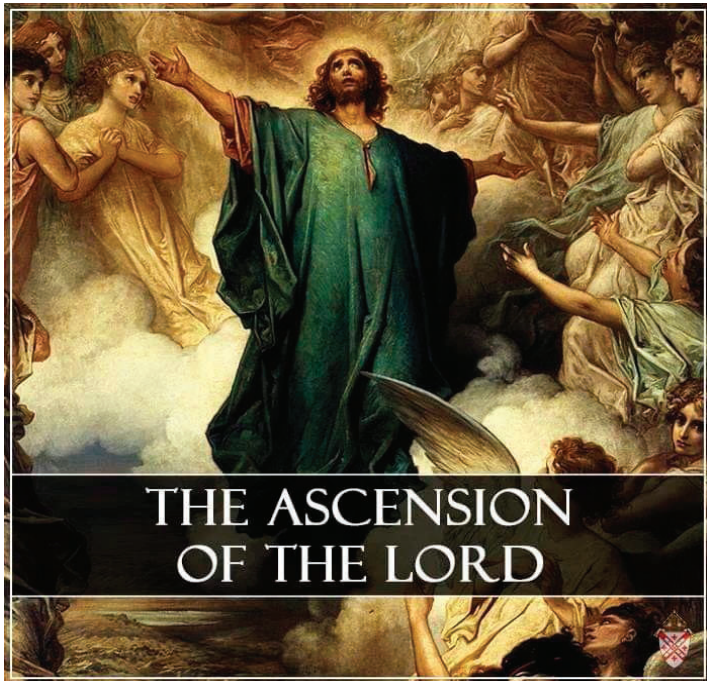


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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil..... 5:00 pm

Sunday..... 8:30 am, 10:30 am, Noon (*Spanish*)

Monday - Friday..... 8:00 am (*Chapel*)

Tuesday..... 7:00 pm (*Spanish*)

Second Sunday of each month..... 3:30 pm (*Kiswahili*)

Holydays..... 8:00 am, Noon & 7:00 pm (*Church*)

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm;
closed on Friday.

Evenings by appointment only.

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For Pastoral Emergencies, please

call: 732-968-2621, ext. 2

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 am to 4:00 pm in the Chapel and on the first Friday of each month from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm 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 am to 7:00 pm in the Chapel.

Sacrament of Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm. 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 pm 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, 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, May 18

8:00 a.m. Deacon Cesar Monge (1st Anniversary of becoming a Deacon) by loving family

Tuesday, May 19

8:00 a.m. Mrs. Annie Thomas by Vincent Babu
7:00 p.m. Hilmer Salgado by Hijos Salgado Guzman

Wednesday, May 20

8:00 a.m. Betzabe Monge (Living birthday) by family

Thursday, May 21

8:00 a.m. Ann Marie Hill by Lynn & Gary Guthreau

Friday, May 22

8:00 a.m. Bill Hughes Sr. by Bill, Pat & Will Hughes

Saturday, May 23

5:00 p.m. Charlotte Murphy by Katie & Mark Olsommer

Sunday, May 24

8:30 a.m. Mary McDonald by husband George
10:30 a.m. Salvatore & Mimma Genova by the Maggios
Noon Fernelly 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 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, comuniqués 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.



Mother's Day Intentions



Guillermina Bravo
Margaret Chapleski
Rosa Chavez
Mary Durling Cosgrove
Lillian Deene
Beth Deene-Zeloof
Stella DiGiampaolo
Danute B. Dombroski
Evelyn Dombroski
Gladis Castro Dombroski
Nancy Dombroski
Hannah Durling
Giovanna Esposito
Tina Fletcher
Margie Flynn
Barbara Fogarty
Deborah M. Dombroski Fuscoletti
Helen Guthreau
Lillian Hemmingstad
Rita Hendrickson
Elena Hernandez
Virginia Durling Hess
Marie Honnig
Edith Hughes
Josefina Jacalan
K. Kafarski
J. Kinch
M. Kinch

Margaret Kugelman
Mary Law
JeanAnne Durling Linskey
Thelma A. Los Chotos
Marion Maier
Chiara Martone
Mary Matas
Jackie Mattei
Antionetta Megaro
Renee Miller-Deene
M. Nukowski
Ellen O'Reilly
Catherine Parr
Dorothy Parr
Joan Rabouin
Clarita Ramajo
Rella Diamond Risoli
Agnes Sodano
Edith Sodano
R. Spenard
Louanne Stebor
Anne Stinner
Helen Stinner
Vicki Joy Stinner
Patricia Urenovich
Mary Wieczorek
Lauren Woerner

Sacrificial Offerings 2026
Sunday, May 10

Regular Collection: \$4,290.55
Online Giving: \$ 368.19

**The expense amount for this week was 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.



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.

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A Knights' Thanks

The Knights of Columbus, Council 2544, wishes to thank all the St Joihn's parishioners who contributed to our 7 May blood drive. Over 31 pints of blood were collected and will be used to save or sustain those persons in desperate in need of blood. Thank you for your gift of life.

A&E Upcoming Dates

Social Dates

6/7 - June Social

Envelopes are in the back of the church - please check before or after mass if you have not picked them up yet.

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.



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.



**May 17, 2026
The Ascension of the Lord**

"I am praying for them..." (John 17:9)

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Pray in good times and in bad. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation, not just the last resort. Pray for friends and family and for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you.



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The Diocese of Metuchen is pleased to announce that it has launched a new podcast entitled “No Half Saints,” hosted by Jay Donofrio, diocesan director of the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. The name, “No Half Saints,” comes from a St. Thérèse of Lisieux quote: “You cannot be a half saint. You must be a whole saint or no saint at all.” Episode one, which is now live, features Maria Agnese, youth minister and social ministry outreach coordinator at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Bernardsville. New episodes will be released every other week on the “No Half Saints” YouTube channel, which can be found at

<https://www.youtube.com/@NoHalfSaints>.

Episodes will also be released on the Diocesan YouTube page, which can be found at

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The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Vocations
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**2025 – 2026
FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

May 2026

- 17 2 PM to 3 PM Confirmation Class and Practice in church
- 18 7pm Confirmation at St Johns – please arrive by 6:30 PM

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**

Mayo de 2026

- 17 2:00 a 3:00 h: Ensayo de la Confirmación en la iglesia
- 18 7:00 Confirmación en la iglesia de San Juan (llegar antes de las 6:30 h)

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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