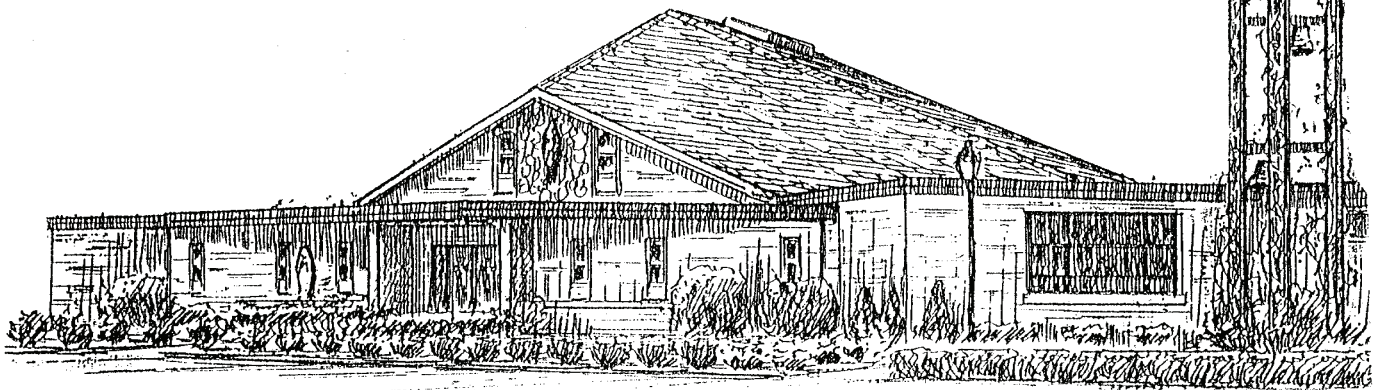


ST. JOHN'S R.C. CHURCH

619 Chestnut Street
Lakehurst, NJ 08733



SERVED BY

Rev. James F. O'Neill, Pastor
Msgr. Elso Introini, retired priest
Msgr. Richard A. Rusconi, retired priest
Rev. George Deutsch, retired priest
Rev. Joseph Murphy, retired priest
Deacon Edward Holowienka
Deacon Anthony Laterza
Charlie Jannetti, Business Manager
Holly Hartline, Music Director
Gina Innarella, Parish Secretary

MASSES

Saturday, church 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Sunday, church 9:15 AM & 11:00 AM

Please consult the bulletin for Holy Day Masses.

Monday—Friday, chapel 8:00 AM
Saturday & 1st Friday, church 8:00 AM

DEVOTIONS

Following Daily Mass:
Monday—Miraculous Medal
1st Friday—Adoration with confessions
1st Saturday—Devotional prayers, confessions

ADORATION

Tuesdays in the chapel: 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM
First Friday in the church: 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

ROSARY

Rosary recited Monday to Saturday at 7:20 AM & Sunday, before the 9:15 AM & 11 AM Masses

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 11 AM to 12 PM and 3 PM to 3:45 PM

MARRIAGES

The Sacrament of Matrimony requires a time of spiritual preparation. The couple should contact the Parish Office one year before the date of marriage.

PARISH OFFICE

Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
Parish Office: 732-657-6347
Fax: 732-657-8690
Parish Website: stjohnlakehurst.com
E-mail: office@stjohnlakehurst.com

GRADE SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Ms. MaryAnn Dempkowski,
Director of Religious Education
Religious Ed Office: 732-657-2348

COMMUNION CALLS

For those who are unable to attend Mass, we will be happy to bring Holy Communion to you periodically in your home or at the local nursing homes. Please call the Parish Office to notify us.

SICK CALLS—ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of serious illness or accident, please call the Parish Office to request the Anointing of the Sick.

EMERGENCIES

For emergencies outside of office hours (such as when someone is dying or has died), please call and leave a message at 732-930-1690.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Families moving into or out of the parish are asked to call the Parish Office as soon as possible.

BAPTISMS

Preparation for first-time parents is required. Baptisms take place on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 12:15 PM. Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements.

**Second Sunday
in
Ordinary Time**

MASSES & SERVICES FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, January 18th**

4:00 PM Jimmy Calogero (birthday rem.)
Nicholas Sgammato

7:00 PM Thomas Hutton
Stephanie Vasquez

Sunday, January 19th, 2nd Sunday in OT

9:15 AM Special Intentions of Traves, Lauren, &
Steven Mikol
Andrew F. Hartnett

11:00 AM Dec. mem. of Ruocco & Magasic Families
Dec. mem. of McGrath & Dillon Families

Monday, January 20th, Sts. Fabian & Sebastian

8:00 AM Deacon Rich Glogoza (birthday rem.)
Susan Bock Dean

Tuesday, January 21st, St. Agnes

8:00 AM Steven Racz & Family (anniv. rem.)
Allen Ostro

**Wednesday, January 22nd, Mass in Church,
Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection
of Unborn Children**

8:00 AM Carmela Pittarelli
John Feeley

**Thursday, January 23rd, Sts. Marianne Cope &
Vincent**

8:00 AM Joseph Sansone (birthday rem.)
Thomas Kelly

Friday, January 24th, St. Francis de Sales

8:00 AM Joseph M. Zavatsky
Carol Ann Murphy

Saturday, January 25th, St. Paul

8:00AM Multiple Intention Mass

4:00PM Charles Lynch
Kerry Clark-Goceliak

7:00PM Thomas Hutton
Adele Reo

Sunday, January 26th, 3rd Sunday in OT

9:15 AM Joseph Cosenza (birthday rem.)
Maureen Eldridge

11:00 AM Anthony Sorbera & Jack Bishop
Special intentions of Shane Williams

MULTIPLE INTENTION MASS**Saturday, January 11th, 2020, 8 AM**

Jean Growtkowski	Antonio Pimenta
John DeLello	Antonio Pimenta
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ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers may be purchased for any occasion. If you are placing an order, please do so 2 weeks in advance, by calling Joan Toth of the Rosary Altar Society at 732-657-4938. Thank you for your participation.

CANDLES for Jan. 19th-Jan. 25th, 2020**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

In loving memory
of
Stephanie Vasquez

SACRED HEART

For the
Unborn

SHRINE CANDLE

In loving memory
of
People of our Parish

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially:**

Week 1: Johanna Gonzalez

Week 2: Michael DeFeo, Deacon Ed Holowienka

Week 3: Jonas Walworth, Kathleen Smith

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DECEASED:

Brian Campbell

PARISH MINISTRIES

St. Vincent de Paul Society, 732-657-6359

Rosary Altar Society

Angela McNeill, 732-657-1728

Religious Article Store

Victor Bala, 732-691-2291

Youth Group

Lori Downing, ldowning@easeton.org

Bereavement Support Group

Shelley Laterza, 848-224-4828

Sign Language

The 4 PM Mass has an interpreter for the hearing impaired. Those learning sign language meet on Tuesdays at 10:30 AM in the Parish Center. New-comers wanting to learn to sign are welcome.

Nursing Home Ministry, Ushers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
Joe Pittarelli, 732-323-8469

Hospitality Ministry, Josephine O'Connell organizes the coffee and refreshments after the 9:15 AM Mass in the back of the parish hall. If interested in helping Josephine, call her @ 609-668-2159.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

Week of Jan. 12th, 2020: \$ 12,140

Week of Jan. 13th, 2019: \$13,128

Thank you for your financial support!

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY-- SAN ALFONSO RETREAT

Rosary Altar Society is sponsoring a day Retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ, Tuesday, March 31st. Bus will be leaving Church Parking Lot at 8:30AM—Arriving back between 4:00-4:30PM. Cost is \$60.

All reservations must be made and paid for by March 1st, 2020. For more information and reservations call Barbara Seele @ 732-657-5512 or 848-224-9586.

**SEEKING USHER MINISTRY MEMBERS**

Ladies and gentlemen of Saint John's, now is a good time to consider joining this welcoming and critical church ministry. As an usher you have first contact with visitors and parishioners. Ushers extend warm greetings, organize mass activities and embrace God's people as they come to His House. The ministry can cement church memberships with its positive, personal impact.....week after week. Please consider this. You are welcome to learn more by attending the next training/discussion session, Tuesday, **February 11, 2020, 1-3 PM**, in the Parish Center.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Our Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 20th, in observance of Martin Luther King Day. We will re-open on Tuesday, January 21st @ 8:30 AM. Thank you!

CURSILLO ULTREYA

Our next meeting will be, Thursday, February 20th @ 1PM in the Parish Center. Any questions, call Barbara Cipriano @ 732-323-8878.

BEREAVEMENT/SUPPORT GROUP

St. John's Church is happy to offer a Bereavement Support Group for those who are grieving a recent loss. This is a Christ-centered Support Group offering a caring, compassionate, and confidential environment in which to verbalize your feelings.

There will be 7 weekly sessions, on Tuesdays, @1pm, Jan. 7th thru Feb. 18th. For reg. and details, please contact Shelley Laterza @ 848-224-4828.

FOOD COLLECTION

3rd Sunday, Jan. 18th/19th, 2020

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Boxes will be at the doors of our Church to accept your non-perishable donations. All food will be distributed on Monday, January 20, 2020.

Thank you in advance for all you do to help those in our parish who are less fortunate.



ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY



Our baptismal task is continually to deepen our own understanding of who Jesus is and to make him know. We don't come to a one-time understanding of Christ. Our whole lives are spent beholding the Lamb of God. Like John, we go from not knowing to seeing to testifying. More than likely, we aren't called to testify to the Son of God by going and baptizing or doing great things. We testify to Jesus' identity by being faithful to the ordinary things in life, by doing God's will. The revelation of Jesus' identity—how he is made known in the world—is mediated by the way we live our lives every day.

Perhaps some of you have been feeling discouraged or even disappointed. Maybe you thought your life would look a lot different than it does. You might have longed to do something really significant, and you are wondering if you did something wrong or missed your chance. But don't miss the glory of what God is doing right in front of you because you are expecting it to look a certain way.

Are you loving people? Are you striving to work with integrity and honesty? Are you serving others? Are you being a dependable friend? Are you walking in humility? Are you doing your best to walk in reconciliation? Are you choosing contentment and gratitude in a world driven by greed and selfish ambition? Most importantly, are you building a life based on who God says He is and what He promises? And on the days when you don't do these things as well as you would like to, are you getting back up and trying again?

Then you are doing something significant for God's kingdom, and you are making a difference. It makes a difference to the people you encounter every day when you do your best to reflect God's heart in your words and actions, even if you do not realize or see the eternal work taking place.

To the faithful, God shows Himself faithful (Ps. 18:25). He looks to strengthen the hearts of those who are fully committed to Him (2 Chron. 16:9). He sees you, even when it feels like no one else does. Don't lose heart. Keep choosing Him one ordinary day at a time, and trust that He will use your faithfulness in extraordinary ways.

PLEASE PRAY for all our parishioners and friends who are serving in the military, as well as our police, firefighters, first responders, and all who are put in harm's way for our protection:



- AC1 Megan Downes USN
- CW5 Thomas Oroho
- CPL George Daly IV
- Major Corey J. Smith
- Major Kenneth R. Dougher II
- CPO Michael M. Miehle
- Capt. Meghan Oroho
- SPC Brian Mc Nichol
- Spec. Corinne McGrath
- Major Brian Kossler

BORO OF LAKEHURST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Boro of Lakehurst Historical Society is hosting their 12th Annual Soup—R—Bowl of Chili Challenge. January 25th (snow date 26th), 3-6 PM, Lakehurst Community Center—207 Center St. Ticket/Ballot: \$5.00 — Kids under 5: Free.

ST. JOSEPH GRADE SCHOOL—TOMS RIVER

St. Joseph's Grade School presents: "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang", Friday, Feb. 14th @ 7:00PM, Sat. Feb. 15th @ 7:00PM, & Sun. Feb. 16th @ 2:00PM. For tickets contact Mrs. Roche @ 732-349-2355 x2027 or email droche@stjoeschooltr.org.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH 50/50 SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE

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Quarterly @ \$ 30

*Please make your check payable to **St. John's Church**. In memo section please note : **2019-2020 50/50 Raffle. Good Luck!!**

Dear Parishioners,**January 22nd Mass in the Church**

The bishops of the United States have designated January 22nd as a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Please join us for Mass at 8 AM in the church. We will be praying for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life.

March for Life

I signed up for the bus leaving from St. Martha's in Point Pleasant on January 24th. Join us for Mass at 6:30 AM. The bus leaves at 7 AM. Contact Ellen Conaghan for reservations and more information at (732) 899-7322 or (732) 322-1873 or email at Mecon27@aol.com.

You can learn more about other buses at <https://dioceseoftrenton.org/march-for-life>

Sickness

Recently, I've heard a lot more coughing than usual. Germs are out there. As of yet, I have not received any recommendations from the diocese. Nevertheless, I ask everyone to use common sense regarding germs.

Keep in mind that illness, taking care of a sick relative, and really crazy weather are legitimate reasons to miss Mass. If we are unable to attend Mass on Sunday, then it is good for us to pray quietly, read the readings for Mass, or even watch Mass on television.

Typically, missing Mass due to vacation or travel is not legitimate. We ought to figure out how we can attend Mass before we travel. Unforeseen situations do occur, but we should do our best to worship God at Mass on Sundays.

Formed and EWTN

For Christmas, my brother gave me a Roku device. When I set it up, I was able to add apps for Formed and EWTN. The movies and videos at Formed look much better on the TV screen. I suspect that both Formed and EWTN are available on Amazon Fire devices as well as many other platforms.

If you haven't yet registered for Formed, you can do so more easily now. Go to formed.org, select our

parish, and enter your e-mail address.

Mass Times for Special Days

For special days like Holy Days of Obligation, Ash Wednesday, and Thanksgiving, our Mass schedule changes. Some of these days are national holidays when many people have off from work. Others are not. For special days when people are working, we're going to try slightly different Mass times. Instead of 9:15 AM and 11 AM, we'll have Mass at 8 AM and 12 noon.

For example, on Ash Wednesday, February, 26th, we will have Masses at 8 AM, 12 Noon, and 7 PM. This will hopefully better accommodate those who work. A number of people who work at the base may be able to attend Mass at 12 Noon during their lunch hour. As a day of fasting and abstinence, they can skip lunch for some time with the Lord.

God love you,

Fr. Jim

frjim@stjohnlakehurst.com

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We have closed our 2019 ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION RECORDS. Any donations now given will be credited to your 2020 records.

If you would like a copy of the amount of your ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS for 2019 (**Please Note: this is your weekly envelope donation amount ONLY... NO Masses, candles, special memorials or Annual Catholic Diocesan Appeal Contributions are included**), please complete the form below and return it to the Parish Office with a self-addressed, stamped envelope and we will be glad to fill in the amount that we have recorded from your envelopes and return it to you.

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February 8, 2020



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