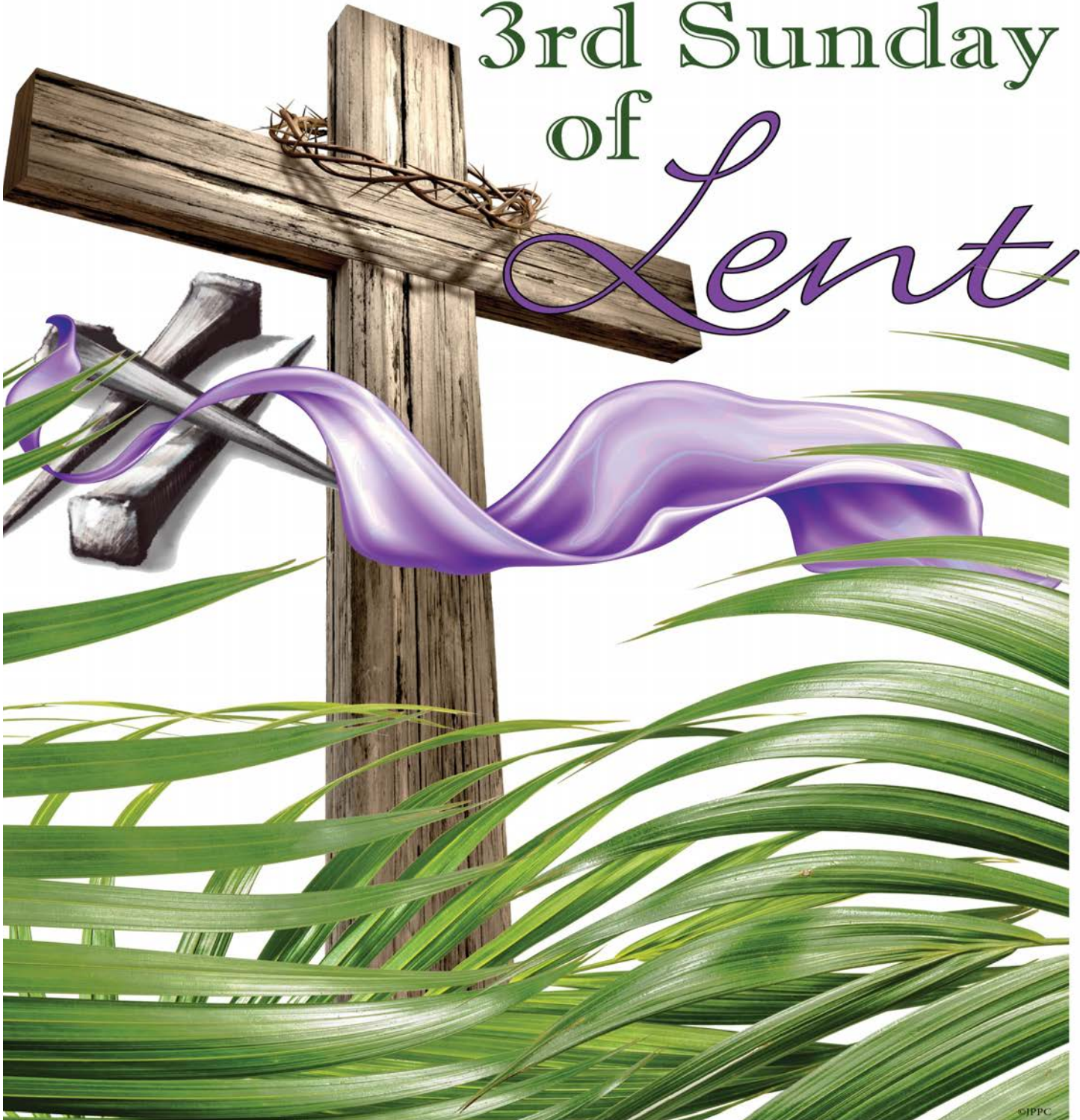




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3rd Sunday
of
Lent





Sunday, March 20
Third Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 AM Living and deceased members of the Hauf Family, requested by Kathleen Hauf
- 9:30 AM Charles and Teresa Meyrick, requested by Stefanie Meyrick
- 11:30 AM Amadio Diamante, requested by his daughter, Lisa

Monday, March 21: Monday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Cindy Lane and Daniel Gambino, Sr. and Jr., requested by Darryl and Maureen Puzan

Tuesday, March 22: Tuesday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Darius F. Thomas, requested by The Thomas Family

Wednesday, March 23: Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo

- 8:00 AM Lou Strzelec, requested by Karen Strzelec

Thursday, March 24: Saint Oscar Romero

- 8:00 AM Andrew Barkocyc, requested by Albert and Andrea DiGregorio

Friday, March 25: The Annunciation of the Lord

- 8:00 AM Geraldine O'Sullivan, requested by S. Marc Flannery

Saturday, March 26: Saturday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Kitty and Bill Rajeski, requested by Kathleen
- 4:00 PM Ryan King, requested by the Hart Family

Sunday, March 27
Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 AM All the Members of our Parish
- 9:30 AM Healing Mass for John Toler, requested by his Aunt, Laura Filippo
- 11:30 AM Donald Spader, requested by the Nally Family

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Every Tuesday from 8:30 am to 9:00 am

Every Saturday from 2:45 pm to 3:45 pm

PARISH CONFESSIONS

Monday, April 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the Church
(extra priests will be available to hear confessions).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will pray the Stations of the Cross on
Fridays at 7:00 pm in the Church except
on April 1st (Confirmation Practice).



**COORDINATOR
NEEDED**

We are looking for someone to coordinate Saint John's Bakery Basket. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 215-295-4102.



**Saint John the Evangelist Parish is
participating in a parish-wide survey!**

Saint John the Evangelist Parish is participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute and we need your help!

Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed through an online link which began on March 2nd and is available through April 4th. The survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We are sharing the link to complete the online survey through:

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/ya3x23>

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to the parish and our various ministries as we continue to plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this Spring/Summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

ADULT

ALTAR SERVERS

Are you looking to serve the Lord in a very special way? Please consider being an Adult Altar Server at Saint John's. We are in need of men and women who might be able to assist at our Daily Masses, for funerals and special celebrations. You will be trained. If you are being called to serve, please call the Parish Office at 215-295-4102 and leave your name and phone number and we will have someone return your call. Thank you for considering this special ministry!



On Sunday, February 20, 2022, Deacon Jon Hess baptized

Luca Rotimi Owoh
son of Timothy and Faith Owoh

*into our Catholic faith.
May the blessings of his Baptism Day always keep the
presence of the Lord in his life.*



Karl Bahmiller	Don Garner, Sr.	Linda Morelli
Lewis Ballinger	John Guintier	Lena O'Brien
Nancy Baradziej	Samantha Rose	Florence Opara
Michael Barkovich, Jr.	Haggerty	Eileen Richardson
Irene Bentz	David Hayes	William (Bill) Ross
Charles and Carol Buiocchi	Frank Henniger	Richard and Magda Rueda
Ed Cook	Mary Ann Holt	Robert Schuster
Claudia DiBraccio	Joseph P. Kirlin, III	John Toler
Louis DiTanna, Jr.	Beth Lynch	Eleanor B. Tomasulo
Christopher Dixon	Cassidy McVan	Austin Trainor (child)
Cathy Fuller	Ryan McVan	Bridgette Traynor
	Connie Mordich	

and all the residents of Manor Care and Arden Court

Names can be put on the prayer list by contacting the Parish Office in person, by phone (215-295-4102) or by email (sjeoffices@stjohnpa.org). All names will be left on the list for a period of 4 weeks. If you would like the intention to stay on for more than 4 weeks, please contact us again.



Next year, Bishops from around the world will answer the call of Pope Francis to meet in Rome for the “Synod on Synodality”.

What is a Synod?

A Synod is a council of the Church, usually convened to decide an issue of doctrine, administration or application. The word synod is from the Greek *sinodos* meaning “assembly” or “meeting” and is similar to the Latin *concilium* meaning “council”. Sometimes the phrase “general synod” or “general council” refers to an ecumenical council, like the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965).

What is Synodality?

In the words of Pope Francis, a synodal Church is a “listening Church knowing that listening is more than feeling. It is a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn. We must all listen to the Holy Spirit, the spirit of Truth to know what the Spirit is saying to the Church. [...] This is what the Lord expects from the Church of the third millennium.” (Address at the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Synod of Bishops, 17 October 2015) Synodality provides opportunities to listen to the Holy Spirit and the People of God in order to discern together and walk forward on a common path, accompanying each other on the spiritual journey as we live out our missionary call to personal discipleship with our Lord.

What is the goal of this Synod?

The objective of this Synodal Process is not to provide a temporary or one-time experience of synodality, but rather to provide an opportunity for the entire People of God to discern together how to move forward on the path towards being a more synodal Church in the long-term. Pope Francis characterizes the two interrelated goals of this process of listening: “to listen to God, so that with Him we may hear the cry of His people; to listen to His people until we are in harmony with the will to which God calls us.”

Pope Francis and Archbishop Perez invites **YOU** to participate in the preparatory process for the upcoming Synod of Bishops by attending our next Parish engagement session, **Wednesday, March 23rd, 7:00—8:30 pm** in the Religious Education Center (cafeteria), where you will become part of the process. If you are unable to attend this next session, you may still participate by attending one of 26 Archdiocesan sessions listed on archphila.com web site. Contact Deacon Jon at RCIA@stjohnpa.org with any questions and please make every effort to be a part of this historical event.

For additional information, please go to the following link: <https://archphila.org/synod/>




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If you have a family member serving in the Armed Forces and would like them to be remembered in our Parish Prayers, please call the Parish Office and leave their names, rank and branch of service.



Catholic Relief Services represents the Catholic Church internationally to address poverty and hunger, and to provide disaster relief. It is the official relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Lenten Rice Bowl is a project to bring awareness of the work of CRS while providing an opportunity for individual and family alms and fasting. Lenten Rice Bowl is an excellent way to hear individual stories from CRS projects around the world, and to learn some geography, as well. This year, CRS Lenten Rice Bowl features stories and meatless recipes from Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda. Please visit crsricebowl.org to discover ways to expand horizons through fasting and alms-giving.




*Mass Readings for
Next Sunday
March 27, 2022*

Reading 1
Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

Responsorial Psalm
Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

Reading 2
2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel
Luke 15:1-2, 11-32



*Prepare for Sunday Mass by
reading, reflecting and praying
the readings with family and
friends.*



*Saint John the Evangelist
Weekly Collection*

Tenth Sunday in 2022


Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 10,259
Parish Giving	<u>4,495</u>
Total	\$ 14,754

Tenth Sunday in 2021

Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 6,796
Parish Giving	\$ <u>4,285</u>
Total	\$ 11,081

YTD Sunday Collection
(July 1, 2021—March 13, 2022) \$ 497,975

Thank you for your continued generosity!



Many thanks for the enthusiastic support for the Social Concerns Spring Sale! Proceeds will help support Project FIAT in El Salvador, where parishioners have worked.

Shared Meals Takeout—Fri., March 25th. All items need to be delivered to the school between **4:00 and 4:45 PM.**

St. John's Volunteer Opportunities

Please see the Corporal Works of Mercy Calendar in the vestibule of Church for the numerous opportunities to serve God by serving others during the season of Lent. Additionally, please see the opportunity to help a Foster child in crisis by providing a back pack with essentials, in the vestibule of Church. We are specifically in need of children's pajamas and backpacks.

Loving Hands Group—next meeting is on Sun., March 20th at 1:00 PM. Social Concerns Loving Hands group has an ongoing project making dresses for girls in El Salvador. Share your time and talents! Materials will be supplied.

If you are a seamstress, or if you can measure, cut, pin, or iron, we need YOU!

Finished dresses may be brought to the Sunday, March 20th meeting at 1:00 PM (**NOT March 27th** as formerly announced).

Donations: Thank you for your personal care donations, but at this time we are not in need of any personal care products. Please keep an eye on the bulletin for when they are needed again. Thank you very much for your generosity and cooperation!



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**



Please join the St. John the Evangelist Knights of Columbus Council 7515 to "Adopt-A-Family" for Easter. We will provide Easter meals for families in need from our surrounding communities. Look for the Knights sign up table before and after Mass during the weekend of **March 19-20** and **March 26-27** and select a family to support. Families range in size. The Knights of Columbus will provide bread and a ham to each family. Drop off will be before and after Mass on the weekends of April 2-3 and 9-10. The Knights will distribute the meals and additional food before Easter. Please contact Jim Coyle at 215-493-8472 if you have any questions.



**SECOND ANNUAL GARY M. GLADWELL, JR
CORNHOLE
TOURNAMENT**



CONGRATULATIONS!

To our parishioner, Shea Riley, on receiving High Honors for the first semester of the 2021-22 school year at Villa Joseph Marie High School.

Please join us on Saturday, May 21st from 1-5pm on the St John's soccer fields for the Second Annual Gary M. Gladwell, Jr Corn Hole Tournament. Funds raised will benefit Philly Friends of V for cancer research. The team registration fee is \$50, anyone 18 or older can register by May 1. Lawn chairs and coolers are permitted, or you can purchase food from the 5 Dollar Fresh food truck (www.5dollarfresh.com). If you are unable to attend, donations will gladly be accepted. You can register at www.Phillyfriendsofv.org. To donate, volunteer or for any questions, please email Gentlemanscup515@gmail.com.

St. John the Evangelist Youth Ministry



Mrs. Maria Shadle
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I have always had a great love for St. Joseph. This weekend on his feast, I work to remember the love that he gave to Mary and Jesus. Even though not much is known about him, we know he was a loving husband and father. He loved his family with his whole heart and was silent throughout the Bible. This weekend, my prayers are with you and your families, that you will love as St. Joseph loved.



Upcoming Youth Events:

Middle School Youth Group - Friday, March 25 4:30-6:00pm

Join with us as we continue our journey through Lent.

High School Youth Group - Tuesdays, 5:00-6:30pm

We will continue to walk through the Stations of the Cross.

St. John's youth ministry will host an Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 9th at 1:30pm *Rain date 4/10.*

High school volleyball has started - no more sign ups will be collected after Sunday, March 20th. First practice is Sunday from 12:30-1:30pm in the Parish Center.

One last pierogi night! Friday, April 1 - eat in and take out available. 5:30-6:45pm

The Catholic Women of Bucks (CWoB) Giving Circle is a new initiative which funds local organizations in our area that reflect our Catholic faith and assist the community. Members of the Circle give monetary donations, which are collectively given to local organizations. Designed as a giving circle, this group will leverage a pooled fund to have greater impact on the organizations selected. The giving circle meets twice a year, to hear about the organizations to be funded, collect and award the funding.

The giving circle provides the opportunity for Catholic women to gather, engage in the local community and grow stronger in our faith!

Are you interested in becoming a member of our Giving Circle or want to learn more? Please join us for our next meeti

April 21st at 7 p.m.

**St John the Evangelist Parish (School Cafeteria)
752 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA.**

Our featured speaker will be Marie Joseph, Exec. Dir. of the Legacy of Life Foundation.

<https://www.legacyoflifefoundation.org/>

While an RSVP is not necessary, we would love to hear if you will be joining us!

Contact: Jen Sullivan at (609)947-6480 or jenny_sullivan414@yahoo.com



Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, be generous and ready to share

1 Timothy 6:18

ST. JOHN'S PREP HAPPENINGS



Barbara Ann Nuzzolo, Director of Religious Education

SEE MORE ABOUT PREP ON OUR WEBSITE:

<http://stjohnpa.org/PREP>

Or call 215-295-9239

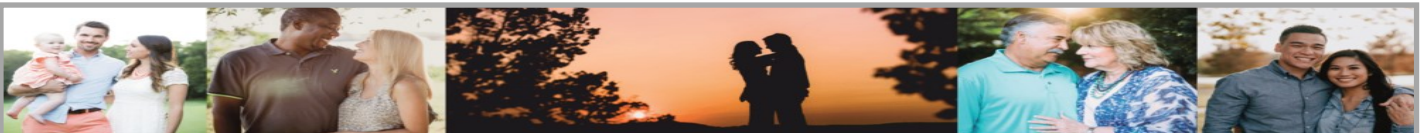
Teaching children in the PREP program brings to the catechist an even deeper understanding of the Catholic Faith. To teach someone is to add a deeper dimension of learning for oneself. In 1972, the National Conference of Bishops published a pamphlet entitled, "TO TEACH AS JESUS DID." I still refer to this document as a resource. The information is as current as any newly published work as it stresses the need for parents and catechists to understand that there is a collaboration that must take place for success. The religious truths must be communicated in a relevant manner with accurate information to integrate the religious truths with the values needed in life. In this document, there were references of the importance of the role of parents as the first religious educators of their children. And this year, while still dealing with the COVID 19 pandemic, the parents continued to be challenged to do just that by teaching the grade level curriculum whenever the child was unable to attend the in person sessions.

I write often of the meaning of a catechist, and today I would like you to reflect on the words because they apply to anyone who imparts the Catholic doctrine to children whether in a classroom setting, in the car, at the kitchen table or on the many community sport fields.

"A catechist is a person of faith, hope and love attached to arms and legs with aches, and pains, family duties and not enough time. A catechist is an ordinary person who is extraordinary because he or she teaches as Jesus did. A catechist is faithful to the past, open to the future, but especially dedicated to deepening the faith of the present generation." A catechist at St. John the Evangelist is one who follows the guidelines as set forth by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia adding their creativity, knowledge, and personality to each lesson. And all of you who assist are to be commended as well.

Our dedicated catechists are willing to make the effort to plan and then present the tenets of our Catholic faith to the students. There is always room for more catechists or volunteers, so if you feel that your talents can be shared with the students while spreading the Good News of the Gospel, then the PREP family welcomes you.

For the upcoming year, we are inviting all to be catechists and the people of faith who are willing to witness their love of the Catholic faith and teach the tenets of our beautiful faith.



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Saturday, April 2, 2022
9AM-5PM

Cardinal O'Hara
High School

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