CHURCH OF
SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST
OF LITTLE CANADA

FEBRUARY 20, 2022 | SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH OFFICE

A NOTE FROM OUR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

I love February! There are so many remarkable things about this month that make it special. We just had Super Bowl LVI, celebrated Valentine's Day, and are enjoying a three-day weekend for President's Day. Plus we celebrate myself and others who are fortunate to have been born in this month! I mean, who would not want to be an *Aquarius?* We also just concluded winter conferences, always a good reminder of all the learning happening in the classrooms. This is the time of year when all the hard work is paying off and we are seeing growth spiritually, emotionally and academically. I get excited talking about Saint John's and our staff. I visit classrooms regularly, and I see firsthand teachers making a difference in the lives of students.

LEARN ABOUT SCOUTS ON FEB. 21
If you haven't heard, our Parish-chartered Boys Troop, Girls Troop and Cub Scout Pack would like to invite you and your family to check out our Scouting program at our first-ever, commitment-free Scouting Expo from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. this Monday, February 21, in Saint John's Gym. More information on Scouting at Saint John's can be found at www.sjolc.org/scouts.

ATHLETICS FISH DINNER ON MARCH 4
February also means that Lent is right around the corner, and with it comes fish on Fridays. Through our partnership with Saint John's Men's Club, we are excited to help host the parish fish dinners again this year. Our first one supports Saint John's School Athletics, and will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 4, in the school gym. Then we are excited to help the Men's Club with their traditional Fish Fry on April 1. Both will be in-person, with takeout options available. We hope to see you on both of these upcoming Fridays!

ADORATION AT SAINT JOHN'S
And speaking of Fridays, just a reminder that Eucharistic Adoration is offered in the church from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. each Friday that school is in session. (We do have Spring Break March 11—20, so mark your calendars!)

TICKETS ON SALE FOR VINTAGE CIRCUS GALA ON APRIL 22
The gala committee is seeking sponsors, donations, and attendees. Check out www.vintagegala.givesmart.com to secure your tickets, be one of our elite sponsors, or donate an item from our wish list. One of the silver linings of COVID is that we've seen unprecedented growth at our school. We know we can continue to provide excellent education to all of these new students in years to come, and we need your help to do so! Please consider generously donating to our largest event of the year. Some of the monies raised at the gala will contribute much-needed financial aid to students and support one of the most influential programs we offer: Wilson Learning. When you consider your annual giving, consider making a 100% tax-deductible donation to support the outstanding educators of our community; a school driven by excellence and committed to providing personalized holistic education to our future leaders.

We so appreciate you telling your friends about Saint John's School!

Dan J. Hurley, principal

EUCHARIST

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM (also live stream; find the link on our website

SUNDAY: 8:30 & 10:30 AM

DAILY: 8:00 AM Mon. (Communion Service), Tue., Thu., Fri.; 9:10 AM Wed. (with School)

RECONCILIATION

7:30 AM Tue., Thu, Fri.
3:30 PM Sat. and by appointment

PARISH OFFICE

P: 651-484-2708
8:30 AM—3:00 PM Mon.-Thu.

8:30 AM—Noon Fri.

CHURCH HOURS

Mon.—Fri. | 7:30 AM—4:30 PM; 30 minutes before Masses

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www.sjolc.org/pastoral-finance-councils

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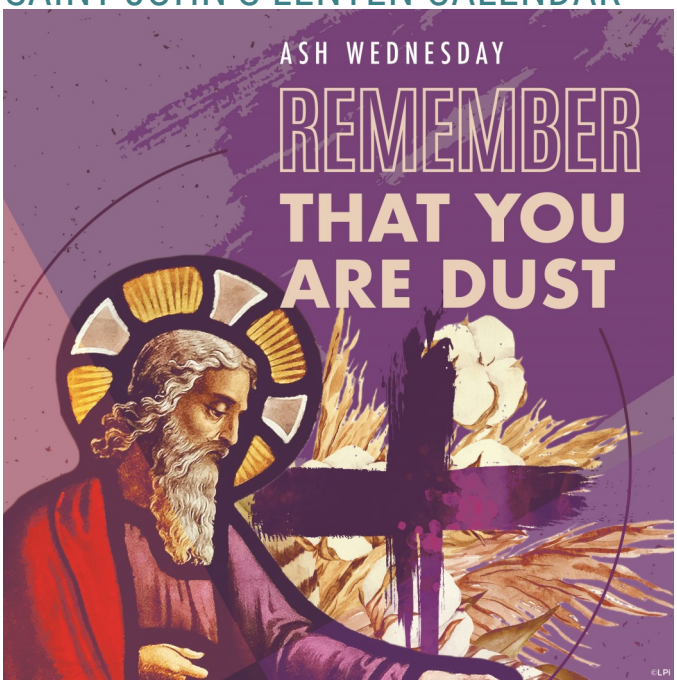
PARISH OFFICE

SAINT JOHN'S LENTEN CALENDAR*



ONGOING

Stations of the Cross: 7:00 PM Fridays beginning March 4
School Adoration: 1:00 PM March 4 & 25, April 1 & 8

SPECIAL EVENTS

Ash Wednesday, March 2
Day of Fasting and Abstinence
6:30 AM Mass
9:10 AM School Mass
6:00 PM Mass

Fish Dinner: Friday, March 4
4:30 PM Athletics Fish Dinner

Vespers: Sunday, March 6
4:30 PM Vespers and Holy Hour feature Deacon Eric Cooley

Feast of St. Joseph: March 19
7:30 AM Confessions
8:00 AM St. Joseph Mass
8:45 AM St. Joe Consecration
1:00 PM Next Level Service Day
3:30 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Weekend Mass

Discipleship Sunday & Lenten Retreat: March 27
9:30 AM Discipleship Sunday
11:30 AM—5:30 PM Lenten Retreat featuring Susanne Kenton

Fish Fry: Friday, April 1
4:30 PM Men's Club Fish Fry

Reconciliation: Sunday, April 10
7:00 PM Communal Reconciliation Service

EASTER TRIDUUM

Parish office closed Holy Thursday and Good Friday. School closed Good Friday and Easter Monday, April 18.

Holy Thursday, April 14
9:00 AM Morning Prayer
7:00 PM Holy Thursday Mass

Good Friday, April 15
Day of Fasting and Abstinence
9:00 AM Morning Prayer
Noon Good Friday Service
7:00 PM Good Friday Service

Holy Saturday, April 16
9:00 AM Morning Prayer
8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 17
8:30 AM Easter Sunday | Church
10:30 AM Easter Sunday | Church
10:30 AM Easter Sunday | Gym

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COMING UP THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20: HS WINTER FAITH CAMP

8:00 AM Parish Family Rosary | Church
8:30 AM Mass | Church
9:30 AM Ste. Anne's CCW Meeting | Lower Church
10:30 AM Mass | Church
2:00 PM Book Club: Consecration to St. Joseph Session 2 | Fireside Room

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21: PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

No Communion Service
6:00 PM Scouts Expo Open House | School Gym

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:30 AM Confession | Church
8:00 AM Mass | Church
8:30 AM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion | Lower Church
3:00 PM MS Youth Group | Youth Room
4:45 PM Youth Group Parent Meeting | Gathering Spc
5:30 PM Contemporary Choir | Church
6:30 PM Finance Council | Holy Family Room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9:10 AM All-school Mass | Church
7:00 PM Traditional Choir Rehearsal | Church
7:30 PM AA Meeting | Lower Church

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:30 AM Confession | Church
8:00 AM Mass | Church
8:30 AM Adoration | Lower Church Chapel
6:30 PM Adult Bible Study | Virtual
6:30 PM Watchmen Book Club | Fireside Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:30 AM Confession | Church
8:00 AM Mass | Church
1:00 PM School Adoration | Church
5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal | Church

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

2:00 PM Daleiden/Slain Wedding | Church
3:30 PM Confessions | Church
4:30 PM Mass | Church and Live Streamed

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27: DISCIPLESHIP SUNDAY

8:30 AM Mass | Church
9:30 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd | Atrium
9:30 AM Discipleship Sunday: David Deavel & Jesus Trees | Gathering Space & Lower Church
9:30 AM Family Discipleship | Lower Church
10:30 AM Mass | Church
2:00 PM Book Club: Consecration to St. Joseph Session 3 | Fireside Room

All Calendar dates/times are subject to change. sjolc.org/calendar. Find up-to-date listings on our website, www.sjolc.org.

LIVING OUR FAITH

FOOD SHELF NEWS: SOUP-ER RESULT

Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of our parishioners, we again exceeded our Soup -er Bowl Sunday Food Shelf goal of 180 bags, collecting 111 hygiene bags and 80 food bags for Franciscan Brothers of Peace. THANK YOU so much. We continue to aim toward collecting 50 percent hygiene items and 50 percent food shelf items; our next collections will be March 6 and March 20. Thank you for all you are able to give.

FISH FRYS COMING UP: 3/4 AND 4/1

Save the dates of March 4 and April 1 for our Saint John's fish offerings, one hosted by school Athletics, the other by the Men's Club. Cost will be $12/adults, $11/seniors, $8/kids. Advanced ordering is available at www.sjolc.org/fish-fry.

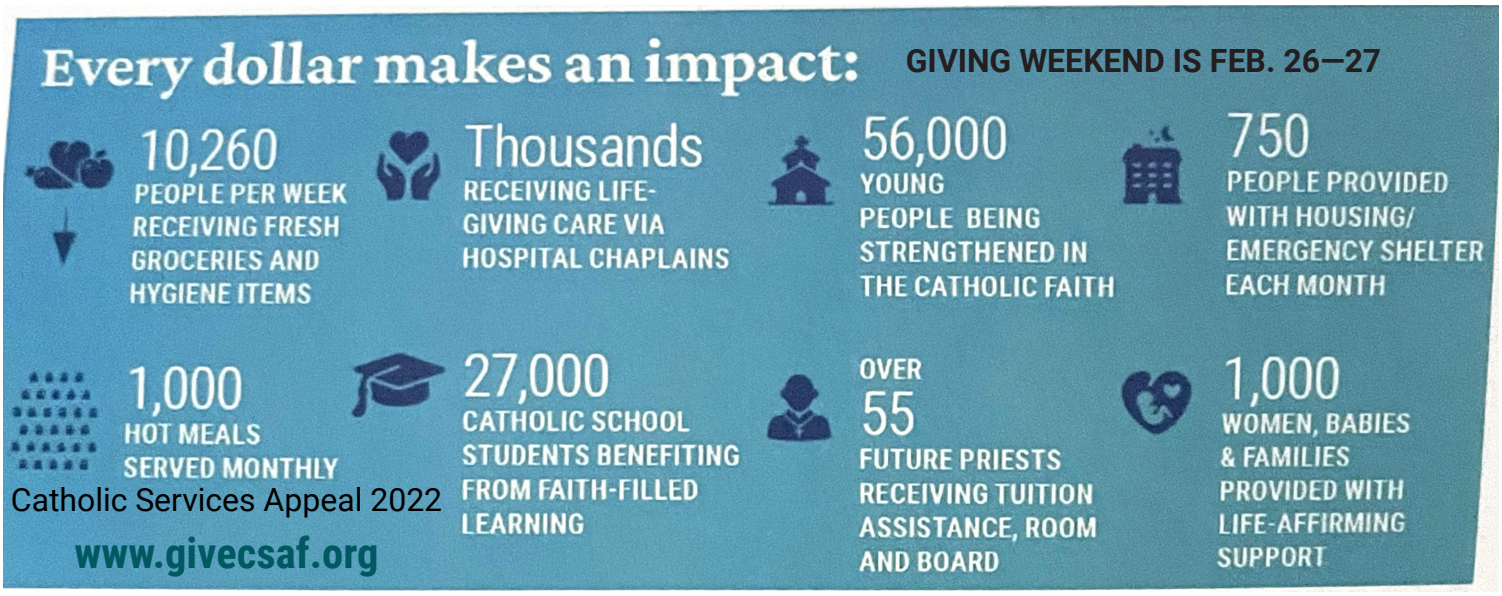
STE. ANNE'S GENERAL MEET FEB. 20

All women are invited to the next general meeting of Ste. Anne's CCW, at 9:30 AM February 20, in the Lower Church. All women are invited. Learn of our council's many works.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FEB. 21

Just a note that there will be no Communion Service and the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 21, in honor of President's Day.

APRIL 22: ORDER YOUR TICKETS TODAY



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

ST. JOSEPH CONSECRATIONS

Saint John's again will host a St. Joseph consecration ceremony March 19. Consider the 33 days of preparation to consecrate or re-consecrate yourself to the earthly father of our Lord. We also have Consecration to St. Joseph Book Club on Tuesday mornings and/or Sunday afternoons. *www.sjolc.org/joseph*

REGISTER TODAY FOR YOUTH TRIPS

Don't forget to register for our upcoming summer youth programming: sjolc.org/youthevents.

⇒ **Extreme Faith Camp** For kids entering grades 7-9, June 20-24.

⇒ **Totus Tuus** For grades 7-12 July 17-21, for grades 1-6 July 18-22

⇒ **Steubenville St. Paul** High schoolers, July 29-31

DR. DAVID DEAVEL SPEAKS AT DISCIPLESHIP SUNDAY ON FEB. 27

Join us for the return of Discipleship Sunday at 9:30 AM February 27. Our guest speaker is Dr. David Deavel, editor of *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*.

LENTEN RETREAT UPDATES: SUSANNE KENTON ON MARCH 27

After the pandemic kept Marino Restrepo in Columbia this year, Susanne Kenton graciously agreed to fill our Lenten Retreat with a day of extraordinary prayer and reflection. You won't want to miss all the ways you can come to encounter the Lord. 11:30 AM to 5:30 PM Sunday, March 27. $15/person; includes a light lunch and snack, adoration, and presentations.

SUNDAY VESPERS

Evening Prayer & Sermon with Deacon Eric Cooley

4:30-5:30 PM Sunday, March 6
Saint John's Church

Join us for Evening Prayer (also known as vespers), led this month by Deacon Eric Cooley, who will give a short reflection as a part of this holy hour.

www.sjolc.org/discipleship-sunday

Discipleship Sunday: Feb. 27 'Spiritual Protection' with Professor David Deavel

MAIN EVENT: 9:30 AM

David Deavel takes us through a Spiritual Protection Conference.

PLUS, FOR THE KIDS:

Help your wee ones experience their own Lenten journey with this Jesus Tree project.

Learn more at
www.sjolc.org/discipleship-sunday

FAITH FAMILY FRIENDS FUN

Main Event: 9:30 AM
Doughnuts & Coffee
David Deavel talk in Gathering Space

Free childcare for ages 0–5 in the Lower Church

INCREASED ADORATION HOURS: JOIN US THIS WEEK!

Thanks to the generosity of our volunteers, Adoration is now active in our Lower Church Chapel every Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and again every Friday that school is in session from 1:00 to 3:00 PM in the church.

JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST-EVER SCOUT EXPO FEB. 21

Doughnut Sunday in February is hosted by Saint John's own Scouts BSA charters, coinciding with the annual Scouts Sunday (a Sunday close to February 8 each year). Hear the testimonies of some of our own Scouts, then consider coming to an Open Expo event, where girls and boys ages 5-18 are welcome to try on knot-tying, derby racing, first aid, tents and more, all with no commitment necessary. Learn more at www.sjolc.org/scouts.

PASTORAL VISITS ARE AVAILABLE

During these cold, winter months there might be parishioners who are homebound or otherwise sick who would benefit from a pastoral care visit. If you or a loved one wish to have a visit from Saint John's parish, please let us know! Contact Deacon Eric Cooley, director of pastoral care, at ecooley@sjolc.org or by calling 651-288-3268.

GOD IS WAITING FOR YOU: HEALING AFTER ABORTION

If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our confidential weekend retreat. The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' event is April 1-3, 2022. For more information, contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313 or see www.rvineyardmn.org.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS
FEBRUARY 22–27

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
Ricky Bifulk †

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23
Simone Lally †

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24
For the Parish

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25
For the Parish

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26 | 4:30 PM
Tony Conroy †

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27 | 8:30 AM
For the Parish

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27 | 10:30 AM
For the Parish

IN OUR PRAYERS

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO NEED HEALING, INCLUDING Rita H., Kevin H., Dick F., Kathy Y., Diana C., Sue M., Stacy S. and Dorothy W. If you would like to add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact our director of pastoral care, Deacon Eric Cooley, at ecooley@sjolc.org or call 651-288-3268. We will include names in this listing for two months.

IN MEMORIAM

As a faith community, it is important to hold each other in prayer, especially in difficult moments such as the death of a loved one. The families experience much comfort knowing that we are supporting them. Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed, and for their families.

PRAYER NETWORK

Parish teams pray on behalf of the entire parish for needs brought to them. One call begins the chain of prayers. Only a first name and the prayer need are given to preserve confidentiality. Please call Deacon Eric at 651-288-3268.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

More Sacristans: Be a doer behind the scenes of any Mass; contact Ryan at rchimzar@sjolc.org.

Want to serve but don't want to teach? Be a hall monitor at **Youth Group**. Or consider donating snacks or juice boxes. Contact Joe at jblock@sjolc.org.

If we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge, try saying a quick prayer. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us.

Numbers reflect Fiscal Year 2022, which began July 1, 2021, and ends June 30, 2022.

Sunday Giving - December 2021			
	Month Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Sunday/Childrens Envelopes	$102,212	$409,108	$402,000
Holy Day Collection	$22,948	$27,327	$25,000
Plate Collection	$1,849	$11,374	$6,270
General Second Collection	$8,308	$31,986	$25,050
Total	$135,317	$479,795	$458,320

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH REGISTRATION: All those interested in joining the parish are invited to call the parish office to register. Please contact us at 651-484-2708.

VISITING THE SICK: Visiting the sick is a corporal work of mercy and something we want to help with! Procedures for ministry to those who are homebound, sick or in hospitals varies depending on location. Please contact the parish office if you would like to schedule a visit for yourself or a loved one.

BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE: For questions or to set up a meeting, please contact Kay Wimer in our Parish Office, kwimer@sjolc.org or 651-288-3271.

Call the Parish Office: 651-484-2708

GIVE HERE:

Scan this QR Code to donate Weekly Offerings or any donation direct via our secure online site.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38
Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/Mk 9:38-40
Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20/Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/Mk 10:13-16
Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45