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December 22, 2019
THE 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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MASS SCHEDULE/HORARIO DE MISA

ST JOHN

WEEKDAYS	
MONDAY through FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.
WEEKENDS	
SATURDAY EVENING	5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY	8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

ST AGNES

SUNDAY	9:30 a.m.
MISA EN ESPANOL	11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

HOLY DAY	See Christmas Schedule
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CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY	3:30-4:30 p.m.
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December 22, 2019
Altar Flowers
For the Parish



December 22, 2019
Sanctuary Light
In Memory of
Lawrence & Martha Costanza
Req. by Laretta— Daughter

December 7th & 8th Offertory:

Collection: \$ 10,518
Online Giving: \$ 3,510
Less Average Expenses: (\$12,500)
Balance: \$ 1,528

Thank you for your generosity!



Knights of Columbus
Louis Failla: Grand Knight
609-397-4550

Next Meeting will be held on:
January 2nd at 8:00PM

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: March 6—14, 2020
Fliers can be found in the back of Church
and on our Website.



Commemorative Candle for
St. John Paul II
In Memory of
David Sinz
Req. by Joanne

*Let us remember all those who have asked for our prayers
especially the sick and suffering of our parish.*

Juan P. Lopez, Nancy Guitierrez, Edwina Gill, Rose Korney,
Grace Emma, Michael Hughes, Audrey Holcombe, Beverly
Fresco, Peggy Bishop, Gregory Maloney, Paul Baldassarre,
Diane Worthington, Alfonso Smullen, Mary Holcombe, Elaine
Joiner, Efigenia Avalos, Gary Davila, Walter Rzeszutek, Kerry
Bush, Ruth Yolanda, Nelly Lozano, Yuri Gil, James
Malagrino, Chihon Jayoloo, Janice Carty, Michele Studley,
Joseph M. Waters, Lawrence Miele, Jim Oehlers, Clayton
Wells, Maria, Jonathan Perez, Peggy Hart, Richard Molnar,
Teli Reyes, Bert Johnson, Harry

*“Jesus, look upon me with eyes of mercy, may your
healing hand rest upon me.”*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Next Family Religious Education Class
The week of January 5, 2020



Sacrament Sunday:
January 12, 2020 1:00PM

Other inquires, please see website

The Rosary Altar Society
Upcoming Events:

- ♦ Altar Rosary Society Meeting January 13th,
2020

If you are interested in joining, please contact
Vicki Casey—President 609-397-9265

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION PRAYERS

Please join us every First Friday following the
8:30AM Mass for meditation prayers in devotion
to our Blessed Mother and the Sacred Heart of
Jesus.



Please join us at St. John's
every Monday morning
at 8:00am for the Perpetual
Novena in honor of
Our Lady of the
Miraculous Medal.

**Mass Schedule
Week of December 22nd, 2019**

Saturday, December 21, 2019
 5:00pm Mary & Rocco Fresco
 Req. by Ron & Rosemary Wootters

Sunday, December 22, 2019
 8:00am Catsy Masterson
 Req. by Nettie Eubank
 9:30am George Paraskevas
 Req. by Diane Paraskevas
 11:00am David p. McCloughlan Sr.
 Req. by Wife & Children

St. Agnes
 9:30am Angelo Peluso
 Req. by Mario Peluso & Family
 11:00am For the People

Monday, December 23, 2019
 8:30am Glenn Wright & James Bishop Jr.
 Req. by Carol Bishop

Tuesday, December 24, 2019
 7:00pm Dennis Shoeb
 12:00am Special Intentions

Wednesday, December 25, 2019
 9:00am For the People

Thursday, December 26, 2019
 8:30am Archie & Mary Ann Cicchino
 Req. by John & Joan Hurley

Friday, December 27, 2019
 8:30am Link Hanover
 Req. by Tim & Judy Rudderow

Saturday, December 28, 2019
 5:00pm Rose Korney
 Req. by Bert & Michael Johnson

Sunday, December 29, 2019
 8:00am Bernie Smithers
 Req. by Giannelli Family
 9:30am Marion Dettaven
 Req. by Thomas & Maureen Harty
 11:00am Robert Hevner
 Req. by Wife, Barbara & Son, John

St. Agnes
 9:30am For the People
 11:00am Teli Reyes— For Good Health
 Req. by Friends at St. Johns

**Ministry Schedule
December 28th & 29th 2019**

Extraordinary Ministers:

December 28th
5:00pm * Rick Carmosino, Barbara Ashton, Chuck Slack, Judy Colt

December 29th
8:00am * Cory Dale, Mary Zetterstrom, Kim McLaughlin, David Sanzalone, Laura Darby
9:30am * Lorraine Moore, Barbara Cecchini, Veronica McCabe
11:00am * Barbara Hevner, Judy Gundershiem, Veronica McCabe

St Agnes:
9:30am Volunteers
11:00am Volunteers

Lectors:

December 28th & 29th
5:00pm Sharon DiSalvi, Jonathan Yarnall
8:00am Carol Harding, Bob Zetterstrom
9:30am Christine Smith, Carl Ippolito
11:00am Aureo Pena

St. Agnes:
9:30am Volunteers
11:00am Anyi Arias, Irma Reyes

Altar Servers:

December 28th & 29th
5:00pm Luis Lopez, Anthony Whelan, John Whelan
8:00am Nicholas Peluso, Alex & Michael Veyta
9:30am Lucas, Charlotte, Bridgette, & Emma Smith
11:00am Carolyn Falk, Elijah Enochson

Coat Drive

The St. John Clothing Ministry collected 570 of new coats, as well as scarves, hats, gloves and socks to keep local families warm during the winter months. The volunteers distributed them on Saturday, Dec. 7th, with a second distribution the following weekend of Dec. 15th for those who couldn't make the first date. Barbara Durning-McHenry led the coat drive with the support of her husband, David McHenry and her son Jack Durning. Assisting in the distribution on Dec. 7th were Dolores Piacente, Vicki Casey, Bert Johnson, Maureen Slade, Laura Parham, Eric Hinrichsen and Teli Reyes.



St. John's Ministry Group News

Book Club:

Book to Discuss: The Good Neighbor—The Life and Works of Fred Rogers by Maxwell King. We will be meeting on Wednesday, January 1st at 2:00pm in The Jesus School, Second Floor. All are welcome! Any questions, please call: Beth Lange 908-672-1731

Evening Prayer:

On January 9th, and repeating every **second** Thursday of the month, we will have an Evening Prayer Service at St. John's. There will be no Evening Prayer in December.

Food and Clothing Ministry:

St. John's Clothing and Food Ministry will be holding another meeting to discuss the winter coat project. Meeting date to be announced. All who are interested in this ministry are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please call 609-439-7879 or email: tjrudderow@gmail.com

Funeral Mass Assistance Ministry

St. John's has established a new ministry called Funeral Mass Assistance. Our objective is to help you through your time of loss to design an appropriate and meaningful remembrance of the deceased's life on earth. The ministry is also available to make Funeral Mass arrangements in advance so the loved one's wishes for their Funeral Mass are honored. Members of the ministry will help in selecting scripture readings and music. To make advance arrangements or in your time of need, the ministry can be contacted through the church office at: 609-397-3350, ext. 3.

Senior Outreach Ministry:

If you have an interest in helping the senior citizens in our area, please bring your ideas and join us in the Jesus School building. We will meet in a second floor classroom on the first Wednesday of each month. No meeting in January.

Tutoring Ministry:

We are beginning to form a tutoring ministry at St. John's. Many parishioners have expressed an interest in helping both adults and children in languages, including ESL, general schoolwork, and financial counseling. If you or someone you know needs assistance, or would like to join this effort as a volunteer, please contact us. Judy Rudderow email: jmr23@comcast.net Or call: 215-499-3725

Welcome Committee:

Will be advising on future events.

Women's Retreat Group:

The next retreat will be held at San Alfonso Retreat House, a Redemptorist Community, in Long Branch, NJ on March 6-8, 2020. The retreat house sits on 8 acres overlooking the Atlantic Ocean with outdoor shrines, gardens and prayer chapels. The theme is "Choosing to Live in Peace". The cost is \$240/person. Please call 732-222-2731 to register. This retreat will reach capacity quickly so don't delay if you plan on attending. Any questions, please contact Kathy Ronning at 215-776-0544 or kathleenronning4@gmail.com

St John's Outreach Ministry

The Christmas Giving Tree will be in the vestibule of Church throughout Advent

The red ornaments are envelopes asking for gift cards for people in our community who need assistance for the holidays The gift cards which are most popular are from the following stores :

ShopRite, Giant, Kohl's, Gas station cards,

CVS and a donation to "St John's Outreach Ministry"

Just deposit the envelope in the receptacle by the tree or in the collection basket

The Benjamin House in Poland can no longer accept American bank checks. Fr. Marion is asking for donations to be wired to the Foundation. If you would like to donate via check, make the check out to "St. John's Outreach Ministry" with a memo "Benjamin House."

Thank you in advance for your support to those in need for a happier holiday!



CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Mass with Children's Pageant 5:00PM
 Mass 7:00PM
 Lessons and Carols 11:15PM
 Midnight Mass 12:00AM

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

8:00AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

9:30AM, 11:00am

All Masses will be celebrated at St. John the Evangelist Church



DCEMBER & JANUARY, 2019/2020

MERCY CORNER

Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

It is no longer in my power. To change, correct or add to the past. For neither sages nor prophets could do that. And so, what the past has embraced I must entrust to God.

A Prayer to St. John the Evangelist

O Glorious Saint John, you were so loved by Jesus that you merited to rest your head upon his breast, and to be left in his place as a son to Mary. Obtain for us an ardent love for Jesus and Mary. Let me be united with them now on earth and forever after in heaven.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22 Fourth Sunday of Advent 3:00 pm Church: Pageant Practice	23 8:00AM Perpetual Novena	24 Christmas Eve 	25 Christmas Day 	26	27 <i>Feast of St. John the Apostle and Evangelist</i>	28
29 Holy Family	30 8:00AM Perpetual Novena	31	1 Happy New Year! Book Club 2:00pm Senior Outreach: NO MEETING	2 Knights of Columbus Meeting 8:00pm	3	4 Food Drive
5 Family Religious Education Class 1:00pm Food Drive	6 8:00AM Perpetual Novena	7 Family Religious Education Class 4:15pm	8 Family Religious Education Class 6:00pm	9	10	11
12	13 8:00AM Perpetual Novena Altar Rosary Meeting 7:00pm	14	15	16	17	18

PARISH INFORMATION

CONFESSIONS

St. John's ~ Saturday: 3:30- 4:30 P.M. or call the Parish Office for an appointment.

BAPTISMS

Celebrated the first Sunday of the month beginning with the 11:00 Mass, please call the Parish Office for additional information: 609-397-3350. **All paperwork must be completed prior to scheduling a baptism.**

MARRIAGES

The bride or groom must be an active-registered member of St. John the Evangelist Parish with weekly Mass attendance and involvement in the life of the Parish for one year before the marriage preparation process. Please call the Parish Office for more information. According to the Common Policy of the five Latin-rite (Roman Catholic) dioceses of New Jersey, there must be twelve months of marriage preparation for each couple who desires to be married in the Church. **Please do not make any wedding arrangements** (including reception hall) **until** you have met with the pastor and he has approved the wedding date with you.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

When necessary, contact the Parish Office 609-397-3350

HOSPITALIZED FAMILY

If you have a hospitalized family member, let the parish know so that we can visit and take the Eucharist. Please call the parish office.

DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

Please see website for more information:
Diometuchen.org

Readings for the week of December 22, 2019

Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

Wednesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

INFORMACION EN ESPAÑOL

OFICINA PARROQUIAL

609-397-3350

NUMERO DE FAX DE OFICINA

609-397-8713

EN CASO DE EMERGENCIA

609-460-4762

HORAS DE OFICINA

Lunes a Juaves ~ 9:30 AM – 3:00 P.M.

HORARIO DE MISA

Misa en Español ~ Domingos, 11:00 A.M.

St. Agnes en Stockton

EDUCACION

Educación Religiosa para Niños: Por favor llamar a la oficina de Estudios Religiosos (en Inglés). Se requiere que los niños asistan regularmente a estas clases para poder recibir sus sacramentos. Se requiere también que todas las familias participen regularmente en la Misa. Por favor llamar a la directora de Estudios Religiosos para más información, al 609-397-3350.

Educación Religiosa para Adultos: Por favor comuníquese con el Padre si le faltan algunos de los sacramentos.

CONFESIONES

St John's ~ Sábados: 3:30 – 4:30 P.M.

BAUTISMOS

Español: Durante la Misa en español o cuando sea necesario. (Los padres deben estar registrados en la Parroquia y se requiere que asistan a una clase de preparación antes del bautismo. Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para hacer los arreglos necesarios.)

MATRIMONIOS

Contactar la oficina parroquial 1 año antes de la boda. El novio o la novia debe estar registrado (a) como miembro de la Parroquia por lo menos por 1 año antes que el día de la boda sea confirmado. Se requiere que los novios participen en Pre-Cana o Encuentro de Comprometidos. Para más información, por favor llamar la oficina parroquial.

SACRAMENTO DE UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

Cuando sea necesario, contacte la oficina parroquial.

FAMILIARES HOSPITALIZADOS

Si tiene algún familiar hospitalizado, hágalo saber a la parroquia para que lo podamos visitar y llevarle la Eucaristía. Pueden llamar al Padre al 609-397-3350 o 609-397-4118.

PARTICIPE EN EL CORO

El coro está buscando más voces e instrumentos musicales. Toda persona a quien le guste cantar o sepa tocar instrumentos musicales, pueden participar en el coro. Ofrezca su talento.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ml 3:1-4, 23-34; Sal 24:4bc-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14; Lc 1:57-66

Martes: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Sal 88:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Lc 1:67-79

Miércoles: Vigilia: Is 62:1-5; Sal 88:4-5, 16-17, 27 29; Hch 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 o Mt 1:18-25

Noche: Is 9:1-3, 5-6; Sal 95:1-2a, 2b-3, 11-12, 13; Tt 2:11-14; Lc 2:1-14

Aurora: Is 62:11-12; Sal 96:1, 6, 11-12; Tt 3:4-7; Lc 2:15-20

Día: Is 52:7-10; Sal 97:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Hb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 o Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Jueves: Hch 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Sal 30:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Viernes: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Sal 96:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:2-9

Sábado: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Sal 123:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Domingo: Sir 3:3-7, 14-17a; Sal 127:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21 o Col 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23 7; Mt 1:18-24

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#WHATSMYNAME

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