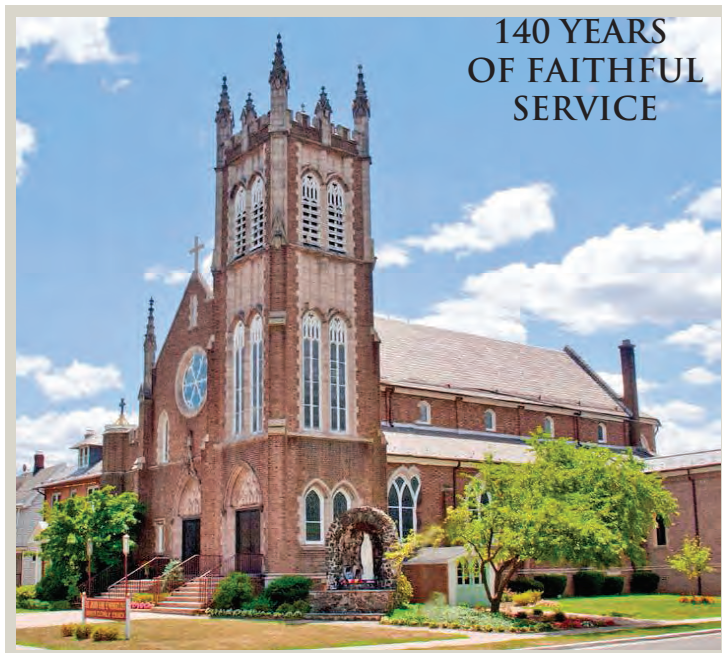


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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

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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732-968-2621 ext: 13
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For Pastoral Emergencies,
please call: 732-685-1098

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.

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.

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 9:00 p.m. in the Church. 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 Church.

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. In the event of an emergency, please call 732-685-1098, day or night.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, January 30

8:00 a.m. Kathleen Flynn
by Patrick & Geri Kelleher

Tuesday, January 31

8:00 a.m. Special Intention by John
7:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. John's

Wednesday, February 1

8:00 a.m. Special Intention by John

Thursday, February 2

8:00 a.m. Special Intention by John

Friday, February 3

8:00 a.m. John DiQuollo
by your loving children

Saturday, February 4

5:00 p.m. Walther Guthreau
by Lynn & Gary Guthreau

Sunday, February 5

8:30 a.m. Special Intention by John
10:30 a.m. Victor & Vincent Peleggi
by Rosina & family
Noon Joy Teresa Monge (birthday living)
by Monge family



*Please pray for the sick members
of our parish:*

*Louis Capozzi
Cathy Sloomaker
MaryAnn Briones*

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 732-685-1098

Confesiones en Espanol:

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

Círculo de Oración: todos los jueves a las 7:00 pm en la Iglesia. El último jueves del mes hay una Hora Santa a las 7:00pm.

**Sacrificial Offerings 2023
Sunday, January 22**

Regular Collection: \$3,382.29

Online Giving: \$ 604.89

Bills Paid this Week: \$4,688.44

Online Giving

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

*Through our website

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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.

St. John Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry is in need of the following: dry pasta, rice, cereal, canned tuna and chicken, low/no sugar canned fruit, no/low sodium canned vegetables and soups, tomato sauce and fruit juice. **Please note: there is a particular need for gluten free products.** Food donations support our parish food pantry, for our neighbors in need as well as FISH Food Pantry on New Market Road in Piscataway. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

***Renewed and Sent on Mission
by the Eucharist***

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you this week announcing the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish can share in a successful Appeal by earning a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over goal.

Through your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest—the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports the formation of seminarians and the ministry of our hospital and prison chaplains. The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.



**January 29, 2023
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:3

The phrase "poor in spirit" can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthly things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.

Parish Ministry & Contacts

Activities & Fund Raising Committee:

Parish Office (732) 968-2621; stjev@verizon.net

Altar Rosary Society: Fran Furino
(732) 968-0846

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Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Gary & Lynne Guthreau;
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Faith Formation & Catechists: Patricia Hummel,
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Finance Committee: John Fitzgerald

Golf Outing Committee: Parish Office
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Homebound Ministry: Jon Fourre, (908) 392-2084; voxsacra@outlook.com

Hospitality Committee: Kate Guzzi
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Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group:
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Tricky Tray Committee: Parish Office
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Ushers: Mike Sciametta (908) 347-7902;
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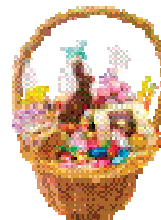


Prayers for Our Service Members

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. 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 LCpl. 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

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



Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser

The Office of Catechesis is running our annual Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale. Sales run from **now to Sunday 2/19** with candy pick up on the weekend of March 26th. Everyone is welcome to participate. Fundraising packets can be found in the entrances of the church as well as at the Parish Center. Orders can also be placed at <https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/> (The organization ID is: ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH - no period after ST). Thank you for your support. For more information contact the Office of Catechesis.

Faith Formation



A Family of Faith: February

**Adult/Parent Meeting - Monday 2/6,
Tuesday 2/7, 6:30-8:00 p.m., Church
Auditorium**

Topic: #8 The Sacraments of Healing
#9 Penance and Reconciliation

**Community/Family Meeting -
Saturday 2/25 3:35 in the Church**

Topic/Activity:
Parish Family Reconciliation Service

Monthly Youth Mass

The next Youth Mass will be **10:30** on
Sunday, 2/5. It will be served by our
Confirmation class.

Youth Choir

All 6th, 7th and 8th graders and high school
teens interested in singing in the Youth
Choir please email stjohnpcl@gmail.com.
Practice will be on the day of each Youth
Mass in the church beginning at 9:30 a.m.

High School Youth Group

The next High School Youth Group Meeting
is scheduled for **Sunday February 5th**
following the 10:30 Mass. **The Youth
Group will also be going bowling on
Sunday, 1/29**. All High School Teens are
welcomed to join. Stop by the Parish Center
to see what we are all about. For more
information email stjohnshsyg@gmail.com



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