosa–Catecismo:

Si usted es nuevo en la parroquia y quiere inscribir a su niño/a en las clases de catecismo, por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial.

RICA:

Adultos que deseen convertirse a la religión católica o que necesiten recibir Primera Comunión y o Confirmación, deben ponerse en contacto con la oficina de la parroquia para el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de adultos

Matrimonios:

Los arreglos para la fecha de casamiento se deben hacer un año por anticipado, antes de hacer los arreglos sociales. Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial.

Ministerio de Visitar a Los Enfermos:

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial. Si es una emergencia (en peligro de muerte) después de horas de oficina, llamar al número 732-968-2621, ex. 2.

Confesiones en Espanol:

El padre está dispuesto después de la misa dominical. Por favor, comuníquese con él.

Círculo de Oración: todos los jueves se comensara a las 6:45 pm con el Santo Rosario en la Capilla. El último jueves del mes hay una Hora Santa a las 7:00pm.

**Sacrificial Offerings 2025
Sunday, May 25**

Regular Collection: \$3,170.99
Online Giving: \$ 486.15

**Expense amount for this week was not available at time of publication.*

Online Giving

Have you tried our new Parish online giving system? There are three ways to give through Tithe.ly:

- *Through our website
- *through our Facebook page
- *using the Tithe.ly mobile giving App

When giving Tithe.ly you can donate by credit/debit card or bank transfer. You can also select "recurring gift" to automate your regular weekly offering so that it is donated automatically on a schedule that you choose. As with any automated service there is a small transaction fee for the church. You have the option to select "cover the fee" to make this transaction fee a part of your tax deductible gift. If you need assistance setting up a gift or learning how to use Tithe.ly email stjohnpcl@gmail.com

Give the Gift of Faith

Churches are dependent upon the generosity of others to fulfill their mission of spreading the Good News as mandated by Christ on the day of his Ascension. To perpetuate our church's mission in our area, please consider putting St. John the Evangelist Church in your will.



Mission Statement

We the Roman Catholic Community of St John's the Evangelist Dunellen have a mission to provide support for all who celebrate the liturgy and come to worship God. We provide opportunities for worship, education, socialization, and spiritual support for our community. We welcome all people from all walks of life to attend our church.

Vision Statement

We strive to be a Roman Catholic Church that is actively visible in the community, sharing its spirituality through fellowship, and is committed to serving God.



Monthly Reception

The monthly reception will take this **Sunday, 6/1 after the 8:30, 10:30 and Noon**

Masses in the Church Auditorium. All are welcome to join us! Anyone interested in helping out before or after Mass or with donations, please contact **Kate Guzzi (732) 977-2233.**

June

Youth Group Meeting

The Youth Group will meet **upstairs in the parish center after this week's 10:30 mass.** Please stop by the reception for a snack on your way up. All High School students are invited to join.



Father's Day Intentions



Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet envelopes are available at all church entrances. Also, a triduum of Masses will be celebrated

Monday June 16th through Wednesday June 18th in honor of all the fathers of the parish, living and deceased.



Church Picnic

Our Church picnic will be on **Sunday 9/14 in the afternoon**. We are **looking for volunteers to help plan the event** to make it even better this year. If you have ideas about how we can improve it, or are interested in helping, please contact **Kate Guzzi 732-977-2233**.

Tricky Tray

This year's Tricky Tray will be on a **Saturday- 11/15 from 11am- 3:30PM** We are **looking for baskets + prize donations (new items only)**

Some Ideas for Prizes-

Do you have a business that offers a service we can raffle?

Do you work for a company that provides a discount?

i.e. Verizon 25% discount on accessories
Are you able to get discounted tickets to Christmas Holiday themed event?
 i.e. 4 tickets to the Rockets, Drive through Holiday light show?

What do we do with these donations- Some donations will be put together for baskets - guests can buy raffle tickets for a chance to win. Example of prizes we have had in the past:

- Margarita basket with all the fixings
- Wrench tool set
- Womens beauty basket (skin care items)
- Costco Gift Card
- Family game night basket
- Reading basket- Books, blanket and candle
- Car Detailing- exterior only
- Wine basket with glasses and wine bottle opener
- \$300 Tatum Gift Certificate
- Art basket with drawing and painting supplies
- V-Tech learning games
- Opium perfume

Save the Date- Upcoming events

- 9/7** Sunday Social after all Sunday masses
 - 9/14** Parish picnic in the afternoon
 - 10/5-** Golf outing at Fox Hollow
 - 10/12-** Sunday Social + Ministry Fair after all masses
 - 11/2** Sunday Social after all masses
 - 11/15-** Tricky Tray from 11am -3:30pm
- If you are interested in helping or have questions please contact **Kate Guzzi 732-977-2233**.

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Rose Drive in support of Right to Life causes after all Masses the weekend of **6/7 & 6/8**. Help the Knights support life in all its stages!



St. John's Youth Group, with the help of our Catechesis families, **packed and distributed 118 lunches to 67 homeless**

men and women through Bridges Outreach earlier this month. Congratulations to our parish youth for making a difference in the world and following the path of Jesus, and thank you to the parishioners who help support our youth programs. *The youth group will continue to accept reusable grocery bags to donate to food distribution groups such as Feeding Hands and Bridges.*

Adopt a Priest Program

Have you prayed for your Priest today? To adopt a Priest or for more information, please call Maureen Shea 732-968-0136 or 732-770-0502 cell.

Programa Adopta a un Sacerdote

¿Has orado por tu sacerdote hoy? Para adoptar un sacerdote o para obtener más información, llame a Maureen Shea al 732-968-0136 o al celular 732-770-0502.

Create a Franciscan at Home account

1. Search: Franciscan at Home
2. Select: 'Partnering Dioceses' at the top of the screen on the home page.
3. Select: 'Diocese of Metuchen' from the pull down menu OR type in 'Metuchen' to launch the Landing Page for the Diocese of Metuchen.
4. The Diocese of Metuchen's Landing Page will appear. Click on the blue button with the label: "My parish or school is already registered..."
5. A "Create a New Account" page requesting information will appear. Fill out the information and click on the green "Create a New Account" button at the bottom of the screen.
6. The "Sign up for Free through your Institution" screen will pop up. Select "Diocese of Metuchen" and select your parish from the successive pull down menus.
7. Navigate to your Dashboard and to begin utilizing Franciscan at Home.

Contact: Jill Kerekes, Director, Office of Discipleship Formation for Children
jkerekes@diometuchen.org
 732-529-7930



Prayers for Our Service Members

Please pray for the following parishioners who are currently serving in the Military:

- U.S. Navy Reserve Lt. Michael Bartilotti**
- U.S. Army Pvt. Luke Harshaney**
- U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Cmdr. Ed Sella**
- U.S. Marine Mer. Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak**
- U.S. Army Pfc. Sean Parente**
- U.S. Marine LCpl. Dante Parente**
- U.S. Army 2nd Lt. Casey Wenzel**
- U.S. Army Spec. 4 Timothy Francisco**
- U.S. Marine Sgt. Stephen Wright**
- U.S. Navy IT2 Kenneth Millman III**
- U.S. Navy HM3 Rosemary Plunkett**
- U.S. Marine LCpl. Dylan Kolakowski**
- U.S. Air Force, 2nd Lt. Michael Nielsen**
- U.S. Marine Pfc. Daniel Hernandez**

If there are any other military members you would like to be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish Office.



Girl Scout Troop 65300's Sustainability Clothes and more Swap/Drive

Swap your old styles for new ones and donate/recycle clothing you no longer need.

Sunday, 6/8 from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., 200 Orange Street, Dunellen, NJ.

For re-wear, reuse and recycling we accept the following items in any condition for all ages and genders so long as they are clean, dry and odorless:

*Footwear: shoes, heels, flats, sandals, flip-flops, boots (all varieties), sneakers, cleats, slippers

*Clothing: tops (t-shirts, blouses, shirts, tank tops), sweaters, sweatshirts, dresses, outerwear (coats, jackets, blazers), bottoms (pants, slacks, jeans, sweatpants, skirts, shorts), suits, pajamas, intimates (slips, bras, underwear, socks), baby clothing

Accessories: hats, bags (pocketbooks, backpacks, duffelbags, totes), belts, gloves, ties, scarves, bathrobes, jewelry

Linens: sheets/pillowcases, blankets, comforters, curtains/drapes, aprons, dish cloths, cloth napkins, table linens, quilts

Other: luggage, sports jerseys, stuffed animals
 Everything should be kept dry in a closed plastic bag. Recycling your clothes shouldn't be hard, we're here to help!

Fellowship Hospice Volunteers Needed

Fellowship Hospice in Basking Ridge, NJ is seeking volunteers that can provide companionship, emotional support, and respite to our clients and their families. We provide care for our clients at our facility in Basking Ridge or the comfort of their homes. A few hours of your time each week can make a huge difference. No previous hospice experience required. Must be 18 years of age or older and be willing to undergo a background check. For more information, contact Dominic Saccento at 908-239-0106 or Dsaccento@fellowshiplifeinc.org.



2024 – 2025 FAITH FORMATION

June 1, 2025

Registration for the 2025-2026 Family of Faith Formation began

Candidates for Sacraments must register by **August 23, 2025**. EARLY Registration discount is BEFORE **August 23, 2025**. Forms are on website, in back of church and the parish office. Office is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

We are looking for volunteers for teachers and aides for the new year. Email stjohnpcl@gmail.com for more information.

Rosaries and other sacramental are always welcome. Help our families grow by sharing them with us.

1 de junio de 2025

La inscripción para la Familia de Formación en la Fe 2025-2026.

Los candidatos a los Sacramentos deben registrarse antes del **23 de agosto de 2025**. El descuento de inscripción anticipada es ANTES del **23 de agosto de 2025**. Los formularios están en el sitio web, en la parte trasera de la iglesia y en la oficina parroquial. La oficina está abierta de lunes a viernes de 9 a.m. a 2 p.m.

Estamos buscando voluntarios para maestros y ayudantes para el nuevo año. Envíe un correo electrónico a stjohnpcl@gmail.com para obtener más información.

El rosario y otros sacramentales son siempre bienvenidos. Ayude a nuestras familias a crecer compartiéndolas con nosotros.

St. Thomas Aquinas High School Trojan Fast Track

St. Thomas Aquinas High School invites prospective students to our exclusive “Trojan Fast Track” even on **Thursday, 6/12 from 3 – 7 p.m.** at **St. Thomas Aquinas H.S., 1 Tingley Lane, Edison**. This one night event offers families a streamlined experience to apply, receive an admissions decision, explore financial aid options and enroll – on the spot.

Why attend?

- *Personalized support from admissions, financial aid, faculty and coaches
- *Immediate application review and admissions decisions
- *Explore tuition assistance
- *Course selection and enrollment on site
- *Special enrollment fee discount for same-day commitments
- *Celebrate your acceptance with photo ops and Trojan pride!

Pre-registration is required for same-day processing. Secure your spot now:

<https://forms.gle/9wcM1ocTnpAMGXUW6>

We look forward to welcoming you and helping you take the next step on your journey to becoming a Trojan. *Students that will be in 6th, 7th and 8th grade during the 2025-26 school year cannot yet apply for admissions, but are welcome to attend, take a tour and meet our faculty/coaches! Questions? Contact Brant Lutska, Director of Recruitment at blutska@stahs.net or visit stahs.net.

Quo Vadis

The Diocese of Metuchen’s Office of Vocations invites young men ages 14-17 to attend Quo Vadis: Where Are You Going? Prayer • Fellowship • Adventure , Teambuilding Activities **July 29th - 31st, Camp Shiloh, 753 Burnt Meadow Road, Hewitt, NJ**. Questions? Email: quovadis@diometuchen.org. This is an opportunity to have fun, grow in your faith, and begin to think and pray about where God may be calling you in life. This will be an action-packed few days with opportunities to play sports, participate in leadership and teambuilding exercises, pray, share meals, and grow in our faith together. Please RSVP by June 30th. For more information and to register visit www.diometuchen.org/quovadis.

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