# Saint John the Evangelist Church

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#### THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/CONFESSION:

Monday - Friday 8:30am –8:50am. First Friday at 6:30pm Saturday at 4:00pm –4:30pm

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To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism, please call the Rectory.

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Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

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

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

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 8 meet 9:30 a.m.—11:45 a.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024 A.D.



### **WELCOME**

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

### **COME WORSHIP WITH US**

### **Mass Schedule**

#### 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 Holy Hour: Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. St. Peregrine: First Friday of the month Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

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

St. John Rectory
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### **Upcoming Parish Events**

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3/2	Sat	NA Meeting—LH 7pm		
3/4	Mon	Miraculous Medal Novena following 9am Mass		
3/4	Mon	The Chosen Season 2 7pm Lower Hall		
3/5	Tue	Alphonsus Liguori Stations of the Cross following 9am Mass		
3/5	Tue	Open Gym Grades 3-8 in PKH 6-9pm		
3/5	Tue	Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Church		
3/6	Wed	Book Study Group 10am Lower Hall		
3/8	Wed	6:30pm Confessions, Holy Hour at 7pm with Scriptural Stations of the Cross		
3/7	Thu	Open Gym Grades 3-8 in PKH 6-9pm		
3/7	Thu	Line Dancing 7pm Lower Hall		
3/8	Fri	6:30pm Confessions, Mass 7pm followed by Franciscan Stations of the Cross		
3/8	Fri	AA 8pm LH		
3/9	Sat	Confessions 4pm		
3/9	Sat	NA 7pm LH		

### 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 that those who ASSIST and CARE for the sick will be given the STRENGTH to continue GOD'S GOOD WILL: Baby Aine, Alex, Ginger, Arthur Acosta, Vahide Atlas, Sue Baniel, Lesley Battaglia, Chieko & Pauline Bernard, Linda Borghi, Frank Cirillo, Harold & Mary DelMonte, Mary Ellen Diakakis, Mel DiGiacomo, Carla Errico, Kathleen Falotico, Nellie Fazio, Virginia Fisher, Joseph Garcia, Cara Hanson, Andrea Korner, Scott Lyddon, Frank Lynam, Audrey Maguire, Jean Marrano, David Matusek, Kay Mazza, Mary Moran, George Mulligan, Mary Netherby, Mark Patricola, Gloria Petti, Dan Reeves, Chris Ruskay, Netti Russo, Fabio Santos, Newman Santos, Angelo Shingelo, Maureen Spadora, Kathy Sullivan, Jane Tappen, Adam Villavecchia, Daniel Webb, Susan Wong, & Special Intention, Val & Family.

### 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.

Sgt. Matt Brady, USMC Lt. Col. Dennis Castro, USAF Maj. Michael A. Franson, US Army Sgt. Joseph Gonzales, USAF Cmdr. Alexander McMahon, USN Cpt. Matt Meagher, US Army

MASS INTENTION	REQUESTED BY			
SATURDAY, MARCH 2, ST. AGNES OF BOHEMIA, ABBESS				
9:00 AM LINDA PANES	Dulce Panes			
5:00 PM ARTHUR KOCH SR	RICHARD & DIANE KOCH			
SUNDAY, MARCH 3, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT				
7:30 AM FR. ROBERT PACHANA	ADAMCIK FAMILY			
9:30 AM LISA CIRILLO	MARION CASSIDY			
11:30 AM URSULA & BILL WIEDMULLERMARILYN BADA				
6:00 PM ALIDA HERNANDEZMARY RAUS				
MONDAY, MARCH 4, ST. CASIMIR, PATRON SAINT OF LITHUANIA				
9:00 AM JOSEPH & VI DIGREGORIO	BADAMI			
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, ST. JOHN JOSEPH OF THE CROSS, PRIEST				
9:00 AM DOMENICA PICCINICH	SARAH COURTNEY			
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, ST. COLETTE, ABBESS				
9:00 AM ALLEY LEE (LIVING—BIRTHDAY BLE	SSINGS)THERESA KIM			
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, STS. PERPETUA & FELICITY, MARTYRS				
9:00 AM ROSE COVIELLO				
CHRISTOPHER BASSO & SABINO B	ASSO, JR.			
	RITA & JOHN LORENZO			
FRIDAY, MARCH 8, ST. JOHN OF GOD, RELIGIOUS				
9:00 AM ANA MARIA TAN-DELFIN	DUMLAO FAMILY			
7:00 PM CUOMO FAMILY				
ROSEMARY MEDIC				
SATURDAY, MARCH 9, ST. FRANCES OF ROME, RELIGIOUS				
9:00 AM DOMENICA PICCINICH				
5:00 PM GRAHAM & REILLY FAMILIES				
SUNDAY, MARCH 10, FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT				
7:30 AM KATHLEEN HICKEY	CHRIS & BETTY DUNLEAVY			
9:30 AM JOSEPH CHIZORORO				
11:30 AM DOMENICA PICCINICH				
6:00 PM MARIA CARCICH	LORAINE FRANCISCOVIC			

### SANCTUARY MEMORIALS

The Altar Bread & Wine is in memory of Leonardo & Georgonia Osias requested by

Sta. Romana Family & Dumlao Family

The Sanctuary Lamp is for Victor Ang requested by Dumlao Family

### **SANCTUARY OFFERINGS**

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

### Stations of the Cross

We pray the Stations of the Cross here at St. John's:

- Tuesdays following 9:00 a.m. Mass
- Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
- Fridays following 7:00 p.m. Mass.

A priest will be available to hear Confession before Mass on Friday evening., from 6:30 - 6:50 p.m.

This week the Friday evening Stations will be lead by the Catechists and Cate-

**chist Aides of St. John's.** All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sun: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-

42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Mon: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30 Tue: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt

18:21-35

Wed: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19 Thu: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23 Fri: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and

17/Mk 12:28-34

Sat: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

### Baptism at St. John's

We are delighted to welcome you and your child for baptism. We typically celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism on the fourth Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Baptism begins the journey of faith by welcoming infants to become adopted children of God and preparing their hearts for a life of grace.

Preparation for Baptism begins with some learning and formation by attending our Baptism Preparation Session. Call the parish office at 201-947-4545 for more details and to make arrangements.

For Godparent/Sponsorships, we ask that a baptized Catholic adult who is actively practicing the faith be considered. Choosing a Godparent is important for the faith life of your child. Not only as a good role model but as an example of living in the faith.

### OPEN GYM BASKETBALL GRADES 3-8

St. John's is now offering Open Gym basketball for children in Grades 3-8 on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6-8pm. Anyone who has already taken Protecting God's Children and would like to help coach please call Bob Pawlick at 201-679-6744 or email him at: jerzgiants@yahoo.com.

### **Show Respect in God's House**

When you enter Church, please remember you are entering the House of God. We should dress appropriately. Please turn off all electronics including phones, except if you are a doctor, policeman, fireman, ambulance driver, EMT or Paramedic - then please put your phone on vibrate. Silence is observed **before and after Mass** out of respect for those who are in the church praying. People actually come to church to pray.

### **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

St. John's Tithe February 24-25, 2024

Budget: \$ 7,000.00 Sunday Collection: \$ 6,526.71

### **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.** 

# Congratulations and God's Blessing

Our newly baptized:
Jason Viggo Casimiro
Isabella Rae Chemas
Sebastian Andres Raudales

May God Bless Jason, Isabella and Sebastian and their parents as we welcome them into our parish family. May we all take a moment to reflect upon and renew our own baptismal promises and celebrate our own life in Christ.



### **2024 Calendar Raffle**

This year's Calendar Raffle will be drawn during the months of April, May & June. We are asking each family to sell 3 tickets between now and the end of March.

Proceeds from the raffle will be used for much needed maintenance of the buildings at St. John's. If you have not already done so, please pick up your raffle ticket envelope at the front entrance of church this weekend and help make this year's Calendar Raffle Fundraiser a success. Our goal is to sell 600 tickets or more.

You may place your completed tickets (along with cash or check made payable to St. John) in the collection basket at church or during the week in the Rectory mail slot.

## Join Us for Online Prayer

If you would like to spend time praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary, please join us:

Daily at 3:00 p.m.

and/or

Daily at 7:00 p.m. for the Rosary only. All are welcomed.

Download the Zoom App to your phone, tablet or computer. Email Carol Riley at: momcar49@gmail.com for the Zoom link.



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### FAITH FORMATION

Registration for the 2024-25 school year will open very shortly...please stay tuned for details. The Faith Formation program of St. John's serves students in Grade K through Grade 8. Families attend our 9:30am Family Mass at which we have Children's Liturgy. Also featured is our Children's Choir, under the direction of Mr. Dennis DeSantis & Ms. Nicole Parente. Students then proceed to the school for instruction.

### **St. John's Altar Society Fish Fry Wednesday March 20th**

On Wednesday, March 20th, come pick up a delicious dinner (cooked by Tastefully British) hosted by the ladies of St. John's Altar Society. Please note that assigned pick-up times will be given in 15-minute intervals to allow for cooking time. Pick up times begin at 5:00 p.m. The dinner will include cod fish, French fries, coleslaw, malt vinegar, tartar sauce, bottled water and dessert. Ticket prices are \$20 for Adults, \$10 for Children under 12 years of age. Reservations required—no walk-ins. Order forms are available at the doors of the Church. Please complete and return along with check or cash. Times will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis. Please place your orders by March 17th.

### **2024** Wedding Anniversary Masses

The Archdiocese of Newark is preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian marriage in 2024. Couples deserving of such recognition are urged to participate. These liturgies will be celebrated at 12:00p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

> Sunday, June 2, 2024 ---- 50 years Sunday, May 5, 2024 ---- 25 & 5 years

Please call the rectory for more info or to register.

### St John's Altar Society

All women over 18 are invited to join the St. John's Altar Society, a group of women who quietly serve our parish in many different ways-washing altar linens, running bake sales and other types of fundraisers to help support our parish. For more info or to join, call Kathy Stendor at 201-956-7147 or Betsy Trautsch at 201-947-8679.

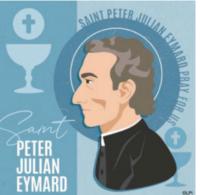
### 2024 Annual Appeal Update

The 2024 Annual Appeal is underway! We have \$38,557 already pledged 99% of our goal of \$39,328.15. If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge envelope at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing. Thank you for your prayers and support.

### . Homebound???

If you know someone who is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Rectory Office at 201-947-4545 or email: parishoffice@stjohnleonia.org and we will schedule a home visit.

### St. Peter Julian Eymard, (1811-1868)



was born in La Mure d'Isère, France. When he was a child, he felt a strong calling to the priesthood and a devotion to Mary. He attempted to enter the Oblates of Mary Immaculate at age 18 but had to leave due to health problems. Eymard frequently had lung issues and migraines that disrupted

his life. He tried to enter the priesthood again through the Diocese of Grenoble and was ordained a diocesan priest at the age of 23. After a few assignments he chose to join the Marists and entered the Society of Mary seminary in Lvon, France, By 1844 he had risen to the position of Provincial of the congregation.

While visiting neighboring Marist communities, Eymard experienced the perpetual adoration of the Eucharist for the first time. His devotion to Christ in the Blessed Sacrament grew and he decided to start a Marist community specifically devoted to perpetual adoration. His vision wasn't supported by his Marist superiors, though, so he eventually chose to leave the Society of Mary in order to start his new religious congregation.

In the late 1850's he founded The Society of the Blessed Sacrament for men and, along with Marguerite Guillot, the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament for women. The congregation's ministries were different from other Eucharist-centered groups at the time because, beside perpetual public adoration of the Eucharist, their goal was to nurture and to inspire those estranged from the Church to return and to educate those outside of the Church about the love of Christ.

St. Peter Julian Eymard's contributions to Eucharistic spirituality earned him the title "Apostle of the Eucharist." His writings on the Eucharist, including the book "The Real Presence," continue to inspire and guide believers in their understanding of the Sacrament. St. Peter Julian Eymard, pray for us! ©LPi

### **Eucharistic Revival Conference** March 16th

#### 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.



There will be a Eucharistic Revival Conference at St. Aloysius in Jersey City on Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$10.

To sign up, please visit https://forms.gle/gCaM46Mbh9483sDr7

Questions? Call Ed Ventura at 201-218-0842.

#### KIDZ CORNER ANSWERS

- 1. Simon or Cephas
- 2. Methuselah
- 3.Boaz
- 4.Samson
- 5. Joseph

### - 5 - March is dedicated to St. Joseph

#### **ANOINTING MASS AT ST. JOHN'S**

On Saturday, March 23rd at 12Noon in St. John's Church (handicapped accessible through side door on Harrison Street), our parish will have a Mass for the Sick which will include the Anointing of the Sick during Mass. All the elderly and sick are invited – please contact the rectory at 201-947-4545 if you have any questions.

### **Line Dancing Classes**

Line Dancing Classes with St. John's Filipino Apostolate are on Thursdays in the Lower Hall from 7:30-9:00 p.m. Questions? Call Ed Ventura at 201-218-0842. Beginners are welcome. Come and join in the fun!!

### ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK 2024 LENTEN REGULATIONS

- Good Friday is a day of both Fast and Abstinence.
   The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.
   Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.
  - On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.
- The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 18 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 26, 2024.

Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

## LENTEN DIAPER DRIVE FOR NEW HOPE PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

We are collecting items to help new moms and their children. The items being collected are:

Pampers Brand Diapers— Newborn size, and Sizes 2, 5 and 6, Pull-ups (any size), and Amazon gift cards. Bring your donated items to church on Sundays and leave at the entrance to church, or during the week bring them to the Rectory during the week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



### Don't Forget to Change Your Clock Next Weekend

Like it or not, the annual ritual of changing our clocks to <u>daylight</u> <u>saving time</u> is coming at 2 a.m., next **Sunday, March 10.** At that time, clocks are moved forward by one hour, so that 2 a.m. becomes 3 a.m.

#### THE CROSS

- The Cross is the key to the secret treasures of the Church. A Christian is one who takes up his cross to follow Jesus.
- 2. The treasures of faith are hidden. How are they hidden? They are hidden under the Cross. Who would look for joy and happiness under such a symbol?
- 3. What is the Cross a symbol of? It is above all a symbol of disgrace before the world, of being jeered at and spit upon, of being deserted by friends and gloated over by enemies, of being in utter defeat, yet able to shout at the top of your voice: "I have conquered!"
- 4. Saint Paul warned us against making vain the Cross of Christ. What does that mean? It means preaching a salvation that has not got the roots nor the fruits of the Cross - a salvation without the Faith or the sacraments.
- 5. Only God's religion dares to take for its banner a symbol of defeat. By the Sign of the Cross we proclaim the Faith entirely. By the Cross we honor the true God; we associate ourselves with the work of Redemption; we proclaim the eternal destiny of man.
- 6. Is there any man who cannot gaze at the Cross? Is there any man who cannot pray for salvation? Is God ungenerous in His dealings with us?
- 7. The Cross makes our bodies pure and our souls confident; it reveals the divine meaning of suffering and of death; it lifts man to a new plane of existence.
- 8. When we gaze at the Cross nothing of our entire being remains untouched.

### Fr. Chris Ciccarino's Lenten Presentation The Last Days of Jesus March 19, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Fr. Chris Ciccarino, Academic Dean of the Immaculate Heart Seminary at Seton Hall will be discussing **The Last Days of Jesus**. The talk will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall. We will also be having a St. Joseph's Table in honor of his Feast Day. All are welcome. If you haven't attended one of his talks yet, come and enrich your Lenten season.

### SPIRITUAL EXCERPT

"It has been observed that people emulate the five people they spend most time with—for better or worse. Make Jesus one of those five people. Spending time in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist will transform you and your life in ways you cannot even begin to imagine."

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory, Pg. 74, by Matthew Kelly

### KIDZ KORNER

- 1. What was another name for the disciple Peter?
- 2. Who was the oldest person in the Bible?
- 3. Name the man Ruth married after collecting grain in his field?
- 4. Who had his hair in seven locks or braids?
- 5. Who was called a dreamer by his brothers?

Answers on page four.





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