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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil.....5:00 pm

Sunday8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 noon (Spanish)

Monday - Friday8:00 am (*Chapel*)

Holydays.....8:00 am, 12:00 noon & 7:00 pm (*Church*)

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm;
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appointment only.

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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.

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 11

8:00 a.m. Jason Mansinelli
by the Pizzigoni family

Tuesday, October 12

8:00 a.m. George Craig
by Don & Chiquita Laturell

Wednesday, October 13

8:00 a.m. No Mass due to Priest Convocation

Thursday, October 14

8:00 a.m. No Mass due to Priest Convocation

Friday, October 15

8:00 a.m. Catherine Auriemma
by the Mack family

Saturday, October 16

5:00 p.m. Elizabeth Weiss by the Weiss family

Sunday, October 17

8:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. John's & Helen
Guthreau by Lynn & Gary Guthreau

10:30 a.m. Vincent Fitzgerald
by John & Jeanne Fitzgerald

Noon George Craig
by Don & Chiquita Laturell



*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 3**

Regular Collection: \$4,670.00

Online Giving: \$ 758.13

Bills Paid This Week: \$6,387.37

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.



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.



Michael Belcuore
&
Alexandria DeRobertis

If anyone has anything to bring to the attention of the pastor regarding a wedding, please speak to Fr. Alphonsus.

Holiday Office Closing

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, 10/11** in observance of Columbus Day. It will reopen on Tuesday, 10/12.

Altar Rosary Group Meeting

The Altar Rosary Group will be having a meeting on **Tuesday, 10/19 at 6:30 pm**. The rosary will be prayed in the church followed by the meeting in the auditorium. Please use the elevator. You are welcome to join us and ask a friend to attend too!

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.

Bus Drivers Needed

St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Edison is looking for Bus Drivers. If you are interested please call (732) 549-1108 X641.

Parish Ministry & Contacts

Activities & Fund Raising Committee:

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

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

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

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

Casino Night Committee: Parish Office
(732) 968-2621; 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

Faith Formation & Catechists: Patricia Hummel,
PCL (732) 968-2621, x13; stjohnpcl@gmail.com

Finance Committee: John Fitzgerald

Golf Outing Committee: Parish Office
(732) 968-2621; stjev@verizon.net

Homebound Ministry: Mary Lou Chingery; Parish
Office (732) 968-2621; stjev@verizon.net

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

Knights of Columbus Council 2544:
Keith Venturella; 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
Music, (732) 968-2621

Readers: Gary Guthreau; 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



**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. 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.

**Missionary Image of Our
Lady of Guadalupe Service**

October is Respect Life Month. Our Lady of Mt Virgin Church, Middlesex, NJ will have a visitation prayer service of the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe on **Sunday, 10/17** from **3pm-5pm**. This is one of four images in the world commissioned by the Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. It is an exact replica of the original image of Our Lady. Come join us as we storm heaven with our Prayers for LIFE, for an end of the culture of death, and the beginning of a culture where the dignity of life, born and unborn, is respected and cherished from conception to natural death. Sponsored by Fr. David Skoblow & St. Anthony of Padua Fraternity Secular Franciscans.



Whole Community Catechesis



Overview of the Mass continued...

The Entrance Procession

We are silent as we enter as this is a sacred place where God is fully present. It is time to direct our hearts and minds to God in prayer. We genuflect as we enter our pews and it is appropriate to kneel down for a few moments and pray before Mass begins.

The Entrance Procession symbolizes **our journey from the outside world to our heavenly destination**, symbolized by the sanctuary at the front of the church where Christ becomes present to us. The priest and other ministers taking part in the Mass are in the Procession.

The Cross represents Christ's sacrifice (his passion and death) and is placed in the sanctuary because the altar is where Christ's sacrifice becomes present to us at the Mass.

The Book of the Gospels is elevated in the procession and is placed on the altar at the beginning of Mass. This Book is the Word of God (most especially the words and deeds of Jesus Christ) and deserves to be in this place of honor where Christ becomes present. During the Mass the Book of Gospels is brought over to the Lectern when it is time to read the Gospel.

The priest is the last person to process in because usually the last person is the person of importance. The priest is important in the procession because he is the **representative of Christ**. (from Mass lessons by Deirdre Nemeth)

Champions for Catholic Charities Virtual Gala & 50/50 RAFFLE

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

The COVID-19 pandemic has increased the number of people seeking assistance and no one is ever turned away. The ministry of Catholic Charities has remained uninterrupted throughout these unprecedented times providing basic necessities of food, clothing and housing for those hit hardest by the economic downturn. In addition, curbside visits and tele-health services are now available for those in need of counseling or struggling with addictions. Programs for youth, affordable child care, and maternity and immigration services continue to serve thousands of men, women and children each day.

By entering our Champion 50/50 Raffle, you are helping our neighbors in need and you just may win one of the two grand prizes. ***The prize for our last year's raffle was \$30,614 each for two lucky winners.*** With your participation, we are hoping for even greater success this year. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased by downloading a raffle form at www.diometuchen.org/champions and mailing it in with your payment. Thank you and good luck!

Immaculata High School Open House

On **Sunday, October 24**, middle school students and their parents are invited to attend our premier Fall admissions event: Open Home. Whether this will be your first time on our campus or you have visited us before, we are confident you will find our Open Home to be informative, engaging, and full of Spartan Spirit! For more information and to register, please visit www.immaculatahighschool.org/openhome

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