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JANUARY 12, 2025

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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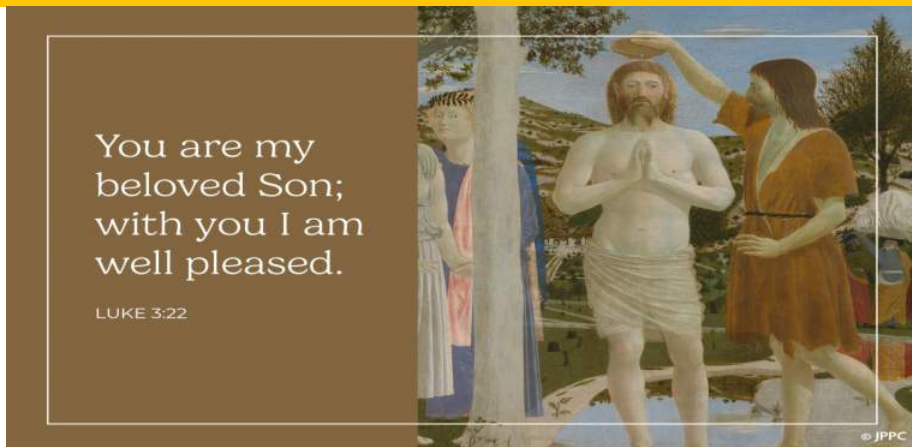
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If any parishioner, a family member, or a loved one are in need of a priest, please call the **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER** at 215-375-0460 and leave a detailed message.

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You are my beloved Son;
with you I am well pleased.

LUKE 3:22

OUR MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Vigil Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 AM
Weekdays Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturdays: 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM
Tuesdays: 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM
Other times by appointment

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements should be made with the priest at least 6 months before the wedding. Attendance at Pre-Marital Classes required.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sunday through Friday— after daily Mass, until 8:00 PM. Saturday -until Vigil Mass.

LECTIO DIVINA

Wednesdays: 8:30 AM in the Chapel

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Saturdays, following 8:00 AM Mass

VISITING THE SICK

If a family member is sick in the hospital, at home, or in a nursing home and they would like to have a short visit by a member of our Pastoral staff, please call the Parish Office at 215-295-4102.

PASTORAL LIFE CENTER

752 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA 19067
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sjeoffices@stjohnpa.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9 AM - 5 PM
No office hours on Saturday or Sunday, except by appointment

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Preparations for Baptism should begin before your child is born. All expectant parents or parents of newborn children are asked to enroll themselves in our Parish Baptism Preparation class. Information will be shared when parents call to register for Baptism. Our small classes are held in our Pastoral Life Center. Baptisms are ordinarily celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month at 1PM.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The OCIA is a process of welcoming new members into our Catholic faith. It also welcomes baptized Catholics who have not yet received the Sacraments of Confession, First Communion or Confirmation. Please contact Lori Miller at 856-905-2624 for more information.

Masses For The Week



Sunday, January 12 Baptism of the Lord

7:30 AM All the Members of our Parish
9:30 AM Margaret Mizenko, requested by her daughter, Joyce Hogan
11:30 AM Brock Curtis, requested by Wayne and Dorie Tallman

Monday, January 13: Saint Hilary

8:00 AM Scott Loher, requested by Sheila Cardone

Tuesday, January 14: Tuesday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM George and Helen O'Brien, requested by George and Donna O'Brien

Wednesday, January 15: Wednesday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Camilla Jackson, requested by The Religious Education Program

Thursday, January 16: Thursday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM John Kelly, requested by Joan Hanrahan

Friday, January 17: Saint Anthony

8:00 AM Healing Intention for Akos Swierkiewicz, requested by the Rosary Group

Saturday, January 18: Saturday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Lillian Ward, requested by Barbara Ellison
4:00 PM Fresner Jean, requested by the Jean Family

Sunday, January 19 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Dr. James O'Larnic, requested by AnnaMarie Nagle
9:30 AM All the Members of our Parish
11:30 AM Richard Russo, requested by Eileen and Joseph Magee



Saint John's Parish collects food for **Mary's Cupboard** through monthly food drives. Our next collection will be on the week-end of **January 18-19**.

The following items are welcome: canned vegetables, fruits, tuna, chicken, gravy, soup. Pasta, pasta sauce, mac n cheese, peanut butter, cereal, box juices, oatmeal, and any other goodies you feel another family would enjoy.

Thank you for your generosity towards our neighbors in need! God bless you!



If a family member is sick or you would like a visit from one of our Pastoral staff, please call our office at 215-295-4102 and we will have one of them return your call and schedule a visit.



Our Church Ministries

Adoration Society: Maria DiDonato, Cynthia Mariotti
Altar Servers: Lucy Fronheiser, lucydonnellan@gmail.com

Bakery Basket: Joan Graves, 267.760.3950, and Sinota Fakolujo, 215-378-7666

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Blessed Counters: Fr. William Monahan, 215.295.4102

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Youth Ministry: Maria Shadle,
youthministries@stjohnpa.org



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Rosary for Our Nation

Sundays from 10:30 - 11 AM

SJE Chapel

Join us as we enter into a new leadership to pray for our political leaders and each person in every state. Let us put our trust in God to guide this nation.



*Dominic Tulio
and
Alan Hill*

An Invitation from Archbishop Pérez

Learn more about a new
way forward together for the
Catholic Church of Philadelphia



To the Parish Family of Saint John's,

This past weekend, Archbishop Perez published a Pastoral Letter to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. In this letter, our Archbishop expresses his hopes and desires for the future of our Archdiocese. One of the topics that he has stressed since his arrival is his desire for each of us to understand our role as "Missionary Disciples" in our world. As a parish family, we continue to discern what this means for our lives of faith and how we integrate this understanding into our everyday living.

The future of the faith in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia continues to be both filled with hope and challenge! At this point in our local church history, it is a time when we ALL need to evaluate, plan and re-engage in the important work of evangelization. This may entail a "pastoral change of heart" as described by the Archbishop. To experience this change, we must re-examine and assess "the way we have always done things" and to "cast out into the deep" with faith, hope and courage. Now is the time for us to actively engage and participate in our faith, and to invite others to do the same. I strongly encourage you to read this letter with an open heart and mind, and to be ready to respond accordingly.

The Archdiocese will be hosting multiple "Archdiocesan Consultation Sessions" across the region, with numerous meetings to be held within Bucks County. There are sessions in other locations as well during which the people of the Archdiocese are invited to gather, to listen, and to respond so that this process can proceed with great confidence in our sense of mission and courage to engage the world around us!

This pastoral vision of the Archbishop has been put together after the careful study of various plans occurring in a number of other dioceses across the country. Throughout this process, the clergy and other individuals in Archdiocesan leadership have gathered to listen, provide feedback and insights, and respond to our Archbishop, offering him both our words of encouragement and our continued commitment to drawing all people to Christ and living His call to evangelize to all corners of the world!

Below is the website where you can read the letter, access other resources and stay informed as this process continues to unfold! I am also including the Archbishop's letter as an insert in this bulletin.

I would also ask that you join me in prayer during this journey of faith, with a renewed trust in where the Lord is leading us. Saint John's continues to remain a place of welcome and opportunity for people to nurture and deepen their faith through the sacramental, pastoral, apostolic and social events and ministries we offer.

May the Lord's abundant graces and blessings continue to be with you and your loved ones!

<https://trustandhope.org>

Fr. Will



SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST SOCIAL CONCERNS

Social Concerns Meeting—No meeting in January. In its place, there will be a mini service day on Monday, January 20, from 12:00 PM-2:00 PM. All are welcome!

Shared Meals—Friday, January 24th, from 4:30-8:00 PM in the Religious Education Center. See Sign-up Genius for ways that you can help.

Lost WEEK | **Saint John the Evangelist Church**
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Fifty-Second Sunday in 2024	
Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 7,751
Parish Giving	N/A
Total	\$ 7,751

Fifty-Second Sunday in 2023	
Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 8,646
Parish Giving	4,601
Total	\$13,247
YTD Sunday Collection	

(July 1, 2024—Dec. 29, 2024) \$328,542

Thank you for your continued generosity!



ADULT CATHOLIC INITIATION (OCIA)

A Journey of Faith

This weekend the Christmas season ends, and so we now hear Luke’s Gospel account of the Baptism of an older Jesus who is praying as the Holy Spirit descends on him and as he experiences affirmation from heaven of him and of the work he is about to begin.

When we receive **Baptism** as infants, we complete our initiation sacraments later, as we grow in faith and understanding. The **Eucharist** helps nourish and strengthen us for that journey of faith; and **Confirmation** bestows on us many spiritual gifts as the Holy Spirit descends upon us and inspires us to answer God’s call.

If you have been baptized but are not yet confirmed, our OCIA team can help you prepare for and celebrate this wonderful Sacrament. We welcome questions from adults or older teens and can explain the steps our current group of candidates will be engaged in between now and Easter.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT COMPLETING YOUR SACRAMENTS AS AN ADULT, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE: stjohnpa.org OR PICK UP AN OCIA BROCHURE IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE.

YOU MAY ALSO CONTACT THE OCIA TEAM DIRECTLY THROUGH LORI MILLER AT 856-905-2624



Volunteer’s Needed!

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Our organization is looking for dedicated individuals to join us in our mission to make a positive impact within the homeless community.

Volunteers are currently needed to help at our Code Blue Shelter with intake, Dinner staff, Bus Team and Overnight shifts.

We invite you to join us to learn more about our Volunteer Team on Wednesday, January 22nd from 7PM to 9PM at Saint John the Evangelist in the Pastoral Life Center.



On the second Monday of each month, our parish hosts a Bereavement Group. Family members and friends are all invited to attend. Our next meeting will take place on:

***Monday, January 13, 2025
at 7:00 PM in the Pastoral Life Center***

Please call Kathy Ross with any questions at 267-230-1224.

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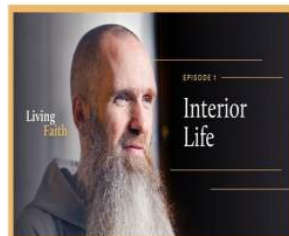
THIS WEEK ON
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Week of January 12, 2025



The Bible (Part 1)

Join Dr. Mark Giszczak as he answers the Internet's most-asked question about the Bible.



Interior Life

We all worship something, whether we know it or not. We are called to put God first, and that means giving Him our time in prayer. The focus of this episode is developing a consistent prayer life.



A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism

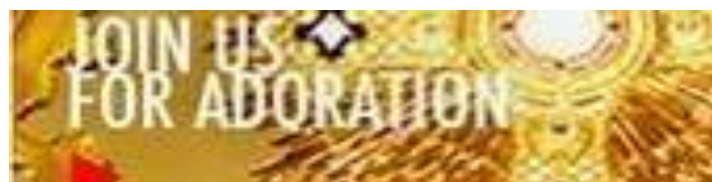
This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will begin to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!

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Saint John the Evangelist
Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

*January is the
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the Holy Name
of Jesus*



*Blessed be God!
Blessed be His
Holy Name!*

Virtue of the Month
Reverence: Showing your
deepest respect
for the things of God

**Family Faith
Activity of the Month**
Commit to heart
Philippians 2:10-11

To God Be the Glory

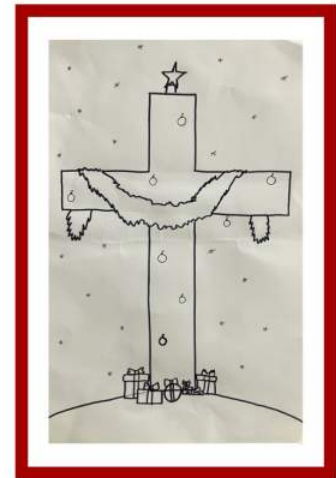
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Mary



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