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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  
[stjohnpcl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnpcl@gmail.com)

**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 18

8:00 a.m. Catharine Alapatt  
by Mr. & Mrs. Babu

### Tuesday, October 19

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

### Wednesday, October 20

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

### Thursday, October 21

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

### Friday, October 22

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

### Saturday, October 23

5:00 p.m. Gordon Harmon by his loving family

### Sunday, October 24

8:30 a.m. Walter Guthreau  
by Lynn & Gary Guthreau  
10:30 a.m. Diamond Risoli by Viola Mann  
Noon Parishioners of St. John's and  
William, Josephine & Andrew Au  
by the Au family



*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 10**

Regular Collection: \$3,974.50

Online Giving: \$ 867.90

Bills Paid This Week: \$7,350.59



Michael Belcuore  
&  
Alexandria DeRobertis

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

**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.



**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.

**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!



**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.

**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;

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**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,

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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

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:** 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.

**Union Catholic High School  
Upcoming Events**

Union Catholic High School, 1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, has two upcoming events:

Current 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students are invited to join us for our Virtual Day of Hope and Inspiration on **Wednesday, 10/27** from **4-5 p.m.** To register, contact the Admissions Office at 908-889-1600, ext. 328.

Also, prospective students and families are invited to join us for our General Information Session on **Tuesday, 11/9** at **7:00 p.m.** The more you learn about UC, the more you can envision your future! Pre-registration is required; go to: [https://unioncatholic.schooladminonline.com/portal/new\\_inquiry](https://unioncatholic.schooladminonline.com/portal/new_inquiry). For additional information visit our website at [www.unioncatholic.org](http://www.unioncatholic.org) or call 908-889-1600, ext. 302

## Whole Community Catechesis



### Overview of the Mass continued...

#### **Greeting - Introductory Rites**

During the entrance Procession we stand and show our respect and reverence for the gift of Holy Mass which is beginning. In singing, we unite our voices as one as an expression of our love and joy of the greatest gift God gives to us - The Holy Mass. The entrance song often reflects the theme of the Bible readings during Mass.

**Immediately after the entrance procession, notice that Father kisses the altar.** The priest kisses the altar as a sign of reverence and respect for the place where Jesus Christ will become present in the Eucharist.<sup>[1]</sup>

**Father will begin the Mass by making the sign of the cross** and saying "The Lord be with you." We respond "And with your Spirit." **This is no ordinary greeting. These words have specific meaning:** At the very basic level "**The Lord be with you**" conveys the reality of Jesus in our presence as well as the reality of God's life dwelling within our souls by virtue of our baptism. When a man is ordained a priest, the Holy Spirit comes upon him in a unique way, enabling him to perform the sacred rites of Mass and consecrate the Eucharist. By responding "**And with your spirit**" we acknowledge the Spirit's activity through the priest during the Sacred Liturgy. We are referring to the "spirit" of the priest, the very core of his being, where he has been ordained to offer the sacrifice of the Mass.<sup>[2]</sup> (*From Jimmy Akin - Mass Revision, Edward Siri - A Biblical Walk through the Mass, & Mass Lessons by Deirdre Nemeth*)

#### **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.

#### **Spirit of St. Francis Award Champions for Catholic Charities Virtual Gala**

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

To recognize the efforts of our parishes, the 2021 Champions for Catholic Charities Virtual Gala will continue the tradition of honoring individuals with the ***Spirit of Saint Francis Award***. The recipients of the award, who will be announced at the virtual gala, were chosen for having carried out the virtue of charity by encouraging a sense of community among the forces that shape society and for their proven ability to promote a sense of Catholic social teaching in the wider community. To learn the names of this year's honorees, tune in to our Champions for Catholic Charities Gala on **Thursday, October 28th at 7:00 p.m.** Links can be found at [www.diometuchen.org/champions](http://www.diometuchen.org/champions). For more information call 732-562-2432.

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