

**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 and or 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 18 years of age/older not in school must be registered separate of their family. Thank you.

**Mass Intentions – Palm Sunday**

**SATURDAY, April 13, 2019 – St. Martin I**

8:00 AM	Rose Cerami, r/o Michael Cerami & family
5:00 PM	Carole Trotzinka, r/o family
7:00 PM	Frank & Bertha Kalinowski, r/o the Fleming family

**SUNDAY, April 14, 2019 – Palm Sunday**

7:00 AM	For the people of our parish, living/deceased
9:00 AM	Hedy Moskwa, r/o Tony Moskwa
10:45 AM	Nicola & Lucia Biello, r/o Savina Biello
12:15 PM	Louis Rodriguez, r/o Mr. & Mrs. Alex Marino & family

**MONDAY, April 15, 2019**

7:00 AM	Edward Tice, r/o Toni & Terry Feeney
8:45 AM	Maria & Ludwik Kurdziel, r/o Christine & Tony Bukowski

**TUESDAY, April 16, 2019**

7:00 AM	Danny E. & Eileen Bodeck, r/o family
8:45 AM	Sigmund Swiderski, r/o wife & family
7:30 PM	<i>Tenebrae Service</i>

**WEDNESDAY, April 17, 2019**

7:00 AM	Wendy Moeller, r/o family
8:45 AM	Maria Summers, r/o family

**THURSDAY, April 18, 2019 – Holy Thursday**

8:45 AM	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
7:30 PM	<i>Mass of Lord's Supper</i>

**FRIDAY, April 19, 2019 – Good Friday**

8:45 AM	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
3:00 PM	<i>Celebration of Lord's Passion</i>
7:00 PM	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>

**SATURDAY, April 20, 2019 – Holy Saturday**

8:45 AM	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
12:00 PM	<i>Blessing of Food</i>
8:00 PM	<i>Easter Vigil</i>

**SUNDAY, April 21, 2019 – Easter Sunday**

7:00 AM	Danny Tarectecan, r/o family
9:00 AM	Henry Parzykowski, r/o Zyra family
10:45 AM	For the people of our parish, living/deceased
12:15 PM	Maryann Magliozzi, r/o McCormac family

**The bread & wine have been offered in loving memory of Frances Rudden from Brian Madden, and also, for Sigmund Swiderski from wife and family.**



**The sanctuary light has been offered in loving memory of John Jacobi from the Accardi family.**



*The Prayer Corner*

*“There is a season and a time for every purpose...”*

**A TIME TO BAPTIZE**

**TO WED**

**TO HEAL**

Trevor Horning, Lou Peragallo, Joann Alach, Tyler Brown, Johanna Esposito, Fran & Bill Hefelee, Maria Middleton, Mary Shegas, Nina Stefanelli, Nikoloz, Joanne Villanueva, Tom Woods, Clare Weber, Mary Aeschliman, Vincent Dellaquila, Linda Wittmann, Erin O’Halloran, Joseph Reilly, Joe Vitello, Arlon Roth, Edward O’Brien, Theresa Lipuma, June Laub, Mary Yanuzzi, Jill Bartholomew, Deacon Tom Michnewicz, AJ Julius, Mary Ellermann, Lynn Tumblety, Maryann Robson, Nick Troiano, Ryan Shaughnessy, Bob Bayer, Carl Walker, Mary Ragucci, Edward Sprague, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Ronald Syslo, Christine Camping, Arthur Ellermann, Gladys Gonzalez, Catherine Donahue, Art Bouder, Bill Hillyer, Marianne Muscavage, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco, Dorothy Zsamba, Charlene Misak, Mike Misak, Mary Ann Baureis, Andres Quijano, Eileen Ammon, Marian Cassel, Louis Faccone, Pauline Mendicino-Franke, Sadako Vargas, Robert Grecco, Baby Lucas DeCarlo.

**TO JOIN GOD IN HEAVEN**

Josephine Rivetti, Eleanor Warren & Barbara Giordano

**A TIME OF WAR & PEACE**

Keith D. Lee (Air National Guard), Captain Brian McCartin (Army), Staff Sgt. Matthew Harris (Army), Sgt. Albert Cipas (Airforce), Alan Bridges (Navy), John Bridges (Navy), PO 3 Liam Ryan (Navy), 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Phillip G. Faccone Jr. (Marines), Sgt. Steven Loglisci (Marines), Bryan Alexander Perez (Army), Brandon Haynes (Army), Jared Endler (National Guard).

**Weekend Readings**

Luke 19:28-40  
 Isaiah 50:4-7  
 Philippians 2:6-11  
 Luke 22:14-23:56

*Weekday readings can be found on the parish website.*

**April 14, 2019 – Palm Sunday**

*“I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me.”*

*LUKE 22:34*

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance? Or, do you remain quiet because you believe people will think negatively about you? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue when the opportunity arises.

**Reflection**

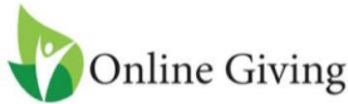
Last weekend we heard the story of the woman who was caught in adultery, which at the time was not only a sin but a capital offense. While the sin this woman committed was wrong, the mob of people who surrounded her, yelling profanities, mocking her, preparing to stone her, were also in the wrong. These people called Jesus to the woman, not out of the goodness of their hearts because they knew what she had done was wrong, but to try and trick Jesus by seeing what His response would be. Jesus responded saying, “He who is without sin, cast the first stone.” It is so easy to judge and penalize others, but we don’t take responsibility for our own faults and sins. Who are we to judge others for sinning differently than we do? We are not true disciples of Christ if we do not know of and admit our own sins. Think of what must have been going through this woman’s head – she must have felt worthless and ready to die after how she was treated, but Jesus showed her compassion when she couldn’t even show that to herself. She was disowned by everyone and thought she had nothing left, but there was Jesus standing over her, welcoming her back to Him. The woman turned her life around, following Jesus’ example of love and mercy. We all carry our own crosses each day and we never truly know what other people are going through. Instead of passing judgement on others, I encourage all of you to reflect on what crosses you are currently carrying. Remember that we can always go forth as forgiven sinners if we are willing to repent and accept Jesus’ forgiveness and love. Instead of fearing judgement, we should take pride in being disciples of Jesus.



**APRIL 7, 2019**

**OFFERTORY:**

Collection:	\$ 16,812.00
On-line giving:	\$ 2,290.00
	\$ 19,102.00
Avg. Weekly Expenses:	-\$ 22,781.50
Balance:	-\$ 3,679.50



A Secure & Convenient Way to Give to St. John Vianney Church

**Donate Now!**

No cash or check? No problem! Our parish offers a convenient, safe, and automatic way to contribute to our parish directly from your bank or using a credit card. Online Giving is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. You will still receive offering envelopes to present during offertory at Mass to indicate "I've given online". Online Giving is very easy to use and requires no special knowledge. If you haven't already signed up, then go to our parish website at "sjvianney.com" and select Online Giving. It's easy and safe!



**This Week at a Glance**

Monday	6:00pm	CCD
Tuesday	4:00pm	Children's Choir Practice
	7:30pm	Al-Anon
	8:45pm	Adult Choir Practice
Wednesday	11:30am	School Dismissal
	7:30pm	Brass Quartet Practice
Thursday	8:45am	Morning Prayer School Closed Rectory 1/2 day
Friday	8:45am	Morning Prayer School Closed Rectory Closed
	7:00pm	Stations Only No Benediction
Saturday	8:45am	Morning Prayer
	12:00pm	Blessing of Food
	12:00pm	Stuffing Easter Eggs
	12:00pm	Knitting Group
Sunday		Easter Sunday
	10:00am	Easter Egg Hunt

**ST. JOHN VIANNEY SCRIP PROGRAM**

For several years the St. John Vianney school community has participated in a fundraising program known as the Scrip Program. We would now like to open this program to the entire parish community. Scrip simply means "substitute money". When you purchase Scrip, you are purchasing gift cards that are used exactly as cash. You can use Scrip to purchase everyday items such as food, gas, clothing and other essentials. With every gift card you purchase you are earning revenue for St. John Vianney. Your gift card is worth exactly the amount you purchased it for - \$100, \$50, \$25, \$10. We earn the revenue from the vendor by purchasing it at a discount. This is a fundraiser that does not require you to spend money on things you wouldn't normally buy.

We are now selling gift cards after the 5:00 pm mass on Saturdays, and after the 9:00 am, 10:45 am and 12:15 pm masses on Sundays. We will be selling grocery stores (Acme, Foodtown, Shop Rite, Stop n Shop, Wegmans and Whole Foods); gas stations (BP, Exxon, Gulf, Shell, Speedway and Wawa), Dunkin, Home Depot, Target and WalMart. There are many other gift cards for purchase at the Rectory, and even more gift cards available if you order through GLScrip company. Gift cards can be purchased with cash or a personal check. For more information, stop by the Rectory and speak with either Stephanie or Linda, or call us at 732-574-0150.

**Saint of the Week: St. Martin I**



St. Martin I was born in Italy and later in life became a deacon, papal representative, and then became pope in 649. While St. Martin served as pope he opposed what was called the monothelite heresy. Specifically, he

opposed the Monophysites, people who did not believe in Christ's union of divinity and humanity. The emperor at the time favored this belief and unfortunately sent to have St. Martin exiled for opposing the same beliefs he shared. St. Martin wound up dying in captivity, always standing firm in his faith. He is known to be the last pope that was martyred. May we all look to St. Martin as an example to stand firm in our faith no matter who may judge, mock, or disagree with our faith.

## Lenten Obligations

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.
3. The obligation of fast applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.

*Fasting in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals which together are not equal to a full meal, so as to experience hunger.*

4. The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14.

*Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.*

## Palm Sunday

Lent is a time of preparation. Lent is a journey of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. A time of daily reflection of our lives as we strive to deepen our relationship with God and others. Lent leads us to Easter, the hope of the Resurrection. We are called to share that hope with our global family. Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl can help us achieve this mission. Please consider making a contribution this Lenten season.

As we enter the sixth week in Lent, let us reflect and pray for others who are struggling. This week we pray for those we encountered on our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl, and all people around the world who struggle to provide to meet their families' daily needs. May we welcome the homeless, lost and wandering, recognizing that Jesus himself lived without a permanent home.

If you have been participating in CRS Rice Bowl, **please be sure to return your rice bowls by Easter Sunday.** There is a collection basket in the gathering area of the Church.



## Music Ministry News

Please join us this Tuesday at 7:30pm as our adult choir leads the singing during our parish Tenebrae Service!! Our choirs will be in full swing during this Holy Week with our adult choir leading singing for our Holy Thursday liturgy as well as Good Friday!!

**Music Ministry Schedule for Easter**  
**Easter Vigil—Adult Choir and Brass Quartet**  
**Easter Sunday— 7am: Cantor and Organist.**  
**9am: Children's Choir, 10:45am: Choir and Brass Quartet, 12:15 pm: Folk Group.**

Our parish adult choir enhances our liturgies each Sunday from September through mid-June. The choir also sings for many special occasions during the year, such as: Christmas Eve Mass, Holy Week, Confirmation, and our "Mass of Remembrance" in November!! The choir also provides two beautiful concerts for the parish, one during Advent and the other during Lent. We are always looking for new people to join with our very dedicated group!! 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 next rehearsal will be on Tuesday April 16th following the Tenebrae Service.**

### Children's Choir

Our parish children's choir is made of students from our parish from grades two and up!! The children in the group love coming together to sing for Sunday liturgies as well as special events during the year. 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 April 16th. We sing again Easter Sunday at the 9am mass. All are welcome to join us after mass for the SJV annual Easter Egg Hunt!!**

### 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. We hope is to have the students sing once a month at either the 10:45 or 12:15 pm mass.

**Our high school students will sing again on Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> at the 10:45 am mass.**

You can contact me at [jframeiii@yahoo.com](mailto:jframeiii@yahoo.com) with any questions, Jamie Frame – Dir. Of Music/Organist

# *The Pro-Life Corner*

**APRIL 14, 2019**

“When battered by life’s storms, or immersed in a dense fog of suffering and uncertainty, we may feel alone and unequipped to handle the circumstances.

Yet with words that echo through thousands of years into the corners of our hearts, the Lord says to us, ‘Do not fear, I am with you.’ (Isaiah 41:10)”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
2018-19 Respect Life Reflection



## **2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal Help Build a Civilization of Love**

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop’s Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at [www.diometuchen.org/BAA](http://www.diometuchen.org/BAA).

## **40 Cans for 40 Days of Lent**

Please consider contributing to the Lenten food drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 6571. The food drive will benefit the St. James food pantry. “*GIVE* something, rather than *GIVE UP* something.”



## **SJV Parish Easter Plant Sale**



All your favorite Easter flowers will be for sale after all masses this weekend April 13th & April 14th! The flowers will include Easter lilies, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, pansies and

hydrangeas. All proceeds will benefit your church and parish! More information will be in next week’s bulletin.

## **Annual Parish Easter Egg Hunt**

All families are invited to join us for our parish “Easter Egg Hunt” on Easter Sunday April 21st following the 9:00 am mass. The hunt will begin at Mary’s Island (In front of SJV school) where bags will be provided. All are welcome to join us for this fun event!!



## **St. Vincent DePaul**

The food pantry is in need of instant potatoes, coffee, tea, canned meat, complete pancake mix, pancake syrup, and toothpaste. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

***The March 2019 Poor Box contained \$1,316.00. Thank you for your generosity and on-going financial support.***

## **SJV Seniors**

Please join us for a trip to Cape Cod, Irish Village for 5 days/4 nights – June 17-21, 2019. The trip will include guided tours, a day in Boston, breakfast and dinner daily, entertainment each evening and will also have a stop at Mohegan Sun Casino on the way home. To sign up and for more information please call Connie O’Donnell at 732-388-6543.

**SJV T-Shirts!**

One of our families of St. John Vianney has created "SJV Strong" t-shirt's in support of our wonderful school and parish. If you would like to purchase a t-shirt please go to either <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B07M8SFVBN> or <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B07M93CWF5>. The t-shirts are \$22.99 each and come in men, women, and youth sizes and are available in colors Red, Pink, Light Blue, Black, White, and an assortment of Grey's. The proceeds from the shirts will go to St. John Vianney.



**Peer Counselor Training 2019**

Are you ready for a life challenge? Consider joining us for our Life Choices Spring training session which will take place on **Saturday, April 27th** from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm in the upper room of St. John Vianney Church. Lunch will be provided. There is a cost of \$20 for The L.O.V.E. Approach manual. Other materials will be included at no additional cost. If you are interested in participating in a ministry that is challenging but also fulfilling and rewarding, please call Carolyn at 732-516-0911 (cell 973-349-4626) or email: [lifecoices@optonline.net](mailto:lifecoices@optonline.net) to learn more. The rewards you receive will surprise you! Please call or email to register by Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Bus Trip**

Join us for a bus trip to Sands Casino in PA on April 15<sup>th</sup>. The bus will be leaving SJV parking lot at 10am and will return at 6:30pm. Cost is \$30 and get back \$35. For more information and to sign up please call Mary Lou at 732-388-9452.

**7 Churches Visitation on Holy Thursday**

The 7 Churches Visitation is an ancient pious tradition wherein the faithful visit the Altars of Reposition of 7 churches on the evening of Holy Thursday to keep solemn vigil with Jesus. The custom probably began in Rome with the visitation of the 7 basilicas. The tradition of visiting all 7 churches is attributed to St. Philip Neri around 1553. The tradition is especially popular in the Philippines, where it is known as the Visita Iglesia. Look to the bulletin insert for more information and to view a schedule of nearby churches to visit.

**The Pontifical Good Friday Collection**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land.

**St. Gertrude Cemetery**

St. Gertrude's just broke ground with its new mausoleum; floor plans, inventory, pictures, and price information are now available for any St. John Vianney parishioner to preview as of today. Feel free to visit today after mass.

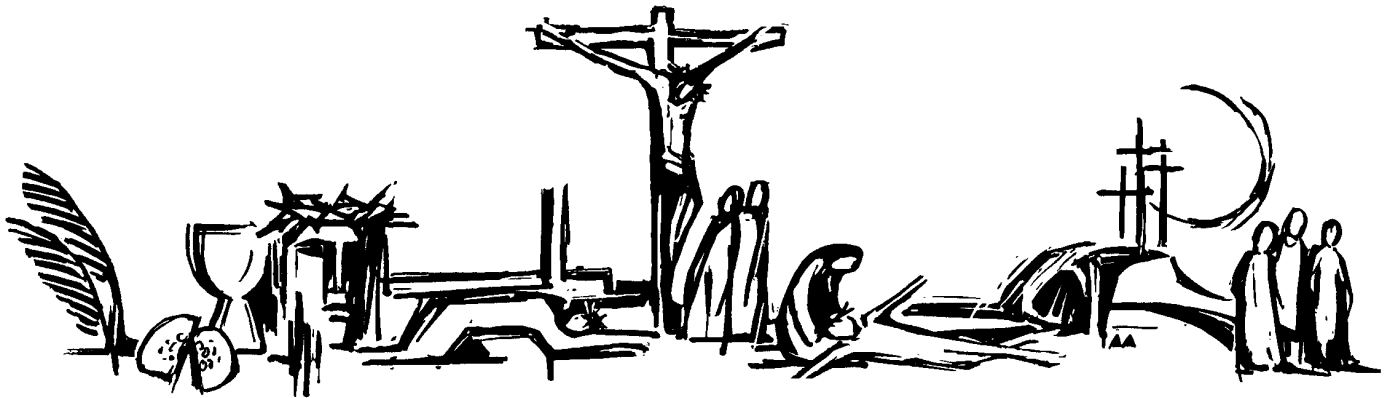
**Please Welcome the Following Parishioners to our SJV Community**

January – March

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| The Babilonia family       | Mr. & Mrs. Bongco       |
| Ria Bongco                 | Mr. & Mrs. Bussetti     |
| The Cobos family           | Mr. & Mrs. DiGregoris   |
| Steve Ellis                | The Foti family         |
| The Francisco family       | The Gallucci family     |
| The Garcia family          | The Heinz family        |
| Michael Mateiro            | The Negro-Acosta family |
| The Neto family            | Mary Nunez              |
| The Padilla family         | The Principe family     |
| The Rodriguez-Bowie family | Alison Riguera          |
| Deanna Rustemeyer          | The Serafin family      |
| The Wasilozuk family       | Genevieve Wickman       |
| Henrietta Wilson           |                         |

**Parish Gift Shop**

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



***HOLY WEEK AT ST. JOHN VIANNEY 2019 SCHEDULE***

**APRIL 13 – PALM SUNDAY VIGIL**

5:00pm, 7:00pm Mass

**APRIL 14 – PALM SUNDAY**

7:00am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:15pm Mass

Parish Easter Plant Sale after all Masses

**APRIL 15 – MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

7:00am, 8:45am Mass

4:00pm Chrism Mass at St. Francis  
Cathedral

**APRIL 16 – TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

7:00am, 8:45am Mass

7:30pm Tenebrae Service

**APRIL 17 – WEDNESDAY OF HOLY  
WEEK**

7:00am, 8:45am Mass

**APRIL 18 – HOLY THURSDAY**

8:45am Morning Prayer

11:00am Confessions

7:30pm Mass of Lord's Supper

**APRIL 19 – GOOD FRIDAY**

8:45am Morning Prayer

11:00am Confessions

3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7:00pm Stations of the Cross Only

(No Benediction)

**APRIL 20 – HOLY SATURDAY**

8:45am Morning Prayer

11:00am Confessions

12:00pm Blessing of Food

8:00pm Easter Vigil

**APRIL 21 – EASTER SUNDAY**

7:00am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:15pm Mass

Annual Parish Easter Egg Hunt following  
the 9:00am Mass



