ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH

October 27, 2019
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRAYER TO ST. JUDE

Most holy Apostle, Saint Jude Thaddeus, friend of Jesus, I place myself in your care at this difficult time. Help me know that I need not face my troubles alone. Please join me in my need, asking God to send me: consolation in my sorrow, courage in my fear, and healing in the midst of my suffering. Ask our loving Lord to fill me with the grace to accept whatever may lie ahead for me and my loved ones, and to strengthen my faith in God's healing powers. Thank, you, Saint Jude Thaddeus, for the promise of hope you hold out to all who believe, and inspire me to give this gift of hope to others as it has been given to me.
Amen

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MASS SCHEDULE/HORARIO DE MISA

ST JOHN

WEEKDAYS

MONDAY through FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.

WEEKENDS

SATURDAY EVENING	5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY	8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

ST AGNES

SUNDAY	9:30 a.m.
MISA EN ESPANOL	11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

HOLY DAY	7:00a.m. & 7:00p.m.

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY	3:30-4:30 p.m.

October 27, 2019
Altar Flowers
In Memory of
Deceased Members of Maffei & Dens Families
Req. by Lisa Clayton

October 27, 2019
Sanctuary Light
Special Intention
Req. by
Grace & Greg Sconzo

SPECIAL COLLECTION:
World Mission Sunday—$862

October 19th & 20th Offertory:

Collection:	*$ 9,665*
OnLine Giving:	*$ 3,599*
Less Average Expenses:	*($12,500)*
Balance:	*$ 764*

Commemorative Candle for
St. John Paul II
In Memory of
Anthony & Elizabeth DeCrescenzo
Req. by
Carol Weston

Knights of Columbus

Louis Failla: Grand Knight
609-397-4550

Next Meeting will be held on:
November 7th at 8:00PM

Rose Sale to benefit Parish Families in Need
After all masses on October 26th & 27th
$20/dozen or $2/each

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: March 6—14, 2020
Fliers can be found in the back of Church
and on our Website.

Let us remember all those who have asked for our prayers especially the sick and suffering of our parish.

Juan P. Lopez, Nancy Guitierrez, Edwina Gill, Rose Korney, Grace Emma, Michael Hughes, Steve Jaques, Audrey Holcombe, Beverly Fresco, Peggy Bishop, Gregory Maloney, Paul Baldasarre, Diane Worthington, Alfonso Smullen, Mary Holcombe, Elaine Joiner, Efigenia Avalos, Gary Davila, Walter Rzeszutek, Kerry Bush, Ruth Yolanda, Nelly Lozano, Yuri Gil, James Malagrino, Chihon Jayoloa, Janice Carty, Michele Studley, Joseph M. Waters, Lawrence Miele, Jim Oehlers, Clayton Wells, Maria, Jonathan Perez, Peggy Hart, Richard Molnar, Teli Reyes, Bert Johnson, Harry

"Jesus, look upon me with eyes of mercy, may your healing hand rest upon me."

This Ministry is designed to help all those who are grieving with a supportive environment to express their emotions, learn ways of coping with grief, and moving through the journey towards peace and acceptance.

The Rosary Altar Society

Upcoming Events:

- Praying the Rosary: November 2, 2019 @ 4:30PM
- Meeting on Monday, November 11, 2019 @ 7:00PM
- Soup & Bake Sale, November 9th & 10th

If you are interested in joining, please contact Vicki Casey—President 609-397-9265

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION PRAYERS

Please join us every First Friday following the 8:30AM Mass for meditation prayers in devotion to our Blessed Mother and the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Please join us at St. John's every Monday morning at 8:00am for the Perpetual Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

PARISH INFORMATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Children's religious education: please call the office for religious studies (in English). Requires that children attend scheduled classes to receive their sacraments. It also requires all households to participate regularly in the Mass.

CONFESSIONS
St. John's ~ Saturday: 3:30- 4:30 P.M. or call the Parish Office for an appointment.

BAPTISMS
Celebrated the first Sunday of the month beginning with the 11:00 Mass, please call the Parish Office for additional information: 609-397-3350. **All paperwork must be completed prior to scheduling a baptism.**

MARRIAGES
The bride or groom must be an active-registered member of St. John the Evangelist Parish with weekly Mass attendance and involvement in the life of the Parish for one year before the marriage preparation process. Please call the Parish Office for more information. According to the Common Policy of the five Latin-rite (Roman Catholic) dioceses of New Jersey, there must be twelve months of marriage preparation for each couple who desires to be married in the Church. **Please do not make any wedding arrangements** (including reception hall) **until** you have met with the pastor and he has approved the wedding date with you.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK
When necessary, contact the Parish Office 609-397-3350

HOSPITALIZED FAMILY
If you have a hospitalized family member, let the parish know so that we can visit and take the Eucharist. Please call the parish office.

Readings for the week of October 27, 2019

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14
Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-5, 6; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Saturday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40
Sunday: Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14; 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

MERCY CORNER

Our prayer is all the more intense and becomes a cry for help to the Father, who is rich in mercy, that he may sustain the faith of our many brothers and sisters who are in pain.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: God knows and sees our hearts.

Breaking Open the Word
Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Step One: Listen to the Word
As you hear the word proclaimed today, what word or phrase strikes you? In this parable, what image comes to mind for you?

Step Two: Look into Your Life
Question for Children: Jesus teaches us to be humble – but what does that mean? How do you show you are humble?

Question for Youth: God knows when we are doing things just for show, and when they come from the goodness of our heart. When have you caught yourself doing something just to be more popular or liked? How does it feel to do something that you know is good and just?

Question for Adults: This Gospel reading suggests that we approach God and each other with humility. What does this mean, in practical terms? How do we "humble" ourselves? What does that mean?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Next Family Religious Education Class
The week of November 17, 2019

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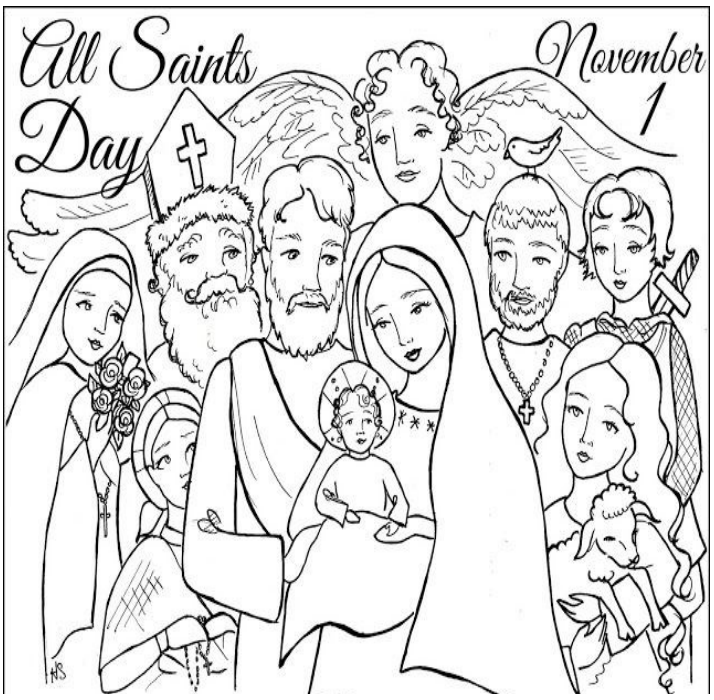
Sacrament Sunday:
November 3, 2019 1:00PM-Communion

October 27, 2019 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Luke 18:14)
Pride and ego is the root cause of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable, your talent is better than anyone else and your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Remember all those gifts were God-given. Instead we should be humbled by God's abundant generosity and our hearts should overflow with gratitude.



The Next St. John's Food Drive for the Delaware Valley Food Pantry is on November 2nd & 3rd after all Masses

All monetary donations will be given to the **St. John's Outreach Ministry** of our Parish.
Please be generous in your giving

"None of us can think we are exempt from concerns for the poor and for social justice."
Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 2013, Ch.4, #201

St. John's Ministry Group News

Book Club:
Book to Discuss: Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens. We will be meeting on **Wednesday, November 6th** at 2:00pm in The Jesus School, Second Floor. All are welcome! Any questions, please call: Beth Lange 908-672-1731

Evening Prayer:
On **November 14th at 7:00PM**, and repeating every **second** Thursday of the month, we will have an Evening Prayer Service at St. John's.

Food and Clothing Ministry:
St. John's Clothing and Food Ministry will be holding its second organizational meeting in the Jesus School on Wednesday, October 23rd following the 7:00pm Mass and St. Jude Novena. All who are interested in this ministry are welcome to attend. The winter coat project is on the agenda for discussion. If you have any questions, please call 609-439-7879 or email: tjrudderow@gmail.com

NEW: Funeral Mass Assistance Ministry
St. John's has established a new ministry called Funeral Mass Assistance. Our objective is to help you through your time of loss to design an appropriate and meaningful remembrance of the deceased's life on earth. The ministry is also available to make Funeral Mass arrangements in advance so the loved one's wishes for their Funeral Mass are honored. Members of the ministry will help in selecting scripture readings and music. To make advance arrangements or in your time of need, the ministry can be contacted through the church office at: 609-397-3350, ext. 3.

Senior Outreach Ministry:
If you have an interest in helping the senior citizens in our area, please bring your ideas and join us in the Jesus School building. We will meet in a second floor classroom on the first Wednesday of each month. The next meeting date: ***November 6th at 7:00PM***

Tutoring Ministry:
We are beginning to form a tutoring ministry at St. John's. Many parishioners have expressed an interest in helping both adults and children in languages, including ESL, general schoolwork, and financial counseling. If you or someone you know needs assistance, or would like to join this effort as a volunteer, please contact us. Judy Rudderow email: jmr23@comcast.net Or call: 215-499-3725

Welcome Ministry:
Please join us after the 5:00PM Mass on Saturday, October 26th, to celebrate Father Robert's 10 year Anniversary at St. John's Parish. Refreshments will be provided in the Parish Hall.

Women's Retreat Group:
No trips at this time. Please check back for additional information.
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OCTOBER/NOVEMBER, 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time KofC Rose Sale 3:00PM St. Jude Novena & Healing Service	8:00AM Perpetual Novena 7:00PM St. Jude Feast Day Mass & Novena		9:15AM –11:15AM 7:00PM -8:30PM Adult Faith Formation 7:00PM Lectio: Peter 7:00PM Bereavement Group	Halloween	All Saint's Day Masses at 7:00AM & 7:00PM 8:00AM First Friday Devotion Prayers	8:00AM All Soul's Day Mass 4:30PM Praying the Rosary **FOOD DRIVE**
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time 1:00-3:00PM Sacrament Sunday/ Communion **FOOD DRIVE** 4:00PM Remembrance Mass	8:00AM Perpetual Novena	*Election Day*	9:15AM –11:15AM 7:00PM -8:30PM Adult Faith Formation 2:00PM Book Club 7:00PM Lectio: Peter 7:00PM Bereavement Group	8:00PM Knights of Columbus Mtg.		Rosary Altar Soup & Bake Sale
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Rosary Altar Soup & Bake Sale	8:00AM Perpetual Novena 7:00PM Rosary Altar Mtg. *Veteran's Day*		9:15AM –11:15AM 7:00PM -8:30PM Adult Faith Formation 7:00PM Bereavement Group	7:00PM Evening Prayer		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 1:00 & 4:00PM RE Family Session	8:00AM Perpetual Novena	*4:15—6:15PM RE Family Session*	9:15AM –11:15AM 7:00PM -8:30PM Adult Faith Formation *6:00-8:00PM RE Family Session* 7:00PM Bereavement Group			

Weekly Reflection

October 27, 2019
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

I was once asked to teach a college semester course on prayer. That sounds simple enough a request to make of a priest. After all, we're supposed to be the "pros", experts in all things Catholic, veritable "answer machines" when it comes to most questions the average Catholic might ask. Well, to be honest, that request to teach prayer was akin to asking me to teach higher math. I was never much good in any math past addition and subtraction. Nonetheless, as anything but an expert, I delved into the subject, with books galore and saints aplenty. Ultimately I chose the one perfect prayer my students and I could analyze: The Lord's Prayer. Would you believe, we never quite finished that analysis when the semester ended?

This weekend features a gospel passage in which Jesus tells another one of His matchless parables that includes a key element in all real prayer: humility. The story includes an indictment of those who were "self-righteous." That word describes a person who is "smugly moralistic and intolerant of the opinions and behavior of others." I dislike that definition, not because of any inaccuracy, but because it accurately describes me at times. Not something to brag about at all. I have this pet description of myself and most people as having in our minds an imaginary courtroom where we are both prosecutor and judge. We diagnose the failure of someone we know, for example, to be Christ-like. Then we "pounce and pronounce" on them with a clear and harsh verdict of "guilty", all the while hinting quite broadly that we never act that way ourselves. This applies to celebrities, well-known politicians and their political parties, our fellow family members, the hierarchy of the Church, our pastors, and nearly anybody we care to name. And then along comes Our Lord with a devastating parable featuring a man much like ourselves who is obviously so wrong, so full of pride as to be disgusting. To top it off, he is contrasted with his opposite, a virtuous and humble man who mouths a heartfelt request of his God. Obviously, we know which man Our Lord the Storyteller favors.

Listen again to that tax collector in the back of the room that could well teach a college course in prayer. He says "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner." Just eight words. But worth more than eighteen or eighty in describing a perfect attitude when addressing our all-holy God. We know of the greedy practice of many a Jewish tax collector in those days, ostensibly working for the Romans but secretly working for themselves by overcharging taxpayers. The man in the parable is a wonderful exception. We admire him. We want to be like him. He would know the truth of today's Responsorial Psalm: "The Lord hears the cry of the poor."

In the meantime, we trust in God to help us improve each day to be more like the person He had in mind when He created us. Of course, we have to live with people who are the opposite of that taxpayer, who seem to be everywhere. Sometimes we delight when they get their comeuppance. Like the man in this story published in "The Los Angeles Times." A flight cancellation had resulted in a long line of travelers trying to get booked on another flight. One man in the line grew increasingly impatient with the slow-moving line. Suddenly, he pushed his way to the front and angrily demanded a first-class ticket on the next available flight. "I'm sorry," said the ticket agent, "but I'll have to first take care of the people who were ahead of you in the line." The irate man then pounded his fist on the ticket counter, saying, "Do you have any idea who I am?" Whereupon the ticket agent picked up the public address microphone and said, "Attention please! There is a gentleman at the ticket counter who does not know who he is. If there is anyone in the airport who can identify him, please come to the counter." Hearing this, the man retreated, and the people waiting in line burst into applause.

Saint of the Week

Jude, Apostle, First Century

Judas Thaddeus, called Jude to distinguish him from Judas Iscariot, is often regarded as the brother of the Apostle, Saint James the Less.

Other than a mention in the listing of the Apostles in the Gospels, there is only one reference to Jude anywhere in the New Testament. At the Last Supper, Jesus tells the Apostles that he will reveal himself to them. Jude then asked him, "Master, what happened that you will reveal yourself to us and not to the world?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." (Jn 15:23).

There are some rich traditions and some conflicting accounts about Saint Jude which have come down to us over the centuries. One of the stories comes to us from Eusebius, an early Church historian. It concerns a young Middle Eastern prince, Abgar, who had written to Jesus during his ministry. Abgar invited him to come to visit his domain, a small principality in present day Iraq. Declining the invitation, Jesus, promised to send one of his disciples instead. So, after the Ascension, Jude made his way to Abgar's capitol, Edessa, where, he learned that Abgar was dying from an incurable disease.

As was the custom at the time, when Jude arrived in this new, unevangelized territory, he first preached to the Jews of that territory while staying at the house of one of the Jews, Tobias. When Abgar heard about the wonders which Jude was performing, he sent for Tobias and asked about Jude. Believing this to be his messenger from Jesus, he asked that Jude call on him. In speaking with Jude, Abgar became convinced that Jude was sent by Jesus and told him of his own faith in Jesus and his Father. Jude then cured Abgar and went on to convert many in the principality.

Saint Jude is the patron saint of lost causes and hopeless cases. Many minor as well as major miracles have occurred through his intercession. The entertainer, Danny Thomas, was out of work for a long period before praying to Saint Jude. Soon after that prayer, he found work. Several years later, in thanksgiving, he endowed Saint Jude's Children's Hospital where modern miracles take place on a routine basis. Because of their common martyrdom, Saint Jude and Saint Simon share a feast day on October 28.

Jude's message today: In a vision to Saint Bridget of Sweden, Jesus noted that Jude would "show himself most willing to help." Many people who have called on Saint Jude, like Danny Thomas, have found work after extended unemployment. Others with terminal illnesses have recovered after turning to Saint Jude.

Mass Schedule
Week of October 27, 2019

Saturday, October 26, 2019
5:00pm Victor, Patricia & Anne Walker
Req. by Victoria Walker

Sunday, October 27, 2019
8:00am Dolores Carli
Req. by Rosary Altar Society
9:30am Joseph T. Wingert
Req. by Bridget Wingert
11:00am Robert Miller
Req. by Eleanor Boyle

St. Agnes
9:30am For the People
11:00am Living Intention for Ester Lopez
Req. by Aby Perez

Monday, October 28, 2019
8:30am Otto E. Pabers
Req. by Rich Lever & George Benz
7:00pm In Thanksgiving
Req. by Grace & Greg Sconzo

Tuesday, October 29, 2019
8:30am John E. Tuechler
Req. by Haugh Girls

Wednesday, October 30, 2019
8:30am Grace Gonzalez
Req. by Lisa Brady

Thursday, October 31, 2019
8:30am Birthday Blessings Elaine Joiner
Req. by Bert & Michale Johnson

Friday, November 1, 2019-ALL SAINT'S DAY
7:00am Ann Petrelli
Req. by Howard & Susan Samms
7:00pm For the People

Saturday, November 2, 2019
8:00am Faithful Departed
5:00pm Theresa Fresco
Req. by Ron & Rosemary Wootters

Sunday, November 3, 2019
8:00am Theresa Shea
Req. by Darby Family
9:30am Marge Skillodge
Req. by Peggy Hart
11:00am Theresa Fresco
Req. by Jack & Beth Calahan

St. Agnes
9:30am For the People
11:00am Blessings of Good Health for Rolando Campos & Family
Req. by Norma Campos

Ministry Schedule
November 2nd & 3rd, 2019

Extraordinary Ministers:

November 2nd

5:00pm * Barbara Ashton, Rick Carmosino, Jim Kuhn

November 3rd

8:00am * Cory Dale, Tana Dimino, Maria Matteo, Kim McLaughlin, David Sanzalone

9:30am * Theresa DeVito, Chris & Kelly Kascik, Lorraine Moore, Mike Sinz

11:00am * Amy Danese, Judy Gundersheim, Barbara Hevner, Sharon Neylon, Grace Sconzo

St Agnes:
9:30am Regina Mushrock
11:00am Maria Miguel, Irma Reyes

Lectors:

November 2nd & 3rd

5:00pm Bailey & Patty Hendricks
8:00am Carol Harding, Bill Healey
9:30am David DeVito, Aureo Pena
11:00am Elise Rehn, Jennifer Ste. Marie

St. Agnes:
9:30am Roger Locandro
11:00am Sofia Santiago, Victor Amaya

Altar Servers:

November 2nd & 3rd

5:00pm Cole Hendricks, Luis Lopez
8:00am Nicholas Peluso, Alex Veyta
9:30am Emma, Bridgette & Alexander Smith-Wilson
11:00am Elijah Enochson, Carolan Falk, Kendal Plumstead

St. Agnes:
9:30am Connor & Brian Devlin
11:00am Jocell Rodriguez

PARISH EVENTS

Novena to Saint Jude

St. Jude Thaddeus is the Patron Saint of hope. We turn to St. Jude in times of need and for serious or seemingly hopeless causes, including depression, unemployment, addiction, illness and loss and ask for his intercession. Please join us in prayer on any or all of the following dates:

Saturday, October 26th @ 4:30PM
Novena

Sunday, October 27th @ 3:00PM
Healing Service*, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Novena and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Monday, October 28th, *The Feast Day* @ 7:00PM
Mass and Novena

*A Healing Service is offered for physical, spiritual or emotional healing. The Priest anoints with Holy Oil and bestows a special blessing for those who seek healing.

Wedding Banns

Jessica Rose & Michael Dillon

Jessica Chang & Matthew Polomski

We will explore this ten week course on the character of St. Peter. Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights.

Please join us on Wednesday's at 7:00pm:
October 30; November 6, 2019

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

If you have lost a loved one within the last year, November 1, 2018 through November 1, 2019, St. John's will be offering a Mass of Remembrance on November 3rd at 4:00PM. If you have not received information regarding participation, please pick up a reply card in the back of the church in the basket marked "Remembrance Mass". Please return the completed card in the same basket by October 27th.

At this mass we will also remember loved ones honored by the stars in the sanctuary. Thank you.

Friday, November 1st— All Saints Day
Holy Day of Obligation
Masses: 7:00AM & 7:00PM

THREE STATES OF THE CHURCH

"Those who are pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified, and the blessed in heaven, all together form one Church" (CCC 962).

The Communion of Saints is made up of the three states of the Church.

1. Those in Heaven: the saints in Heaven are called the *Church Triumphant* because they are fully enjoying the fruit of the victory that Christ has won for them. They are with the Blessed Trinity, and they see God as He is. They intercede in prayer for all of us.
2. Those on earth: the faithful on earth are called the *Church Militant* because we are still fighting the "battle" against the devil and working to bring the world to Christ. We can ask the saints in Heaven to pray for us. We can help one another by our prayers, good works and good example. We can help those in purgatory by our prayers and good works and offer up our suffering on their behalf.
3. Those in purgatory: the souls in purgatory are called the *Church Suffering* because they are being purified so that they may enter Heaven. (The word purgatory comes from the word purge, which means "to purify.") Souls in purgatory died in God's grace, and they are sure that they will go to Heaven. The souls in purgatory cannot pray for themselves, but they can pray for the faithful on earth.

27 De Octubre De 2019
30º Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario

INFORMACION EN ESPAÑOL

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609-397-3350

NUMERO DE FAX DE OFICINA
609-397-8713

EN CASO DE EMERGENCIA

609-460-4762

HORAS DE OFICINA

Lunes a Juaves ~ 9:30 AM – 3:00 P.M.

HORARIO DE MISA

Misa en Español ~ Domingos, 11:00 A.M.

St. Agnes en Stockton

EDUCACION

Educación Religiosa para Niños: Por favor llamar a la oficina de Estudios Religiosos (en Inglés). Se requiere que los niños asistan regularmente a estas clases para poder recibir sus sacramentos. Se requiere también que todas las familias participen regularmente en la Misa. Por favor llamar a la directora de Estudios Religiosos para más información, al 609-397-3350.

Educación Religiosa para Adultos: Por favor comuníquese con el Padre si le faltan algunos de los sacramentos.

CONFESIONES
St John's ~ Sábados: 3:30 – 4:30 P.M.

BAUTISMOS
Español: Durante la Misa en español o cuando sea necesario. (Los padres deben estar registrados en la Parroquia y se requiere que asistan a una clase de preparación antes del bautismo. Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para hacer los arreglos necesarios.)

MATRIMONIOS
Contactar la oficina parroquial 1 año antes de la boda. El novio o la novia debe estar registrado (a) como miembro de la Parroquia por lo menos por 1 año antes que el día de la boda sea confirmado. Se requiere que los novios participen en Pre-Cana o Encuentro de Comprometidos. Para más información, por favor llamar la oficina parroquial.

SACRAMENTO DE UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS
Cuando sea necesario, contacte la oficina parroquial.

FAMILIARES HOSPITALIZADOS
Si tiene algún familiar hospitalizado, hágalo saber a la parroquia para que lo podamos visitar y llevarle la Eucaristía. Pueden llamar al Padre al 609-397-3350 o 609-397-4118.

PARTICIPE EN EL CORO
El coro está buscando más voces e instrumentos musicales. Toda persona a quien le guste cantar o sepa tocar instrumentos musicales, pueden participar en el coro. Ofrezca su talento.

30º domingo en tiempo ordinario

Primera Lectura : Sirácides 35:12-14, 16-18
El Señor es un Dios de justicia.

- En el antiguo Cercano Oriente, el rey tenía una responsabilidad especial de cuidar de los miembros más indefensos de la sociedad.
- En Israel, Dios era el Más Altísimo Rey, así que los huérfanos, los viudos y los oprimidos eran la responsabilidad especial de Dios.
- El principio básico de la ley israelita era ser como Dios.

Segunda Lectura : 2 Timoteo 4:6-8, 16-18
He peleado el buen combate.

- La sección de la Segunda Carta de Pablo a Timoteo incluye una descripción de la expectativa de Pablo de ser premiado por su servicio fiel.
- La carta de hoy enfatiza que la muerte de Jesús resultará en una vida con él.
- Pablo anticipó protección divina por su continuo servicio fiel.

Evangelio : Lucas 18:9-14
Todo el que se ensalza a sí mismo será humillado.

- En la parábola del fariseo y el recolector de impuestos, Jesús contrasta las actitudes de dos personas que rezan.
- La paradoja aquí es que la oración del recolector de impuestos fue la que Dios prefirió.
- En la parábola, una vez más, Jesús combate las actitudes de santurrón que atentan contra el crecimiento espiritual.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA
Domingo: Sir 35:12-17, 20-22; Sal 33:2-3, 17-18, 19 y 23; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18; Lc 18:9-14
Lunes: Ef 2:19-22; Sal 18:2-3, 4-5; Lc 6:12-19
Martes: Rom 8:18-25; Sal 125:1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lc 13:18-21
Miércoles: Rom 8:26-30; Sal 12:4-5, 6; Lc 13:22-30
Jueves: Rom 8:31-35, 37-39; Sal 108:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lc 13:31-35
Viernes: Apoc 7:2-4, 9-14; Sal 23:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12
Sábado: Sab 3:1-9; Sal 22:1-3, 4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40
Domingo: Sab 11:22 — 12:2; Sal 144:1-2, 8-11, 13cd-14; 2 Tes 1:11 — 2:2; Lc 19:1-10

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OCTOBER 27, 2019
30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

DOES GOD ANSWER OUR PRAYERS?
The Lord hears the cry of the poor!!! In these stressful times, more and more people are turning to God for help. How many times, over the last several months, have we heard the word "pray"? Most of us learned from the time we were children that prayer was not only a way to praise God, but a means of getting our needs met. The question is, are we justified in believing that prayer really works? Cannot we give many examples where our prayer wasn't answered? Does God really answer our prayers? If you, or anyone you know, who is unbaptized, or baptized but never received Eucharist and Confirmation in the Catholic Church are worshipping with us, we welcome you and encourage you to meet with us and bring those kinds of questions. Our sessions will not assume a commitment to join the Catholic Church. They are just a place to ask questions ABOUT the Catholic Faith. For more information, call RCIA at 609-397-3350, ext. 3.

Choices Matter – A Critical Life Conference
November 2, 2019
(Formerly The Critical Life Issues Conference)

This year the Diocese of Metuchen and The Catholic Student Association at Rutgers present "Choices Matter – A Critical Life Conference which will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2019. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop James Checchio at 8:30 AM at St. Peter the Apostle University Church, 94 Somerset St. in New Brunswick.

The conference begins at 10:00 AM at Rutgers University, 126 College Ave Student Center, in New Brunswick. There is ample parking behind the Student Center. This year's expert speakers are:

- Leah Darrow – From Top Model to Role Model
- Patricia Sandoval – Author of Transfigured
- Dr. Tony & Ceil Levatino – The Ripple Effect of Choice

General registration is $25 and student registration is $10. The conference features exhibits and the fee includes lunch and handouts.

To register visit: https://rutgerscatholic.org and click on Choices Matter. Everyone is welcome!

For questions or for more information please call 732-562-1543. Seating is limited.

World Mission Sunday

Thank You for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised $862. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday, by visiting MISSIO.org.

You're Invited! - Hope through Education's Inaugural Scholarship Social

Hope through Education, whose mission is to close the educational gap by providing low-income families with tuition scholarships for children K-12 to attend private and parochial schools with the four counties of the Diocese of Metuchen, will hold its Inaugural Scholarship Social on Wednesday, November 6. Guests will have the opportunity to learn more about the newly incorporated, independent nonprofit charitable organization, and will also be invited to participate in activities during the day and then will be welcomed at an evening reception. More details as to how you can support this event and Hope through Education can be found at www.hopethrougheducationusa.org or by direct inquiry at info@hopethrougheducationusa.org.

Saint John the Evangelist Parish
Adult Faith Formation
Fall 2019 Series

Universal Christ Group Formation
Based on the current best selling book ***The Universal Christ - How a Forgotten Reality can Change Everything We See, Hope for, and Believe*** by Franciscan Fr. Richard Rohr O.F.M. **Held on Wednesday mornings, September through December at 9:15 to 11:30 AM - Room 102 at the SJE Jesus School.** Books and Fr. Rohr's "Companion Guide for Groups" will be provided.

Spirituality For the Rest of Us' Group Formation
Based on a new book by Franciscan Fr. Albert Haase, a preacher, teacher, and spiritual director, and award winning author of 10 books on spirituality, and 5 best selling DVDs. His PhD in historic theology is from Fordham and his MDiv is from Catholic Theological Union. **The Group meets Wednesday Evenings, October through December at 7:00 to 8:30 PM - Room 102 at the SJE Jesus School.** Books provided free of charge. Join us whenever you can. Enjoy spending time exploring spirituality through open discussion with others on their spiritual journeys.