

St. John Vianney Church

420 Inman Avenue – Colonia, New Jersey 07067
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Rectory Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-4pm



Fr. John J. Barbella, Pastor
Rev. John C. Gloss & Msgr. Edward M. O'Neill, Pastor Emeriti
Very Rev. Jay Toborowsky, V.G. in Residence
Fr. Bede Kim, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Robert Gorman, Parochial Vicar
Deacons Joseph Ragucci, Thomas Michnewicz & Vincent Brigande
Ellen DeRosa, Director of Religious Education
Nancy Tannucilli, Principal of St. John Vianney School
Jessica Hicks, Vice Principal of St. John Vianney School
Jamie Frame, Director of Sacred Music

Mission Statement

In the spirit of St. John Vianney's zeal and concern for people, we are a community proclaiming the Gospel in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. The community of St. John Vianney strives to utilize the gifts and talents of each parishioner to create a vibrant welcoming parish. Through our liturgies, ministries, and organizations, we encounter Christ and are empowered to bring Him to the world.

Parish Staff

Parish Administrative Assistant	Stephanie Noto
School Administrative Assistant	Sandy Gambotto
School Office Assistant	Laura Gruenling
Parish/School Bookkeeper	Karen Dudas
Maintenance Supervisor	Poncho Julius

Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday	7am – 8:30am
Saturday	8am - 5pm
Sunday	8am - 10am - 12pm

Holy Days will be announced at the beginning of mass and in the bulletin.

Sacramental Schedule

Confessions: Saturdays 11am-12pm, 4:15-4:45pm
Anytime in the rectory – call ahead

Baptism: most Sundays at 1:30pm.

Babies should be Baptized as soon as possible. Please call the Parish office to make arrangements. We will be happy to help you schedule your baby's Baptism.

Last Rites/Anointing of the Sick: anyone who is ill and or would like to receive Communion is asked to call the rectory.

Marriage: Couples should call the Parish office as soon as possible to schedule a wedding. Our priests and deacons will help you through the preparation process.

Parish Membership

All new families who live within our boundaries are welcome to the parish. They are requested to register at the rectory.

Parish Gift Shop

Please note that the Parish Gift Shop is now open! The gift shop hours of operation are before and after the 8:00am, 10:00am and 12pm Mass on Sunday's each weekend.

Mass Intentions – 16TH Sunday in Ordinary Time**SATURDAY, July 22, 2023 – St. Mary Magdalene**

8:00 AM	Mark Cavallero, r/o Mom
5:00 PM	Wendy Moeller, r/o Parents

SUNDAY, July 23, 2023

8:00 AM	Thomas Hoagland, r/o Wife & Family
10:00 AM	Robert Zdanowski, r/o Zdanowski Family
12:00 PM	For the People of our Parish living/deceased

MONDAY, July 24, 2023

7:00 AM	Stephen & Veronica Alencewicz, r/o Family
8:30 AM	Edwin J. Keefe Jr., r/o Noto Family

TUESDAY, July 25, 2023

7:00 AM	Margarita Cutro, r/o Francesca & Giuseppe Arcieri
8:30 AM	Marie Feeney, r/o Toni & Terry Feeney

WEDNESDAY, July 26, 2023

7:00 AM	Joseph Capoluto Sr., r/o Fr. John Barbella
8:30 AM	Rachel Wilder, r/o SJV Seniors

THURSDAY, July 27, 2023

7:00 AM	Joseph Marino (First Anniversary), r/o Family
8:30 AM	Alex Gousseff, r/o Deborah Malaga & Family

FRIDAY, July 28, 2023

7:00 AM	
8:30 AM	Josephine Toth, r/o Family

SATURDAY, July 29, 2023

8:00 AM	Matthew & Genevieve Cyrana, r/o Family
5:00 PM	Patricia Longo, r/o Pero Family

SUNDAY, July 30, 2023

8:00 AM	For the People of our Parish living/deceased
10:00 AM	Joseph Frank Magliozzi, r/o Brenda Velasco
12:00 PM	William O'Brien, r/o Patricia Doherty



The Bread & Wine
have been offered in loving
memory of
Marie Feeney
from Kelly & Kim Feeney,
and also for
Joseph Marino
from Family.

Weekend Mass Schedule

July 29 TH :	5:00pm	Fr. Bede
July 30 TH :	8:00am	Fr. Jay
	10:00am	Fr. John
	12:00pm	Fr. Bede

Rectory Summer Hours

Monday – Thursday
9am – 4pm, closed 12pm – 1pm for lunch
Closed on Fridays

The Prayer Corner

"There is a season and a time for every purpose..."

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

TO WED

TO HEAL

Msgr. O'Neill, Robert Anderson, Gladys Schmidt, Rosa Julius, Henry & Joanne Sokoloski, Robert Jardines, Kathy Leary, Eileen Barrett, Margaret Anne Kerr, Slawomir Sielski, Douglas Castner, Maureen Horning, Trevor Horning, Bill Riley, Theresa Szablowski, Cody Brown, Dolores DiGangi, Harold Carney, Toni Feeney, Sue Zafian, Leslie Johnson, Rita Weissenburger, Alberta Clark, Therese Clark, Angelo Gallo, Heidi Egan, Carol Kolator, Rita Scarpone, Macario and Linda Yap, Michelle Gargiulo, Sonia Stefan, Harrison Chung, Maria Famiglietti, Kevin Pydeski, Connor Feeney, Doug Christie, Donna Sandklev, John & Maryanne Delutis, Joshua & Amelia Ford, Marie Novak, Jo Ann West, Denise Stanislawczyk, Catherine Buettel, Rose Campanelli, Kyle Brown, Dianne Campolargo, Collin Sciahetano, Dolores Waltsak, Giovanni Caccamo, Mark & Victoria, Nancy Genna, Sherry Canavale, Domenic Canavale, Michael Canavale, Rose Currie, Nina Laico, Tommy Birkner, Ronald Harvey, Artie Schapiro, Tina Deliaquila, Robert Feeney, Debi Leiter, Jane Fitzgerald, Wayne Bartlett, Julia Skrya, Mary Charniga, Brenda & Dolores Tourtellot, Mary Jantas, Kathleen Baumann, Giuliana DeAngelias, Dennis Costante, Gene Moore, Joel Leiter, Jerry Hill, Susan Sepedy, Geri Lazarowitz, Aymee Iannacone, Annie Panaccione, Jean Nych, Gregory Kolaranda, Johanna Esposito, Mary Shegas, Nina Stefanelli, Nikoloz, Clare Weber, Vincent Dellaquila, Joe Vitello, Arlon Roth, Edward O'Brien, June Laub, Maryann Robson, Nick Troiano, Carl Walker, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Christine Camping, Catherine Donahue, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco.

FOR THOSE WHO RECENTLY DIED

Beverly Orlowski & Roman Drop

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

S. Sgt. Keith D. Lee (Air National Guard), Major Brian McCartin (Army), John Bridges (Navy), 2nd Lieutenant Phillip G. Faccione Jr. (Marines), Bryan Alexander Perez (Army), Brandon Haynes (Army), Jared Endler (National Guard), LTJG Liam Keenan (Navy), Mas. Sgt. Michael Primavera (Air Force), John O'Donnell (Marines).

Weekend Readings

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Romans 8:26-27

Matthew 13:24-43

Weekday readings can be found on the parish website.

July 23, 2023

16TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom."

MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds." We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

Summer Love

I love the summer's rays,
shinning from the sun
the warmth of laughter
with children having fun.

I love summer's breezes,
gently drifting in the air
the sounds of pure delight
when the weather is fair.

I love summer's laziness,
the strolls down the lane
the sound of peacefulness
upon summer's gentle rain.

I love summer's smells,
fragrant with memories
the happy thoughts wafting
of BBQ's, friends and families.

I love summertime,
it's smells, sights, its sounds
I love that God blesses me
when summer comes around!

– Deborah Ann Belka

FAIR THANK YOU

THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this year's SJV Parish Fair such a success! We couldn't have done it without the hard work of our Fair Coordinator and Committee, Ride Company, Vendors, all of our volunteers who work the fair, and everyone who came out to support our Parish Fair Fundraiser that benefits our Church and School.

SUMMER SPLASH

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Summer Splash 50/50 raffle! Our winner was pulled and announced on Saturday, July 15th at 11pm and has since been contacted. They are so excited to be selected as the winner and have received a little over \$14,000 !

Thoughts From God's Garden
Sr. Gabriela of the Incarnation, O.C.D.
Carmel in New Jersey

NEW JERSEY is called the Garden State for good reason. Inside the Garden State there is another garden, God's Garden, better known as the Carmel of Mary Immaculate and St. Mary Magdalen. "Carmel" is a Hebrew word meaning "the Garden of God". A "Carmel" is a monastery of the Carmelite Order, named for Mount Carmel in the Holy Land. The Carmel of Mary Immaculate is in Flemington, in Hunterdon County, and it is the home to a dozen contemplative Nuns who devote their lives to praying for the Church and the world.

THE CARMELITE ORDER began on Mount Carmel around 1208 and a reformed branch was established by St. Teresa of Avila in Spain in 1562. The best-known Carmelite is St. Therese of the Child Jesus, the Little Flower, who was born 150 years ago. We Carmelites in Flemington carry on their charism of prayer and community life in the solitude of the cloister, and, like Therese, we try to be Love in the Heart of the Church.

YOU ARE WELCOME to visit the Carmel at 26 Harmony Road in Flemington to speak with a Nun at the Turn, to pray in the Chapel or visit the St. Teresa Gift Shop. Prayer requests are always welcome. Visit: www.flemingtoncarmel.org

PARISH MINISTRIES & CONTACTS

Organization	Contact	Phone/Email
Altar Rosary Society	Jane Bianco	732-382-1512
Altar Servers	Deacon Vinny	vbrigande@sjvs.net
Basketball	Joe Marinello	908-347-9269
Bible Study	Deacon Joe & Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Cheerleading	Jennifer Grasso	732-943-2409
Communion/ Homebound	Joanne Streck	732-382-4147
Cub/Boy Scouts	Sandra Franczak	732-754-5613
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
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	Jeanette Wilmanski	jwilmanski@gmail.com
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Lectors	Deacon Tom Michnewicz	732-574-1651
Legion of Mary	Joan Wilson	732-548-3359
Music Ministry	Jamie Frame	908-331-0471
Parish Life Comm.	Egger Lugo	732-801-6705
Pastoral Council	Suzanne MacIntyre	732-283-0731
Pre-Can	Deacon Tom & Janice Michnewicz	732-574-1651
Pro-Life	Carolyn Glodek	973-349-4626
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	Anna Zielski	732-325-7779
SJV Seniors	Bob & Mary Nilan	732-574-3427
St. Isidore's Garden	Maureen Jorgensen	732-778-8471
St. Vincent de Paul	Jim Leathem	732-388-5512
Track	Amanda Miller	732-549-2356
Ushers	Ray Morgan	732-815-1037

Congratulations Fr. Bede!

Bishop Checchio has appointed Fr. Bede Kim pastor of the Churches of Our Lady of Victories in Baptistown (Frenchtown), and St. Edward in Milford, NJ, effective September 1, 2023. While we are sad to see him go, we congratulate him on this new assignment and assure him of our prayers.

**Welcome Fr. Greg!**

Concurrent with Fr. Bede's move, Fr. Gregory Zanetti will join our parish as Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor). Please welcome him and keep him in your prayers.

JULY 16, 2023**OFFERTORY:**

Collection:	\$ 8,961.25
On-line giving:	\$ 4,747.50
	<u>\$ 13,708.75</u>

JULY 17, 2023**OFFERTORY:**

Collection:	\$ 8,400.25
On-line giving:	\$ 4,508.50
	<u>\$ 12,908.75</u>



Online Giving

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No cash or check? No problem! Our parish offers a convenient, safe, and automatic way to contribute to our parish directly from your bank or using a credit card. Online Giving is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. You will still receive offering envelopes to present during offertory at Mass to indicate "I've given online". Online Giving is very easy to use and requires no special knowledge. If you haven't already signed up, then go to our parish website at "sjvianney.com" and select Online Giving. It's easy and safe!


**Urgent Message from
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

There is an urgent need for our local food pantries. The need is real. Our parish assists the two local food pantries, St. Cecelia's in Iselin and St. James in Woodbridge. Because of the rapid increase of families in need, the local pantries are in dire need of basic food. The most needed items are: Canned meats e.g., tuna, chicken. Vienna sausage, Pasta, Tomato sauce, Canned vegetables, Canned and single serve fruit, Rice, Cake mixes, pudding and jello, peanut butter and jelly, Breakfast essentials e.g., cereal, oatmeal, and other single serve foods. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

The SVdP Society would like to thank you for your generosity to the local food pantries. The need continues for increased food donations.

**Have You Heard?****WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A
NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL!**

The Church needs healing, and the world needs Jesus. The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith—the Eucharist.



eucharisticrevival.org

Scrip Program Update

The SJV School Scrip Program Fundraiser ended on May 31, 2023 and will be replaced with a different fundraiser next school year for a variety of reasons. We are in the process of selling off the remainder of our scrip gift card inventory at the rectory until they are gone.

While we will no longer have any gift cards available for purchase in the rectory office, the online program will still remain active. If you would like to continue to purchase e-gift cards or physical gift cards, please see below for further information.

Go to <https://www.raiseright.com/> and create a profile if you do not already have one. It will ask you to input an enrollment code that will give credit and a percentage of your total purchase back to SJV School. The enrollment code for SJV is: **34L9D9638273**. If you purchase physical gift cards, you will have to select the "ship to my address" option, so the cards will be sent directly to your home address. You will then be sent a confirmation email with any necessary information about the shipment, or with your e-gift card information if that's the type of gift card you purchase.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this school fundraiser over the years!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

St. John Vianney Golf Outing &
Dinner Fundraiser
Monday, October 2, 2023
at the Metuchen Country Club

We hope you join us for this important fundraiser to benefit our Church and School! Please find the sign-up forms in the gathering area of the Church and on the Parish website.

Children's Choir Summer Camp

August 21st to August 25th

The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi's Office of Sacred Music, in conjunction with the Diocesan Office of Liturgical Music, will be hosting a Children's Choir Summer Camp program from August 21st to August 25th on the Cathedral's campus in Metuchen. All rising 3rd through 8th graders from any parish in the diocese are invited to participate. Participating Choristers will learn the basics of Music Theory, Gregorian Chant, do fun composer-based projects, and will sing for daily 12:10 Mass at the Cathedral. The week will end with a festive Ice Cream Party.

Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25TH or 50TH Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 3:00pm. Registration is required. Please register online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>. If you are unable to register online, please call the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close October 6, 2023.

Belong to Something Greater

Calling all high school graduates!

It's overwhelming to be new on campus with no connections, no friends, and no group to call your own. With Newman Connection, graduating seniors can...

- Meet like-minded people
- Find their Church community
- Remain active in their Catholic faith

All before getting to campus! Get connected now.

www.signupnc.newmanministry.com

The Pro-Life Corner

If you are a man or woman affected by abortion, please check this website for information that may help you:

<http://www.silentnomoreawareness.org/>

**Unplanned Pregnancy?****Find help at one of these centers:**

Life Choices Resource Center, Metuchen, NJ
Phone: 732-516-911

First Choice Women & Resource Center,
New Brunswick, NJ
Phone: 908-561-0079

Life Choices Inc., Phillipsburg, NJ
Phone: 908-454-2066

Inspire Women's Resource Center, Warren, NJ
Phone: 908-615-9008

Bridge Women's Center, Old Bridge
Phone: 732-588-0999

Or go to optionline.org (Pregnancy help online) to search for a location near you.

Please refer to this link from the Diocese of Metuchen: <https://diometuchen.org/pregnancy-help>

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An unwanted baby?

You can safely and anonymously give it away.

No shame, No blame

Call SAFE HAVEN HOTLINE:

1-877-839-2339

Pastor's Column : July 22 - 23, 2023

I hope you all enjoyed the Parish Fair as much as I did. It was really nice to see so many parishioners of different ages and backgrounds working together and enjoying each other's company. I especially enjoyed talking with so many good people.

Some of the children at our Parish Summer camp told me that they had a great time at the carnival. Some liked the rides, like the Crazy Bus. Another told me she went on the Ferris Wheel and was surprised at how small everyone looked from 'way up there.' She's braver than me!

Many of you no doubt saw our Bishop at the Fair on Thursday evening. It was good of him to take time from his busy schedule to pay us a visit. A number of other priests stopped by on different evenings. Fr. Bede and I sat with several other priests for a good while on Friday evening – in the Food Tent (my favorite carnival place!). It was good to spend time with brother priests at our parish fair.

A very special thank you is due to Joe Noto – who chaired our parish fair – and his dedicated team. There are so many things that go into a successful fair, and Joe and his team were on top of all of them. If you know Joe, be sure to thank him when you see him – and all the other helpers, too. The volunteers who staffed the games, cleaned up tables, sold raffle tickets, made and served countless zeppole – to mention a few – are too many to name. Thanks to each and every one.

Thanks also to the families who came and enjoyed the fair – and to those who purchased raffle tickets. Each and every one of you supported our parish by supporting our Fair. Thanks a million, to one and all.

After Masses last Sunday I took my mother to dinner at a diner she likes. We had a nice time talking and enjoying the afternoon. She had been to a Communion Breakfast at her own parish that morning – which was very nice.

As our recent high school graduates get ready to leave for college, I have some information for them and their parents. The Newman Connection is a means of connecting (as the name suggests) with the Catholic Campus Ministry at your college. Posters in the lobby of the Church have a QR code which can be used to get more information. I also have postcards with information as well.

As those who have been there know, the first weeks on campus can be quite an adjustment for incoming freshman. Catholic Campus Ministry can be a wonderful community of support for new students. Feel free to approach me with any questions you may have. I'd be happy to help you.

Please remember to pray for me – at least one Hail Mary each day. Let's also give thanks for our successful Fair and pray for the sick and for peace.

Have a great week.

Fr. John

Saint of the Week: St. James

St. James the Greater is one of the most well-known saints. He was one of Jesus' apostles, along with his brother St. John the Evangelist, both were often referred to as "sons of thunder" because of their fierce

temperament. St. James is known for his eagerness to follow Jesus' teachings and proclaim the faith to others. He was also one of the three present for the Transfiguration. It is said that St. James was the first of the apostles to be martyred. He is also the patron saint of Spain and pilgrims. May we be inspired by St. James' eagerness to follow Jesus and adapt to whatever changes He calls us to make in our lives.

**St. John Vianney School News**

732-388-1662 <https://school.sjvianney.com/>

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is open! Continue to email us at sjvhsa@sjvs.net and someone will respond to your email within 24-48 hours. Don't forget to visit our school website and follow us on Facebook!

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Ms. Gladys Schmidt, who has been one of our fabulous teachers here at St. John Vianney School for the last 51 years and wish her all the very best in her retirement! She has truly touched the lives of so many students and members of the faculty and staff throughout her time here, and will always be part of our SJV family.

Bus Trip

Join us for a bus trip to Wind Creek, PA on Monday, August 21st. The bus will be leaving the SJV parking lot at 10am and will return at 6:30pm. Cost is \$45 and get back \$35. For more information and to sign up please call Mary Lou at 732-710-3201.

**2023 Couples Retreat
Hosted by Emerge Uninterrupted LLC
9am-5pm September 25, 2023
at St. John Vianney Church**

The 2023 retreat welcomes members and non-members of St. John Vianney Parish alike. All married couples are invited to deepen their bonds through spiritual growth. Reflect on the sacredness of your union, rekindle your love, and renew your commitment to each other and the Divine Love of Christ that binds you. To sign up, please contact JoAnne Diaz at 908-246-9174, either by call or text. The retreat fee is \$150 per couple, and you can make the payment via check written out to JoAnne Diaz or through Venmo: @EmergeJD. For those couples needing financial support, scholarships are available.

**Ready to fully live your Catholic Faith?
Join the Legion of Mary**

The Legion of Mary will be meeting in the upper room of the Church every Thursday at 7 pm. To Jesus through Mary. For information call Joan Wilson at (732) 548-3359 or email at jhoynes.wilson@yahoo.com.

**Christmas in July!**

Please join the St. Vincent de Paul Society as we celebrate Christmas during the month of July! Please show your spirit of Christmas and help us help the local food banks with the gift of food this summer. Please leave items in the bins provided. Thank you for generosity, on behalf of those you will help, May God Bless you!

**Save the Date for the Harvest Moon Dance
on Saturday, October 14th.
Details to follow!**

Update from the Religious Education Program

Looking ahead to September 2023

The 2023 – 2024 year will begin with a parent meeting for parents with children in grades 1 through 8. The meeting has been scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2023, beginning at 6:15 and will be held in the Church. We hope most of you can arrange to attend.

Although classes began at 6:00 p.m. in prior years, it seems the 6:00 p.m. start time has been challenging for some parents and for some catechists. To help with the time challenges, the start time for classes for the 2023 – 2024 year will be 15 minutes later, with classes beginning at 6:15 p.m. The class end time will remain at 7:15 p.m.

Registration for 2023 – 2024

As of this writing, only 133 students have been registered. Since we had over 200 students last year, it seems we are missing quite a few children.

The grade level with the least number of registered students is 1st grade with only 9 students. The number has not increased for a few weeks. While it is possible there are just not many Catholic children born in 2017 who attend public school and live in or around Colonia, nine seems terribly low. There were 33 in first grade religious education classes this past year. Please, if you have a child who will be attending 1st grade in public school in September, the time to register him or her is now!

The St. John Vianney Religious Education Program is an eight-year program, beginning in grade one and continuing through grade eight. We encourage each child to begin attending classes in first grade and attend each successive year through eighth grade.

To appropriately plan for next year, it is critical that we know how many students will be coming for each grade level. Unlike an employer that might be able to add shifts or hire additional employees, with a program run entirely with volunteers from the parish, adapting to an increase in students in August or September would pose serious challenges. Therefore, we ask that you please help us by registering now! If you know parents whose children may not have registered, please let them know that registering before the end of July will help make the program run more smoothly in September.

Contacting Me

The best way to reach me is by email at ederosa@sjvs.net. If you would like to speak with me, please send an email with your phone number. I will call in the evening after work.

Have a blessed week!
Ellen DeRosa

This Week on FORMED : *the link for FORMED is on the parish website*

Sts. Joachim and Anne | Sacred Art

In this episode on FORMED Now, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp discuss the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this famous painting "Joachim and Anne Meeting at the Golden Gate."

The Way of Saint James

This documentary follows the journey of several pilgrims who differ in culture and religious faith but are united in their journey across the Camino de Santiago. Each of them is traveling toward the shrine of St. James the Apostle, whose feast day we celebrate this week.

Catholic Parenting Tips w/ Catholic Sprouts | FORMED Now

Join Taylor Kemp and Nancy Bandzuch, who founded Catholic Sprouts alongside her husband Bill, for tips for raising Catholic children!

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 13:24-43

Jesus tells us the Good Word grows within us, as the yeast grows within the dough – quietly and unseen, with great results!

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JESUS' PARABLES SHOW Small beginnings become marvelous expansions

Draw a line from Column A to Column B to match the "Seeds of Faith" to the "Expanded Kingdom."

Column A

The
Good
Word



Mustard
Seeds



Yeast
Cells



Column B

Risen
Breads



Mustard
Tree



Many
Believers



Parent / Child Activity

Watch a seed sprout - Take a clear cup and line it with a wet paper towel. Put a dried, uncooked seed between the paper and cup. Keep wet and in the sun. **Watch what happens!** (try watermelon seeds dried for one week)

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