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### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil**.....5:00 pm

**Sunday** .....8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 noon (Spanish)

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

**Holydays**.....8:00 am, 12:00 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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### Office of Religious Education:

732-968-2621 ext: 13  
stjohnp@comcast.net

**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.

**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. You are invited to visit as your schedule permits. If you wish to be a regularly scheduled adorer, please contact the Parish Office.

**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 Initiation and, if married, are in a marriage recognized by the Church.

### WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS

Whole Community Catechesis 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 Religious Education.

## MASS INTENTIONS



### Monday, October 25

8:00 a.m. George Craig  
by Janice Hoover & family

### Tuesday, October 26

8:00 a.m. Ruth Mack by the Mack family

### Wednesday, October 27

8:00 a.m. Rose Velece  
by Barbara & Mike Gleason

### Thursday, October 28

8:00 a.m. Ramon Aldarondo by son, Ramon

### Friday, October 29

8:00 a.m. Chiara Martone by the Rosarians

### Saturday, October 30

5:00 p.m. Henry Janssen by Madeline Janssen

### Sunday, October 31

8:30 a.m. Domenick Fuscoletti  
by Bob & Nancy Dombroski  
10:30 a.m. Anna Fitzgerald  
by John & Jeanne Fitzgerald  
Noon William, Josephine & Andrew Au &  
Parishioners of St. John's



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

*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, comuníquese con él.

**Sacrificial Offerings 2021  
Sunday, October 17**

Regular Collection: \$3,902.00

Online Giving: \$1,222.63

Bills Paid This Week: \$1,346.49

**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

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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](mailto: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.



**Collection Envelopes**

Collection envelopes will no longer be mailed to the homes, but will be made available for

pick-up in church. As you exit, please stop by the tables to the left, by the holy water dispenser, to retrieve yours. For anyone who is unable to pick them up, please contact the office.



**All Souls Remembrance Mass**

An All Soul's Remembrance Mass will be held on **Tuesday, 11/2 at 7:00 pm** in the church. If you would like to have family and friends remembered at the Mass, please fill out one of the intention envelopes that are located at all entrances to the church.

**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.

**New Jersey Right to Life Car Raffle**

Thank you to all who supported the Right to Life Car Raffle. In St. John's, the raffle was a success. I would like to see someone from St. John's win the Volvo – and I hope that happens-in reality, because of your defense of Human Life, you are already a winner! Thank You!

- Maureen Shea, Pro-Life Ministry

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

**GRIEF RECOVERY**

Learning a process to deal with grief. Gentle 4-step experiential process for resolving grief caused by loss. **Sun., Nov. 7, 1--5:30 p.m. (\$50-\$60 as you are able)**

Facilitator: Mary Jo Kearns, RSM

### Parish Ministry & Contacts

**Activities & Fund Raising Committee:**

Parish Office (732) 968-2621; [stjev@verizon.net](mailto:stjev@verizon.net)

**Altar Rosary Society:** Fran Furino

(732) 968-0846

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**Art & Environment Committee:** Kate Guzzi,

(732) 977-2233; [kguzzi@optimum.net](mailto:kguzzi@optimum.net)

**Casino Night Committee:** Parish Office

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**Catholic Daughters of the Americas:**

Nina DiQuollo (908) 581-9450

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Maureen Shea

(732) 968-0136

**Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy**

**Communion:** Gary & Lynne Guthreau;

[gguthreau@optonline.net](mailto:gguthreau@optonline.net)

**Faith Formation & Catechists:** Patricia Hummel,

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**Finance Committee:** John Fitzgerald

**Golf Outing Committee:** Parish Office

(732) 968-2621; [stjev@verizon.net](mailto:stjev@verizon.net)

**Homebound Ministry:** Mary Lou Chingery; Parish

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**Hospitality Committee:** Kate Guzzi

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**Knights of Columbus Council 2544:**

Keith Venturella; [kventurella@optonline.net](mailto:kventurella@optonline.net)

**Marriage Encounter:** Eugene & Theresa Porras

(908) 930-1663

**Money Counters:** Joanna Kelly (732) 968-4324

**Music Ministry:** Edwin Lopez, Director of Sacred

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**Readers:** Gary Guthreau; [gguthreau@optonline.net](mailto:gguthreau@optonline.net)

**Social Concerns Ministry:** Mary Lou Chingery

(732) 968-2621

**Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group:**

Gloria Labanda (732) 343-0680

**Ushers:** Mike Sciametta (908) 347-7902;

[misciametta@optonline.net](mailto:misciametta@optonline.net)



### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Casey Wenzel  
U.S. Army Spec. 4 Timothy Francisco  
U.S. Marine LCpl. Stephen Wright  
U.S. Marine Pvt. José Citron  
U.S. Navy IT2 Kenneth Millman III  
U.S. Navy HM3 Rosemary Plunkett  
U.S. Marine RCT Dylan Kolakowski

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



October 24, 2021  
30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"And Jesus said to him, 'Go your way; your faith has made you well.' And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way." (Mark 10:52)*

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to physically see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. This is hard, but try to focus on the positive and not the negative things in your life. When you focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common. You will see God's active presence in your daily life. You will begin to develop an attitude of gratitude.



## Whole Community Catechesis



### Overview of the Mass continued...

#### The Penitential Act

At the beginning of Mass, after Father greets everyone is the **Penitential Act** in which we ask forgiveness for our venial sins to prepare ourselves for the great gift of the Mass. It is important that we are on time for Mass and do not miss this prayer so that we are prepared to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. There are different options for this prayer. It can be one or both of the following:

- "I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and what I have failed to do.....
- Father prays for God's Mercy. Then he will say "Lord have Mercy" and we respond, "Lord have Mercy" Father says "Christ have Mercy" and we respond "Christ Have Mercy" ...

While our venial sins are forgiven at Mass, it is important to remember that our Mortal sins can **ONLY** be forgiven in the Sacrament of Confession. A venial sin hurts our relationship with God while a mortal sin breaks our relationship with God.

While it is recommended that Catholics go to Confession once a month, it is a precept of the church (minimum requirement) that we go to Confession at least once a year. If we are in a state of mortal sin, we must first go to Confession before receiving Jesus in the Eucharist. (From Mass Lessons by Deirdre Nemeth)

## Family Catechesis Reminder

Family Activity Meetings are this week,  
**Sunday 10/24, Monday 10/25, Tuesday 10/26** in the auditorium.

Please attend on your scheduled day as seating and spacing is planned out for our family events. Contact Patricia Hummel with any questions.

## Spiritual Adoption Program

The Office of Catechesis would like to connect our Parishioners and Catechesis families through the gift of prayer. Raising children in faith takes a lot of spiritual support. If you do not currently have a child in the Catechesis program but feel that you could pray daily for a family that does, would you consider spiritually adopting a catechesis family to keep in daily prayer? If this sounds like something you might be interested in please contact the Office of Catechesis, [stjohnpcl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnpcl@gmail.com), 732-968-2621 ext 13.

## Champions for Catholic Charities Virtual Gala

**Thursday, October 28 ~ 7:00 p.m.**

Mark your calendar for **Thursday, October 28th at 7:00 p.m.** and be sure to join us for the **2021 Champions for Catholic Charities Virtual Gala**. Meet some of the people whose lives have been transformed by the services of Catholic Charities. Hear inspiring stories of the courage, creativity and compassion of our Catholic Charities 'heroes' as they continue to provide uninterrupted service to those hit hardest by the COVID-19 pandemic. Please prayerfully consider becoming a *Champion for Catholic Charities* by making a gift of any amount in support of the services and programs for the most vulnerable. Links for the Virtual Gala and donations can be found at [www.diometuchen.org/champions](http://www.diometuchen.org/champions). Questions, call 732-562-2432.

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