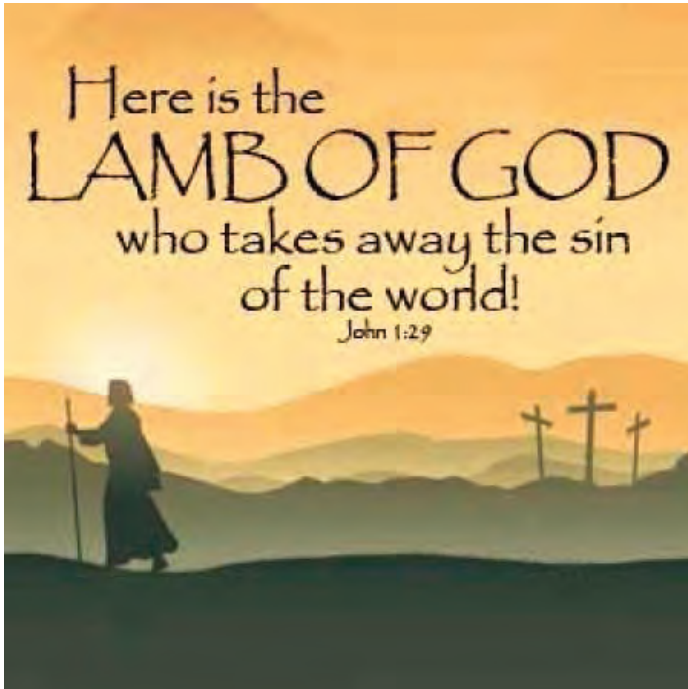


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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil.....	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:30 am, 10:30 am, Noon (Spanish)
Monday - Friday	8:00 am (<i>Chapel</i>)
Tuesday	7:00 pm (Spanish)
Second Sunday of each month.....	3:30 pm (Kiswahili)
Holydays	8:00 am, Noon & 7:00 pm (<i>Church</i>)

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.

Dear Parishioners,

The St. Johns Finance Committee is pleased to provide you with a positive update regarding our parish's financial position. Thanks to collections returning close to pre-pandemic levels and Fr. Alphonsus's leadership, especially with expense management, St. Johns has navigated through the financial challenges it faced as a result of the pandemic.

Attached is our profit and loss Statement and Balance Sheet which both show St. Johns is operating in a prudent financial manner, allowing our church to continue supporting its parishioners, and the community at large.

Thank you to all the parishioners who have helped St. Johns navigate these challenging times, and for your continued support as we move forward.

Sincerely,

John S. Fitzgerald

Chairman, St. Johns Finance Committee

St. John Parish Financial Statement and Report

	2021/2022*	2020/2021	\$ change	% change
<u>Income Statement</u>				
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Weekend Collections	\$ 251,138	\$ 230,463	20,675	8%
Holy Day Collections	3,606	4,515	(909)	-25%
Christmas Collection	15,120	18,107	(2,987)	-20%
Easter Collection	13,574	14,840	(1,266)	-9%
Gifts & Other Offerings	38,998	80,070	(41,072)	-105%
Fund Raising (Net)	13,121	2,007	11,114	85%
Interest & Dividends	4,516	4,507	9	0%
Religious Education	7,900	26,473	(18,573)	-235%
Other Income	55,128	8,133	46,995	85%
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 403,101</u>	<u>\$ 389,115</u>	<u>\$ 13,986</u>	<u>3%</u>
<u>Expenses:</u>				
Salaries & Employee Benefits	\$ 157,701	\$ 196,560	\$ (38,859)	-25%
Office Supplies/Administration	23,412	23,153	259	1%
Repairs, Operations & Maintenance	81,568	76,792	4,776	6%
Religious Education	8,169	4,972	3,197	39%
Liturgy & Worship	5,947	6,726	(779)	-13%
Diocesan Assessment	52,521	47,534	4,987	9%
Depreciation Expense	0	0	-	n/a
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 329,318</u>	<u>\$ 355,737</u>	<u>\$ (26,419)</u>	<u>-8%</u>
Ordinary Income less Expenses	<u>\$ 73,783</u>	<u>\$ 33,378</u>	<u>\$ 40,405</u>	<u>55%</u>
Bequests/Inheritances	0	0	\$ -	n/a
Total Net Income	<u>\$ 73,783</u>	<u>\$ 33,378</u>	<u>\$ 40,405</u>	<u>55%</u>
<u>Balance Sheet</u>				
<u>Assets:</u>				
Cash	\$ 89,711	\$ 88,469	\$ 1,242	1%
Diocesan Investment Account	294,530	294,530	-	0%
Accounts Receivable	0	0	-	n/a
Buildings & Improvements				
Less Accumulated Depreciation	166,578	184,185	(17,607)	-11%
Total Assets	<u>\$ 550,819</u>	<u>\$ 567,184</u>	<u>\$ (16,365)</u>	<u>-3%</u>
<u>Liabilities:</u>				
Accounts/Stipends Payable	\$ 2,121	\$ 2,121	\$ -	0%
Deferred Revenue/Other	3,318	44,748	(41,430)	-1249%
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 5,439</u>	<u>\$ 46,869</u>	<u>\$ (41,430)</u>	<u>-762%</u>
Net Assets	<u>\$ 545,380</u>	<u>\$ 520,315</u>	<u>\$ 25,065</u>	<u>5%</u>

*The fiscal year is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

The year of July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, has been a good one for St. John's parish.

Although COVID-19 is still around and some long-time parishioners have relocated out of state or have gone far away from Dunellen, we have seen a slight increase in our Mass attendance.

The family catechesis has contributed to this and the growing Spanish population in Dunellen. We hope when people occupy the newly constructed apartments by the train station, several families from there will join our Parish.

During that year, 83 families participated in the Family Catechesis Program and as a result 15 children made their First Holy Communion, and 14 teenagers were confirmed. Unfortunately, we did not have any RCIA candidate.

During that year also, we baptized 16 infants, did 8 anointings between homes, nursing homes and hospitals. We celebrated 23 Masses of Christian Burial, and we celebrated 8 weddings.

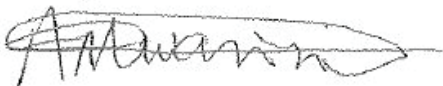
During that year, we replaced the old church signage with the current one. We also replaced the old church sound system with the current one.

Because of our aging buildings, we have also repaired many small things that needed to be addressed in the Church, the Rectory and the Parish Center as listed in the bulletin of a few months ago.

Nearly all those repairs were done at no cost by Mr. Eugenio Porras, our parish maintenance staff member who is a mason, carpenter, plumber and electrician.

I thank the parish staff, the parish Finance Council, all the different parish ministries and each one of you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Fr. Alphonsus Kariuki

Pastor, St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church

January 15, 2023

FOUNDATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Annual Collection January 21/22, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

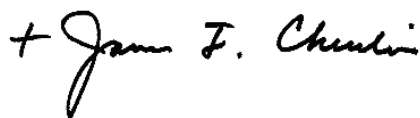
The value of Catholic education cannot be overstated. Our schools continue to be places where faith, academic excellence, athletics, and service combine to provide a rich educational experience that helps to form the next generation of leaders for our Church and civic communities. Every time I visit our Catholic schools and witness firsthand the dedication of the teachers, administrators and principals, I am filled with great joy and hope for the future. Invariably, I find a nurturing environment where our students are challenged and encouraged to meet the highest of standards through Christian discipleship.

We strive to keep Catholic education affordable and accessible for all families who want their children to have the advantage of a Catholic school education. For families unable to afford the entire cost, help is available through the Foundation for Catholic Education, which was established to provide financial support to aid low- and moderate-income families.

The ***Annual Collection for the Foundation for Catholic Education*** will be taken next weekend, ***January 21/22, 2023***. By helping to provide tuition assistance for children attending our diocesan Catholic schools, your gift will make a tremendous impact and offer the promise of a better future to many deserving young students. Please consider supporting this effort and be as generous as your means allow. Thank you!

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James F. Checchio". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA

Bishop of Metuchen

P.S. We celebrate the ministry of Catholic Education during ***Catholic Schools Week***, January 28 through February 3, 2023. If you are interested in giving your children or grandchildren the benefit of a great Catholic education, please visit our website at www.diometuchen.org.

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, January 16

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday, January 17

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

7:00 p.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, January 18

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, January 19

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Friday, January 20

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, January 21

5:00 p.m. Rose & Anthony Marsjanik
by their children

Sunday, January 22

8:30 a.m. Gloria Hughes

by Jeff & Karen Marren

10:30 a.m. Roberto Criscuolo

by the Tolomeo family

Noon Dagoberto Molina Acevedo

by Los Hijos (2nd aniversario de
fallecido)



*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, comuníquese 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 8

Regular Collection: \$ 4,559.97

Online Giving: \$ 552.69

Bills Paid this Week: \$10,756.92



Holiday Office Closing

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, 1/16** in observation of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. It will re-open on Tuesday, 1/17.

Faith Formation

A Family of Faith: January

Community/Family Meeting - Sunday 1/22 10:10 a.m., meet in the Church and attend 10:30 Mass together. Fellowship in the Auditorium following Mass.

Topic/Activity: Learning about the Mass
More details to follow



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.

Parish Ministry & Contacts

Activities & Fund Raising Committee:

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

Altar Rosary Society: Fran Furino
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Faith Formation & Catechists: Patricia Hummel,
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Finance Committee: John Fitzgerald

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Homebound Ministry: Jon Fourre, (908) 392-2084; voxsacra@outlook.com

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