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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.

**Telephone:** 732-968-2621

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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, January 31

8:00 a.m. George Cummings  
by Joan Rabouin & family

### Tuesday, February 1

8:00 a.m. Magdalena Wangari  
by Terry & Matt Kurzius  
7:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. John's

### Wednesday, February 2

8:00 a.m. Patricia Esoldi Sweet  
by the Szulczewski family

### Thursday, February 3

8:00 a.m. John DiQuollo  
by John, Carl, Carmen & Nina

### Friday, February 4

8:00 a.m. Magdalena Wangari  
by Altar Rosary Group

### Saturday, February 5

5:00 p.m. Blaise DiGiampaolo  
by the Chapleski family

### Sunday, February 6

8:30 a.m. Jodie D'Anglillo  
10:30 a.m. William, Josephine & Andrew Au  
by the Au family  
Noon Parishioners of St. John's

*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 2022**

#### **Sunday, January 23**

Regular Collection: \$3,876.00

Online Giving: \$ 904.50

Catholic Education: \$ 642.36

Bills Paid this Week: \$3,535.43

### **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](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.

### **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.



### **Important Notice Regarding Collection Envelopes**

Due to supply chain issues (paper not arriving, people out with Covid and limited truckers); we will not be receiving the collection envelopes or calendars for the foreseeable future. Until the new envelopes arrive, please place your collection offering in a regular envelope marking it with your name, address and envelope number so we can log it correctly.

### **Donation Report for Taxes**

If you would like a report of your donations for your taxes, please contact the Parish Office via e-mail, [stjev@verizon.net](mailto:stjev@verizon.net), or phone, (732) 968-2621, and be sure to include your name, address, phone number and e-mail address.

### **IT Help Needed**

If there is anyone who has IT tech experience and could help troubleshoot a few things for the office, please contact the parish secretary.



### **Gertrude Hawk Candy Sale**

The Office of Catechesis is running our annual Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale. Sales

run from **Now to Sunday**

**2/27** with candy pick up on the weekend of April 2nd. 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/>. Thank you for your support. For more information contact the Office of Catechesis.

## **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

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

***Art & Environment Committee:*** Kate Guzzi,  
(732) 977-2233; [kguzzi@optimum.net](mailto:kguzzi@optimum.net)

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

***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,  
PCL (732) 968-2621, x13; [stjohnpcl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnpcl@gmail.com)

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

***Hospitality Committee:*** Kate Guzzi  
(732) 977-2233; [kguzzi@optimum.net](mailto:kguzzi@optimum.net)

***Knights of Columbus Council 2544:***  
Keith Venturella; [kventurella@optonline.net](mailto:kventurella@optonline.net)

***Marriage Encounter:*** Eugene & Theresa Porras  
(908) 930-1663

***Money Counters:*** Jeff Marren,  
[jm601@optonline.net](mailto:jm601@optonline.net)

***Music Ministry:*** Edwin Lopez, Director of Sacred  
Music, (732) 968-2621

***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

***Guadalupe Group:*** Ana Alpizar (732) 979-4663

***Ushers:*** Mike Sciametta (908) 347-7902;  
[mjsciametta@optonline.net](mailto:mjsciametta@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. 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.



**January 30, 2022**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not  
jealous, it is not pompous..." (1  
CORINTHIANS 13: 4)*

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on  
the things that other people have than on  
the gifts that God has given to you? Are you  
pompous? Do you acquire more  
possessions to impress others? At times we  
are all guilty of these things. Pray for more  
humility. Humility helps us become less  
"self-centered" and become more "God-  
centered" for the sake of others.



## Whole Community Catechesis



### Learning About the Mass continued...

#### The Liturgy of the Eucharist

#### The Preparation of the Gifts continued

After we present our gifts to the Lord through the collection and presentation of the bread and wine to the priest, the priest brings our gifts to the altar, which is where Christ's sacrifice is made present.

When the priest prepares the gifts on the altar, you will see him pour a little water into the wine. The wine symbolizes Christ's divinity, the water symbolizes our humanity. The mixing of the two, point to the Incarnation: the mystery of God becoming man. It also points to our call to share in Christ's divine life, to become "partakers of the divine nature." (2Pt 1:4)

The priest prays over the bread and the wine using words rooted in Jewish tradition. During this time we thank God for all he has given us and we ask God to accept the sacrifice that the priest is offering "for praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His holy Church."

*Taken from: A biblical Walk through the Mass (Sri), The Mass Explained for kids, and Mass Lessons created by Deirdre Nemeth*

#### The Bible In A Year

Are you interested in reading the Bible? Read **The Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz** podcast:

<https://media.ascensionpress.com/podcast/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/> He is using the Great Adventure Timeline as he guides listeners through the Bible in a year. It is not too late to join in.

## 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.

## Catholic School

### 2022-2023 Tuition Assistance

#### Online Application Process Open

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2022. Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

Las familias interesadas en solicitar asistencia con la matrícula para acudir a una escuela primaria o secundaria elegible de la Diócesis de Metuchen, pueden presentar su solicitud en línea ahora a través FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment en la dirección electrónica <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>. Las solicitudes en línea deben completarse (incluida toda la documentación requerida) antes del 31 de Marzo de 2022. Las solicitudes están disponibles en inglés y en español. Las familias que necesiten ayuda para completar la solicitud en línea o necesiten acceso a una computadora para postularse deben comunicarse directamente con su escuela.

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