

# ST • JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### **JANUARY 26, 2025**

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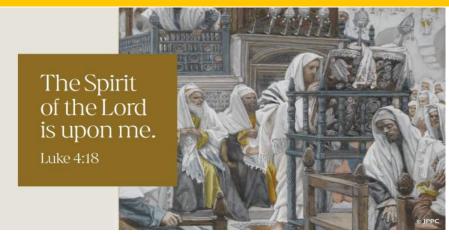
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#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

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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#### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### **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 215.295.4102, 4103 sjeoffices@stjohnpa.org

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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

#### P.R.E.P. OFFICE

728 Big Oak Road 215.295.9239

#### 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.

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<u>Sunday, January 26</u> Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cynthia Gergel, requested by her parents All the Members of our Parish 7:30 AM 9:30 AM

11:30 AM Matthew Graves, Happy Birthday, Love Mom, requested by Joan Graves

Monday, January 27: Saint Angela Merici

8:00 AM Mario Joseph Verrico, requested by his parents

Tuesday, January 28: Saint Thomas Aquinas 8:00 AM Joseph Hennessey, requested by Joe and Pat Mursch

Wednesday, January 29: Wednesday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Pat Arnold, requested by her sister, Grace Arnold

Thursday, January 30: Thursday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Philip Wood and Richard Rueda, requested by Julia Wood

Friday, January 31: Saint John Bosco

8:00 AM David Runyon, requested by Deacon Jim and Kathy Hartmann

Saturday, February 1: Saturday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM All Priests and Seminarians, requested by the Blue Army 4:00 PM Eleanor Stewart Monihan, requested by Ginnie Napolitano

<u>Sunday, February 2</u> The Presentation of the Lord

7:30 AM All the Members of our Parish 9:30 AM Robert J. O'Larnic, requested by Anna Marie Nagle 11:30 AM Matthew Graves, requested by Mom, Joan, and sisters, Jenna and Kat

Blessing of the Candles Sunday, February 2nd

Blessing of the Throats Monday, February 3rd at the 8:00 AM Mass





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.



# 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

**Bereavement Group:** *Kathy Ross, 267.230.1224* **Bible Study:** *Jane McGinniss, 267.981.3739* 

Blessed Counters: Fr. William Monahan, 215.295.4102 Caring for Friends: Mary Africa, 215.378.9438 Community Food Drive: Cathy McLean, 267.833.3177

CYO Athletic Director: Joe Hartigan, cyodirector@stjohnpa.org

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Cathleen Lynskey, clynskey@stjohnpa.org Funeral Liturgy Assistance: Rosemary Goode, 215.493.7424

**Jesse Tree:** Joe and Pat Mursch, jessetree.stjohn@gmail.com Knights of Columbus #7515: Grand Knight, Walter

Burek, walterburek@icloud.com Lectors: Mary Ryan, peanut65@comcast.net

Mass Greeters: Pat Mursch, cpmursch@comcast.net Men's Faith Sharing Group: Tom Burke, tomburkeyour willbedone@gmail.com

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OCIA: Lori Miller 856.905.2624

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**Shared Meals:** Nancy Doyle, sharedmeals@stjohnpa.org SJE Faith Formation: Tom Burke, tomburkeyourwillbe done(a)gmail.com

**Social Concerns Committee:** *Monica Forst, socialconcerns* @stjohnpa.org; 215.378.6781

**Ushers:** Walter Burek, walterburek@icloud.com

Women of the Word Prayer Group:

Connie Drummond, 215.493.5857

Youth Ministry: Maria Shadle, youthministries@stjohnpa.org

## Saint John's Bakery Basket



Please stop by our Bakery Basket, sponsored by our Youth

Minstry, next Sunday, February 2nd, in the Deacon James Hartmann Meeting Room after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses. Join us for fellowship, fun and a variety of baked goods and refreshments. Whether you are an existing parishioner, new parishioner or just visiting, you are most welcome!



# 7 JOYFUL SUFFERING

WHAT IS THAT??

JOIN US To hear LUKE LETOURNEAU, a father of 8, share his journey of death, alcoholism and miracles and how Our Lord called him to be a full-time missionary. Luke is the co-founder of Live Vertical, a Catholic ministry that brings young people face-toface with Jesus in Adoration.

> Where: Sthutohn the Evangelist 752 Big Oak Rd, Morrisville, PA 19067

When: January 30th, 2025

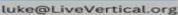
Time: 7pm to 9pm

Light refreshments available after the talk

Your free-will offering will support the ministry efforts of Live Vertical

#### PARISH MISSION OPPORTUNITY











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Michael Martin Butch McCain Rvan McVan Connie Moredich Philip Murtaugh Lena O'Brien Eleanor Queppet Magda Rueda Baby Grayson Rustay Albert Spicer Louis Stevens Joseph Stracci Abbie Stross Fryderyk Szkutnik John Toler Alfred J. Tomaselli, III Bridgette Traynor Ignatius Turchi Shelby Wagner Martina Warren

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LT Matthew Richardson, USA

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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.

# SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST SOCIAL CONCERNS

Thanks to all who participated in Social Concerns Service projects on MLK Day. We greatly appreciated your help!

**Social Concerns Meeting**— <u>Wednesday, February 19th, 7:00-8:30 PM in the Social Concerns Meeting Room.</u>

**Shared Meals**—<u>Friday, February 28th, from 4:30-8:00 PM</u> in the Religious Education Center. See Sign-up Genius for ways that you can help.



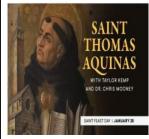
On the second Monday of each month, our parish hosts a Bereavement Group. Family members and friends are all invited to attend. Our next meeting will take place on:

Monday, February 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM in the Pastoral Life Center

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



Week of January 26, 2025



## Saint Thomas Aquinas/Catholic Saints

Saint Thomas Aquinas was given one of the greatest minds in history. He devoted his life to studying God. Not only did Saint Thomas cover almost all of theology, but he also did it while maintaining theological accuracy.



## Don Bosco: The True Story of the Apostle of Youth

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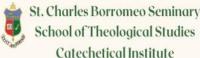
#### **Ongoing Formation**

When it comes to formation, it's easy to be passive consumers. Instead, let's show up, get excited and be proactive about our own faith formation. The focus of this episode is turning down the noise and forming our minds.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.



Registration Due: February 28, 2025
\$25 registration fee per person includes lunch and a t-shirt
Questions? Contact Grace Murphy, at gmurphy@archphila.org or 610-667-5778
Or visit HeedTheCall.org/BBVC



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The Catechetical Institute (CI) offers online non-credit courses for Catholic adults 18 years+ with a high school diploma or equivalent. The courses are for teachers in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia elementary schools who are required to obtain catechetical certification; parish catechists; and those seeking to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic Faith.

The following CI courses are being offered in February:

Foundations of the Church Sacraments of Initiation

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https://www.scs.edu/school-of-theological-studies/catechetical-institute/

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Saturdays, February 22 and March 8, 9am-12pm







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Villa Joseph Marie High School 1180 Holland Rd Southampton, PA 18966 vjmhs.org/admission admissions@vjmhs.org



The Catholic Women of Bucks (CWoB) Giving Circle is an initiative which funds local organizations in our area that reflect our Catholic faith and assist the community.

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

#### Please join us for our next meeting:

Tuesday, February 4th at 7 p.m. St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Religious Education Center 752 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA

Our featured speakers will be from the Reach Out Foundation, a drop-in center open daily for the homeless and those in need in lower Bucks County

https://www.rofbucks.org/

Refreshments Will be Served



RSVP to cwobgc@gmail.com or Jen Sullivan at (609) 947-6480

## Saint John the Evangelist Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

January is the Month of the Holy Name of Jesus

#### Virtue of the Month

Reverence: Showing your deepest respect for the things of God



Blessed be God! Blessed be His Holy Name!

Family Faith
Activity of the Month

Commit to heart Philippians 2:10-11

#### This Week's Facts of our Faith

#### Q. What do you mean by grace?

- A. By grace I mean a supernatural gift of God bestowed on us, through the merits of Jesus Christ, for our salvation.
- Q. How many kinds of grace are there?
- A. There are two kinds of grace-sanctifying grace and actual grace.
- Q. What is sanctifying grace?
- A. Sanctifying grace is that grace which makes the soul holy and pleasing to God.

#### **Attention Children of the Parish**

On Tuesday the Church celebrates
Saint Thomas Aquinas. Saint Thomas
Aquinas is the patron Saint of Students.
Ask him today and every day to help
you with your studies.
Saint Thomas Aquinas, pray for us!

Director of Religious Education Christa Stefanchik prepdirector@stjohnpa.org

## To God Be the Glory



Prayer Before Study by Saint Thomas Aquinas Feast Day January 28<sup>th</sup>

Creator of all things, true source of light and wisdom, graciously pour Your brightness into the darkness of my understanding.

Take from me the double darkness into which I was born; sin and ignorance.

Grant to me keenness of mind, capacity to remember, skill in learning, subtlety to interpret and eloquence in speech.

May You guide the beginning of my work, direct its progress, and bring it to completion; through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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