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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil.....5:00 p.m.; **Sunday**.....8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon (Spanish)

Monday-Friday...8:00 a.m. (*Chapel*)

Tuesday....7:00 p.m. (Spanish); Second **Sunday of each month**...3:30 (Kiswahili)

Holydays.....8:00 a.m., Noon & 7:00 p.m. (*Church*)

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; closed on Friday. Evenings by appointment only

Telephone: 732-968-2621; **E-mail:** stjev@verizon.net; **Web:** www.stjohnsdunellen.org

Office of Faith Formation: 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 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 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 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Sacrament of Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the First and Third Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. 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 p.m. 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.

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.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays of Advent:

December 10 - 4:00 to 4:45 pm

December 17 - 11:00 am to Noon and 4:00 to 4:45 pm

VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY ~ CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 PM

6:00 PM

12 Midnight

NATIVITY OF THE LORD ~ CHRISTMAS DAY

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

12 NOON – SPANISH MASS

MASSES DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Sunday, January 1, 2023

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Regular Mass Schedule

Sunday, January 8, 2023

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Regular Mass Schedule

Monday, January 9, 2023

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After this feast we start the ordinary time of the year

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, December 5

8:00 a.m. St. John always bring us, our Mass offerings and our prayers to JMS's hearts, Amen by John

Tuesday, December 6

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7:00 p.m. Gerardo Mosqueda
by Yolanda Mosqueda

Wednesday, December 7

8:00 a.m. Jackelyn Elise McCann
by the Hummel family

Thursday, December 8

8:00 a.m. John Cashin
by Louis & Eileen Capozzi

Noon Backus/Glennon family members
by Kevin Glennon

7:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. John's

Friday, December 9

8:00 a.m. Ramon Velez by Lia Velez

Saturday, December 10

5:00 p.m. Scott Patronick by the Patronick,
Woerner & Dowd families

Sunday, December 11

8:30 a.m. Nicholas Livera by Angela Livera

10:30 a.m. Martie & Bob Fritzinger
by Sue Ellen Bibby

Noon Maynor Peña by Duvis Horta



*This week our Chapel candle is lit in memory of **William & Josephine Flanagan** and **Gayle Trotta** by **Denise Flanagan**.*

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 2022

Sunday, November 27

Regular Collection: \$4,447.83
 Online Giving: \$ 520.15
 H.E.L.P.: \$ 57.00
 Works of Mercy: \$ 332.10
 Working on the Margins: \$ 20.00
 Immaculate Conception: \$ 10.00
 All Saints: \$ 5.00

Bills Paid this Week: \$3,057.01

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.

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.



Please pray for the sick members of our parish:

*Louis Capozzi
 Cathy Sloomaker
 MaryAnn Briones*

Second Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious

The second collection next weekend, **December 10/11**, will be for the Retirement Fund for Religious to support retired religious Sisters and Brothers of the United States.



Holiday Office Closing

The Parish Office will be closed on **Thursday, 12/8** in observation of the feast of The Immaculate Conception. It will re-open on Monday, 12/12.



Christmas Memorials

You are invited to make a memorial donation for the Christmas season. Your donation will help provide flowers and decorations for the church. To participate you may pick up a form at the exits of the Church or simply write down your name, phone number, and the name of the person or persons you wish to memorialize and send it along with your payment to the Parish Center by **Sunday, 12/11**.

Christmas Giving Tree Program

Gifts purchased for the Christmas Giving Tree program or donations of gift cards may be brought to the Parish Center or placed under the Giving Tree in Church by **Sunday, 12/11**. Blessings and thanks as we prepare for our Savior's birth!



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

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

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: Jeff Marren,
jm601@optonline.net

Music Ministry: Gerard Chiusano, (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

Guadalupe Group: Ana Alpizar (732) 979-4663

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

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



Church Decorating for Christmas

The Arts and Environment committee will be decorating for Christmas as follows:

Saturday 12/17, 9AM-11AM - arranging and testing the lights on the tree out front;

Saturday 12/24, 8AM-12PM - cleaning and decorating the church. Anyone interested in helping on either of these days please contact Kate Guzzi @ 732 977 2233

Gift Auction a Success!

Our First Gift Auction was a success! We had over 100 gifts for auction, 70 attendees and raised almost \$5,000. Thank you to the parishioners who generously donated to this, providing baskets and gifts for auction. Thanks to the students + parents who worked the kitchen & helped delivering gifts to the winners and with clean up. Special thanks to the amazing team who helped with solicitation, wrapping and set up and Denise, our parish book keeper, who was guiding us every step of the way.



Altar Prayer Group

St. John's Altar Prayer Group will have a Christmas lunch on **Tuesday, 12/13 from 12 noon to 3 o'clock** at

Carpaccio's Ristorante in Middlesex.

Cost is \$25.00. Please bring in a little gift for a person living at the Green Brook Disabled Facility. Remit to Fran Furino or Natalie Farry @732-968-0846 if interested. All are Welcome.

Faith Formation



A Family of Faith: December

**Adult/Parent Meeting - Monday 12/5,
Tuesday 12/6, 6:30-8:00 p.m., Church
Auditorium**

Topic: #5 Confirmation

**Community/Family Meeting - Sunday
12/18 9:00 a.m., Church Auditorium
and attend 10:30 Mass together.**

Topic/Activity: Advent Retreat

Monthly Youth Mass

The next Youth Mass will be **10:30** on
Sunday, 12/4. All high school teens are
welcome to serve. If you are interested in
being a Lector, Usher, Altar Server or
singing in the Youth Choir please email
stjohnpcl@gmail.com for the link to sign up.

High School Youth Group

Christmas Card Sale, **Sunday 12/4** after all
Masses during the monthly reception.
Our new High School Youth Group
members have been crafting Christmas
Cards to sell to support future activities.
Stop by and say HI during our December
4th monthly reception. Meet our High
School Youth Group members and check
out their creations. All High School teens
are welcome to join. Find out what Youth
Group is all about and some activities they
are looking forward to this year.



Rejoice! Advent Pilgrimage into the Heart of Scripture

Let Us journey together as
Parish through Scripture. Join
us in the Auditorium for coffee and a brief
Advent reflection following the 8:30 and
10:30 Mass each Sunday of Advent.

Holy Savior Academy Calendar Raffle

Holy Savior Academy's Calendar Raffle starts
now till **Thursday, January 5, 2023!** Our
first drawing will be on **Friday, January 6** and
drawing through Friday, June 16. Tickets are
\$20.00 for 23 chances to win a great cash prize.
These are great stocking stuffers for Christmas
and gifts for the holidays. You may purchase
tickets at Holy Savior Academy Main Office, 149
South Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ
07080, 908-822-5890. You can also purchase
from one of our HSA Families or tabling after
Mass at some of our Deanery Parishes. Let's
support our Deanery School!



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.

NJ Right to Life Raffle Winners

New Jersey Right to Life wishes to express to the
parishioners at St. John the Evangelist Parish
our sincere appreciation for your support of our
annual car raffle fundraiser. We are deeply
thankful for your generosity which makes
possible truly life saving work. Congratulations
to our raffle winners:

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