

# ST • JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

"What we have seen and heard we proclaim to you, so that you may share life with us." 1 John 1:3

### **FEBRUARY 9, 2025**

#### **PARISH CLERGY**

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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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#### FIFTH 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.



<u>Sunday, February 9</u> Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Margaret O'Larnic, requested by AnnaMarie Nagle 9:30 AM Antoinette Lapera, requested by the Kenworthy Family 11:30 AM Marie Galloni, 1st Anniversary, requested by John and Mary Jo Crea

Monday, February 10: Saint Scholastica

8:00 AM Brittany Redfearn, requested by Michael and Jennifer Edmonds

Tuesday, February 11: Our Lady of Lourdes

8:00 AM Healing intention for Martha Stefanchik, requested by the Nally Family

Wednesday, February 12: Wednesday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Genevieve Monahan, requested by Anonymous

Thursday, February 13: Thursday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Julian and Regina Matusieski, requested by Karen Strzelec

Friday, February 14: Saint Cyril

8:00 AM Pat Arnold, requested by her sister, Grace Arnold

Saturday, February 15: Saturday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Thomas and Brian Donahue, requested by the Donahue Family

4:00 PM Nancy Musumeci, requested by Tina and David Polizzotti

Sunday, February 16 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

All the Members of our Parish 7:30 AM 9:30 AM William O'Larnic, requested by AnnaMarie Nagle 11:30 AM Bill and Ang Walker, requested by their daughter, Colleen





The monthly food drive will be held next weekend, February 15/16 at all Masses here at Saint John's. Mary's Cupboard, our local Catholic Social Services located on the Levittown Parkway, receives your donations and distributes the food to those temporarily in need until they get back on their feet or get longer term government help. Please be as generous as possible. God Bless You!



# 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

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

willbedone@gmail.com Music Ministry: David Tapp, musicdirector@stjohnpa.org

OCIA: Lori Miller 856.905.2624

Prayer Network: Lisa Petrino, 267.994.4513

**Shared Meals:** Nancy Doyle, sharedmeals@stjohnpa.org SJE Faith Formation: Tom Burke, tomburkeyourwillbe

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**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



All women of the parish are invited to a lively discussion about our Catholic faith at our Women of the Word Meetings. Join us on the 3rd Saturday of each month in the Pastoral Life Center at 9:30 am. We pray, listen to guest speakers via the internet or discuss a religious topic or book. For more information, please contact Connie Drummond at 215-493-5857.

Next meeting: Saturday, February 15, 2025





# Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

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#### **Dates—Time—Location**

For 8 Tuesdays beginning February 25 and ending April 15th

6:30-8:00 PM in the Social Concerns Meeting Room

#### **Cost—Registration**

\$30—payable the first night

Please register by Tuesday, February 18th

so we can purchase enough books

For More Information

Contact Jane McGinniss 267-981-3739 or email her at idealresultspa@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 215-295-4102.

Many people want to read the Bible because they know it is God's Word, but they give up because it seems so complicated. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* helps you to get the "big picture" of the Bible by showing how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church.

"I never would have read the Bible if it wasn't for this, and now I simply adore Scripture. It has given me such insight into the Catholic faith and helps me to understand its true beauty."

- Kyley D.

### Ask a Priest & Seminarian Night





Date: Thursday, February 13, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Location: St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

#### **Have Questions About Faith?**

Join us for an evening of open dialogue and spiritual growth!
"Ask a Priest & Seminarian Night" is your chance to bring your questions, big
or small, about Catholic faith, life, and practice. This casual and welcoming event
is perfect for anyone curious about their faith or seeking guidance.



#### What to Expect:

Insightful answers from a priest and seminarian Open Q&A format

A welcoming and judgment-free environment



#### Who Should Attend?

Parishioners of all ages Those curious about Catholicism Anyone seeking spiritual clarity or support

#### **Bring Your Questions!**

No question is too big or too small. Whether it's about theology, the Sacraments, prayer, or living your faith in daily life, this is your opportunity to ask!

#### Light refreshments will be provided.

This event will take place in the church sanctuary at 752 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA 19067.

We look forward to seeing you there!

# SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST SOCIAL CONCERNS

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

**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.

During Lent from March 5th -April 13th, we will again be collecting provisions for the Reach Out Foundation in Penndel. Reach Out offers support to local homeless and those in need. Look for the upcoming flyer for details about items needed.

Social Concerns has recently donated to organizations that are giving aid to the victims of the California fires.



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.



### **Calling All Cantors!**

I would like to extend a warm invitation to all who may be interested in becoming a Cantor at Saint John the Evangelist. If you are finding you have time to dedicate to the music ministry and you feel comfortable singing alone, please consider joining our Cantor ministry. Cantors should have experience singing in front of a congregation of people and have performed in some capacity musically. We hope you will consider this opportunity!

#### Please contact:

David Tapp, Director of Music Ministry
at musicdirector@stjohnpa.org or feel free to speak to
any cantor or organist after Mass.

# Saint John the Evangelist Church Collections

thank you

Fifth	<b>Sunday</b>	in 2025
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Regular Sunday Collection	\$10,137
Parish Giving	3,781
Total	\$13,918

#### Fifth Sunday in 2024

Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 9,234
Parish Giving	5,750
Total	\$14,984

YTD Sunday Collection

(July 1, 2024—Feb. 2, 2025) \$406,278

Thank you for your continued generosity!



Join Archbishop Nelson Perez for discussions where he will listen to your hopes, dreams, concerns, and desire for renewal regarding the future of the Church of Philadelphia. Please join him at one of the following locations in Bucks County:

#### Tuesday, February 11

Conwell-Egan High School Fairless Hills, PA 6:30-8:30 PM

#### Tuesday, February 18

Conwell-Egan High School Fairless Hills, PA 6:30-8:30 PM

#### Wednesday, February 26

Saint Vincent de Paul Richboro, PA 6:30-8:30 PM

#### Tuesday, March 4

Saint Frances Cabrini Fairless Hills, PA 6:30-8:30 PM

To register, please visit www.trustandhope.org



# Holy Trinity-Saint John CYO Track & Field Sign-Ups

Track & Field Sign-ups for the 2025 season are open. Novice, Minor & Cadet Age Groups (4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Grades) are \$65.00 per runner and the Sub-Novice Age Group (born in 2016-18 is \$55.00 per runner. To Register go to <a href="https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/register/form/892503945">https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/register/form/892503945</a>

For more information and to sign up visit our web site at <a href="https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/">https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/</a>.

Any questions regarding Track & Field please contact Doug Bartlett at either 215-295-0279 or TrintTrack@comcast.net.



# Join Us for the Fifth Annual Gary M. Gladwell, Jr. Corn Hole Tournament!

We are excited to invite you to the **Fifth Annual Gary M. Gladwell, Jr. Corn Hole Tournament**, taking place on **Saturday, March 8, 2025** from **1-5 PM** at the **Monsignor Paul Parish Center**.

This event is more than just a Corn Hole Tournament; it's an opportunity to come together and support a cause close to our hearts—cancer research. We are honored to celebrate the memory of **Gary M. Gladwell, Jr.**, a long-time member of our parish. All funds raised will directly benefit **Philly Friends of V** and their ongoing efforts for cancer research.

#### WHAT'S IN STORE:

- **Corn Hole Tournament** Teams of two adults can register for just \$60 at <a href="https://phillyfriendsofv.org">https://phillyfriendsofv.org</a> by February 25, 2025. **Cash prizes** and **trophies** will be awarded to the top three teams!
- Raffle Baskets Over 25 incredible baskets, plus a Basket of Cheer!
- Food & Music Enjoy delicious offerings from Uncle Vin's Food Truck and music throughout the event.

We hope to see you there for a fun afternoon of friendly competition, great food, and, most importantly, supporting a meaningful cause. Let's make this event a memorable one! To donate, volunteer or for any questions please email: <a href="mailto:Gentlemanscup515@gmail.com">Gentlemanscup515@gmail.com</a>. We look forward to seeing you there!



### 17th Annual Man Up Philly

Men's Spirituality Conference - Saturday, March 8, 2025

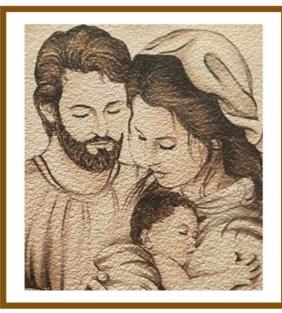
Becoming Pilgrims of Hope

The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 17th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 8<sup>th</sup> at Cardinal O'Hara HS. Speakers include Ward Fitzgerald, CNBC Contributor and Papal Knight, Eddie Morris, creator Team Hope, Msgr. Federico Britto, Pastor of St Cyprian Parish and our keynote speaker, Brian Dawkins, Pro Football HOF safety. Back by popular demand, Mark Forrest, internationally recognized Irish tenor, who will lead our Eucharistic Adoration. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, and the Conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by our archbishop Most Reverend Archbishop Nelson Perez.

For more information and to register go to the website: www.manupphilly.com

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

February is the Month of the Holy Family



#### Virtue of the Month

Cheerfulness: Looking on the bright side

# Family Faith Activity of the Month

Each day, pray the Jesus, Mary, and Joseph Prayer found in the rectangular box below.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul;

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, assist me in my last agony.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, may I breathe forth my spirit in peace with you. Amen.

# This Week's Facts of Our Faith

- Q. Did the Son of God become man immediately after the sin of our first parents?
- A. The Son of God did not become man immediately after the sin of our first parents, but was promised to them as a Redeemer.
- Q. How many years passed from the time of Adam sinned till the time the Redeemer came?
- A. About 4,000 years passed from the time Adam sinned till the time the Redeemer came.

Baltimore Catechism

### Attention Children of the Parish

When Mary appeared to Saint Bernadette, she asked her to do penance and to pray to God for sinners. Think of one penance you can do this week and offer it for sinners.

# To God Be the Glory



Feast of Lady of Lourdes
February 11<sup>th</sup>

#### Three Facts:

- 1. Mary first appeared to Saint Bernadette on February 11, 1858.
- 2. Our Lady told Saint Bernadette, "I am the Immaculate Conception."
- 3. A Miraculous Spring appeared in the Lourdes Grotto where people have and still do receive miraculous healings.

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