

Mission Statement

In the spirit of St. John Vianney's zeal and concern for people, we are a community proclaiming the Gospel in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. The community of St. John Vianney strives to utilize the gifts and talents of each parishioner to create a vibrant welcoming parish. Through our liturgies, ministries, and organizations, we encounter Christ and are empowered to bring Him to the world.

Parish Staff

Administrative Assistant	Linda Dunbar
Parish Secretary	Stephanie Noto
Administrative School Secretary	Agnes Bacsik
School Office Assistant	Laura Gruenling
Parish/School Bookkeeper	Paula Roibal
Maintenance Supervisor	Poncho Julius

Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday	7am - 8:45am
Saturday	8am - 5pm - 7pm
Sunday	7am - 9am - 10:45am - 12:15pm

Holy Days will be announced at the end of mass and in the bulletin.

Sacramental Schedule

Reconciliation: Saturdays 11am-12pm & after 7pm
Anytime in the rectory – call ahead

Baptism: most Sundays at 1:30pm.
Requirements: registration in parish, baptism preparation class, arrangements are made at least 3 MONTHS prior to the date of the baptism. Sponsors and Christian witnesses need verification of belonging to a Church.

Anointing of the Sick: anyone who is ill or and would like to receive Communion is asked to call the rectory.

Marriage: Couples planning marriage must notify the Parish Rectory at least ONE YEAR in advance for date and necessary info. Pre-Cana classes and F.O.C.C.U.S. Program etc. are required. At least one party must be a registered member of this parish.

Parish Membership

All new families who live within our boundaries are welcome to the parish. They are requested to register at the rectory. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for us to issue testimonial letters, recommendations, references, etc. When you move or change your address please notify the rectory beforehand. Anyone under 18 years of age/older not in school must be registered separate of their family. Thank you.

Mass Intentions – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, September 23, 2018

7:00 AM	Joseph Kurdyla, r/o Peter & Christine Farnaniec & family
9:00 AM	For the people of the parish living or deceased
10:45 AM	Josephina Mariamo, r/o Maria Neves & family
12:15 PM	Laura Smith, r/o Feeney family

MONDAY, September 24, 2018

7:00 AM	Michael J. Toung, r/o Maureen Sexton
8:45 AM	Baby Miriam, r/o Anne Marie & Joseph Nappi

TUESDAY, September 25, 2018

7:00 AM	Linda Tardiff, r/o William Krohne
8:45 AM	Sr. Rose Maxine, r/o Mr. & Mrs. Connie O'Donnell

WEDNESDAY, September 26, 2018 – Saints Cosmas & Damian

7:00 AM	Frank K. Gong, r/o Loving family
8:45 AM	Joan Cassidy, r/o Jack Cassidy

THURSDAY, September 27, 2018 – St. Vincent de Paul

7:00 AM	Rae Germinario, r/o JoAnne & Ed Staab
8:45 AM	William Cisko III, r/o Joe & Rose Ragucci

FRIDAY, September 28, 2018 – St. Wenceslaus

7:00 AM	David Nisky, r/o Joe & Barbara Nisky
8:45 AM	William Dacey, r/o Egger 7 Maureen Lugo

SATURDAY, September 29, 2018 – Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

8:00 AM	Joan Partyka, r/o Partyka family
5:00 PM	Tony Kaminski, r/o family
7:00 PM	Sr. Rose Maxine, r/o Feeney family

SUNDAY, September 30, 2018

7:00 AM	For the people of the parish living or deceased
9:00 AM	Deceased of Lombardi & Marco Families, r/o Louise Faccione
10:45 AM	Cologero Mirable, r/o Mr. & Mrs. Krowicki
12:15 PM	Cosmo Esposito, r/o Doris Saldutti Steve & Alison McClay

The Bread and Wine have been offered in loving memory of Bbay Miriam from Anne Marie & Joseph Nappi & for Rose Thompson from Cliff & Agnes Bacsik.



Flowers for the Altar have been donated in loving memory of Joan Hatzlhofer from family.

The Sanctuary Light has been donated in loving memory of Frank K. Gong his loving family.



The Prayer Corner

"There is a season and a time for every purpose..."

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

TO WED

Melissa Morrison & Michael Sanzari

TO HEAL

Ryan Shaughnessy, Barbara Perez, Marc Repace, Art Horning, Bob Bayer, Annie Panaccione, Carl Walker, Mary Ragucci, Mary Bowkley, Edward Sprague, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Helen Slusark, Eileen Reilly, Ronald Syslo, Christine Camping, Arthur Ellermann, Gladys Gonzalez, Catherine Donahue, Becky McCabe, Art Boudier, Bill Hillyer, Marianne Muscavage, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco, Dorothy Zsamba, Charlene Misak, Mike Misak, Mary Ann Baureis, Andres Quijano, Eileen Ammon, John Murphy, Marian Cassel, Louis Faccone, Mary Mayo, William Kriston, Pauline Mendicino-Franke, Sadako Vargas, Robert Grecco, Baby Lucas DeCarlo.

TO JOIN GOD IN HEAVEN

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Keith D. Lee (National Guard), Captain Brian McCartin (Army), Staff Sgt. Matthew Harris (Army), Sgt. Albert Cipas (Airforce), Alan Bridges (Navy), John Bridges (Navy).

Weekend Readings

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

James 3:16-4:3

Mark 9:30-37

Weekday readings can be found on the parish website.

September 23, 2018 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all. "MARK 9:35

Jesus teaches us that we are called to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" = *sacred* and "facerre" = *to make*. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

Reflection

Last weekend we were left with a very important question: Who is Jesus to you? Based on our answers to this question, Jesus wants to know if we nurture our relationship with God each day. We are called to be disciples of Christ by loving Him and others from the heart, taking up our own cross, and living a life of good works. Our faith is a pure gift from God, and we must live what we claim to believe. It becomes challenging at times with the many distractions of the world, and therefore growing our faith and relationship with God takes work. Like any relationship, the effort must be 50/50. You cannot expect God to always answer you and save you if you are not willing to reciprocate by doing good works on earth and making time for Him each day. No one is a "perfect Catholic," and God does not expect perfection. He merely wants us to try to be the best version of ourselves and live out our Catholic beliefs to the best of our ability. So, is your faith alive or dead – and are you willing to share your life with God?

*I was lost, now I'm found by the father
I've been changed from a ruin to treasure
I've been given a hope and a future
I've been blessed beyond all measure.*





St. John Vianney School News

732-388-1662 <https://school.sjvianney.com/>

Our school year is off to a great start! Everyone has settled into their routines at this point. Our Pre-School is bursting at the seams with students in all four classrooms!

The 8th Grade is sponsoring a Fall Mum Sale. You can pick up an order form at the Receptionist's Desk in school. Orders must be placed by Monday, Sept. 24. The mums will be available for pick up on Tuesday, October 9, from 1-6 PM in the parking lot.

Our annual Technology Walk-a-Thon will take place on Wednesday, October 10. Help us equip our classrooms with 21st Century interactive tools. Stop by the Parish Center and fill out a pledge form to support our students.

The Spirituality Committee is inviting all parish and school families to join them on Wednesday, October 3, at 7 PM in the cafeteria to learn more about the Holy Rosary. Light refreshments will be served.

We are in need of Substitute Teachers and Substitute Teaching Assistants. For more information, please call the school office at 732-388-1662.

Religious Ed (CCD) News & Class Schedule

732-388-1424

Monday's Only

Grades 1 - 5 6pm - 7:15pm
Grades 6 & 7 7:30pm - 8:45pm

Thursday Only

Grade 8 6pm -8pm

PARISH MINISTRIES & CONTACTS

Organization	Contact	Phone
Altar Rosary Society	Louise Faccone	732-815-0004
Altar Servers	Mary Jantas	732-574-1191
Basketball	Joe Marinello	732-690-7061
Bible Study	Deacon Joe & Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Cheerleading	Cathy Carroll	732-574-0218
Communion/ Homebound	Joanne Streck	732-382-4147
Cub/Boy Scouts	Sandra Franczak	732-388-9076
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Finance Council	Cliff Bacsik	732-388-9034
HSA	Jen Walusz	732-388-5486
Knights of Columbus	Robert Luban	732-382-6939
Ladies Aux. K of C	Mary Swiderski	732-382-2558
Lazarus Ministry	Ann Ruth	732-381-6815
Lectors	Deacon Tom Michniewicz	732-574-1651
Music Ministry	Jamie Frame	908-331-0471
Pastoral Council	Suzanne McIntyre	732-283-0731
Pre-Cana	Deacon Tom & Janice Michniewicz	732-574-1651
Pro-Life	Carolyn Glodek	732-381-0499
R.C.I.A.	Deacon Joe Ragucci	732-548-3880
Secular Franciscans	Rev. J. Kubiak	732-574-0150
	Dolores Jules	908-756-3659
SJV Seniors	Robert & Mary Nilan	732-574-3427
Soccer	Jennie Derkack	732-574-2340
Social Justice	Jim Leathem	732-388-5512
St. Isidore's Garden	Maureen Jorgensen	732-396-4320
St. Vincent DePaul	Joe Pampalone	732-429-2901
Track	Amanda Miller	732-549-2356
Ushers	Ray Morgan	732-815-1037
Youth Group	Vacant	732-381-0008

Parish Gift Shop

Hours: before & after the 5pm mass, 9am mass, 10:45 mass, and 12:15 mass.

This Week at a Glance

Monday	6pm 7pm	CCD St. Vincent DePaul
Tuesday	7pm	Cub/Boy Scouts Alinon
Wednesday	7pm	Pro-Life
Thursday	6pm 6pm 6pm	Basketball Tryouts CCD Basketball Tryouts
Friday	10:30am 6pm	Secular Franciscan Basketball Tryouts
Saturday	8:30am 11am	Eucharistic Adoration Confessions
Sunday	1:30pm 3pm 6:30pm	Baptism Parish Meeting Bible Study

Upcoming Parish Meetings

Sunday, September 30th at 3pm in the church.
 Tuesday, October 2nd at 7pm in the church.

Father John's Installment as Pastor

Please join us on Saturday, October 6th for Father John's installment as Pastor of St. John Vianney during the 5pm mass. There will be a buffet reception to follow in the cafeteria. There will be no 7pm mass or evening confessions this weekend.

Saint of the Week: St. Vincent DePaul



St. Vincent DePaul is popularly known as the patron saint of charitable works and we celebrate his feast day on September 27th each year. Although known for his

acts of kindness and selflessness, he was also known to be a sometimes-grumpy man. He gave credit to intensive prayer and the commitment to his faith, for overcoming this. Letting go of his grumpy ways allowed him to put his time and energy into helping those less fortunate. St. Vincent DePaul is recognized for his charitable works and has a society named after him to carry on his legacy, started in 1833 by Blessed Frédéric Ozanam who greatly admired him. St. John Vianney continues this tradition with our own installment of the St. Vincent DePaul Society.

**St. Vincent DePaul:
 Friends of the Poor Walk**

It's that time of year again! On September 29th my daughter, Lisa, Suzanne McIntyre and I will once again be participating in the annual SVdP Friends of the Poor Walk in Long Branch. This year we will be joined by our seminarian **Jay Alquiros**. Over the past several years because of the generosity of so many people we have been able to raise thousands of dollars that have been used by our local conference to assist families in need. If you would like to support our efforts, you can do so by making a pledge. Just go to the Friends of the Poor website (www.fopwalk.org), click on Find a Walker, type in any of our names and follow the simple instructions. Thank you and God Bless You, Deacon Tom Michnewicz.

Music Ministry News

All our groups are now going into "Full Swing" for the fall season and as always, we welcome new members! We are happy to announce that ALL our groups will be participating during Father John's installation mass on Saturday October 5th at 5:00 pm!

Adult Choir

Our parish adult choir enhances our liturgies each Sunday from September through mid-June. The choir sings for many special occasions during the year, such as: Christmas Eve Mass, Holy Week, Confirmation, our "Mass of Remembrance" and provides two beautiful concerts for the parish, during Advent and Lent. We welcome all adults (And high school students) to be part of our choir! The adult choir sings weekly at the 9:00 am mass (And once a month at the 10:45 am mass). We practice each Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:00 pm in the church. **Our first rehearsal for the new season will be on Wednesday September 26th and we sing for the first time this season next Sunday at the 9:00 am mass.**

Children's Choir

Our parish children's choir is made of students from our parish from grades two and up! The choir sings for our parish Christmas Pageant and 4:00 pm mass on Christmas Eve, as well as the 9:00 am mass on Easter Sunday. We practice on Tuesday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:00 pm in the church. We sing twice a month at either the 9:00 or 10:45 am mass. **Our next rehearsal will be on Tuesday September 25th and we sing again on Sunday September 30th at the 10:45 am mass.** Please join us this Sunday September 16th for breakfast in the school cafeteria following the 9:00 am mass!

Folk Group

Our Parish Folk Group enhances the 12:15 liturgy each week. The Folk Group is under the direction of Ms. Jennie Esposito. Rehearsals are held weekly at 11:15 am in the conference room adjacent to the church gathering area. Jennie is always looking for more singers as well as instrumentalists to join with the Folk Group!

High School Group

This year we are going to start a new group consisting of high school students. We are reaching out to ALL high school students and parents to try to coordinate practices etc. While we are still in the planning stages, our hope is to have the students sing once a month at either the 10:45 or 12:15 pm mass. More information to follow!!

You can contact me at jframeiii@yahoo.com with any questions.

See you all at rehearsals,
 Jamie Frame
 Dir. Of Music/Organist

SJV Secular Franciscan Fraternity

The Secular Franciscan Order (Third Order) is not an organization or a club but an Order. Our Fraternity meets the Second Sunday of each month at 1:30pm in the upstairs room of St. John Vianney Church. Is God calling you to walk in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi? Do you want to deepen your relationship with the Lord & give witness to the Kingdom of God? Then come visit with us. Information call: Dolores Jules 908-756-3659



On behalf of the needy school children of the area, a heartfelt "thank you" to all who participated in the St. Vincent De Paul Backpack drive. Thanks to the generosity of the SJV community, we collected **over 60 backpacks with school supplies**. May God Bless you for your kindness to those less fortunate.

SJV Basketball 2018-2019 Season

OPEN GYM

SJV will host open gym
Wed 9/19 & Fri 9/21 6-9pm.

PARENTS MEETING

All parents are required to attend
Wed 9/26 at 6:30pm

TRYOUT INFO

- All SJV parish & students welcome!
- Tryouts will be held at the SJV Gym
- Players are recommended to attend both tryout sessions
- Players must wear sneakers and bring water
- Coaches needed at all grade levels

TRYOUT SCHEDULE

WED 9/26

Boys 3/4 grade 6-7pm
Boys 5/6 grade 7-8pm
Boys 7/8 grade 8-9pm

THURS 9/27

Girls 3-4 grade 6-7pm
Girls 5/6 grade 7-8pm
Girls 7/8 grade 8-9pm

FRI 9/28

Boys 3/4 grade 6-7pm
Boys 5/6 grade 7-8pm
Boys 7/8 grade 8-9pm

THURS 10/4

Girls 3/4 grade 6-7pm
Girls 5/6 grade 7-8pm
Girls 7/8 grade 8-9pm

For questions contact Joe Marinello:
joeSJVbball@gmail.com



Altar Rosary Society Communion Breakfast

The Altar Rosary Society is celebrating 57 years. A breakfast will be held at the Colonia Country Club after the 9am mass on October 7th. Tickets will be available at the Parish Gift Shop. This event will have valet parking. All are welcome!

SJV Spirituality Committee

All SJV Parish and School families are invited to join the Spirituality Committee in the SJV cafeteria on Wednesday, October 3rd at 7pm for the Holy Rosary. Light refreshments will be served. The Holy Rosary, one of the most powerful gifts of the Catholic Church, is an enormous source of grace and spiritual protection. If you would like to attend, please call the school 732-388-1662 or call the CCD office 732-388-1424.

POST CARD CAMPAIGN

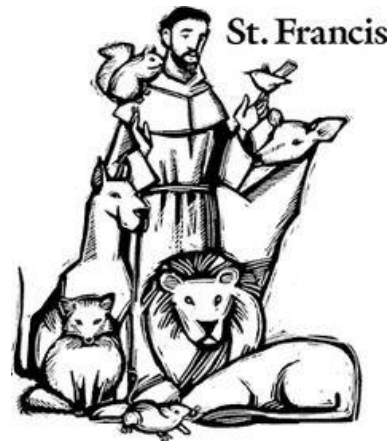
In NJ abortion for any reason is legal throughout all 9 months of pregnancy. The New Jersey Catholic Conference of Bishops has approved a statewide postcard campaign urging the State Senators and Assembly(wo)men to support the NJ Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, A1686/S537. If passed, this bill would protect babies in the womb at 20 weeks post-fertilization -that is 5 months and beyond. On Oct.13/14 there will be postcards for you to sign urging your senator and representatives to support and vote for this bill. Your signature and address on each card will help educate our legislators on this important issue. Please consider adding your voice to this campaign.

SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2018 OFFERTORY:

Collection: \$12,519.25
 On-line giving: \$1,919.00
 \$14,438.25

SEPTEMBER 16-17, 2017 OFFERTORY:

Collection: \$14,106.25
 On-line giving: \$1,734.00
 \$15,840.25



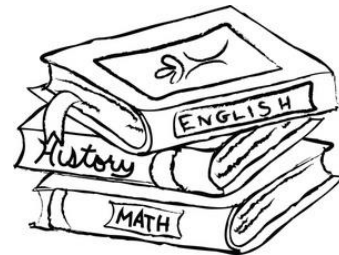
***The Blessing of the Animals will be on
 October 6th at 12:15 pm.***

Walk for Life

Please join us on Saturday, October 13th from 9am-12pm at Merrill Park for the Walk for Life. The day will include a DJ, refreshments, games, family fun, and students that participate can receive Confirmation hours! This event benefits the lifesaving work of Life Choices Resource Center. Register or donate today at www.LifeChoicesRC.com. Call (732) 516-0811 or text 848-229-7634 for more information.

Critical Life Issues Conference

On Saturday, October 20th, the Diocese of Metuchen in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Newark will be sponsoring the "17th Annual Critical Life Issues Conference." The theme is "Every Life: Cherished, Chosen & Sent." It will be held at the St. John Neumann Conference Center, Piscataway from 8:30am-3:30pm. Registration is \$25 – this fee includes lunch and handouts. To register please visit <http://diometuchen.org/critical-life> or call 732-562-1990 ext. 1629 or 1543.



Union Catholic High School Open House

Wednesday, October 3rd - 7:00 p.m.
 "Early Bird Tours" will begin at 6:15 pm
 For more information, contact Betsy Thornton at 908-889-1600, ext. 302 or bthornton@unioncatholic.org.

Bishop George AHR HS - Fall Open House

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018 – 1:00 – 4:00 pm
 Call Bishop Ahr for further info or directions (732) 549-1108 X620 or bgahs.org.



Novena for the Protection of all Human Life

The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3-September 28. Participants will receive weekly email/text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about *Roe v.*

Wade to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray

Mother Seton Regional HS

732-382-1952 – www.motherseton.org
 OPEN HOUSE – Girls Grades 5-8
 Sunday, September 23 – 1:00 pm
 "The Future is Hers"

St. Cecelia's Tricky Tray Gift Auction

Join us on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at St. Cecelia Church, 45 (Lourdes Hall). Doors open at 6:00 pm – Prizes called at 7:30 pm. General Admission is \$20 (includes 2 free sheets of yellow tickets and coffee/tea and dessert). The Bundle Package is \$80. Must be 18 or older to participate – Bring your own food and beverages. Tickets are available on www.stcecelia.com. For further information contact Kathy at 732-283-2300 or kbeglan@stcecelia.com.



2018 Champions for Catholic Charities Dinner

Please join us for this year's dinner will be Thursday, October 18th at The Palace at Somerset Park. Cocktails – 6:30pm, Dinner 7:30pm. The cost is \$250 per person. The honorees are David & Debra Samuel and Rev. Msgr. John N. Fell, STD. Your presence at the Champions Dinner will be a sign of solidarity for the less fortunate among us while providing much-needed financial support. For registration and information call 732-562-2432 or email champions@diometuchen.org.

St. Anthony's Relics Visit

The Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua, Port Reading

On Friday, October 5, 2018 the Franciscan Friars invite you to join them in welcoming Saint Anthony of Padua. St. Anthony will be visiting us in the form of two precious relics from his Basilica in Padua, Italy. The relics will be accompanied by Friar Mario Conte from the Messenger of St. Anthony in Padua.

The Body of Christ Prayer Group

Please join us for 7 Thursdays that will change your life! September 13th – October 25th. The prayer group will meet at St. Francis Cathedral, in Metuchen at 8pm each Thursday. For more information or to register contact Tom Mockoviak 732-549-4740 or mockofam@optonline.net.

Prayer petitions with holy cards will be distributed by Friar Mario and volunteers to allow parishioners to write their prayer petition to the saint. The writing of a prayer petition is a worldwide tradition when venerating a relic of a saint. Fr. Conte will bring the petitions back to the Basilica in Padua and place them at the tomb of St. Anthony where the Friars will gather to pray for the saint's intercession upon our intentions and petitions. All are welcome!



Veneration 10:00am - 8:00pm - Mass 12:15pm

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Gospel Today

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 9:30-37

Jesus says blessed are those who put others first. They will be first in Heaven.

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Whoever receives one child such as this in My name, receives Me.

- Mark 9:37



Below are words showing behaviors towards God's children...

Color the **GOOD ACT BLOCKS** yellow (the ones who put others first).

Color the **SELFISH ACT BLOCKS** blue (the ones who put themselves first).



We have learned, as followers of Jesus, we must carry our

_____.

Hint: See yellow colored blocks above.

Our talents come from God - be thankful and humble, but not boastful to others.