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Monday - Friday 8:30am - 8:50am. First Friday at 6:30pm
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To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism, call the rectory.

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Call the Rectory for sick calls at any time in emergency.

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Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at 973-497-4365.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Sunday—Grades K through 7 meet 10:30 am-12:00 noon
Monday—Grades 1, 2, 3 & 4 meet 3:15-3:45 p.m.

SUNDAY, November 8, 2020 A.D.



WELCOME

To the Parish Family of
St John's in Leonia
Founded in 1912

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Mass Schedule

Saturday:5:00pm

Sunday:.....7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am,
and 6:00pm

Weekdays:.....9:00am Mon-Sat

SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

First Friday: 7:00pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions

First Saturday: 9:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary

Novenas prayed after 9:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Jude and St. Anthony: Wednesday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

Rosary: Recited Mon - Sat after 9:00am Mass.

Wednesday: Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction 7:00pm

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St John the Evangelist, Leonia NJ

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please **PRAY** in the name of **JESUS**, the Healer, that the **SICK** of **ST. JOHN PARISH** may be restored to health and all those who **ASSIST** and **CARE** for the sick will be given the **STRENGTH** to continue **GOD'S GOOD WILL**: Baby Cordelia, Baby Yosef, Michael Brady, Nita Castro, Anjelica Cola, Phil Collins, Valerie Czermak, Diane DeChristina, MaryEllen Diakakis, Carla Errico, Peggy & Brendan Horan, Lori Hulle, Peter Indiveri, Hae Sun Kim, Peter Lamparella, Lori Lepore, Mary McGrath, Claudia Marino, Aida Mesina, Michael O'Connor, Gloria Petti, Rebecca Piro, Betty Pisarek, Bruce Ricciardi, Dore Salzig, Richard Samperi, Lena Shemansky, Deosalina Stabile, Nicholas Storms, Michael Tarricone, Ann Vaughan, and Adam Villavecchia.

SPIRITUAL EXCERPT CHARISMATIC

The word charism means a gift for others. If you apply the word charismatic to yourself, you're having a dream session. Because you can't decide you're charismatic, other people have to do it. But you see, when the apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit, they got something they didn't have before: joy and knowledge and all the gifts of the Holy Spirit. They had the same problems they had before: the Pharisees were still after them; they were still being persecuted. They didn't forget their problems; they went out to meet them. That is what a Christian is supposed to do. And that is one of our witnesses. You are now a free people, a holy people. You are unafraid of pain or sorrow. You feel it, but you're not afraid of it.

Mother Angelica, Little Book of Life Lessons

HOLY HOUR at St John's

Every Wednesday at 7PM we have a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers and Quiet Time. Stop by and make a visit to our Eucharistic Lord.

CLOTHING BINS

The beauty of Fall with its cool temperatures and beautiful foliage displays energizes most people. Would you be willing to channel some of your energy to gather any unwanted clothing, shoes, small appliances, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, and books (no reference books) for the Catholic Charities clothing bin? Thank you.

MAJORING IN FAITH

Every so often, statistics speak volumes. Consider this: 78 percent of those who leave the Catholic Church do so by age 23. The vast majority of Catholic college students attend secular institutions. College is a formative time in a young person's life. It's a time of independence, when morals and values are honed, and when big decisions are made. During these years, campus ministry is critical.

How to Report Abuse

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection 201-407-3256.

Are YOU Doing YOUR Part to Help THE SOULS in PURGATORY??

It is very possible that some of our own nearest and dearest ones are still suffering the excruciating pains of Purgatory and are calling to us for help and relief. There is no hunger, no thirst, no poverty, no need, no pain, no suffering to compare with what the souls in Purgatory endure. How can YOU help these souls: **1. Have Masses offered for them. 2. Make the Stations of the Cross. 3. Recite the Rosary. 4. Offer up all your pain and sufferings for the relief of Souls.**

ALL SOULS INTENTIONS

We are asking that your ALL SOULS INTENTION ENVELOPES be returned to the rectory as soon as possible in order that we may place the intentions and names on the altar on ALL SOULS DAY and for the following nine days for the ALL SOULS NOVENA. The envelope intentions will remain on the altar for the entire month of November, which is dedicated to the POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY.

PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

O Prince of peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion, the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Be their rock, their shield, and their stronghold and let them draw their strength from You. For You are God, for ever and ever.

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Sgt. Joseph Gonzales
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Lt. Robert Lucieri, MD
Cmdr. Alexander McMahon

THE DEDICATION OF ST. JOHN LATERAN

On November 9th we celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of the Cathedral in Rome. Why do we do this? Because St. John Lateran Basilica houses the Pope's cathedra – His Chair – the symbol of his teaching authority and the visible reminder of our communion – our “common-union” with the Successor of Saint Peter. St. Paul said in Eph.4:16, “There is one Lord, one Faith, one baptism, One God, and Father of us all.” The Roman Catholic Church strives to give witness to his oneness in all that we do. On November 9, we celebrate our oneness with all believers throughout the world. Imagine what we could accomplish if we were truly one in mind and heart with our Holy Father!

**“Therefore, stay awake, for you know
neither the day nor the hour.”**

- Matthew 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, “I'll do it later when I have time.” Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

- Confirmation Session #2 will be **THIS THURSDAY**, November 12th at 7:30 p.m. in the Lower Hall
- Our Reconciliation Retreat will be **THIS SATURDAY**, November 14th beginning with 9:00 a.m. Mass. We will then proceed to Peter Kramer Hall.
- **NEXT SUNDAY**, November 15th, at 10:30 a.m. Grade 8 will be meeting for a Special Session in the Lower Hall with a guest speaker from Lifenet.

St John's Knights of Columbus

All men over 18 are invited to join the St. John's Parish Knights of Columbus, the world's largest men's fraternal organization. For more information or to join, please contact Ed Ventura at 201-218-0842.

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901-1925)

Born April 6, 1901, in Turin, Italy, Pier Giorgio Frassati was raised with his sister in an aristocratic family. His mother was a painter, and his father, an agnostic, was founder and editor of the newspaper La Stampa. A handsome and vibrant youth, Frassati had a passion for sports and mountain climbing. He relished laughter and practical jokes, as well as beauty and art. To the bewilderment of his parents, he developed a vibrant faith, which he shared with ease and enthusiasm. Friends described him as "an explosion of joy."

In 1913, Frassati failed Latin and was sent to a Jesuit-run school. It was there that Frassati's devotion to the Eucharist and to Our Lady blossomed, and he obtained permission to receive daily Communion, which was rare at the time. In 1918, Frassati began to study mining engineering at the Royal Polytechnic Institute of Turin. Deeply committed to charity toward the poor and neglected, he wanted to "serve Christ better among the miners," who toiled in conditions of constant danger and misery. While dedicated to his studies, he immersed himself in social and political activities. He was an active member of the Popular Party, which promoted the social teaching of Pope Leo XIII, and he enrolled in numerous Catholic groups, including the Society of St. Vincent De Paul. He likewise became a Third Order (Lay) Dominican and had an intense prayer life.

At age 24, Frassati suddenly contracted polio from the sick for whom he cared. Serene to the end, he died after six days of excruciating pain. His parents were astonished when thousands attended the funeral, most of them poor people whom their son had served. Pope John Paul II beatified Frassati in 1990. His feast day is July 4.

Do you need home repairs but can't afford them?

Rebuilding Together North Jersey can help. The 501(c)(3) nonprofit makes critical home repairs at no cost for low-income homeowners in Bergen and Passaic Counties. Call 201-447-8886 or email info@rtnorthjersey.org. More info at: www.rtnorthjersey.org.

Are YOU new to the AREA?

If you are, stop by the rectory and meet Julie, our parish secretary, and register to become a member of the St John's Family.

**Please Join Us in Celebrating the Mass
Join Us Live-Stream**

St. John's is open for Daily Mass at 9:00 a.m., Saturday Vigil at 5:00 p.m., and Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. All are welcome! Face masks must be worn and social distancing is required. If you are not able to come or are concerned because you are at risk or ill, please join us at Facebook Group LIVE MASS AT ST. JOHN. Due to health concerns in light of the Coronavirus Pandemic, **Cardinal Tobin, Archbishop of Newark** has dispensed the faithful of the Archdiocese of Newark from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. During this time, St. John's continues to Live Stream Sunday Mass at 9:30am and 11:30am and Daily Mass at 9:00am. You can also watch the recorded video approximately 1 hour later on YouTube at St. John the Evangelist Leonia.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
 Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8
 Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

Office of Concern Food Pantry**at St Cecilia—Thanksgiving Food Collection**

We will be holding our annual Thanksgiving food collection for the St. Cecilia Food Pantry. If you wish to contribute specific holiday foods such as cranberry sauce and other fixings, that is fine, but there are also **three areas of year-round foods that are especially valuable: canned fruits and vegetables, pasta (spaghetti, rigatoni, etc.) and breakfast cereals.**

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

Our Lord told St. Margaret Mary Alacoque that individuals should go to confession **at a minimum once a month**. This sacrament is offered EVERY Saturday from 4-4:30PM. Every Monday, - Saturday morning at 8:30AM, as well as every First Friday at 6:30PM. A Priest is also available to hear Confessions daily by appointment.

TISSUE FOR INJECTIONS

Pro-life advocates are decrying a grisly new outrage in Europe. Face lifts and cosmetic surgery using tissue from aborted babies are being offered at clinics in places such as Moscow and Rotterdam. In many cases women in third world nations are being paid up to \$200 to carry babies up to 12 weeks of pregnancy, when the unborn children are aborted and sold to the cosmetic clinics. An increasing number of these facilities are now springing up in popular vacation spots including Barbados and the Dominican Republic where regulation is spotty at best.

WILLING PEOPLE

The church is full of willing people - 20% willing to work, and 80% willing to let them.

The “Culture of Comfort”

IT IS NOT surprising that in poll after poll, economic concerns consistently rank as the top political priority of voters. While people's attitudes about specific economic policies may differ, they seem to be in agreement that the health of the economy is of paramount importance. This is not to say that people do not also have strong opinions about public safety such as the right to life. Many polls, including those conducted by the Marist Institute for Public Opinion for the Knights of Columbus, have demonstrated that most people favor significant legal restrictions on abortion. In the more than four decades since Roe vs. Wade, Americans have become increasingly uneasy with the legacy of abortion on demand. Nonetheless, when judged alongside other political issues, the right to life often doesn't make the list of voters' priorities.

In this light, consider several observations that Pope Francis has made about contemporary society. First, he has often referred to a “throwaway culture” that fails to recognize the intrinsic dignity of human life. He notes that because the sick, poor, disabled, elderly and unborn are not seen as “useful” neither are they respected and protected. At the same time, the pope has warned against what he calls a widespread “culture of comfort,” which leads to “the globalization of indifference.” In a July 2013 homily he said that we, like those who walk by the man left for dead in the parable of the Good Samaritan, “have lost a sense of responsibility for our brothers and sisters.” Thus, in his twofold diagnosis of our culture, Pope Francis has drawn urgent attention to our tendency to reduce others – as well as ourselves – to useful and comfortable consumers.

Of course, the “throwaway culture” is not new. In a 1931 speech, Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw smugly argued, “If you can't justify your existence – if you're not producing as much as you consume or perhaps a little more – then clearly we cannot use the society for the purpose of keeping you alive because your life does not benefit us and it can't be of very much use to yourself.” This atheistic philosophy of the eugenics movement led to the horrors of the World War II death camps – and it is still alive today. The only difference now is that its proponents are less brazen and its victims are more silent and defenseless.

In the United States, we are reminded of certain self-evident truths: “that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness”. Yet, even if we accept these principles and reject the underlying philosophy of a throwaway culture, we are not immune to becoming a society of comfort and indifference. For this reason, we must carefully examine our lives and priorities in light of our social responsibilities. Pope Francis' challenge to Catholic medical professionals in September 2013 applies to us all: “Be witnesses and diffusers of the culture of life... This is a task of the new evangelization that often requires going against the tide and paying for it personally.” Alton J. Pelowski Editor, Columbia Magazine, July 2014.

ShopRite & Acme Gift Cards

When you purchase a \$25, \$50, or \$100 ShopRite card or Acme card at the church you receive the full value of the card you purchased. ShopRite donates back to St. John's 5% of what we sell. Please consider helping your parish with this no-cost to you fundraiser.

A government big enough to give you everything you want, is strong enough to take everything you have.” **Thomas Jefferson**

MASS INTENTION**REQUESTED BY****SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, ST. ERNEST**

5:00 PM JOSEPHINE E. LOUGHLIN..... CAROL & JOE RILEY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM ALL SOULS' NOVENA

9:30 AM JAMES KOURAKOS..... DEE KOURAKOS

11:30 AM NANCY PIRONE..... JOANNE & FRANK LIVELLI

6:00 PM JOSEPHINE & VINCENT CIANI JIM CIANI

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

9:00 AM ALL SOULS' NOVENA

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, ST. LEO THE GREAT, POPE & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

9:00 AM ALL SOULS' NOVENA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, ST. MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP

9:00 AM CONRAD GUERRERO DUMLAO DIANA DUMLAO

SADIE & SOLOMON EPSTEIN MCCARTNEY-LEAP FAMILY

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, ST. JOSAPHAT, BISHOP & MARTYR

9:00 AM MARLENE CALDERONE..... DORE SALZIG

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, VIRGIN

9:00 AM THOMAS & KATHERINE MASTRONARDI..... MARIE CARBONE

RENÉE ESPENILLA NANCY & ED VENTURA

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, ST. LAURENCE O'TOOLE

9:00 AM ROSE COVIELLO

5:00 PM BILL ROZICH THE DUKE FAMILY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM ANN T. SCANLON..... JAMES SCANLON

9:30 AM DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY

..... ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY

11:30 AM DOMINGO GUIWO..... LYDIA BUENSALIDA

6:00 PM JOSEPHINE E. LOUGHLIN..... LIZ FARRELL

Sanctuary Memorials**The Altar Bread & Wine** is in memory of**Helen Siemborski & Miriam Steeil**

requested by Phyllis & Martin Steeil

The Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of**George J. & Anne H. Armstrong—****80th Wedding Anniversary in Heaven****Sanctuary Offerings**

The Altar Flowers, Bread and Wine, the BVM Votive Lamp, and St. Joseph Votive Lamp, the Sanctuary Lamp in the Church and in the Convent can be dedicated on a weekly basis.

WEEKLY COLLECTION**St. John's Tithe 10/31-11/1, 2020**

Budget: \$ 8,000.00

Sunday Collection: \$ 7,413.00

STEWARDSHIP**MY FAMILY – MY PARISH – MY RESPONSIBILITY**

If you are away for the weekend or are on vacation, please mail Your Weekly Offering to the Rectory. **Our expenses continue even in your absence.**

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

1. Israel
2. Mt. Sinai
3. Egypt
4. Mt. Ararat
5. Turkey and Armenia

LOURDES MIRACLES

The Medical Office of Lourdes was established in 1882 as an aid for the Church in discerning which alleged miracles at Lourdes would be approved by the Church. In 1947, the National Medical Committee of Lourdes (which in 1954 became the International Medical Committee of Lourdes) was established to further scrutinize phenomena presented by the Medical Office as inexplicable. This committee of approximately 30 physicians appointed by the Bishop of Tarbes and Lourdes applies intense scrutiny to each case presented. Of the more than 6,000 documented miracles in the archives of the Medical Office, the Church has only approved 67 of them.

This isn't because all the other non-approved "miracles" are not truly miracles. Many of them, perhaps, thousands, probably are. The Church establishes the highest of standards to ensure only the most certain are presented to the faithful as worthy of pious belief. In order to be approved, the miracles have to be "sudden, unforeseeable, involving no convalescence...total...lasting (at least four or five years before being taken into consideration)...serious (that is, a threat to life)...organic and not functional." In fact, the committee considers whether or not previous therapies or means of care may have had an impact on a healing. Only those entirely inexplicable by natural causes can be considered to be miraculous.

Two of these miracles occurred on successive days – August 20 (Marie Lebranchu) and 21 (Marie Lemarchand) of 1892. Both of these women suffered from severe pulmonary tuberculosis (Koch's bacillus) and were in the terminal stages of the disease. Lebranchu, 35, was emaciated, weighing less than 65 pounds. Lemarchand, 18, had ulcerous caverns in her face caused by the tuberculosis that were terribly difficult to behold. Both women were healed instantaneously upon bathing in the miraculous waters – Marie Lemarchand received new pink skin where before there were only holes. She would later marry and give birth to eight children. (miraclehunter.com/marian_apparitions/approved/Lourdes/miracles1.html#lemarchand).

DID YOU KNOW?

Long Island, New York, was originally called Isla de los Apostolos – Isle of the Apostles - by the Spanish who discovered it in 1525.

QUIET IN CHURCH

A Sunday School teacher asked her little children, as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

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**As a child of God,
prayer is kind of like calling home every day.**

What are SACRAMENTALS?

Sacramentals are sacred signs or symbols. A sacramental is a sacred sign that signifies effects obtained through the Church's intercession. Sacramentals drive away evil spirits, and when piously used, remit venial sin and prepare the soul for grace. Candles, incense, holy oils, and bells are examples of objects which have been blessed and are used as Sacramentals. As Catholics we are most familiar with the swinging and tolling bells usually found in the Church tower or steeple. These bells are traditionally used to call the faithful to church, to mark the death of someone (at funeral Masses), and to call people to prayer at certain times of the day (such as the noon bell calling people to pray the Angelus). There is also a hand bell, known as the Sanctus Bell, which has been rung during the Mass since the 16th Century. The hand bell is rung by the server at the elevation of the consecrated Bread and Wine. This ringing signifies the extreme sacredness of what is happening at the Mass at that time, and calls those assembled to focus on the real presence of Jesus Christ. As a sacramental, then, the hand bell calls our attention to the most solemn moment in the Mass.

TODAY GOD LOVES THE WORLD THROUGH US!

The Father is the most beautiful gift that Jesus gave us on earth. He said it to Philip: "To have seen Me is to have seen the Father, I am in the Father and the Father is in Me." And when He taught us to pray, He said: "Say this when you pray, 'Our Father,' your Father and My Father, 'Our Father.'" And on another occasion, He told us, "Love one another, as I have loved you. As the Father has loved Me, so I have loved you." Jesus was so sure of His Father's love for Him, and of His love for His Father, that all the time He wanted to make us realize how much the Father loves us too.

God loves us tenderly with a love He has proved, and so tender is His love that He will never force Himself on us. God will never disturb a soul, rather He draws a soul. God lifts a soul and then fills it with His love. God cannot fill what is already full though that is why we need to be empty for Him to be able to fill us. That is why, if we want to fill His presence, we need a pure heart, for a pure heart can see God and if we see God, then that's the beginning of love: our love for God and His love for us. Today God loves the world through us, just as before He proved His love for the world by giving His Son to Mary the most pure, and she went "in haste" to give Him to others. And He loved us so much, He made Himself the Bread of Life. And we too must love, we too must give until it hurts. Today God loves the world through us, He keeps on loving the world by sending us into the world, to be His love, His compassion."

MOTHER TERESA

THE FAMILY

A hectic family life can be hazardous to a Christian family. Is life so rushed that you don't have time to be a Good Samaritan? We will be judged by our compassion, not by how much we accomplish each day.

KIDZ KORNER

1. Mt. Carmel is located in what country?
2. On what mountain did Moses receive the 10 Commandments?
3. In what country is that mountain located?
4. What mountain did Noah's ark land on?
5. In what country is that mountain located?

Answers on page four"



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