



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. John Vianney Church

420 Inman Avenue – Colonia, New Jersey 07067
(732)574-0150 – <https://parish.sjvianney.com>
Rectory Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-4pm



Almighty and everlasting God,
You have taken up body and soul into the heavenly glory the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of Your Son: Grant, we beseech You, that, ever intent upon heavenly things, we may be worthy to be partakers of her glory. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 – 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, August 12, 2023 – St. Jane Frances de Chantal

8:00 AM Miriam & Norman Jorgensen, r/o Jay & Maureen Jorgensen
5:00 PM Matthew G. Plesher, r/o Bill & Marilyn Plastine

SUNDAY, August 13, 2023

8:00 AM For the People of our Parish living/deceased
10:00 AM Philip Shearman, r/o Renata
12:00 PM Purgatorial Society

MONDAY, August 14, 2023 St. Maximilian Kolbe

7:00 AM Joseph Monaco, r/o Family
8:30 AM Alfred Bevacqua, r/o Wife & Family
7:00 PM Georgia Egan, r/o Oppel Family

TUESDAY, August 15, 2023 The Assumption Holy Day

7:00 AM Augusto Acabou, r/o Susan Perez
8:30 AM William C. Turon, r/o Nancy Lanza
7:00 PM Vincent Camastro, r/o Katton Family

WEDNESDAY, August 16, 2023 St. Stephen of Hungary

7:00 AM Andrew Provenzano, r/o Colonia Pharmacy
8:30 AM Michael DePaola, r/o Geraldine DePaola

THURSDAY, August 17, 2023

7:00 AM Michelle Bongard, r/o Liz Mitchell
8:30 AM James Edge, r/o Anita Evans

FRIDAY, August 18, 2023

7:00 AM Rosa Julius, r/o Maureen & Egger Lugo
8:30 AM Ann & Edward Ruth, r/o Family

SATURDAY, August 19, 2023 St. John Eudes

8:00 AM Luke Dunbar, r/o Oppel Family
5:00 PM Edward & Michael Rod, r/o Kay

SUNDAY, August 20, 2023

8:00 AM For the People of our Parish living/deceased
10:00 AM Kazimiera & Jozef Jania, r/o Granddaughter, Ashley
12:00 PM Lisandria & Salvatore Panaccione, r/o Noto Family



The Sanctuary Light has been offered in loving memory of Joseph Monaco from Family.

The Bread & Wine have been offered in loving memory of Joseph Monaco from Family, and also for Maria Summers from Family.



The Prayer Corner

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

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

TO WED

TO HEAL

Mary Nilan, Mariola Waryniak, Stephen Jankowski, Christina Daliani, Msgr. O'Neill, Robert Anderson, Gladys Schmidt, Henry & Joanne Sokoloski, Robert Jardines, Kathy Leary, Eileen Barrett, Margaret Anne Kerr, Douglas Castner, Maureen Horning, Trevor Horning, Bill Riley, Theresa Szablowski, Cody Brown, Dolores DiGangi, Harold Carney, 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, Collin Sciahetano, 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

Slawomir Sielski, Carole Merlo, Jeanne Hodge & Elfrieda Natkie

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

S. Sgt. Keith D. Lee (Air National Guard), Major Brian McCartin (Army), John Bridges (Navy), 2nd Lieutenant Phillip G. Faccone 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

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-3a
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33

Weekday readings can be found on the parish website.

August 13, 2023 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"He said, 'Come.' Peter got out of the boat began to walk on the water toward Jesus."

MATTHEW 14:29

When you hear Jesus calling, do you respond immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us. Listen how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

August

July has come and gone,
With its trees and grass so green.
August has now arrived,
And more beauty it will bring.
God created this month,
With its summer sun aglow,
And flowers red and gold;
for all this is in His control.
Summer is passing very fast,
Think of its lovely floral design,
And praise our Lord above;
For giving us this special, lovely time.

– Shirley Hyde



Weekend Mass Schedule

August 19 TH :	5:00pm	Fr. Bob
August 20 TH :	8:00am	Fr. Jay
	10:00am	Fr. Bede
	12:00pm	Fr. John

Rectory Summer Hours

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

St. Joseph's Senior Home (Woodbridge, NJ)
Operated by the Little Servant Sisters

We are looking to hire Licensed Social Workers, dedicated LPN Nurses, Certified Nursing Aides (CAN's), (HHA), to work at the Senior Home. All shifts are available. We are also looking for kindhearted volunteers to help in the activity department, especially on the weekends. Please contact us for further information at 732-750-0077 or 732-634-0004 or by email at jadwiga_zaremba@yahoo.com.

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

“PRAY FOR ME, SISTER!” People say this to us when they speak with a Nun at the Turn. They request it when they write to us in letters and emails. They speak it out loud in the voicemails they leave on our phone. They ask our prayers for themselves, for their families and friends, for hurting and broken families, for job difficulties and for any other situation that is burdening them.

People ask for our prayers because they believe that our prayers make a difference. And this trust in our prayers is shown in the expressions of gratitude that we receive and in the continuing support that people give us.

WHAT IS PRAYER? Why should we pray? Why have we Nuns cloistered ourselves so as to devote our whole lives to prayer? Prayer is simply entering into God's love and sharing that love with others. We pray for people because we believe that He loves them and that He wants what is best for them, and we join Him in willing for them what He wills. As St. Thomas More wrote, “we know that, whatever that be.... it shall indeed be the best.”

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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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-Cana	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!**

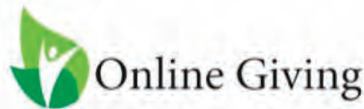
Concurrent with Fr. Bede's move, Fr. Gregory Zanetti will join our parish as Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor). Please welcome him and keep him in your prayers.

AUGUST 6, 2023

Collection:	\$ 12,420.25
On-line giving:	\$ 5,544.50
	<u>\$ 17,964.75</u>

OFFERTORY:**AUGUST 7, 2023**

Collection:	\$ 11,622.25
On-line giving:	\$ 4,794.00
	<u>\$ 16,416.25</u>

OFFERTORY:

A Secure & Convenient Way to Give to St. John Vianney Church

Donate Now!

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>

SAFE HAVEN INFANT PROTECTION

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 : August 12 - 13, 2023

Please remember that Tuesday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption. It is a Holy Day of Obligation, meaning that Catholics have a serious obligation to attend Mass that day. Masses will be celebrated in our Church on Monday, August 14th at 7 PM, and on Tuesday, August 15th at 7 and 8:30 AM and 7 PM.

The Assumption celebrates the Truth that, when her life on earth was complete, our Blessed Mother, Mary, was taken – body and soul – to be with Jesus in Heaven. It is important to note that – unlike Jesus – Mary did not ‘ascend’ to Heaven. She was ‘assumed’ – and there is a big difference.

To ‘ascend’ means to go up to Heaven on your own power – something Jesus could do because He is God. But being human, our Blessed Mother had to be ‘assumed’ – or taken up to Heaven by the power of God. Either way, it is a glorious and awesome thing to consider!

Celebrating our Blessed Mother’s Assumption should remind us that Heaven is our final goal. Because of our sinfulness – we will not be taken ‘body and soul’ to Heaven at the moment of our death. But the Good News is that the Son of Mary – Jesus Christ – came to earth to save us from our sins so that we can indeed go to Heaven one day. By following Him faithfully and seeking His forgiveness for our sins, we can follow where He and His holy Mother have gone!

Finally, it is good to remember that – although death for us will involve the separation of body and soul – we also believe in ‘the Resurrection of the Body.’ The Church has always taught that on Judgment Day, the souls of the just will be reunited with their bodies for eternity. Celebrating Mary’s Assumption – body and soul to Heaven – should cause us to reflect on the glorious destiny that God has for His faithful people!

Those who want to read more about the Assumption can go to the FORMED.org site on the parish website. They always have great little videos or talks about these marvelous truths of our faith.

Please remember that we will have the Mission Co – op Appeal next weekend, August 19 – 20. Fr. Matthew Munishi will preach at all our Masses. He is a priest of the Diocese of Moshi – Kilimnjaru in Tanzania, East Africa. A second collection will be taken at Mass next weekend for the support of this missionary diocese.

The Mission Co – op Appeal is held annually in every parish in the United States. By means of the Mission Co – op, a missionary visits and speaks at our parish here, and a collection is taken to support that mission. Thus, the Mission Co – op connects us to the missionary work of the Church and gives us an opportunity to support that good work. It is one way in which we do our part to fulfill Jesus’ final command to: ‘Go and teach all nations.’

Finally – remember that I am on vacation in western Nebraska this weekend. I will return home in time for Masses next week – and look forward to meeting our missionary priest and seeing all of you.

In the meantime, please say that Hail Mary for me each day, and know that I will be praying for you during the quiet time on my trip. Let’s also pray for the sick and for peace.

Have a great week!
Fr. John

Saint of the Week: St. Bernard

St. Bernard entered the Benedictine abbey of Citeaux with 7 family members and about 30 friends following his lead. After three years he was made abbot of the new monastery called Clairvaux, meaning valley of lights. St. Bernard became widely known

as a counselor and his word was highly respected and sought after. As time progressed, he was pulled away from the monastery more frequently and led to St. Bernard preaching the Second Crusade throughout Europe. When he died years later, it is said that all of Europe mourned. St. Bernard has many titles including, the man of the 12th century, papal advisor, defender of faith, scripture scholar, eloquent preacher, and doctor of the Church etc. May we look to St. Bernard and always stand up for the faith we believe in.

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

**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!

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.

**The July 2023 Poor Box contained \$1,053.00.
Thank you for your generosity and financial support.**

2024 MASS BOOK

We will be opening the 2024 Mass Book on Monday, August 21st. Please see the below information regarding the Mass Book prior to the 21st and share with whoever you think would like to know this information.

The rectory hours of operation are 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm Monday-Thursday and is closed on Friday's until after Labor Day. There will be a limit of requesting 3 weekend Masses per person at a time, but weekday Masses will not have a limit. We do this so that many people will have the opportunity to get a Mass said in memory of a loved one, especially since it's easier for people to get here on the weekends, and those fill up for the year much faster. We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

**2023 Couples Retreat
Hosted by Emerge Uninterrupted LLC
9am-5pm September 23, 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.



Legion of Mary Day will be held at the Blue Army Shrine in Washington, NJ on Saturday, August 19, 2023 from 10am to 4pm. Father Barbella will be the celebrant of the Mass and 2 guest speakers will be giving talks on the Eucharistic Revival.

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 have begun 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.

Calendar for 2023 – 2024 Year

The calendar for the 2023-2024 year was emailed on August 1, 2023 to all families whose children are registered to attend classes in September. Included with the calendar is information regarding coming to Mass and dates that Mass attendance will replace coming to class the following Monday. If you registered your child and did not receive the email, please check spam and if it is not there, please send me an email. (ederosa@sjvs.net). Of course, if you have not registered your child for the coming year, you were not included in the distribution. But, once I receive the registration I will send the calendar via email.

Registration for 2023 – 2024

As of this writing, only 154 students have been registered. Please, if you have a child who will be attending 1st through 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. With that said, we realize that for a variety of reasons, some children may not have attended for one or more years. If you have a child who has missed a year or more, please contact me or our Pastor, Fr. John. We will work with you to ensure your child is offered appropriate religious education.

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.

Have a blessed week!
Ellen DeRosa

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

Life for Life: Maximilian Kolbe

After escaping from Auschwitz, a man hears the tragic news about ten random inmates sentenced by the Nazis to death as a punishment for his escape—one of whom is Fr. Maximilian Kolbe.

A Bible Study on the Glorious Mysteries: Assumption (Part 4 of 5)

What do you know about the Assumption? Join Dr. John Sehorn and Taylor Kemp as they discuss the theology behind this dogma of the faith.

Saint Maximilian Kolbe | Lukas Storyteller

Inspired by the heroic life of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Lukas helps his friends understand that they should always be grateful for what they have.



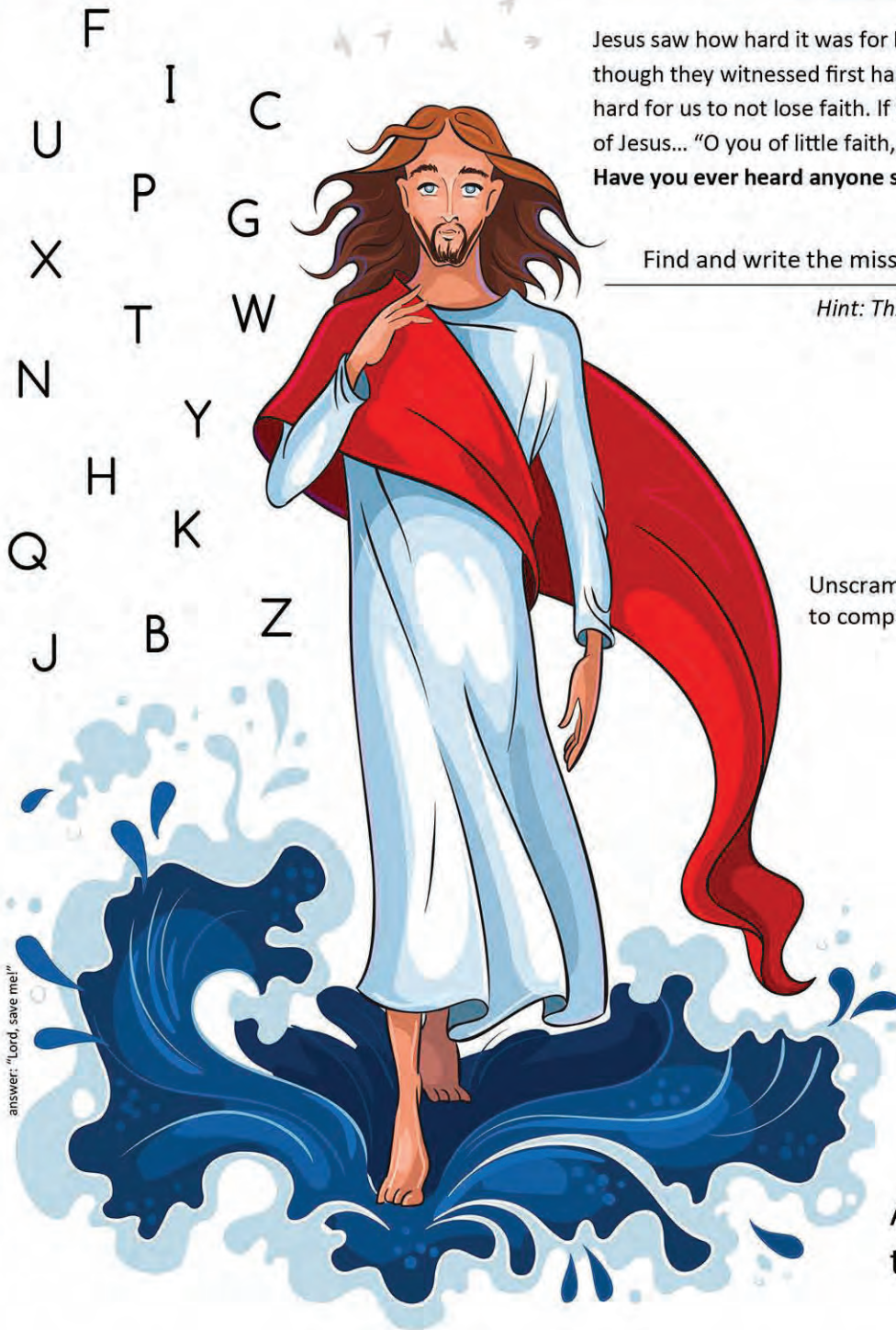
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Gospel Today

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 14:22-33

The boat carrying the disciples was a few miles out to sea when Jesus, walking on the water, came toward them. Seeing they were frightened Jesus said, "Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid." *Matthew 14:27* When Peter showed faith and walked toward Jesus on the water, his faith faltered and he began to sink, crying out to Jesus to save him.

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Jesus saw how hard it was for His disciples to keep their faith even though they witnessed first hand His miracles. Jesus knows it is also hard for us to not lose faith. If you begin to doubt, repeat the words of Jesus... "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" *Matthew 14:31*
Have you ever heard anyone say this before?

Find and write the missing letters not listed (from A to Z)

Hint: This sentence has a double of one letter

Unscramble the letters and fill in the blanks to complete the sentence below.

As Peter was beginning to sink, he cried out,

"_____!"

Matthew 14:30

answer: "Lord, save me!"

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