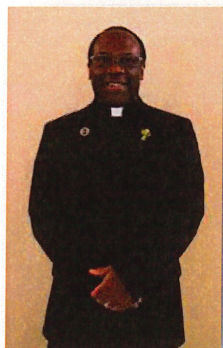


Behold, I am sending my
messenger ahead of you;
He will prepare your
way before you.

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SAINT JOHN VIANNEY & SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE



Pastor's Corner

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

14 December 2025

Rejoice! Gaudete Sunday has arrived! On this Third Sunday of Advent, the Priest and the Deacon usually wear rose-colored vestments. ***Therefore, we should rejoice!*** The rose color during both Advent and the Lenten Seasons signify that the great solemnity, the great feast day, which we anticipate, is near! We ***should*** be joyful! Why? Because the long-awaited, long-anticipated Nativity (Birth) of the Lord, is close-at-hand. ***The Savior of the World will soon be in our midst in a brand new Christmas Season!***

According to the Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary by FAITH Catholic, ***we are to focus upon making “our hearts firm” – steadfast*** – “because the coming of the Lord is at hand!” [1] On the Third Sunday of Advent, “we ***rejoice*** with all the earth in anticipation and preparation for Jesus’ Birth and the coming of His kingdom. We, like John the Baptist, are blessed and included in the kingdom of heaven, not because of what we do but what Jesus does for [each] of us!”

Obviously, we have to cooperate with God’s grace. We have to believe fully in the Savior of the world. We must be people of ***steadfast faith***. Our hearts must be firm in faith. We cannot be “wishy-washy.” We cannot “flip-flop” when it comes to our steadfast faith in God.

“Jesus’ actions speak for themselves: The blind see; the lame walk; the poor receive the Good News [of the Gospel] John the Baptist need not look for another, for God has arrived in human flesh, bringing the kingdom of God with Him. Today, we carry on Jesus’ work, allowing our words and actions to embody the love of God in the world.” [2]

According to the Loose-Leaf Lectionary for Mass by Liturgical Press, “Thomas is always the one who gets a bad rap, being remembered as ‘Doubting Thomas,’ but this Gospel today reminds us that John [the Baptist] doubted Jesus at times too. We hear that John is in prison awaiting a possible execution, and he sends his followers to ask Jesus, ‘Are You the one who is to come, or should we look for another?’” [3]

In ***faith***, we should ***rejoice*** for the One for whom John the Baptist awaited is near! “In the first reading [from the Book of Isaiah, we hear Isaiah describe] how the earth will rejoice when the Lord comes to save His people.” [4] “In the second reading [from The Letter of St. James], encouragement is provided by James to ***“patient hearts***, for the return of the Lord is at hand.” [5] In our Gospel passage from St. Matthew, “Jesus praises John the Baptist as God’s messenger and assures John’s disciples that He is the One John has been seeking. [6]

According to the Loose-Leaf Lectionary for Mass, if we are being honest, it is sometimes hard to ***“patiently await”*** the coming of the Lord. Usually, in today’s day and age, “we want things to occur quickly and efficiently (***we want it now***)... This time of year is no different. [Many of us] want it to be Christmas already. Children who are eyeing the presents are guessing what they contain. Adults are attending Christmas parties and exchanging gifts well in advance of December 25. Why do we have so much trouble waiting? That is a very good question we all need to ask ourselves.” [7]

“In the meantime, we can take some comfort from John the Baptist. ***He was impatient too***. The Messiah he prophesied was here. John baptized Him and proclaimed His coming to the world. So how could it be that he was sitting in prison, locked up by Herod and only alive because Herod liked to hear him talk from time to time? If Herodias, Herod’s unlawful wife, had her way, he would have been dead by now. When was his cousin from Nazareth, Jesus, going to fully embrace His calling as the Messiah and set him free?” [8]

“So when Jesus got word of John’s impatience, He replied that He was doing what a Messiah should be doing. The issue was not that He was not embracing His role as the Messiah – far from it. The issue was that He was not being the Messiah John wanted Him to be. John’s impatience was being brought about by his own expecta-

Saturday, December 13th

4:00 pm (St. John Vianney)
† William & Dorothy Hotchkiss by Rich & Joan Hotchkiss
5:00 pm (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Bernadette Johnson by Mary Bacchetta

Sunday, December 14th

8:00 am (St. John Vianney)
No intentions for this Mass
9:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Arthur & Chris Osborne by Linda Osborne
10:00 am (St. John Vianney)
† Lillian Agovino by Mary Buda
11:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Anthony Tran by The Members of Prayerful Gentle Stretch

Monday, December 15th

6:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration (St. Thomas the Apostle)
7:30 pm (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Kate Mrakovcic by Veljko & Mary Bolobanic
Novena to St. Peregrine immediately following Mass

Tuesday, December 16th

8:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Ruthanne M Sokolick by John J. Rutkowski

Wednesday, December 17th

8:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)
No intentions for this Mass
12:00 pm (St. John Vianney)
† Stanley Bavaro by Jim & Fran Tarsitano
Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help immediately following Mass

Thursday, December 18th

8:00 am - Communion Service (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Lynda McTigue by Mary & Janice

Friday, December 19th

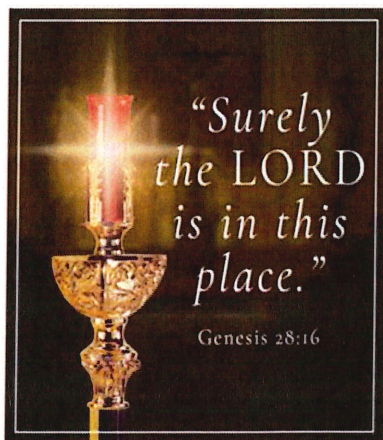
8:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Lynda McTigue by Mary & Janice

Saturday, December 20th

4:00 pm (St. John Vianney)
† Jerzy Bradtke. by his son Fr. Martin
5:00 pm (St. Thomas the Apostle)
Pat Barile, God's grace and Blessings by Daniela Szaflarski

Sunday, December 21st

8:00 am - Mass (St. John Vianney)
† Alice and Gene Williams by Kelley McGeechan
9:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Lucia O'Meara by Anne Kaiser
10:00 am (St. John Vianney)
† Lillian Agovino by Maria Pasterchick
11:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)
† Melanie Sisco by Susan Bond
6:00 pm (St. John Vianney)
† Carolyn and James Wright
by Natalie and Bob Perez



The Living Flame

for the Sanctuary Light

for

December 14 thru December 20

Is in Memory of

Devon Carbery

by Debra Carbery

MASS INTENTIONS—SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

Next Monday, December 15, 2025 Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Candles for January 1, 2026—March 31, 2026 will be available. Intentions requests can only be made by email: massintention@ststthomasjohn.org or in person during office hours. NO INTENTIONS WILL BE TAKEN BY PHONE.

From Fr. Martin...

NOVENA TO THE CHILD JESUS

As we prepare our hearts for the beauty of Christmas, I invite everyone to join in praying the Novena to the Child Jesus. The novena begins on December 16 and continues for nine days until December 24. Although we are not able to pray it together in church each day, you are warmly encouraged to pray it at home as part of your Advent journey.

Please scan the QR code to be directed to the text of the Novena.

May this simple devotion help us welcome the Lord with greater trust, hope, and peace.



SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

PARISH ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Monday, December 22

**Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament with individual
confessions - from 6 to 8 PM**

**Visiting priest will also be available*

CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve Masses:

4:00 PM & Midnight

**No Noon Mass on Christmas Eve*

Christmas Day Mass:

10:00 AM

New Year *Holy Day of obligation

New Year's Eve Mass:

Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 4:00 PM

**No Noon Mass that day*

New Year's Day Masses:

12:00 Noon and 7:00 PM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

All are invited to our second Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast **next Sunday** after our morning Masses. Come enjoy a good meal, great company, and a wonderful time together as a parish family. The breakfast will take place in our church basement. A free will offering will be accepted to support the charitable projects of our Knights. We look forward to seeing you there!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21



Enjoy a warm meal, good company,
and a relaxing start to your Sunday

Knights of Columbus
breakfast in church basement

Thank You for Your Generosity!

A sincere thank you to all who contributed to the Religious Retirement Fund and to our parish Maintenance Fund. Your generosity supports the women and men who have dedicated their lives to the Church, and it helps us care for our parish buildings so that they remain safe and welcoming for all.

Your kindness makes a real difference. Please know of my gratitude and prayers for you and your families.

- Fr. Martin



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A soft, artistic illustration of the Nativity scene serves as the background. It depicts the Virgin Mary in a blue mantle, the infant Jesus in a white swaddling cloth, and Joseph in a brown robe. They are surrounded by other figures, including a shepherd with a staff and a white sheep in the lower left, and a donkey in the lower right. The scene is set in a stable with wooden beams, and a warm, golden light emanates from behind the figures, creating a serene and holy atmosphere.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SCHEDULE

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Christmas Eve

5 PM (Carols 4:30) Adult, Bell & Children Choirs

Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

Thu, Dec 25 - 10 AM

New Year's Day (*Holy Day of Obligation*)

10AM, 7:30 PM

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

Confessions and Adoration

Mon, Dec 22 - 6 to 8 PM

Christmas Eve

4 PM, Midnight

Christmas Day

10 AM

New Year's Eve (*Vigil Mass*)

Wed, Dec 31 - 4 PM

New Year's Day (*Holy Day of Obligation*)

12 Noon, 7 PM

Saint Thomas the Apostle
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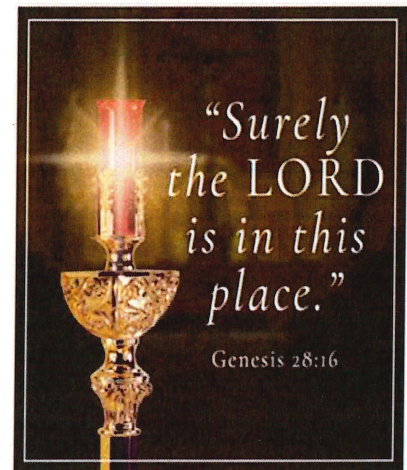


Our parishioners have been amazing over the years. You have all made a tremendous difference for the families that have been involved in the program. We have been able to see first hand the impact. Please pick up one tag or more and **return the gift with the tag attached** the weekend of December 20/21 unwrapped in the Social Hall.

By every tabernacle in the world, a flame is kept burning continuously in honor of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Called the Sanctuary Lamp, this light flickers day and night before the Eucharistic Lord calling us to prayer and reminding us, in the words of the patriarch Jacob, that “surely the Lord is in this place.” (Genesis 28:16) It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion or a special intention, please email massintention@ststthomasjohn.org with the following information:

- Which church – St. Thomas (on the altar and chapel) & St. John (on the altar)
- Intention for – name(s)
- Deceased or Living or Occasion
- Requested by – name(s)
- Requested week date or first available



The cost of the lamp is \$20. It will burn for one week and the intention will be published in the Bulletin.

To register for your child's or children's Baptism go online ststthomasjohn.org choose Sacraments

Choose Baptism on the drop down menu, there you can register and find answers for some questions you may have.

Baptism Prep Class dates can be found online.

NEW SCHEDULE FOR BAPTISMS. *****

St. Thomas the Apostle: Saturday at 1pm

St. John Vianney: November—February: Saturdays at 2:00 pm

March—October: Saturdays at 3:00 pm

Sundays during the 10:00 am Mass



**** If you have already scheduled a Baptism and would like to change the date or location please contact Terry: terry@ststthomasjohn.org

GIFTS FOR JESUS

A Christmas Challenge for children and adults— in other words, EVERYONE!

The Advent season has started so Christmas is not far behind. We are already busy putting up house lights and trees, shopping, baking, and going to parties. **THE REASON FOR THE SEASON IS JESUS**, but perhaps we forget that sometimes.

To prepare our hearts for Christmas, what if we committed to giving Jesus a gift for Christmas? We're not talking about a monetary gift, but a gift of service, time, talent, or sacrifice.

We've asked our Religious Education students what they would give Jesus for Christmas. Visit the all-purpose room to see their adorable and moving gift ideas. While you're there, take a post-it note, write down your gift, and place it on the large folding panel. No need to include your name. If you need help, search your heart or ask Jesus.

Here are some examples:

- . Pray the rosary daily
- . Call or mail a card to a friend who is sick
- . Abstain or go meatless one day per week (think Lent)
- . Bring a can of food to Mass
- . Pray for someone who has hurt you at Mass
- . Donate to Catholic Charities
- . Help with decorating or cleaning the church
- . Attend daily Mass
- . Read the bible for 10 minutes each day
- . Offer to bring up the gifts
- . Go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation

tions of what the Messiah should be.” [9] “As bad as Herod and Herodias were, they were small concerns compared to the problems Jesus came into the world to confront. **Jesus came to address the problems that affect all peoples of all times: the powers of sin and death.**” [10]

What kind of Messiah do we want Jesus to be? Do we want Him to rain down fire and brimstone from heaven to consume the wicked? Would we rather have the Prince of Peace? Are we **patient enough** to await Christ's Advent fully with joyful anticipation? The awe and the wonder of the Nativity of the Lord should renew us, refresh us, and fill us with great joy!

Please remember to slow down a little and take the foot off the gas for a moment. The anticipation of the Advent Season should not be lost in a cloud of exhaust fumes and burnt rubber smoke as we peel off to the next task on the list. Remember to take in the sights, the Christmas lights, some hot apple cider and cinnamon sticks, and some seasonal pumpkin spice and apple cider treats. Enjoy a festive meal and the company of both family and friends. **In a word, remember to enjoy life! Gaudete Sunday has arrived!** Therefore, we **should rejoice!** Be well and God bless.

Prayerfully,

Fr. Ben

[1] Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary, FAITH Catholic, Lansing, MI, January 2022, Pg. 519. [2] Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary, FAITH Catholic, Lansing, MI, 2025 Vol 58, No. 4, Pg. 519. [3] Loose-Leaf Lectionary for Mass, Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, 2025, Order of St. Benedict, Pg. 17h. [4] Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary, FAITH Catholic, Lansing, MI, January 2022, Pg. 519. [5] Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary, FAITH Catholic, Lansing, MI, January 2022, Pgs. 519-520. [6] Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary, FAITH Catholic, Lansing, MI, January 2022, Pg. 520. [7] Loose-Leaf Lectionary for Mass, Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, 2022, Order of St. Benedict, Pg. 17h. [8] Ibid. [9] Ibid. [10] Ibid.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT—December 7, 2025

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

Envelopes, Loose Check & Cash: \$2,815

Online Giving: \$775

TOTAL: \$3,590

Weekly Expenses: \$5,598

Last Year: \$2,977

Retired Religious: \$1,394

Maintenance: \$510

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Envelopes, Loose Checks & Cash: \$3,911

Online Giving: \$1,950

TOTAL: \$5,861

Weekly Expenses: \$6,972

Last Year: \$6,954

Retired Religious: \$2,827

Diocesan Assessment: \$202



The Saint John Vianney Christmas Giving Tree

We invite you to take a Giving Tree tag home and give a gift to one of the children in our

Catholic Charities program

or one of the clients of

Catholic Charities Department of Persons with Disabilities. (DPD)

Gifts need to be returned by

NEXT Sunday, December 21

NEW RETURN DATE!

Cant fit anymore coats!



Thank you so much to Betty & Jerome for picking up the coats from us and bringing them to Catholic Charities Father English Center this past Monday.

Thank you to all our generous parishioners who donated.

Thank you to our 6th grade Religious Education students for sorting the coats and getting the coats ready for pick up

Thank you to Matthew Bowers for helping the students accomplish their tasks

Thank you to our dedicated 6th grade catechist who runs this program with her class every year.

Acts of Kindness

Outreach to the Homebound

Let's remember our parishioners who are homebound, in assisted living, or in nursing homes with a card, visit, or phone call to brighten their day.

Carmela (Mel) Houlihan

6 Aztec Trail

Oak Ridge, NJ 07438

Tess Martin

200 Bristol Glen Drive Apt. 414

Newton, NJ 07860



If you would like to add someone's contact information to this list, please email it to Lynn at

dmccart4@optonline.net or call 973-970-5335.

Help Feed the Hungry this Advent Using a Reverse Advent Calendar

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

- * November 30 – Cookies
- December 1 – Cereal
- December 2 – Small jar instant coffee
- December 3 – Pasta sauce/pasta
- December 4 – Shampoo
- December 5 – Toothpaste
- December 6 – Oatmeal
- December 7 – Toilet paper
- December 8 – Cereal
- December 9 – Can openers
- December 10 – Juice boxes
- December 11 – Crackers
- December 12 – Peanut butter
- December 13 – Pasta sauce/pasta
- December 14 – Small jar instant coffee
- December 15 – Cereal
- December 16 – Toilet paper
- December 17 – Shampoo
- December 18 – Pasta sauce/pasta
- December 19 – Small jar instant coffee
- December 20 – Toilet paper
- December 21 – Cookies
- December 22 – Soap bars
- December 23 – Cereal
- December 24 – Knorr rice/noodles or Rice A Roni

Feel free to substitute any item

What is a reverse Advent calendar? Typically, Advent calendars are filled with candy and you open one window each day beginning on December 1 and ending on Christmas Day. A reverse Advent calendar encourages you to give or donate something each day of Advent—thus giving instead of receiving. We invite everyone from St. Thomas the Apostle and St. John Vianney to help feed the hungry as we count down to Christmas using a Reverse Advent Calendar. Each day during Advent, place one food item aside as a donation for the food pantry. When you go to Mass, bring your week's donations and place them in the box for the food pantry *or* you can drop your items off any time by the Rectory door. A list of suggested items to donate is attached. Feel free to substitute items if you wish. Encourage your children to participate by having them help gather the items or decorate the bag you're using to collect the items each week. They can also enclose a hand-made card or picture with the food. Any involvement can help them understand that Christmas is about sharing and helping others, not just about receiving gifts.

SUNDAY

DECEMBER 21

Join us at SJV

Church Basement

Let us make breakfast for you so
you don't have to clean the dishes
the last Sunday before Christmas



Pancake Breakfast



His Holiness Pope Francis
imparted an Apostolic
Blessing on the Knights of
Columbus's Icon of the
Sacred Heart from the
Vatican on October 16,
2024. Memorial of St.
Margaret Mary Alacoque

The St. Thomas the Apostle Knights of Columbus Council 5510
has the unique opportunity of hosting an

Icon of the Sacred Heart

from now through December 19.

The Icon will be on display in the church on December 13, 14, and 15.

**There will be a Holy Hour at St. Thomas the Apostle
on Sunday, December 14 at 3:00 pm.**

All are welcome!

The Icon is available to parishioners of St. Thomas the Apostle on December 16,
17, and 18. Those interested may contact Deacon Jim Cammarano
at 973-970-4951 to request the Icon for one of those nights.



STA CHURCH CLEANING—Friday, December 19, 2025

If you are available to help clean St. Thomas Church, Chapel and Social Hall we would LOVE you help. On Friday, December 19 at 10AM.



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

We invite you to help beautify our Churches and with Christmas flowers in the name of a beloved family member or friend, living or deceased by using the attached Christmas Flower envelope. There is another dimension to our Christmas Liturgies - our Music Programs. If you would be interested in helping supplement our Christmas Music Program, we invite your financial participation. Again, it may be in the name of a beloved family member or friend. (Please note your music intention on the flower envelope.) A donation of \$20.00 is requested and there will be a list of those remembered in our Christmas bulletin. Perhaps you could mail that weekend's bulletin to the one you remembered. **Please return the Flower Envelopes by December 21**



Knights of Columbus

Council #5510

St. Thomas The Apostle Church

News

Recently Our Knights of Columbus Council #5510 presented Eight Cases of Baby Wipes (7,200) and two Cases of Diapers (366) to Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center located in Hawthorne NJ

This is another example of the charitable work done by our Knights of Columbus!

"TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON"

A TIME TO BE HEALED

Prayers for the sick: Kathy Brennen, Kevin Wickert, Fumiko Lutz, Patricia Carapola, Gail Brennan, Richard Lavelle, Stephen Vecchiotti, Vincent Ottani, Darlene Kolakovic, Kenny Miscisak, Emily Schmidt, Tim Lambert, Nancy, Sebastian Drelick, Frank Weber, Carole DeCepoli, Bert DeLuca, Maryellen Leppard, Kelly Cokinos Fleming, Sophia Brandt, Elaine M., Joey Dyl, Teresa Nussbaum, Antionette Volpe, Paul Pini, Jimmy Bariso, Joanne, Noreen Schuk, Katherine Kaiser, Danielle Peece, Chris Day, Carmela Houlihan, Sharon VanDyke, Karen McCarthy, Robert Martin, Ashlyn Lausch, Jim, Barbara Eckert, Sandor Heitler, Kevin Corman, Lily, Nicholas Falzarano, Paul Farruggia, Val Ciaburri, Thomas Sharkey, Lisa Litterri, Lynn Hall, Norbert Kalokira, Michael Savage, Guy Bakera, Shannon Murphy Flannery, Brenda, Debra Willams Robarge and Joe Stanley.

A TIME TO MOURN

Prayers for the deceased: Joan DeVito, Al Cannarozzi, Jr., Angelina (Angel) Pappianne, Frank Wilpert, Jeffrey Ryan, Frank Scillieri, Etzer Jerome, Rita Rugel, Alice Warren, Joseph T. Murphy, Joseph F. Dooley, Patricia (Pat) Snouffer, Amy Snouffer, Joan Myszka, Crescia (Chris) Osborne, Ray Troxell, Barbara Runz, Joseph Carabillo, John R. Gadbois, Elizabeth A. O'Donnel, Tommy Gigante, Thomas Joyce, Richard "Dick" Martin, James (Jim) Cerullo, Jr., Mario Provenzano, Richard Alheidt, William H. Osbun, Lynn Padula Brennan, Daniel Morales, Joseph Spagna, Carol Corazza, Amy Alheidt, Dominick Restuccia, Helen Engle, Stanley Fautas, Robert Michael Allender II, Alfanso Bruccoleri, Anthony (Tony) Campana, Elaine J. Marone, Delores Carhart, Lynda McTigue, Karen Dulfer, Joe Carrier, William "Bill" Feuss, John Golden, Noreen Nuzzo, William Marone and Ed & Grace Battaglia, Richard Sandervan, Rosina Gleeson, Mary Ann Castiglia, Rich Day, Dolly Petrosino, Dorothy Konner, Diana J. Matthews, June Day, Joseph Farawell, Anne Cooper, Peter Joyce, Tommy Klein, Andy Dambach, Rick DeYoung, John Gleason, Dolores M. Urcinole, Angela Feldman, Brenda Nussbaum, Frank Bagnati, Anthony Tran, Zdzislaw Lewicki, Jack Furman, Lillian Agovino and Courtney Sanchelli.

A TIME FOR PEACE

We pray for those in our parish who are+ currently serving in the armed forces especially: Staff Sgt. Antoino Lettizia, USMC, OSSN (SW) Anthony S. Gambuti, US Navy, Captain Andrew Verdes, Haley Kerrison Lt1, Army, 2nd Lt. Clara Fetter, USMC, USAF Airman Andrew Babich, Chaplin Major Jhon Madrid, Airman Gianna Perez, USAF and Lt. Col. Colleen O'Brien, Army, Paul Letizia Sergeant USMC, Sergeant Thomas J. Soules III, US Army, PFC Thomas Young, Army National Guard and PFC Thomas Young, Army, PFC Kyle Peters, Army, Nicholas Roberts, US Navy, Petty Officer Miguel A. Rodriguez USN and Ret. Master Chief Miguel Rodriguez, USN *In honor of the Military serving our country at home and abroad, we invite you to recite three (3) Hail Mary's for their safety. We also pray for the family and friends of those listed above.*

BAPTISM

Baptisms are held at both parishes. If you are a first time parents you must attend a Baptism Preparation class. Baptism Classes are held Mondays at STA 7:00pm and Saturdays at SJV 10:00am check our website for dates.

For more information and to register for Baptism: www.ststthomasjohn.org

MARRIAGES

Prior to your booking of the reception, please call the Parish Office 1 year in advance of the wedding date to allow for proper pre-marital preparation.

Knights of Columbus Council Meetings

St. John Vianney Council #12649 meets at Saint John Vianney the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm.

Joseph Lamb Council #5510 meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Wiegand Farm.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: A parishioner is one who belongs to the parish family. As such, they are registered and committed through participation in the life of the parish. In order for marriages to be administered and for Sponsor Certificates, recommendations, etc. to be issued by the office, the person requesting must be a registered online: ststthomasjohn.org and active member of Saint John Vianney or Saint Thomas the Apostle.

We request that you register when you move into our community so that we may be of service to you. Please use the QR code register.

"If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator: Dr. Ken McNeil at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: Rev. Msgr. T. Mark Condon, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818 Ext. 205 or Sister Theresa Lee, FMA, Chancellor / Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818 Ext. 248. The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site: www.patersondiocese.org.

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