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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil.....5:00 pm

Sunday8:30 am, 10:30 am, Noon (Spanish)

Monday - Friday8:00 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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732-968-2621 ext: 13 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 form 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, November 15

8:00 a.m. John Jaworski by Ed & Joan Nowicki

Tuesday, November 16

8:00 a.m. Brian Flynn by Karen Marble

Wednesday, November 17

8:00 a.m. Mary Pham by Mr. & Mrs. Hung Lieu

Thursday, November 18

8:00 a.m. Jacob Le by Mr. & Mrs. Hung Lieu

Friday, November 19

8:00 a.m. Mary Pham by Mr. & Mrs. Hung Lieu

Saturday, November 20

5:00 p.m. Roberto Loo Hernandez by Manny & Lynn Jacalan

Sunday, November 21

8:30 a.m. Marge Kugelman

by Lynn & Gary Guthreau

10:30 a.m. Roberto Loo Hernandez

by Manny & Lynn Jacalan

Noon Parishioners of St. John's



Please pray for the sick members of our parish:

Cathy Slootmaker 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 ano 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, communiqués 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 2021 Sunday, November 7

Regular Collection: \$4,184.50 Online Giving: \$658.45

Bills Paid This Week: \$6,462.75

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.



Thanksgiving Basket Drive

Please help us fill our Thanksgiving Baskets with donations of turkeys, stuffing, yams, instant potatoes, gravy, canned vegetables, juices, and other goodies. You can drop donations off at the parish center or bring them to Church by November 21st.

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.

Ushers Meeting

Father Alphonsus will be meeting with the ushers this **Wednesday**, **November 17th** at **7:00PM** in the **church**. All ushers and those interested in joining the usher ministry are asked to attend.



Altar Prayer Group Meeting

The St. John's Altar Prayer Group will meet on **Tuesday**,

November 16th at 6:30pm in the **church**. We will pray the rosary and then go to the auditorium for a meeting. Please use the elevator.

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; <u>kventurella@optonline.net</u>

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. 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.

40th Anniversary Mass

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, all are invited to attend the 40th Anniversary Mass marking the establishment of the Diocese of Metuchen on Friday, November 19, at 7 p.m. in The Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, 32 Elm Avenue, Metuchen. Clergy, religious and lay faithful from all the parishes in the Diocese of Metuchen are invited to attend this historical anniversary Mass. The Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA, will be the celebrant and the homilist.

November 14, 2021 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory." (Mark 13:26)

We will all have that day when we are standing before God and our life is played out like a movie. When this happens and God asks each of us, "What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?" How will you respond? The good news — it's never too late to live a grateful and generous lifestyle.

Whole Community Catechesis



Learning About the Mass continued...

The Collect

After the Gloria, which we learned about last Sunday, the Priest calls upon the people to pray and everybody, together with the Priest, takes a moment of brief silence so that we may become aware of being in God's presence and may call to mind our intentions.

Then the Priest says the prayer called the "Collect" (also known as the Opening Prayer) that emphasizes some special theme or themes of the Mass. On all feast days the Collect will contain a reference to the event whose memory we celebrate. By an ancient tradition of the Church, the Collect prayer is usually addressed to God the Father, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit, and is concluded with a Trinitarian ending, or longer ending. We, the congregation, make this prayer petition our own when we say "Amen." Amen is translated as "So be it". When we say "Amen" in response to a prayer, we are saying "yes" we agree. Saying "Amen" also shows that we have faith that God hears and acts on our prayers. At Mass only a single Collect is ever said. The Collect completes the Introductory Rite.

Taken from: The Mass (Wuerl, Aquilina), http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/04103a.htm, What Exactly Does Amen Mean? | Catholic Answers. Mass Lessons compiled 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, stip-hip-like-gmail.com, 732-968-2621 ext 13.

Thanksgiving

In this season of Thanksgiving, why not celebrate your marriage and its many blessings by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held **February 4 – 6**. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

The Joy of Love & Family Conference

The Diocese of Metuchen, in collaboration with the other four Roman Catholic Arch/Dioceses in New Jersey, will sponsor "The Joy of Love & Family," a conference series in celebration of the Year of the Family as declared by Pope Francis. The series of free talks will premiere over six months, covering topics for every stage of family life. More information, including the full speaker line up and talk titles, is available on www.lightingheartsonfire.org, where you can also sign up to receive notifications. Stay tuned to diocesan social media pages @diocesemetuchen for continued updates!



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