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Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Sacrament of
Marriage
Make arrangements six months
prior to wedding

Sacrament of Baptism Every Sunday after the 12:30 Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 23, 2016

Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Frank and Rose Mazzanti 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 24, 2016

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Donald W. Hoyle, Sr. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. **Martin Menchen**

11:00 a.m. Rev. Antoney Erathara S.D.B. --

Living

12:30 p.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

Monday, January 25, 2016

Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

8:00 a.m. **Lorraine Cocozza** 12:00 noon **Martin Lynch**

Tuesday, January 26, 2016

Feast of Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

8:00 a.m. **Thomas Bargallo** 12:00 noon Louise DeSanto

Wednesday, January 27, 2016 Feast of St. Angela Merici, Virgin

Evelyn Roesner – 5th Anniversary 8:00 a.m.

12:00 noon **Daniel J. Harrington**

Thursday, January 28, 2016

Feast of St. Thomas Aguinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Benito and Maria Odoardi

12:00 noon Marie G. Flynn

Friday, January 29, 2016

8:00 a.m. Makram Yacoub -- Birthday

12:00 noon Dr. Maria Santorineau

Saturday, January 30, 2016

8:00 a.m. Dolores A. Juliano

Saturday, January 30, 2016

Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Joan Winters and Bridie Kearns

Sunday, January 31, 2016

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass for the Parishioners of 8:00 a.m.

St. John the Baptist

9:30 a.m. **Mary Corcoran**

Anna Olivieri – 13th Anniversary 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. Luise Lyddy and Breeda Flynn

WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 24th

Children's Mass – 9:30 a.m. – Church Coffee and Craft Hour – following Mass – Cafeteria

Wednesday, January 27th

Senior Club – following 12:00 noon Mass – lower Church

R.E. Grades 1^{st} through 5^{th} -- 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. - School R.E. Grades 6^{th} through 8^{th} -- 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. - School R.E. 3rd Grade 1st Penance – 4:15 p.m. -- Church

Friday, January 29th

3rd Grade 1st Penance -- 9:00 a.m. – Church

Saturday, January 30th

Pinewood Derby – 1:00 p.m. – lower Church

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, January 23rd

5:00 p.m. – C. Castaldi and N. DeMatteo

Sunday, January 24th

8:00 a.m. - C. Elias and R. Peter 9:30 a.m. – S. Healy and N. Tierney 11:00 a.m. - J. Corcoran and R. Corcoran 12:30 p.m. – M. DiRosa and P. DiRosa

Saturday, January 30th

5:00 p.m. – N. Leo, D. Odume and J. Velasquez

Sunday, January 31st

8:00 a.m. – N. Camacho and D. Hijazin 9:30 a.m. – A. Burke, K. Burke and S. Joyce 11:00 a.m. – E. McLaughlin and J. Postighone 12:30 p.m. – F. Albano and K. Gilligan



Special Children's Mass: This week at our 9:30 a.m. Mass, we once again welcome younger boys and girls to a Special Mass where they will be excused

after the Opening Prayer and go to the Church Hall for a special Liturgy of the Word. After this Mass please join us for a Family Coffee and Craft Hour in the school cafeteria at which we will have refreshments and make crafts for the family. We are very grateful to the parent-leaders (as well as some older children) who are assisting with this program.



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: This is the third year of the Church's three year liturgical cycle. Each of those three years features one of the three synoptic gospels. This year ("Year C") features the Gospel according to St. Luke – which begins today – appropriately enough – at the beginning of the Gospel (Lk. 1:14; 4:14-21). The first four verses of chapter one precede the familiar story of Jesus' ministerial call as given in the book of the prophet Isaiah. The relationship of this reading to the first reading from the book of Nehemiah (8:2-10) may seem distant, yet both readings give credence to the power of the assembly. For Jesus (in Luke), it is in the liturgical assembly of the synagogue that He makes His statement of intent. The Israelites, in a sense, are starting over, while Jesus is starting anew. Both events speak to us of the importance of ministry within the community. The word of the Law is read and explained and agreed upon. In this way the disruption brought about by the years of captivity is ended. Weeping, the people rejoice in the Lord. For Jesus, the word of the prophet is read and explained as being "fulfilled in your hearing." Ministry in the community is celebrated when we acknowledge the diversity and complimentary of the gifts present among us.

SPECIAL SAINTS' DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday, January 25^h – Conversion of Paul

This feast celebrates one of the greatest conversions of all time. Saul, a fierce persecutor of the Church became – almost overnight – just as fiercely devoted to Christianity and in a matter of a few years the greatest Christian evangelist in history. Let us pray today for all those who are preparing to enter the Catholic Church.

Tuesday, January 26th - Sts. Timothy and Titus

These two men lived in the very first century of the Christian era; they were disciples and associates of St. Paul and they were appointed bishops of the Church in Ephesus and Crete. The letters written to them in the New Testament give us extraordinary witness to the life of the Church at the very beginning.

Wednesday, January 27th – St. Angela Merici

In the late 15th century, Angela founded a congregation of women (the Ursulines) dedicated to teaching children and caring for the poor – two of the tasks that have been an essential part of the Church's mission in every age.

Thursday, January 28th - St. Thomas Aquinas

Thomas was the son of noble Italian parents who intended for him to be a Benedictine monk. Thomas was attracted to the newly formed Order of Preachers (Dominicans) and eventually made his way into their ranks. A great scholar and man of prayer, Thomas preferred a humble way of life. His legacy has prevailed as one of the greatest theologians in the Church. Known as the "Angelic Doctor". Thomas is the patron of schools and colleges.



<u>Mass Requests for 2017</u>: The Mass "book" for 2017 will be open for reservations as of Thursday, February 18th. Because of the number of Parishioners who wish to arrange Masses at St. John's, we must request that Mass reservations be made in person. On Thursday, February 18th those seeking to make Mass reservations should do so in the lower church (not the rectory)

starting at 9:00 a.m. Someone will be there all morning and in the afternoon until 3:00 p.m. After February 18th, Mass requests for 2017 should be made in the rectory, Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Our office staff is simply unable to handle requests by phone if they are to complete the regular volume of work they have. In addition, individual Mass reservations are <u>limited to three on February 18th</u>, so we may accommodate as many parishioners as possible. (<u>After the initial day, more Mass reservations may be made at the rectory later in the week.</u>) We remind everyone that there are a number of retired priests who are able to take Mass requests – even for 2016. We are happy to provide Mass cards for these Masses; however, they will not be celebrated here at St. John's.

Sunday Report: Last weekend 1,360 parishioners attended Mass; our collection totaled \$9120.00; average contribution: \$6.71. Thank you for your continued financial support of St. John's and its many needs. Your generosity is essential and greatly appreciated.



Rest in Peace: Let us pray for Michael Coughlan, Josephine Levinstim and Salvatore Tascione who were buried from our church this past week. Our prayers go out to their

families and friends.



S.J.B. School Registration: Registration applications, for September 2016 may be picked up in the school office 8:00 a.m. to

3:00 p.m. during the week of January 25th through January 29th. Pre-K registrants must be 4 years old by December 1, 2016.



S.J.B. Senior Club News: The Senior Club has begun 2016 with their regular Wednesday meetings. Our February plans include First

Friday Mass on the 5th at 12:00 noon followed by a surprise luncheon. Ash Wednesday is on February 10th and the start of Lent. With winter's possible foul weather, our trips will be put on hold until the spring.



Save the Date: Come join us as the Rosary Altar Society presents its annual Card Party on Saturday, February 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the lower church. More details to follow. Anyone wishing to make a monetary or new

gift donation can kindly drop off at the Rectory. Attn: R.A.S. Card Party.

Rosarv Altar Society Annual Scholarship Bake Sale:



Our Scholarship Bake Sale which benefits two of St. John the Baptist 8th Grade girls will be held on Saturday, February 6th and Sunday, February 7th after all the masses in the lower church. There will be plenty of goodies and

raffles. Any donations of baked/bought items can be dropped off to the lower church on Saturday, February 6th after 2 pm. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



Second Collection: This weekend we will take up our monthly special collection to support our school and maintain our school facilities. The school is not only used for our

grammar school children, our CCD classes and our RCIA program, but for a variety of community and parish activities. It is vital that we keep our school facilities in excellent condition. We ask for a contribution of \$7.00 in this monthly collection and once again express our appreciation for your generosity.



"Working" Group: A free 6-week Employment/Networking Support Group will be offered by the RDC Center for Counseling and Human Development -

Monday evenings 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. on January 25th, February 1st, 8th, 22nd, 29th and March 7th. This program is for persons who have recently lost their jobs or who are returning to the workforce after a few years of not working. The program will be held at the White Plains Education and Training Center, 303 Quarropas Street, White Plains. To register or for more information call Pat Sheridan, LCSW at 798-1103.

Special Promotion: H & R Block (777 Central Park Avenue, between Mavis Tire and Goldberg's Bagels) is having an early season promotion. Nationwide they will be giving \$1000 to 1000 people (\$1 million) each day for 30 days from January 16th to February 15th. Anyone (new or previous clients) who comes in and has their taxes done will be entered into the drawing for that day and all the remaining days of the contest. So you have 30,000 chances to win. Good luck. Their number is 968-5327.



Special Program: St. Barnabas is beginning a seven ANNOUNCEMENT week program, Discovering

Christ, starting on Sunday, January 31st at 2:30 p.m. in St. Barnabas high school. The 2 hour program involves a video presentation, small group discussion and a complementary dinner. The program will explore questions about the meaning of life and our personal experience of Jesus Christ. The program is free and open to all – but you must register in advance. For information, call St. Barnabas rectory (718-324-1478) or Joan Cummings, the program coordinator (914-441-2454).

Shrine for Jubilee Year: The Marian Shrine at the Don Bosco Retreat Center under the pastoral care of the Salesians of Don Bosco has been designated by Cardinal Dolan as a site for the "Holy Door" for the Jubilee Year of Mercy announced by our Holy Father. The Marian Shrine is located in Stony Point, NY, is open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day, with special time for confessions, Mass and rosary. All are welcome.



R.A.S. Meeting and Mass: Please join the Rosary Altar Society at their monthly Mass next Sunday, February 7th at 11:00 a.m. Please join the Rosarians for "BINGO and Bring vour own Desert Night" at their

meeting next Monday, February 8th at 8:00 p.m. in the lower church.



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