

**Sacrificial Offerings 2019
Sunday, February 23**

Regular Collection: \$4,504.35
Weekly Expenses: \$9,694.91

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 1

- 8:30 am Parishioners of St. John's & Dottie Maritz by Terry & Matt Kurzius
- 10:30 am Tomasa Colocho by Enza DiStefano

Monday, March 2

- 7:00 am Ronald Shea by David & Caroline Crane

Tuesday, March 3

- 7:00 am Charlie Batcha by Karen Marble

Wednesday, March 4

- 7:00 am Charlie Batcha by Szulczewski family

Thursday, March 5

- 7:00 am Kenneth Whatley by Mary Lou Chingery

Friday, March 6

- 7:00 am Victor Rocki by Danuta Gontarz

Saturday, March 7

- 5:00 pm Roy Hemmingstad by Diane Neunert

Sunday, March 8

- 8:30 am Parishioners of St. John's & Jim Mondoro by Nancy & Robert Dombroski
- 10:30 am Clara Heldt by the Confalone family

This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of Richard Bartilotti by Barbara Carlisle.



Coffee & Doughnut Reception

The monthly Coffee & Doughnut reception will take place this **Sunday, 3/1, after the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses in the Church auditorium.** All are welcome to join us!



2020 Casino Night was a success! This year we raised \$7,350. Thanks to all our sponsors and those who attended. Congratulations to the Raffle winners – 1st Prize **Colleen Walker**; 2nd Prize **Deacon Glenn Robitaille**; 3rd Prize **Roger Dornbierer.**

Rosary Altar Group Meeting

St. John's Rosary Altar Prayer Group will hold their next meeting on **Monday, March 9th at 12 noon** in the **Church Auditorium.** Please bring a sandwich. Coffee and dessert will be supplied. Please use the elevator.

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.

Stewardship: A Way of Life

“It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.” Matthew 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things. Ask God how he is calling you to serve. We are thankful for the efforts of

Sue Kelly, Our Bulletin Editor



**Knights of Columbus
Lenten Fish Fry**

The Knights of Columbus Friday Night Lenten Fish Frys are back! These are held each Friday night during Lent, **beginning Friday, February 28th**. We serve from **5:30-7:30 pm**. For those who don't enjoy fish, we will be serving a meatless Italian dinner option. Also new this year, join us for 5 Friday dinners and get the 6th FREE! Take out meals are available, call 732-968-2544. Credit cards are accepted. Proceeds from our events help us support St. John's & Our Lady of Fatima Parishes as well as local charities. Thank you for your support of Knights of Columbus Council #2544.



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. Army Pvt. Raymond C. Pizzigoni**
- U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Ed Sella**
- U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Paul Frabizzio**
- U.S. Marine Mer. Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak**
- U.S. Army Pfc. Sean Parente**
- U.S. Marine Pvt. 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 IT#2 Kenneth Millman III**

If there are any other military members you would like to be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held during the 5:00 PM Mass on **Saturday, 3/7 and 3/22** and every Sunday during the 10:30 AM Mass. Following the Opening Prayer at Masses, all children PreK to 4th grade are invited to join our catechists to hear the Liturgy of the Word proclaimed in a child-friendly language.

Catholic Daughters March Meeting

Court Regina Coeli #940 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet on **Wednesday, March 4** at **7:30 p.m.** in **St. John's Auditorium**. We are looking forward to many exciting activities. Come and see what we do. Dues are \$25.00. We look forward to women sharing more ways to help in the community and support those in need. For more information please contact Beth Willoughby at bethlby72@verizon.net.

Lenten Obligations

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.
3. The obligation of fast applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. Fasting in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals which together are not equal to a full meal, so as to experience hunger.
4. The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14. Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.



Scout Day of Recollection

A Scout Day of Recollection will be held on **Saturday, March 21st** from **11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at **St. Philip & St. James Church, 430 So. Main St., Phillipsburg, NJ.** All Catholic Scouts are invited especially those working on their Ad Altare Dei & Pope Pius XII religious emblems. The day will include Prayer, Talks, Adoration, Confession and Mass. Lunch will be provided by Troop 50. To register, call St. Philip & St. James Parish, (908) 454-0112, ext. 3 by March 16.

Public Charge Rule

Starting February 24th, USCIS will consider several factors to determine whether an immigrant is likely to become a Public Charge and use Public Benefits. These factors are: Health; Age; Education and skills; Family size and sponsor income; Receipt/application for certain public benefits.

WHO DOES IT APPLY TO: Immigrants applying to become permanent residents (obtain a green card) through family petitions; Permanent Residents who leave the US for 180 days (6 Months) or more; Non-immigrants applying for a change of status; Applicants for immigrant and non-immigrant visas abroad. **The implementation date for this group has not yet been announced.**

WHO DOES IT NOT APPLY TO: U.S Citizens; Permanent Residents (unless they have left the country for 6 Months or more); Persons applying for Green card *renewal*, DACA *renewal*, TPS, U or T Visas, Asylum or Refugee status, or VAWA; Persons applying for a green card based on T-visa, U-visa, Asylum or Refugee Status, VAWA.

APPLICANTS WILL BE CONSIDERED A PUBLIC CHARGE IF THEY HAVE RECEIVED OR ARE MORE LIKELY THAN NOT TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC BENEFITS FOR MORE THAN 12 MONTHS WITHIN ANY 36 MONTH PERIOD: Supplemental Social Security Income (SSI); Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF); State or local general relief or general assistance; Institutionalization for long term care; Medicaid (non-emergency); Supplemental Nutrition and Assistance Program (SNAP or Food Stamps); Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, Section 8 Project Based Rental Assistance and Public Housing.

PLEASE NOTE: Receipt of public benefits solely on behalf of another person (for example your child) does not constitute receipt of public benefits. The Public Charge will only apply to applicants submitting applications on or after February 24th, 2020.



St. John the Evangelist, Dunellen

Weekday Mass

7:00 AM

Confessions

4:00 PM-4:45 PM on Saturdays

Adoration on Fridays 7:30 AM to 7:00 PM and then the Stations of the Cross will follow.

St. Mary, Stony Hill

Confessions:

11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon on Saturdays

3:00 PM – 3:45 PM on Saturdays

Weekday Mass

Monday – Thursday 7:00 AM

Friday – 12:10 PM

St. Luke, North Plainfield

Confessions

4:00 PM – 4:45 PM on Saturdays

9:00 AM – 9:45 AM on Sundays

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:00 PM in the Chapel

St. Joseph, North Plainfield

Weekday Mass

12:10 in the Chapel (99 Westervelt Ave)

Confessions:

11:00 AM – 11:45 AM on Saturdays

Stations of the Cross

Following Friday 12:10 Masses in English (Chapel)

Following Friday Holy Hours in Spanish (Chapel)

Thursday Holy Hours

7:00 Pm in the Church

3/5 Taize Prayer for Peace

3/12 – A Time of Prayer

3/19 – St. Joseph Day

3/26 – Holy Hour

24 Hours for the Lord

March 20-21

**Inter-parish Penance Service
Thursday, April 2, 7:00 PM at
St. Joseph Church. Several priests
will be available for confession**