



*Parish of St. John Henry Newman  
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart  
and St. John the Baptist*



SIXTH SUNDAY OF  
**Easter**

MAY 9, 2021



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This is my commandment:  
love one another as I love you.

John 15:12

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**HOLY MASS AT OLSH**

Saturday: 5:00 PM **Sunday:** 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM,  
12:00 PM

Weekdays: 8:00 AM **Saturday:** 9:00 AM

**HOLY MASS AT ST. JOHN**

Saturday: 4:00 PM **Sunday:** 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM,  
1:00 PM (Spanish)

Weekdays: 10:30 AM **Saturday:** 10:30 AM



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## SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat	5/8	4:00 PM	Eileen Keane & Jean Simon Eileen & Arthur Simon
Sun	5/9	8:00 AM	Mother's Day Novena
		10:30 AM	Michael Armstrong By Armstrong Family
Mon	5/10	10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Tue	5/11	10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Wed	5/12	10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Thu	5/13	10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Fri	5/14	10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Sat	5/15	10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena
		4:00 PM	Raffaele Fridanza By Pat & Rosemarie Miele
Sun	5/16	8:00 AM	Mother's Day Novena
		10:30 AM	Marli Jean Gelseld By Diane & Jerry Gannon



### Please remember in your prayers the Sick and/or Homebound of our Parish Family.

Anna Hickey, Anne O'Connor, Gino Galante, Kristen Lynn, Nijole Paronetto, Johanna Krumm, Tim Armstrong, Eileen Moson, Joe Dennerlein, Guadalupe Martinez, Julie Cawley, Mary Clifford, Nancy Doraza, Connie Lynch, Elizabeth Moody, Ossama Khadr, Charlie Meyerhoff, brother-in-law of Lynn Dennerlein, Henry Keyes, father of Michael Keyes.

As a Parish Family, let us remember in our prayers all our beloved departed members of our Parish Community

Jake Miraglia, Peter Delisser, Lawrence Tex Goswick, John Zuccaro, Concetto Fusco, mother of Neil Fusco, John Merriman, uncle of Lynn Dennerlein, Robert Biroc, John Hinchcliff, brother of Una McHugh, Vic Libo-On, Joshy Fr Tom's nephew, Michael Hoyt, nephew of Mildred Oslica, Vincent Aufieri, brother of Janet Zahn

PLEASE ADVISE THE RECTORY (359-0078) WHENEVER A PARISHIONER BECOMES HOMEBOUND, ILL, OR HOSPITALIZED SO ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR A PRIEST, DEACON OR EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TO VISIT AND BRING COMMUNION TO THEM.



Dear Parish Family,

The Sixth Sunday of Easter for Year B takes us further into the Gospel of John with Jesus' Last Supper discourse. So last week we were looking at the famous image of the vine and the branches, and this Sunday the gospel picks up right where last week left off and continues into Jesus' teaching on the new commandment, the commandment to love one another as he has loved us. First Jesus gives them the analogy of the vine and the branches and invites the disciples (us) to 'abide in him'. In this way they will bear fruit, by living in love. The Greek word for love is **agapē**, which is a sacrificial love that impels one to action. He further tells them that if they keep the commandments, they will abide in my love, just as he kept the Father's commandments and abide in his love. Love is an action word. We cannot talk of love without action. And this is the miracle that should happen every day in this world: when we learn to love in deed and in truth. A simple imagination will show us the great wonderful possibilities if we are able to do it: because of love, enemies are reconciled, warring countries re-establish peaceful and harmonious relationships, families are united and happy, the poor and hungry are attended to, criminals mend their ways, resources and blessings are generously shared among people, the truth is proclaimed, justice and peace prevail, kindness and generosity rule in society.

Many would think that this sounds so utopian, so ideal and unreal. But that is because we just do not give it the chance to work. Yet, we must remember that at one point in human history, this was proven true and doable. The early Christians did this and it was recorded in the Bible, in the Book of the Acts of the Apostles: "The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own... There was no needy person among them" (4:32, 34).

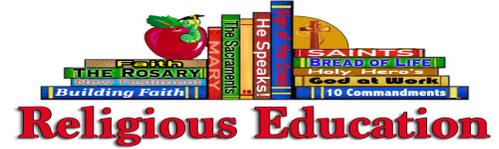
There are some Christian traditions that will say all that matters is faith, works don't matter at all, all you have to do is believe in Jesus, accept him as your savior and then you can never lose your salvation. Well! That is just not true. If you look at what Jesus says in the scripture itself, in order to remain in him, to be a branch that is united to the vine and therefore receiving its life from the vine, we have to keep his commandments, we have to obey his teachings. If we fail to keep his commandments, then think here of all the major commandments, you know, against adultery or idolatry, if we break the commandments we are cut off from the vine, we're cut off from the source of our life, we're cut off from the love of Christ, the saving love of Christ which should fill us with his grace and fill us with his life. If we reject that love, we also reject that life, the life of salvation.

If we have been attracted by the dynamism, the magnetism of Jesus Christ, we should know that saying that we love Him is not enough. We must live His Love. In the Gospel Jesus uses this phrase: "Remain in my love." He tells us that we remain in His Love if we keep His commandments. But Jesus does not give a whole list of commandments like Moses did when he came down from Mt. Sinai. Jesus just gives one commandment: Love one another.

That is all that really matters, if we love each other, truly, in the sacrificial love of the Lord, everything else falls into place. St. Augustine put it this way: "Once and for all, a short rule is laid down for you: Love and do what you will. If you keep silence, do it out of love. If you cry out, do it out of love. If you refrain from punishing, do it out of love. Let the root of love be within you. From such a root, nothing but good can come." (From St. Augustine's sermon on 1 John 7).

Fr. Tom Kunnel C.O.

Sun	9-May	10:30 AM	Webcast Mass First Communion
		1PM	Webcast Spanish Misa First Communion
Mon	10-May	10:30 AM	Webcast Daily Mass
Tues	11-May	10:30 AM	Webcast Daily Mass
Wed	12-May	10:30 AM	Webcast Daily Mass
		7PM	Amigos de Jesus Choir Practice
		7PM	Spanish Couples Meeting
Thurs	13-May	10:30 AM	Webcast Daily Mass Ascension
		7PM	Mensajeros de Jesus Choir Practice
Fri	14-May	10:30 AM	Webcast Daily Mass
		7:30 PM	Spanish Adoration
Sat	15-May	11:30 AM	Music Practice
		12PM	Spanish Baptism



## Good News from our Religious Education

*This Sunday will be a joyous day for these children as they receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. Please keep them in your prayers.*

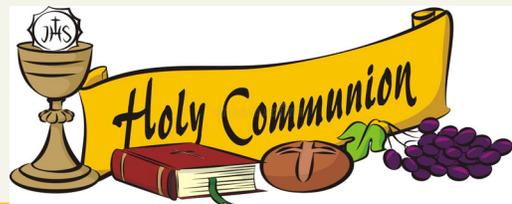
### 10:30 am Mass

Sandra Gomez Flores	Liam Murphy
Sofia Mazariago Lemus	Olivia O'Rourke
Patrick Maguire	Shannon Ryan

### 1:00 pm Mass

Cynthia Aguirre	Keily Mazariago
Gabriel A. Bolanos	Rosa Monzon
Amy Dorotinea	Marilyn E. Palma
Jamie Flores	Kimberly Quishpilema
Kevin Flores	Hector Rodriguez
Angel Gonzalez	Angella Umana
Michael Gonzalez	Emely Umana
Nicole Marroquin	Daniel Vivar
Angela Martinez	Alison Zamora
Sara Zamora	

*Jesus loves the Little Children of the World!*



### 5th Sunday of Easter Webcast Schedule:

#### Daily Masses:

Monday—Saturday: 10:30 AM

**Sunday Mass:**

**Domingo Misa:**

English—10:30 AM

Espanol — 1:00 PM



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## THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—"the Holy Spirit 'fell' on them" (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this "baptism" is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John's name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

**Psalm** — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

**Second Reading** — God is love (1 John 4:7-10) or 1 John 4:11-16.

**Gospel** — No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends (John 15:9-17) or John 17:11b-19.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;  
Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;  
Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:** Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or  
Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for Ascension); **Fri-**

**day:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10;  
Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2,  
11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or,

**Thursday, May 13, 2021**



**Ascension of the Lord**

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

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# WINNERS

**5/2 #50 Susan Connors**  
**5/9 135 Anthony Rossano**

## FEAST OF FAITH FEAST OF FAITH

### The Creed

Following the readings and the homily, we stand together and say or sing the Creed, our profession of faith. The Creed is a solemn statement of belief, a "rule of faith" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 67). It states the core of what we believe about God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The language of the Creed is knotty and difficult at times, precisely because its purpose is to express with precision what we believe about God. The Creed that we pray most often, the Nicene Creed, came out of the earliest ecumenical councils: Nicea in 325 and Constantinople in 381. It originated in a time of great controversy about the divinity of Christ, and thus the longest section of the Creed relates to Christ, truly human and truly God.

The Creed is both communal and personal: it is "we," but it is also "I." In the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, it is only after listening to the teaching of the Church and professing faith in the Holy Trinity that the candidate is admitted to the sacraments. So it is every Sunday. We listen to the word, we profess our faith, and then we come to the altar.



## St. John Henry Newman

As you know by now, the new name for the merged parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart in Tappan and Saint John the Baptist in Piermont is **Saint John Henry Newman Parish**. Among the name finalists, the New York Archdiocese opted for Saint John Henry Newman.



Our patron saint was a **passionate seeker of truth**. Through persecution and suffering he returned to the Catholic Church with joy of having found the Apostolic wellsprings of truth, and also of being allowed to develop new understandings of Catholic faith.

Saint John was a **poet**, an **artist**. He wrote hymns, verses, plays, stories . . . He believed that “God is not only Truth, but also Beauty!”

This decision which might come as a surprise to some of us, was gratefully received by the New York Oratorians. John Henry Newman is in fact a saint and illustrious Oratorian.

Our patron was an **educator**. He founded schools and universities. He tirelessly promoted a wholesome education, in respect for both faith and science and offering the opportunity to those without access to education.

In the future we will have the opportunity to make a loving acquaintance with our patron saint, come to know him better and therefore appreciate the grace of having him as a patron saint of our church.

John Henry Newman was an **Oratorian**, a follower of Saint Philip Neri. He believed that while faith is an individual treasure, it needs to be developed and preserved within a loving community. He found such community in the Oratory, an environment where one can find space for personal development and also support of a loving and democratic family.

To start our friendship with him here are three basic suggestions:

Let us be grateful for the grace of our new Patron Saint John Henry Newman.

His “**motto**” - something you firmly believe in - was, “*cor to cor loquitur*”, which translates “**heart unto heart speaks**”. Our saint made heart the foundation of how we relate to each other. If you do not love you better be silent. During his lifetime he cultivated lasting friendships, raising friendship to the ranks of the highest form of human love.

Rev. Fr. George Torok C.O.

## Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs Patrick Kroh

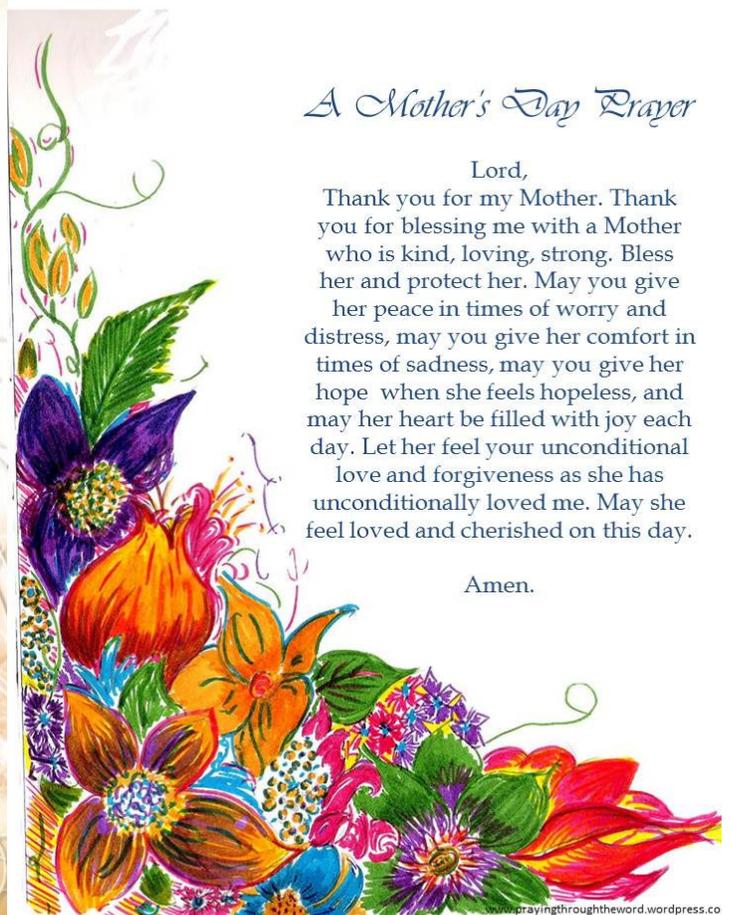


*Congratulations on your wedding day, may God bless you with love, laughter and happiness. As you begin your life together, may your bond grow stronger with each passing year.*

## *A Mother's Day Prayer*

Lord,  
Thank you for my Mother. Thank you for blessing me with a Mother who is kind, loving, strong. Bless her and protect her. May you give her peace in times of worry and distress, may you give her comfort in times of sadness, may you give her hope when she feels hopeless, and may her heart be filled with joy each day. Let her feel your unconditional love and forgiveness as she has unconditionally loved me. May she feel loved and cherished on this day.

Amen.



**Para los cursos pre-bautismales llamar a:** Alex Aguilar 845-480-1502 y Natalia Lemus 845-480-1682. Los cursos se dan previa cita los martes 7pm y domingo 11am. **Aquellos que deseen recibir el Sacramento del matrimonio**, por favor llame a Yolanda Zamora 845-300-1920 o Jenny Aguilar 845-825-1157

## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Mediante las prédicas de Pedro, el Espíritu Santo viene a los gentiles (Hechos 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

**Salmo** — El Señor nos ha mostrado su amor y su lealtad. Aleluya (Salmo 97).

**Segunda lectura** — Dios es amor y Dios nos ama (1 Juan 4:7-10) o 1 Juan 4:11-16.

**Evangelio** — Jesús da este mandamiento a sus discípulos: ámense unos a otros como yo los he amado (Juan 15:9-17) o Juan 17:11b-19.

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes:** Hch 16:11-15; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

**Martes:** Hch 16:22-34; Sal 137:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

**Miércoles:** Hch 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Sal 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

**Jueves:** Hch 1:1-11; Sal 46:2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17-23 o Ef 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mc 16:15-20 (para la Ascensión); o Hch 18:1-8; Sal 97:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

**Viernes:** Hch 1:15-17, 20-26; Sal 112:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Sábado:** Hch 18:23-28; Sal 46:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

**Domingo:** Hch 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Sal 102:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; o, para la Ascensión, Hch 1:1-11; Sal 47:2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17-23 o Ef 4:1-13

## FIESTA DE LA FE El Santo Evangelio

La palabra evangelio significa “Buena Nueva”. La Sagrada Escritura nos presenta cuatro “buenas nuevas” o evangelios: Mateo, Marcos, Lucas y Juan. Son cuatro estilos distintos de presentarnos a Jesús, la Buena Nueva de Dios.

Mateo nos presenta a un Jesús nacido en el más puro de los judaísmos, con tres conjuntos de 14 generaciones cada uno; a lo largo de su relato nos dirá una y otra vez que Jesús es el Maestro de maestros, es el cumplimiento de la Ley, en plenitud. Marcos, por su parte, no nos presenta ningún relato de su nacimiento, sino que va al punto: “Esta es la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo, el hijo de Dios”. Puesto que su comunidad cristiana en Roma es perseguida, mediante el sufrimiento de Jesús da sentido a su sufrimiento martirial.

Lucas encarna la realidad y sufrimiento de los pobres y desposeídos de este mundo, y para ello, les cuenta el relato de un Dios que nace pobre entre los pobres; más tarde, presentará a Jesús no sólo del lado de los pobres, sino a la mesa, compartiendo ya el Reino de Dios por adelantado.

Juan nos dirá desde el principio lo que sus contemporáneos no pueden aceptar: Jesús es Dios, desde el principio.

## LA PRESENCIA DEL ESPÍRITU SANTO

Hoy tenemos un episodio único en los Hechos de los Apóstoles. ¡Un grupo de personas que llena una habitación es bautizado con el Espíritu Santo antes de que se bautizaran con agua! La palabra que se usa para describir el suceso: “el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre ellos” (Hechos 10:44), es característica de la forma en que el Espíritu obra en todo el libro de los Hechos: de manera poderosa y sorprendente. Aunque este “bautismo” no es la norma para describir el bautismo en el Nuevo Testamento, es sin embargo un buen recordatorio de que el Espíritu Santo no está controlado por si hemos vertido el agua o no, sino que nuestros signos sacramentales revelan al Espíritu presente y obrando entre nosotros. Y tenemos un doble refuerzo de cómo esta obra se lleva a cabo en la carta y el Evangelio que llevan el nombre de Juan. Es el amor, el auto sacrificio y el amor de entrega, que manifiestan al Espíritu de Jesús entre nosotros. El amor es el más grande de los mandamientos. El Espíritu se manifiesta también a través de los que viven en ese amor.

*¡Muchas felicidades!*

*a todas las madres  
del mundo*

*¡Feliz día  
de la madre!*



### PARISH MINISTRIES & CHAIR

Buildings & Grounds	Pat Miele, Alex Aguilar
Eucharistic Adoration	Dcn Robert Pang
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Hospitality	Robin Miller
Men's Club	Ralph Olsen, John Morrissey
Ushers	Joh Tierney, Pam Pekar
Music	Elise Espinosa, Ann Quattrocchi & Eileen Petersen
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Outreach	Maria Nest
Parish Worship	Dcn Rob Pang
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Social	May Pang
Spiritual Life	Johanna Krumm
St. Vincent De Paul	Fr. Tom Kunnel

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## Our Sacramental Life

**Baptism:** Please call the Rectory well in advance of the expected day of Baptism to arrange an appointment for an interview. **Pre-baptismal meeting** for parents is required. Godparents must be confirmed, practicing Catholics. Generally Baptisms are celebrated the third Sunday of each month at 12:00 pm.

**Reconciliation:** Confessions are heard from 3:30-4:00 pm on Saturday. You may also make an appointment with Fr. Tom. Spanish confessions is available from 12:30-1:00 PM on Sundays.

**Marriage:** Marriages should be arranged at least six months in advance. Participation in Pre-Cana is essential. Please call the Rectory to schedule an appointment with Fr. Tom.

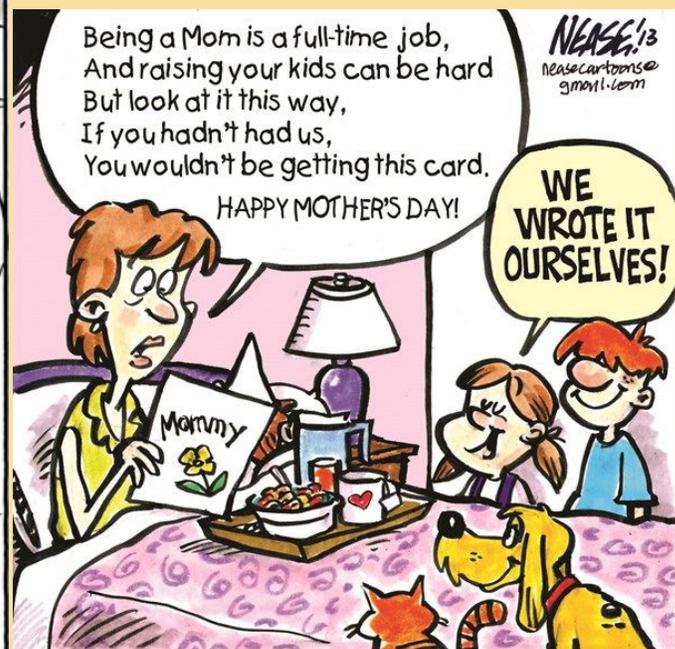
**Anointing of the Sick:** Before you enter the hospital for elective surgery or other serious treatment, and for those who have need of spiritual healing. **In an emergency, please call Fr. Tom's mobile 845 608 9358.**

**Holy Orders:** Any gentleman interested in exploring the question of vocation to the priesthood or the permanent diaconate should contact Fr. Tom Kunnel. We would also be happy to direct anyone interested in living their lives as Religious Sisters or Brothers.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults:** For instruction for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist for adults and to learn about Catholic Faith. If interested please contact Dcn Robert Pang.

For more details and forms—[www.stjohnspiermont.org](http://www.stjohnspiermont.org)

**Parish Registration:** All adults (over age 21) should register in the parish themselves and should use envelopes or [parishpay.com](http://parishpay.com). Tithing is 5% of income. This registration is our only means of certifying anyone as a member of the parish, especially for Baptism and Confirmation sponsorship letters and for scheduling Baptisms and Weddings.



**Please remember 'St. John Piermont' in your will and bequeaths**