

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
School Office Assistant	Lisa Filippini
School Office Assistant	Laura Gruenling
Parish/School Bookkeeper	Paula Roibal
Maintenance Supervisor	Poncho Julius

Temporary Mass Schedule Effective 8/29

Monday-Friday	8am
Saturday	8am - 5pm
Sunday	8am - 10am - 12pm

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

Sacramental Schedule

Reconciliation: Saturdays 11am-12pm, 4:15-4:45pm
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 – 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, March 13, 2021

8:00 AM Warren Young, r/o Joan Sciahetano
5:00 PM Michnewicz-Russinelli family, r/o Janice & Tom Michnewicz

SUNDAY, March 14, 2021

8:00 AM Ann Burke, r/o SJV Altar Rosary & for the people of our Parish living/deceased
10:00 AM Bill & Joan Sirilli, r/o Margaret Shaughnessy
12:00 PM Purgatorial Society

MONDAY, March 15, 2021

8:00 AM Loretta Daly, r/o Julie

TUESDAY, March 16, 2021

8:00 AM Domenica Pontoriero, r/o Gerri de Paola

WEDNESDAY, March 17, 2021 – St. Patrick

8:00 AM Joan Cassidy, r/o Husband, Jack

THURSDAY, March 18, 2021 – St. Cyril of Jerusalem

8:00 AM Paul Bongard, r/o Barbara Moore

FRIDAY, March 19, 2021 – St. Joseph

8:00 AM Michael Hanley, r/o mom & dad
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, March 20, 2021

8:00 AM Mariazinha Araujo, r/o Elena & Jose Alves
5:00 PM Michael & Florence Wolar, r/o Kay & Marlene

SUNDAY, March 21, 2021

8:00 AM Benedetto & Brigida Cosentino, r/o daughter
10:00 AM Mark Schneider, r/o SJV Altar Rosary & for the people of our Parish living/deceased
12:00 PM Frank Cirone, r/o Renay & Greg Page & family

The Sanctuary Light has been offered in loving memory of Al Cipas from Anne Marie Nappi.



The Bread & Wine have been offered in loving memory of Catharine Janson from Mr. & Mrs. Robert Pero and also for Charlie Fettig from Colette Partyka & family.



The 2021 Mass Book for May – August is now open. Masses will be limited to two offerings per person at a time as there are limited Masses available. The rectory hours are 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm Monday – Friday.

The Prayer Corner

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

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

TO WED

TO HEAL

Jack Cassidy, Michael Alencewicz, Deacon Joe & Betty Vivona, Rose Sestito, Maureen Morella, Bill Tatler, Giovanni Caccamo, Mark & Victoria, Jim Geoffroy, Ryan Shaughnessy, Brian Shaughnessy, Tara Frame, Nancy Genna, Gen DiGrazia, Sherry Canavale, Domenic Canavale, Michael Canavale, James Kelly, Marian Jaeger, Rose Currie, Nina Laico, Tommy Birkner, Ronald Harvey, Artie Schapiro, Tina DeliAquila, Lisa Auerbach, Kevin Brown, Dominic Wittmann, Robert Feeney, Italia DiNatale, Jake Ragucci, Debi Leiter, Anna Sielska, Jane Fitzgerald, Wayne Bartlett, Julia Skrya, Mary Charniga, Brenda & Dolores Tourtellot, Mary Jantas, Kathleen Baumann, Giuliana DeAngelias, Dennis Costante, Gene Moore, Joel Leiter, Jerry Hill, Susan Sepedy, Geri Lazarowitz, Aymee Iannacone, Annie Panaccione, Jean Nych, Gregory Kolaranda, Tyler Brown, Johanna Esposito, Fran Hefelee, Mary Shegas, Nina Stefanelli, Nikoloz, Clare Weber, Vincent Dellaquila, Linda Wittmann, Joseph Reilly, Joe Vitello, Arlon Roth, Edward O’Brien, June Laub, Lynn Tumblety, Maryann Robson, Nick Troiano, Carl Walker, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Ronald Syslo, Christine Camping, Gladys Gonzalez, Catherine Donahue, Art Boudier, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco, Mary Ann Baureis, Pauline Mendicino-Franke.

TO JOIN GOD IN HEAVEN

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Keith D. Lee (Air National Guard), Major Brian McCartin (Army), Alan Bridges (Navy), John Bridges (Navy), 2nd Lieutenant Phillip G. Faccone Jr. (Marines), Bryan Alexander Perez (Army), Brandon Haynes (Army), Jared Endler (National Guard), LTJG Liam Keenan (Navy), Mas. Sgt. Michael Primavera (Air Force), John O’Donnell (Marines).

Weekend Readings

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
Ephesians 2:4-10
John 3:14-21

Weekday readings can be found on the parish website.

March 14, 2021

4TH Sunday of Lent

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..”
JOHN 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.

Reflection

Last weekend we celebrated the third Sunday of Lent and we heard about Jesus’ encounter with the Samaritan woman. In his homily, Deacon Ariel made a point to mention that all of us as human beings, have a need for water. A lack of water can lead to dehydration and drain our energy. Through the scripture, we were invited to reflect on our basic need for water that satisfies our thirst both physically and spiritually. Jesus asked this woman for a simple drink of water, even though culturally at this time, it was unheard of for someone like Jesus to interact with this woman who was viewed as a lowlife in her society. Jesus ignored the opinions and judgments of others because He wanted to encounter the woman in a very simple way, just as He wants to encounter us in the simplest of moments in our lives. By this interaction, Jesus challenged the woman to grow in her faith depending on how she chose to respond to His call. An important take-away from this scripture is that although others may see us differently, Jesus sees us as loving children of the Gospel. It’s always a good decision to respond to Jesus’ call in our lives although it may look different as we go through life. I hope that you are all able to quench your spiritual thirst throughout this Lenten season. May you take this third Sunday of Lent and this next week to be renewed in your commitment to receive Jesus, who can satisfy our deepest longing and desires.



St. John Vianney School News

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

St. John Vianney School is beginning registration for the 2021-2022 school year. Please call the office if you have any questions or are interested in enrolling. Space is limited!

See our website for details and virtual tour information!



TRYING NEW FOODS IN TIMOR-LESTE

Timor-Leste has the highest rate of child malnutrition in Asia, and many children suffer from stunting, which makes a big impact on a child's growth and future. Home gardens and fishponds are helping families provide better nutrition for their children. What do you eat to stay healthy? What can you do to ensure children have enough food to thrive? Visit www.crsricebowl.org to learn more.

PARISH MINISTRIES & CONTACTS

Organization	Contact	Phone
Altar Rosary Society	Jane Bianco	732-382-1512
Altar Servers	Mary Jantas	732-574-1191
Basketball	Joe Marinello	908-347-9269
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	732-381-5033
Cursillo	Maggie Cruz	732-713-7392
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Finance Council	Cliff Bacsik	732-388-9034
HSA	Odette Maia-Aly	201-710-0444
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 Michnewicz	732-574-1651
Music Ministry	Jamie Frame	908-331-0471
Parish Life Comm.	Egger Lugo	732-801-6705
Pastoral Council	Suzanne MacIntyre	732-283-0731
Pre-Cana	Deacon Tom & Janice Michnewicz	732-381-0499
Pro-Life	Carolyn Glodek	732-548-3880
R.C.I.A.	Deacon Joe Ragucci	732-494-3399
Secular Franciscans	Rev. J. Kubiak Dolores Jules	908-756-3659
SJV Seniors	Robert & Mary Nilan	732-574-3427
Soccer	Jennie Derkack	732-574-2340
Social Action	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 Ministry	Laureen Romano	732-381-0008



FOURTH SUNDAY
In Lent

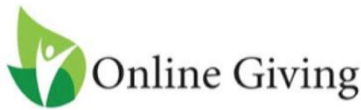
This 4TH Sunday of Lent our image is a crown of thorns, which is a symbol that Jesus was and is still King. It is also meant to remind us that Jesus was willing to endure all the pain, insults and shame on our account, so that we may someday have eternal life.

MARCH 7, 2021	OFFERTORY:
Collection:	\$ 12,033.25
On-line giving:	\$ 4,936.50
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Avg. Weekly Expenses:	-\$ 20,000.00
Balance:	-\$ 3,030.25

MARCH 8, 2020	OFFERTORY:
Collection:	\$ 11,399.25
On-line giving:	\$ 2,794.50
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	\$ 14,193.75
Avg. Weekly Expenses:	-\$ 20,000.00
Balance:	-\$ 5,806.25



We are now experiencing a shortage and are in urgent need of these items.



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!

The February Poor box contained \$768.00. Thank you for your generosity and financial support.

Church Bells

Thank you to everyone who generously donated towards getting our broken Church Bells replaced. Our new Church Bells have been ordered and will hopefully arrive in time for Easter. We always greatly appreciate your continued generosity and support!

The St. James Food Pantry is in need of cereal, spam, tuna, canned chicken, canned fruit, pasta, pasta sauce, canned vegetables, rice, instant or canned potatoes, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix, syrup, bar soap, toothpaste, shampoo. Thank you for your continued support in helping to feed those in need in our community.

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.

There are many gift cards for purchase at the Rectory, and even more gift cards available if you order through the 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.

S J V Youth & Young Adult Ministries

YOUTH MINISTRY:

ProjectYM LIVE continues! Be sure to listen in and join in the conversation on Sunday OR Wednesday at 7pm! Each week you can log in with thousands of Catholic teens from around the nation, hear from respected speakers, praise with notable artists and engage in virtual fellowship!

Simply go to this link to join!
PROJECTYM.COM/WATCH

Email me for more information! There are parent resources available too!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:

We have an exciting Spring ahead and we hope you join us!

We're kicking off round two of our Book Study with Mark Hart's "Blessed are the Bored in Spirit." We will meet virtually on Tuesday's at 8pm. If interested email me for the book and Zoom link at:
LROMANO@SJVS.NET !

"Because your faith journey doesn't end after high school ... it's only just beginning!"
This is a group for individuals (single, married, parents, etc) who are 18-39.

Please email me with any questions:
LRomano@sjvs.net



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."

COVID-19 Senior Hotline

Please call 856-249-7007 if you are a senior in NJ who would like to schedule an appointment for a COVID-19 vaccine. The hotline can be accessed from 8am—8pm.

COVID-19 Recovery Relief

Saint Peter's Healthcare System has developed a Covid-19 Recovery Program to address the lingering complications endured by many Covid-19 patients. The program provides patients that have previously tested positive with COVID-19 access to multi-specialty care. The goal of the program is to provide patients with the best medical care from experienced physicians and a multitude of specialists in order to manage the ongoing symptoms of COVID-19. Patients will also receive help and support throughout their road to long-term recovery. The COVID-19 Recovery Program is dedicated to ensuring all post-COVID-19 patients get the proper assistance and medical treatment they need while obtaining a better understanding of the effects of this new virus. Patients that have recovered from COVID-19 but are still experiencing persistent symptoms should contact the COVID-19 Recovery line at 732-745-8552 or email COVID19Recovery@saintpetersuh.com; someone will contact you within 2 business days.

2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal Transformed by Christ Body and Blood Sent on a Mission to Light a Fire in the Heart of the Church

The global pandemic has challenged us to evolve in how we share and communicate the Gospel message, but the message remains the same and it is worth sharing. So, we must continue to journey with others, even if we are physically apart, to make the Good News and His love known to all because that is what will see us through. While our discipleship is to always find new ways to bring His love and the Good News of Jesus Christ we are now called to do more for the Lord and each other. This year, we have seen a large increase in the use of virtual means to connect and engage with one another. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the essential role of the Vicariate for Evangelization and Communication as we expand our efforts to share the Gospel message and make His love known to all.

The Pro-Life Corner

March 14, 2021

This week we pray especially for those nearing the end of life, may they be given the grace to persevere in faith and place their trust in God, as they prepare for eternity with Christ



If you are a man or woman affected by abortion please check this website for information that may help you:
<http://www.silentnomoreawareness.org/>

IMPORTANT NOTICE PRO-LIFE MATERNITY COLLECTION

We are *grateful* for the many donations we receive. However, we are now inundated with a large quantity of items. At this time we are NOT accepting donations of any kind. We will resume at some time in the future. If you have questions please call the rectory or Carolyn at 973-349-4626. THANK YOU for your consideration and your generosity.

SJV Pro-Life Committee

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2021 – 2022 TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) **by no later than March 31, 2021**. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application should contact their school.



Saint of the Week: St. Joseph



St. Joseph is one of the most well-known saints as he was Jesus' earthly father. Before Jesus' birth, St. Joseph was a highly skilled craftsman and was also a descendant of King David. One of the most important moments in St.

Joseph's life was when he found out Mary was pregnant with the Son of God. Instead of quietly divorcing her, since he still very much cared for and respected her, he listened to the angel who told him of God's plan for his life. St. Joseph went against the way of society and didn't care what others thought of him. He fully accepted God's plan, became Jesus's earthly father and loved Him as his own son. St. Joseph is the patron saint of carpenters, fathers, the universal Church, etc. May we strive to be more like St. Joseph, to openly and fully accept God and trust in His plan for our lives.



Since our Church has reopened people are becoming more comfortable with their surroundings. We just want to remind everyone that there are certain guidelines we must follow to continue to use our Church facility. Please help us by following these guidelines.

COMMON DIRECTIVES TO BE OBSERVED BY ALL SJV PARISHIONERS AT MASS

Due to the on-going pandemic we are going to observe the following directives set by the state and the diocese until further notice. Please be patient as we work our way to fully re-open our church. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and understanding.

- The dispensation from Sunday/Holy Day Mass obligation **still remains in effect** until further notice.
- Sunday Masses will be celebrated on Sunday mornings at **8:00am, 10:00am & 12 noon** to give enough time in between for sanitization. Saturday evening Mass will be celebrated at **5:00pm**. Doors of the church will be opened one half hour before Mass begins.
- **Each Weekend Mass has limited capacity.** Please understand that once we reach the maximum number of people, you may eventually have to be turned away.
- Once you enter the church one of our ushers will assign your seat beginning from the front. Larger families of 3 or more will be seated in the back of the Church. Please do not switch seats once you are seated.
- Masks must be worn at **ALL TIMES** except when receiving Communion.
- Hymnals will not be available.
- **PLEASE FOLLOW DIRECTIONS OF THE USHERS.** We truly need your cooperation to do this safely.
- Crying room and the choir loft **will not be** used until further notice.
- The bathrooms will not be accessible.
- Everyone needs to be 6 feet apart from each other whether you are seated in pew or standing in line to receive communion **UNLESS** you live together in same household. Families will be seated together in an assigned pew.
- **Please note that we will be having Communion at its regular time again during the Mass. We will still exit on the side aisle to receive Communion and use the middle aisle to return to the pews. The ushers will dismiss each row at a time from the front and back of Church.**
- Each pew will be directed by ushers to receive Communion, with 6 feet apart markings on the carpet. Please do not get up to receive Communion until you are directed to do so.
- **Communion will not be received on the tongue, only in the hands. (No gloves)** The Precious Blood will not be offered.
- Votive candles **will not be** available before or after Mass.
- Collection baskets will be placed in the gathering area for you to drop envelopes.
- One weekday Mass will be celebrated from Monday to Saturday morning at **8:00am**.
- Parish social gatherings and group devotional observances are **suspended** until further notice.
- Absolutely **NO** public gatherings or greetings before or after Masses, at church entrance/exits or on parish property are permitted.

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.

Lent 2021 at St. John Vianney

We invite you to join us for our many parish Lenten activities as a way to prepare for the great feast of the Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

Stations of the Cross & Benediction – Fridays during Lent at 7:00pm in the Church.

CRS Rice Bowl – Ash Wednesday – Easter Sunday Rice bowls are available in gathering area in the Church.

Palm Sunday – with the Reading of the Passion and blessing Palms – regular mass schedule – Saturday at 5:00 and Sunday at 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00pm.

Morning Prayer – Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, April 1, 2 & 3 in church at 8:00am. No 8:00am morning mass on these days of Holy Week.

Confessions – every Saturday from 11:00am to 12:00pm – extra Confessions – Holy Thursday and Good Friday – April 1 & 2 from 11:00am to 12:00pm.

Blessing of Easter Food – Holy Saturday – April 3 at 12:00pm in the parking lot (drive by if raining).

Holy Week –Special Masses/Services – no 8:00am morning mass on these days

Holy Thursday – April 1 - Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30pm – adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:30pm.

Good Friday – April 2 - Service of the Lord's Passion, adoration of the Cross and Communion at 3:00pm.

Holy Saturday – April 3 - Great Easter Vigil 8:00pm (NO 5:00 pm Masses this night).

Easter Sunday – April 4 – regular mass schedule – 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm. Note – no 5:00 mass on Saturday night – only Great Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00pm.



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Gospel Today

Fourth Sunday of Lent | John 3:14-21

Jesus is the Light of the World, come to save us from the darkness. Through His love, the believers will have eternal life.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life.

John 3: 16

Give us New Life, O Lord.

My plan for Lent, one week at a time...

This week I will pray for _____

This week I will give up/do without _____

This week I will do this act of love/good deed _____

(Sundays optional)

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



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| Jesus | Darkness | Life |
| Only | Everyone | Truth |
| Son | Through | Sight |
| World | Love | God |
| Light | Believes | Send |
| Save | Eternal | |

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