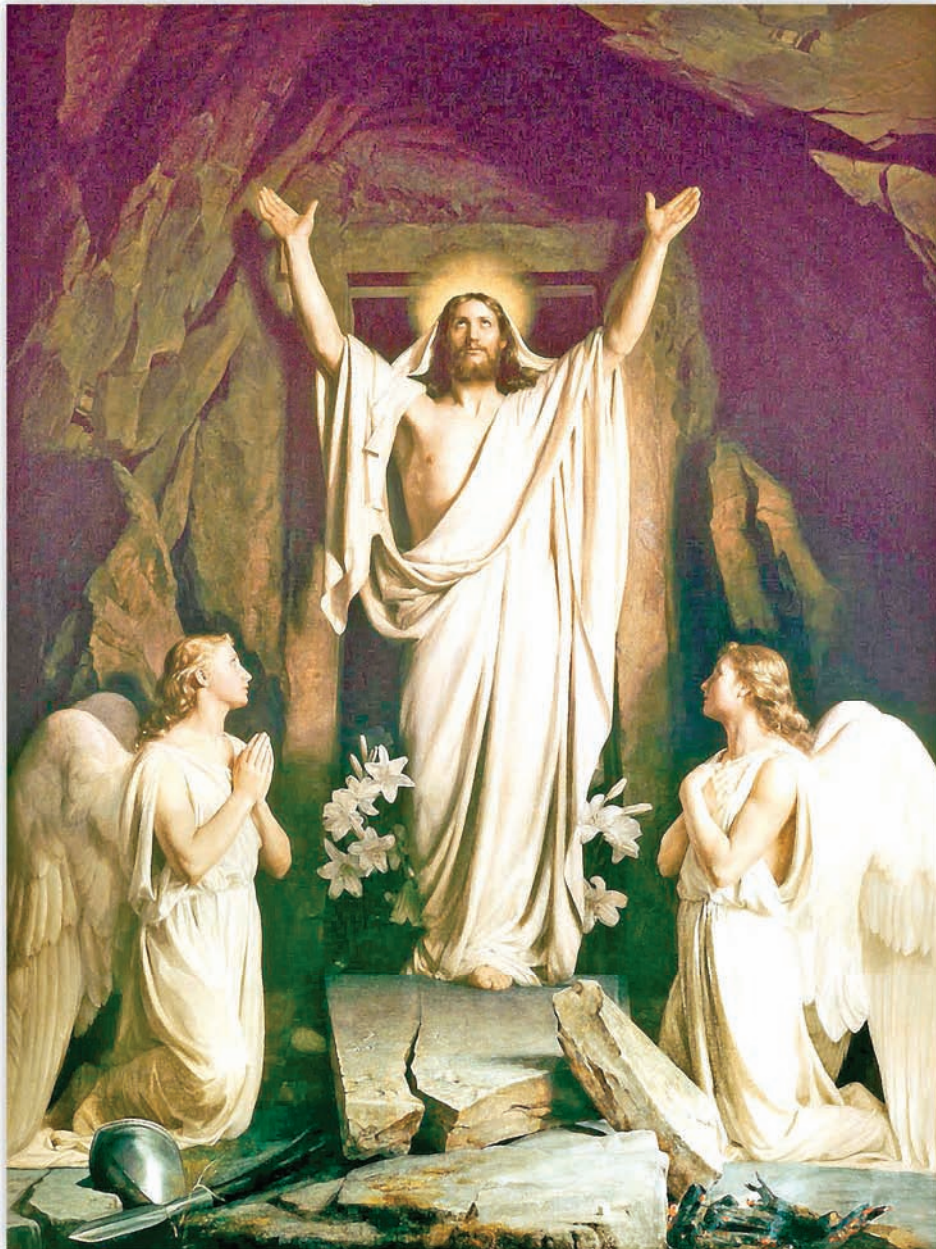


EASTER SUNDAY

OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



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

Telephone: 732-968-2621; **E-mail:** stjev@verizon.net; **Web:** www.stjohnsdunellen.org

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, April 6

8:00 a.m. Sixto Deguzman
by the Macalalad family

Tuesday, April 7

8:00 a.m. Angela Maccini by Spazian family
7:00 p.m. Ann Marie Hill by St. John's

Wednesday, April 8

8:00 a.m. Ted Chesler
by Nancy & Rick Chesler & family

Thursday, April 9

8:00 a.m. Labrador's family by Spazian family

Friday, April 10

8:00 a.m. Dave Ramsberger
by Nancy & Rick Chesler

Saturday, April 11

5:00 p.m. Marie Piesche by Sue Sofranko

Sunday, April 12

8:30 a.m. Roberto Loo Hernandez & Elena Hernandez by Manny & Lynne Jacalan
10:30 a.m. Salvatore & Suzanna DiStefano by Enza DiStefano
Noon Ovidio Ayala (Octavo año de fallecido) by Veronica Rodriguez

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 ano 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 Español:

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 2026
Sunday, March 29

**The collection and expense amounts for this week were not available at the 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 "reoccurring 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.

The Catholic Spirit
Social Media Accounts

Take us with you when you go! Please visit The Catholic Spirit on Facebook (**The Catholic Spirit - NJ**), Instagram (**@CathSpiritNJ**) and X (**@CathSpiritNJ**). We will keep you updated on news from the Diocese of Metuchen.

Mission Statement

We the Roman Catholic Community of St. John the Evangelist in Dunellen are dedicated to nurturing all who gather in faith. We offer inclusive opportunities for worship, prayer, lifelong learning, spiritual growth and fellowship, embracing people from every background as we journey together in devotion to God.

Vision Statement

We envision a vibrant, outward-facing parish that radiates our Catholic faith through visible presence in the wider community. Anchored in fellowship and service, we aim to reflect God's love in all we do.

2026 Bishop's Annual Appeal

ONE IN CHRIST:

Called to Love and Serve

Your gift supports the mission of the ***Office of Human Life and Dignity***, remaining steadfast in its efforts to promote the sanctity of human life in all stages and in all conditions. Your support also brings the grace of the sacraments and compassionate care to those in hospitals and prisons through our ***clergy chaplains***, and has a tremendous impact on the lives of so many in need through our ***Catholic Charities***.

Campana Anual del Obispo, 2026

UNO EN CRISTO:

Llamados a Amar y a Servir

Su donación apoya la misión de la ***Oficina para la Vida Humana y la Dignidad***, permaneciendo firme en sus esfuerzos por promover la santidad de la vida humana en todas las etapas y en todas las condiciones. Su apoyo también trae la gracia de los sacramentos y la atención compasiva a quienes se encuentran en hospitales y prisiones a través de nuestros ***capellanes del clero***, y tiene un tremendo impacto en las vidas de muchos necesitados a través de nuestras ***Caridades Católicas***.



Monthly Reception

The monthly reception will take place next **Sunday, 4/12 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.**

April

Youth Group Meeting

The Youth Group will meet **upstairs in the parish center after next 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.



Easter Memorials



You are invited to make a memorial donation for the Easter season. Your donation will help provide flowers and decorations for the church. To participate you may pick up a form at the exits of the Church or simply write down your name, phone number, and the name of the person or persons you wish to memorialize and send it along with your payment to the Parish Center by **noon on Monday, 4/6.**

Memoriales de Pascua

Estás invitado a hacer una donación conmemorativa para la temporada de Pascua. Su donación ayudará a proporcionar flores y decoraciones para la iglesia. Para participar puede recoger un formulario en las salidas de la Iglesia o simplemente escribir su nombre, número de teléfono y el nombre de la persona o personas que desea conmemorar y enviarlo junto con su pago al Centro Parroquial antes del mediodía. **Lunes, 4/6.**

A&E Upcoming Dates

Social Dates

4/12 - April Social-(Easter is 1st Sunday)
5/3 - May Social
6/7 - June Social

Grounds Clean up (in prep for 1st Communion)

4/18 - Grounds Clean Up - 9AM -1PM

Living Rosary and May Crowning

5/4- Rosary 6:30 PM, May Crowning + Mass 7PM



Pray for the Military

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, Capt. Michael Nielsen**
- U.S. Marine LCpl. Daniel Hernandez**
- U.S. Air Force A1C Francis Reilly**
- U.S. Navy HSM3 Gael Luna Saavedra**

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



April 5, 2026
Easter Sunday

*“Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on earth.”*
(Colossians 3:2)

Do you put God first in all things?
Possessions, money, power, ego can easily
become gods to many of us. Do a quick
check of what is important to you. Is God at
the very top of the list? If not, your priorities
need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly
things become a god before God. This is also
the first commandment – I am the Lord
your God, you shall not have any strange
gods before me.

**Mt. St. Mary House of Prayer
Upcoming Events**

Thursday, April 9 from 3-4pm
VIRTUAL COMFORTABLE CUP OF TEA Join us on
Zoom for an hour of prayer, Lectio Divina,
conversation, and small group sharing.

Friday, April 10 from 10-11:30am
SPIRITUAL AWAKENINGS VIDEO CLUB There
are many great spiritual masters of our time. Join
this monthly video club and share your insights
and prayerful responses to the works of Fr.
Richard Rohr, OFM and others. Hybrid.

Monday, April 13 from 7-7:30pm
VIRTUAL PRAYER FOR PEACE Join us on Zoom
for 30 minutes of contemplative prayer as we pray
for peace.

Tuesday, April 14 from 2-3pm
HOUSE OF PRAYER STITCHERS OF HOPE Join us
as we stitch for hope and create blankets, hats,
and more for our partners helping cancer patients,
veterans, and young mothers with babies: Carol G.
Simon Cancer Center, Lyons VA, and The Center
for Great Expectations. Freewill offering. Hybrid.

The Adopt a Priest Program

The “Adopt a Priest Program” is strictly a
spiritual commitment to pray and offer the
sacrifices required by one’s daily duty, to draw
down graces for a particular Priest, for the rest of
one’s life. It is a lifelong commitment. This can
be done by simply praying the “Morning
Offering” in this way: **O My God, through the
Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred
Heart of Jesus, I offer Thee all my
prayers, works joys and sufferings of this
day, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of
the Mass throughout the world, in
reparation for my sins, the sins of the
whole world and especially for my
adopted Priest, Father _____ (mention
your adopted Priest’s Name). Amen.**
If your priest dies, continue to pray for him. If
you should die, certainly you will not cease to
pray for him until you both meet in heaven.
Saint Therese, the Little Flower, adopted two
Missionary Priests in this way. This is very
powerful. It makes the littlest thing we do
infinitely worthwhile. To adopt a Priest or for
more information, please call Maureen Shea
732-968-0136 or 732-770-0502 cell.

El "Programa Adopta a un Sacerdote" es
estrictamente un compromiso espiritual para
orar y ofrecer los sacrificios requeridos por el
deber diario de uno, para atraer gracias para un
sacerdote en particular, por el resto de su vida.
Es un compromiso de por vida. Esto se puede
hacer simplemente rezando la "Ofrenda de la
Mañana" de esta manera: **Oh Dios mío, a
través del Inmaculado Corazón de María
y del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, te
ofrezco todas mis oraciones, obras,
alegrías y sufrimientos de este día, en
unión con el Santo Sacrificio de la Misa
en todo el mundo, en reparación por mis
pecados, los pecados de todo el mundo y
especialmente por mi Sacerdote adoptivo,
Padre _____ (mencione el nombre de
su sacerdote adoptivo). Amén.** Si su
sacerdote muere, continúe orando por él. Si uno
muere primero, ciertamente no dejarás de orar
por él hasta que ambos se encuentren en el cielo.
Santa Teresita, la Pequeña Flor, adoptó dos
sacerdotes misioneros de esta manera. Esto es
muy poderoso. Hace que las pequeñas cosas que
hacemos valgan infinitamente la pena. Para
adoptar un sacerdote o para obtener más
información, llame a Maureen Shea al 732-968-
0136 o al celular 732-770-0502.



**2025 – 2026
FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

April 2026

- 12 10:30 AM Youth mass
- 12 11:30 AM to 1 PM • Year 2 Confirmation
- 13 6:30 PM to 8 PM • Year 1 First Com prep • Monday Parents • Year 2 First Com prep • Year 1 Confirmation
- 16 7 PM Year 2 First Com prep Penance Practice
- 18 10:30 AM Year 2 First Com prep Penance
- 26 Last Family Class Slide Presentation
- 27 6:30 PM to 8 PM • Year 2 First Com prep • Year 1 Confirmation
- 30 First Communion Practice 7pm
- May 2nd – 10 AM First Holly Communion

If you have prayer cards, rosary or any other religious items, please share with our Faith Formation Families. Drop off at Parish Center office or mail slot.

Email Alice Fogarty
at stjohnpcl@gmail.com



**FORMACIÓN en la FE FAMILIAR
2025-2026**

Abril de 2026

- 12 10:30 h Misa para jóvenes
- 12 11:30 h a 13:00 h • Confirmación de 2.º de primaria
- 13 6:30 h a 8 h • Preparación para la Primera Comunión de 1.º de primaria • Reunión de padres (lunes) • Preparación para la Primera Comunión de 2.º de primaria • Confirmación de 1.º de primaria
- 16 7:00 h Preparación para la Primera Comunión de 2.º de primaria: Práctica de penitencia
- 18 10:30 h Preparación para la Primera Comunión de 2.º de primaria: Práctica de penitencia
- 26 Última presentación de diapositivas de la clase familiar
- 27 6:30 h a 8 h • Preparación para la Primera Comunión de 2.º de primaria • Confirmación de 1.º de primaria
- 30 7:00 h Práctica de Primera Comunión
- 2 DE MAYO – 10:00 a. m. Primera Comunión

Si tienes tarjetas de oración, rosario o cualquier otro objeto religioso, por favor compártelo con nuestras Familias de Formación en la Fe. Déjalo en la oficina del Centro Parroquial o en la sección de correo.

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