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## **MASS INTENTIONS**



## Monday, March 29

8:00 am In honor of the Holy Family & John's special religious intention by John

# Tuesday, March 30

8:00 am Natale Lipari by Arlene & Kevin

## Wednesday, March 31

8:00 am Clo Pado by the Geigel family

# Thursday, April 1

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Living & Deceased priests of the parish

# Friday, April 2

3:00 pm Solemn Passion of the Lord

## Saturday, April 3

8:00 pm Vigil Mass

Rose & Anthony Marsjanik by the Marsjanik family

## Sunday, April 4

8:30 am Living & deceased members of the

Aldarondo & Nunzello families by

their family

10:30 am Antonio DiMaggio by wife & son

Noon Parishioners Of St. John's &

Crescenciana Osorio Morales by Concepcion Santos Osorio

## Sacrificial Offerings 2021 Sunday, March 21

Regular Collection: \$3,356.00 Online Giving: \$814.00

Bills Paid This Week: \$7,917.88

Dear Parishioners,

The Holy Week invites us to prepare for our greatest Christian Festivity in the liturgical year. It is not Christmas or Palm Sunday or Pentecost but EASTER. Easter is the feast that gives meaning to all the others.

I hope to see many of you in Church on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and during the Easter Masses. For those who cannot come, please join us by livestream at our parish website www.stjohnsdunellen.org

Happy Easter to all of you, Fr. Alphonsus Kariuki

PALM SUNDAY VIGIL SATURDAY MARCH 27, 2021 5:00PM

PALM SUNDAY SUNDAY MARCH 28, 2021 Masses 8:30AM, 10:30AM, 12:00PM (SPANISH)

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
THURSDAY APRIL1, 2021
7:00PM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2021 3:00PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7:00PM

> VIGIL OF EASTER SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 2021 8:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4, 2021 Masses 8:30AM, 10:30AM, 12PM (Spanish)

### 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.

## **Blessing of Food**

The Blessing of Food will take place at **12 noon** on **Saturday**, **4/3** in the **Church**. Everyone is welcome to join us for this traditional blessing.

## Good Friday Ecumenical Service

On Good Friday the Christian churches in Dunellen, including St. John's, will be holding an ecumenical service on the last seven words of Jesus spoken from the cross. The service will be virtual and will begin at 12:00 noon and conclude at 1:30pm. If you are interested in participating here is the Zoom link meeting information:

https://zoom.us/j/5958544455?pwd=a0hU SOZka1IMRTRNbGFIb2VpY1hsZz09

Meeting ID: 595 854 4455

Passcode: 247569

Phone: 1-646-558-8656 US/NY

#### **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
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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.

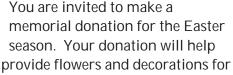
## **Scrip Orders**

The next orders are due on 4/4 with pickup on 4/18.

## Holiday Office Closing

The parish office will be closed on **Holy Thursday**, **4/1** and **Easter Monday**, **4/5**.
It will reopen on **Tuesday**, **4/6**.

## **Easter Memorials**



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 **noon** on **Monday**, 3/29.



# 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 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

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



### **Collection Envelopes**

Collection envelopes will no longer be mailed to the

homes, but will be made available for pickup in the 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.

We are happy to report to you a list of the projects the Parish Maintenance person Mr. Ron Fojtlin has done for our Parish since last Summer.

- 1. Repaired rectory porch.
- 2. Arranged for roofer to replace rectory roof
- 3. Landscaped around buildings to divert water from foundations.
- 4. Removed furniture and debris from rectory attic, church basement, garage and parish center supply rooms.
- 5. Secured company to replace church boiler.
- 6. Cleaned church carpeting.
- 7. Installed necessary items to comply with pandemic requirements (roped off pews, installed hand sanitizers, etc)
- 8. Repaired and reattached sink in church bathroom.
- 9. Re-keyed all entrance doors in parish center.
- 10. Secured company to replace front step railing at parish center and repaired mortar joints in steps.
- 11. Secured new lawn mowers and repaired snow blower.
- 12. Patched pot holes in driveway.
- 13. Performed general upkeep: painting, cleaning, polishing, lawn maintenance and repairs.

### Whole Community Catechesis



## Gospel Weekly Discussion Questions: Jesus' Passion and Death Mark 14:1-15:47

**Life Question:** What in the Holy Week liturgies expresses who Jesus is for you? **Gospel Question:** How does Jesus' Death on the Cross affect how you live?

## EXPLORING THE GOSPEL BY AGE Exploring the Sunday Readings (Adults)

Which character of the Passion story speaks most powerfully to you this Passion Sunday? What does he/ she teach you about yourself?

## Visions (Grades 7–9)

**Life Question:** Who walks with you in

your life journey?

Gospel Question: Who walks with Jesus

to Jerusalem?

## **Venture (Grades 4–6)**

**Life Question:** How would you welcome

Jesus to your school or parish?

**Gospel Question:** How does the crowd of people in the Gospel welcome Jesus?

### Good News (Grades 2–3)

**Life Question:** How do you welcome new

children to your class?

Gospel Question: What are ways people

show respect to Jesus?

### Promise (Grades K-1)

**Life Question:** What does your family do to prepare the week before Easter?

**Gospel Question:** What are some things that happen to Jesus during Holy Week?

### Gertrude Hawk Pick Up

Thank you to all who supported the Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale. It was a great success! Candy will be available for pick up in the Auditorium after all Masses on Saturday 3/27 and Sunday 3/28 and on Tuesday 3/30 and Wednesday 3/31 between the hours of 2pm - 4pm and 6pm - 8pm. If you are unable to come by during these times please call or email the Office of Catechesis.



## **Living Stations of The Cross**

Congratulations and thank you to the 7th grade class who shared a beautiful portrayal of Living Stations of the Cross. It was a very moving experience for all in attendance.

## **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, <a href="mailto:stiphnpcl@gmail.com">stiphnpcl@gmail.com</a>, 732-968-2621 ext 13

# Read the Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz podcast

https://media.ascensionpress.com/podcast/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/. He is using the Great Adventure Timeline as he guides listeners through the Bible in a year. It is not too late to join in.



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