St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

800 Gornto Rd, Valdosta GA, 31602
& San José Mission
421 Marion Ave, Lake Park, GA 31636

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

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Parish Pastoral Council meets the 3rd Wednesday (Aug to May) 6:45pm in Room B
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Parish registration

Newcomers to the parish are asked to register with the office as soon as possible. We would like to meet you and give you a welcome packet!

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Items for the bulletin are due:
June 11 bulletin submissions due by Friday, June 2 at 12 Noon.

E-mail information to:
bulletin@stjohnevang.org
All submissions subject to approval and editing.

Church Staff

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Office Hours
Monday 9:00am—12:00pm
(If Monday falls on a holiday the Tuesday office hours will be 9:00am to 12:00pm)
T, W, Th 9:00am to 4:30pm
(Lunch 12—1:00pm)
Friday—9:00am to 1:00pm

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm San Jose
Sunday 7:30 am , 9:30 am, 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm (Spanish)

Daily Mass

M, Tu ,Th, F 9:00 am
Thursday 7:00 pm (Spanish) San Jose
Wednesday 9:45 am (during school year), 6:00 pm

Mass Intentions

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, May 29th
Office Closed for Memorial Day
9:00am— +Paul Joseph Hartnett

Tuesday, May 30th
9:00am— +Jack Rihm

Wednesday, May 31st
(No School Mass in the summer)
6:00pm— +Tim Wright

Thursday, June 1st
9:00am— +Rosita Jimenez Montenegro
7:00 pm— (San Jose) Communion Service

Friday, June 2nd
9:00am— +Maria Rita Gregory

Saturday, June 3rd
5:00pm— +John Salek
7:00pm— (San Jose)

Sunday, June 4th
7:30am— +Bill Register
9:30am— +Richard Nijem
12:00pm— (SI) Lillian Lozada
2:00pm— People of the Parish (Spanish)

CONFESSION:
Wednesday 5:00—5:30pm
Saturday 4:00—4:45pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Sunday 3:00-4:00pm (St. Joseph Chapel)
Wednesday 4:00—5:40pm
First Friday 9:30—11:00am

SAVE THE DATE...

As you have probably heard our lovely Sister Nuala is leaving St. John at the end of June!
So, mark your calendar and plan to attend a farewell dinner on
Friday, June 23rd at 6:00pm!
More details coming soon!

OFFERTORY—Week of 05/07/2023

Offertory	$12,059.93
Online	$3,851.00
Parish Missions	$1836.25
Online	$150.00

The online giving URL
https://osvhub.com/stjohnevang/giving/funds

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2023
FAITH, HOPE, CHARITY

Parish Target: $69,624.00
Total Given: $62,361.13 (as of 5/18/23)
Percent of target: **89.60%**
Parishioner Participation: 30.64%
Number of donors: 163

FOR OUR SICK—*Together let us pray for our loved ones...*

Parishioners:

Mickey Kelly, Jeannine Becton, Bob and Kaye Consolini, Betty McElwain, Brigitte Carter, Nerma Dave, Carol Hill, Warren Duane Scoby, Donna Davis, Pat Mills, Louise & Bill Okuma, Anthony Petty, Tim Davis, Carol Genter, Donna & Bob Juniet, Maryann Martin, John Swiderski, Sandra Miller, Sylvia Stella

Family and Friends of Parishioners:

Cathy Chamberlain, Jerry Stophel, Mike Mills, Noel George Jr., Bill Lenz, Michael Gutierrez, Margaret Knight, Evelyn Schuh, Joey Gantt, Frances Herndon, Janet Sparling, Mary Jane Wetherington, Dennis Schunhoff, Yanitza Dones, Martin Diego Tomas, Josh Miller, Debbie Lorence, Debbie Widemond, Mikaela Schaughnessy, Steve Jennings, Vans Family, Charles Dave, Joe Tillman, Kathy Richards, Bob Thornberry, Jennine Fisher, Clara Taylor, Bert Rodriguez, Josephine & Clint Richards, Dan Chase, Mary Ellen Souchik, Roberto Laureano, Robbie Sifford, Jorge Torres, Sister Pauline Oetgen, Nina Waters, Carol Reasoner

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

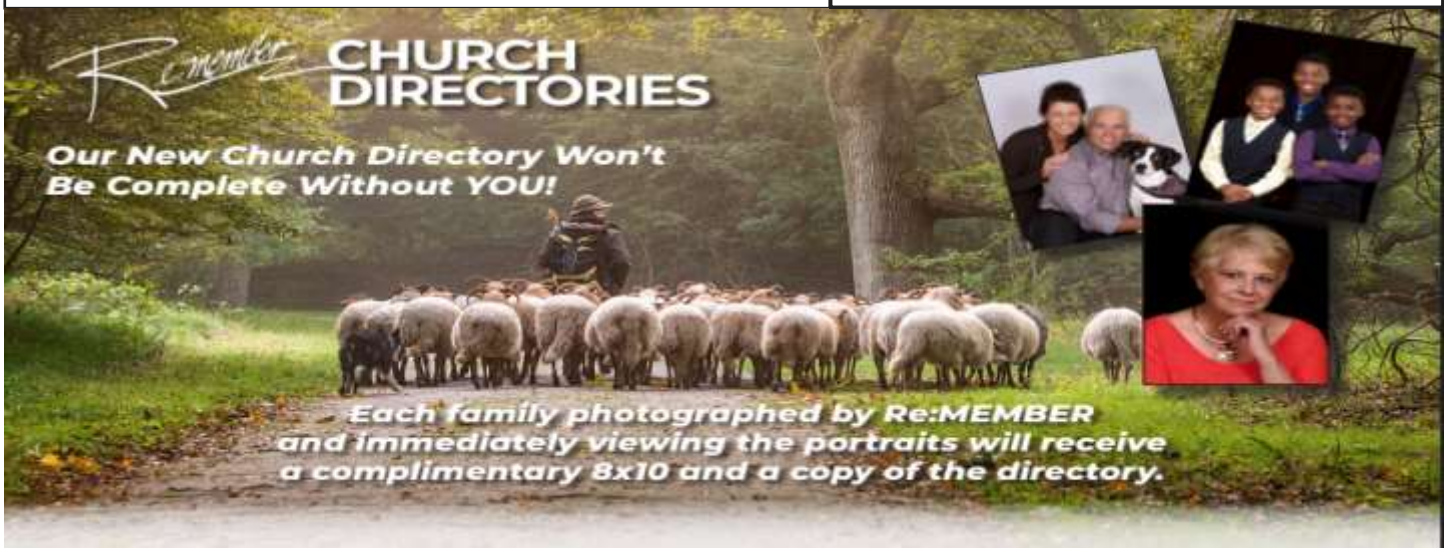
Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

James Tyrrell, Brother of Donna Juniet
Agapito "Pete" Rodriguez, father of Martha Mazurkiewicz
Carol Smith, wife of Bennie Smith

WEDDING BANNS

Laura Hanna
and
Daniel Dixon

Are to be married on
June 2, 2023



Visit our website to make your appointment for a FREE photo for the church directory. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in different tongues,
as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. (Acts 2:4)

Psalm:
Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:
For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body,
whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons,
and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.
(2 Cor 12:13)

Gospel:
Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."
And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,
"Receive the Holy Spirit." (Jn 20:21-22)

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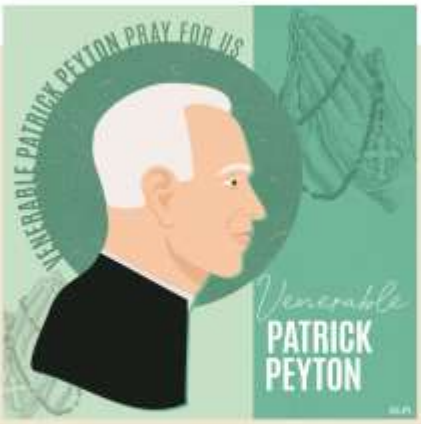
Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

The disciples at Pentecost were given the grace to speak in the tongues of many nations. When we engage with those who do not believe, who disagree with us, are we speaking the right language? We have to use the words they are able to understand — not just the words we want to say.

Observances for the week of May 28, 2023

Sunday:	Pentecost Sunday
Monday:	Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Memorial Day
Tuesday:	World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Wednesday:	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday:	St. Justin, Martyr
Friday:	Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs
Saturday:	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
Next Sunday:	The Most Holy Trinity



Saint of the week

Venerable Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C. was an Irish immigrant to the United States. A true pioneer of mass media evangelism, The Rosary Priest reached the entire world with his message of devotion to Christ reminding us that, "A family that prays together stays together."

Prayer

Prayer for the Beatification of Venerable Fr. Patrick Peyton

Dear Jesus,
Father Peyton devoted his priestly life
to strengthening the families of the world
by calling them to pray together every day,
especially the rosary.
His message is as important for us now
as it was during his life on earth.
We beg you, therefore,
to hasten the day of his beatification
so that your faithful people everywhere
will remember his message
that The Family That Prays Together Stays Together,
will imitate him in his devotion to your Mother and ours,
and will be inspired by his holy life
to draw ever closer to you
with childlike confidence and love.

Amen.

(Prayer Source: https://holycrosscongregation.org/holy-ones/servant-of-god-patrick-peyton/prayers/)

Holiday Office Hours

The church office will be closed Monday, May 29th in honor of Memorial Day. The office will be open 9am to 12:30pm on Tuesday, May 30th.

Homeschool Mass of Thanksgiving

The Diocese of Savannah welcomes all Catholic homeschoolers. Bishop Parkes will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving for the many blessings that homeschooling brings. Mass will be Wednesday, June 7th at 4pm at St. Anne Church in Richmond Hill(10550 Ford Ave). Graduating seniors will be recognized. Please contact Christina at: homeschoolministry@stannerh.org if you have a graduating senior or with any questions. Please bring a dish to share for a potluck dinner to follow.

Considering homeschooling? Please join us!

Rescheduled Event

Our last **Dinner and Doctrine** will be on **Wednesday, May 31st**, following the 6pm Mass in the Parish Center. We will once again have a "Potluck Dinner," so please sign up to bring something to share. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or you can call the parish office.

Fr. Robert will speak to us about the Resurrection of Jesus from St. John's Gospel. This will be the last Dinner and Doctrine for this academic year.

THE SEMINARIAN RECOGNITION DINNER COMMITTEE would like to thank the Parishes of St. John and St. Anthony for their tremendous support these past 18 years. Last year we collected over $11,000 for the Seminarians and a total for the 18 years of over $127,000. Many of the seminarians worked in our parishes and now are Pastors and Parochial Vicars. Please join us Friday, June 9th in the parish center. A social will begin at 6:15pm with dinner at 7:00pm, followed by entertainment and surprises. **Dinner Tickets ($25) can be purchased from Don Martin (229-244-8749) and the Church Office starting on May 22nd. Dinner and Raffle Tickets will be available after all Masses on May 27/28 and June 3/4. All proceeds go directly to the seminarians!**

If unable to attend, donations can be made to: Knights of Columbus, Seminarian Dinner Fund and mail to 306 N. St. Augustine Road, Valdosta, GA 31601.

We Need Your Help!

FUND-A-NEED

ST. JOHN EAGLES VALDOSTA, GA

We are CLOSE to reaching our goal of raising $50,000 to help prepare for a NEW STEM Lab, a NEW Video Broadcast Lab and an updated Media Center. We have raised $30,000 and we need YOUR help!

With EANS II funding, SJCS is getting a state-of-the-art Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Lab, a Video Broadcast Lab, and a Media Center refresh, however, the cost to prepare these spaces (demolition, painting, flooring, electrical and data, and replacing ceiling tiles) is NOT included in our funding. That's where we need your support!

GOAL: $50,000
DEADLINE: May 31, 2023

HOW TO DONATE:
Scan the QR Code

OR
Bring your check or cash to the School Office, Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School Students Place in Annual Writing Contest

Valdosta, GA – St. John the Evangelist Catholic School eighth grade students Souad Dennis and Leah Sinclair placed among 25 winners in the Turner Center for the Arts' 3rd Annual Art of Writing Contest. Souad Dennis placed first in the category of middle school poetry, and Leah Sinclair placed second in the category of middle school nonfiction.

"We are extremely proud of Souad and Leah," said SJCS Principal Cheri Carter. "The talent our students display in English, language arts, and across all subject areas not only speaks to the dedication and passion of our students, but also our teachers."

The Turner Center for the Arts hosts the Art of Writing contest annually in partnership with its Young Online Writers League (YoWL), which is led by Dr. Cheryl Carvajal. The contest is a part of the Young Online Writer's League purpose - to bring together youth from ages 11 to 18 and provide them with a path toward written expression. The group meets regularly using the Discord app, and is free to join through the Turner Center's website at turnercenter.org/classes.

Souad Dennis (left) and Leah Sinclair (right) receive copies of the Art of Writing7anthology from Turner Art Center Art Education Administrator Hailey Rathmann.

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Isaiah 11:1-3 "There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of **wisdom** and **understanding**, the spirit of **counsel** and **fortitude**, the spirit of **knowledge** and **piety**. And his delight shall be in the **fear of the Lord**."

The Seven *Gifts* are also known as the "Seven *Spirits* of God." They are for *every baptized Christian*, to make *you personally* holier and closer to God. However, just because every baptized Christian has them, does not mean that each Christian has them in equal measure. The Spirit moves us to act a certain way, as He specifies or guides our actions. The more receptive we are to the Holy Spirit, the more active He can be in our lives through the Seven Gifts. The Spirit helps us in our *daily* lives through the Seven Gifts. You receive the Seven Gifts partially at Baptism, and more fully at Confirmation. The Seven Gifts are linked to Sanctifying Grace and are permanent. In other words, you can choose to "activate" them when you so desire.

(1) Wisdom: This is the most complex gift. It pertains to *union* with God, which is a relationship of *intimate love*. In general, it involves having correct judgment about God's standards or His way of seeing things. In other words: seeing things like God sees them.
(2) Understanding: It helps us remember God's transcendence in the faith. It helps us to understand and accept the truths of our Faith that are found in the Creed.
(3) Knowledge: It tells us what we should and should not believe.
(4) Council: It is like the virtue of Prudence. It helps us to see factors and consequences in our decision-making that we don't always perceive.
(5) Fear of the Lord: It gives us the courage to keep following God. It is a type of reverence for God. It is fear born out of *love*, not *terror*.
(6) Piety: This refers to the honor we give to God, our parents, and our country.
(7) Fortitude: It helps us to overcome evils that we are confronted with, evils that seem too great for us to overcome by ourselves alone.

The Charisms of the Holy Spirit

The Charisms are also known as "Gifts." These are special gifts or graces, for the building up of the Church and other people. In other words, they are not for *you*, but for *others*. They are not like the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, which are permanent. The Charisms of the Holy Spirit come and go as the Spirit wishes and directs us, like the wind. They are like a kind of "Divine motion" within us. We cannot choose to use them when we want to, like the Seven Gifts. Their primary purpose is *missionary*. They are primarily connected to prophecy and evangelization – preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 13:1-3 "If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not **love**, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing."

The charisms don't show us how holy someone is. Having them or not having them doesn't make *you* holier than other people. Their purpose is to make *other people* holier. They show us that God is trying to use a particular person to build up the Church. A sinner could be given a Charism, like the prophet Balaam (Numbers 22-24) or the high priest Caiaphas (John 11:19-52), or a saint could receive one, like St. Paul (2 Cor. 12:1-5). St. Paul clearly tells us that without Charity, The Charisms mean nothing and are empty.

1 Cor. 12:1-11 "**Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit**; and there are varieties of **service**, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of **working**, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one. **To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good**. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of **wisdom**, and to another the utterance of **knowledge** according to the same Spirit, to another **faith** by the same Spirit, to another gifts of **healing** by the one Spirit, to another the working of **miracles**, to another **prophecy**, to another the ability to **distinguish between spirits**, to another various kinds of **tongues**, to another the **interpretation of tongues**. All these are inspired by one and the same Spirit, **who apportions to each one individually as he wills**."

(1) Wisdom/Knowledge: These gifts help someone to believe and to formulate the faith in an accurate and helpful way. Example: the Spirit gives you a good *analogy* to use when explaining or teaching the Faith.
(2) Miracles: This gift is about praying for miracles and uttering a command. "True miracles" only come directly from God, but they may come to us *through* a person. Example: St. Peter commanded the two thieves to drop dead (Acts 5:1-11).
(3) Discernment of Spirits: The ability to see the hidden motives or intentions in a person's heart. This is *not* the same as the type of discernment described in St. Ignatius of Loyola's "Spiritual Exercises." Example: St. Padre Pio was often given this gift to read a person's heart, in order to help *that person* experience deeper conversion.
(4) Tongues: There are four different kinds of Tongues. This Charism is often given the most attention, but St. Paul tells us that it is not the most important of the Charisms (1 Cor. 14). It is connected to the Charism of Interpretation. Again, Charisms are not something *we* can choose to use. They are gifts from the Spirit that come and go as *He* wishes.
   (A) Speaking in a foreign, *real* language. Examples: the Apostles at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-12) and St. Dominic (did not speak German), who once encountered German pilgrims, and was given the *temporarily ability* to speak German for a few days.
   (B) Speaking in a *heavenly tongue* that contains a *hidden message*. This type of Tongues *demands* the Charism of Interpretation by another. It is for the Church assembly gathered in worship or prayer.
   (C) Private prayer & personal sanctification: God alone can understand this. It is a *humbling* gift, unintelligible to the speaker and to hearers, where we *babble like babies* before God. It is speaking directly to God in an unintelligible language.
   (D) Public prayer, praise, or singing in Tongues. This is unintelligible praise of God, which can be done as a group or Individually.
(5) Interpretation: This helps to understand and explain obscure Scripture passages. It is most often used to understand the Charism of Tongues.
(6) Faith: It involves the Spirit's guidance in the right presentation of the faith.
(7) Prophecy: It enables a preacher to touch the hearts of his hearers and to clear up doubts in their minds.
(8) Healing: It brings about miraculous physical healings.

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El ministerio Guadalupano te invita a rezar el Santo Rosario a la Virgen de Guadalupe cada tercer miercoles de cada mes a las 7 pm en el salon D.

Programa de reuniones: Rosario con alabanzas dedicado a la Virgen de Guadalupe. Cada dos semanas una familia tendrá la oportunidad de dar posada en su hogar a la imagen peregrina de nuestra Madre la Virgen de Guadalupe. Si le interesa lebar la imagen de la virgen a su hoar favor de comunicarce con Angelica Meza o Fidel Uribe.

La comunidad Fuente de Vida te invita a nuestras reuniones todos los lunes y cada 2do, 3ro y 4to viernes a las 7:00 pm en el salon Maturi. Quedan cordialmente invitados para rezar el Santo Rosario y cantar alabanzas a nuestro Señor.

Nuestra parroquia esta ofreciendo clases de preparacion pre-matrimonial para todas aquellas parejas que estan interesados en recibir el sacramento matrimonial. Las proximas clases seran en Agosto. Interesados favor de contactar la oficina de nuestra Parroquia: 229-244-2430, Pedro Escalante-229-375-9193 o Gilberto Garay- 229-506-0756

Clases pre-bautismales el primer sabado todos los meses. Se ofrecen en el salon Maturi a las 10 AM. Se requiere previa registracion. Sr. Marco Perez (229) 415-0432 , Pedro Alvarez al (229)-412-4439 o a la oficina parroquial al (229) 244-2430.

CONFESIONES: Miércoles 5:00—5:30pm y Sábados 4:00—4:45pm

Hora Santa en español con exposicion del Santisimo: Primer Viernes 7:00pm-8:30pm
Jesus te espera

Clases de Apologética Católica

Estas clases nos ayudan a conocer nuestra fe mas a profundidad y aprenderemos a como defenderla. Estas clases se estarán ofreciendo en el salon (D) al lado de la parroquia cada 1er, 2do y 4to miércoles de 7:00 pm a 8:30. Clases culminan el ultimo miercoles de Mayo.
Pueden traer a sus niños

Queremos invitar a toda nuestra comunidad a que nos acompañen a nuestras clases de doctrina católica familiar en español todos los domingos del calendario de catequesis de nuestra parroquia de 10:45 am a 12:10 pm en el salon Maturi.
No se require previa rejistracion.