

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 23, 2025

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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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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Love your enemies do good to those who hate you Luke 6:27



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.

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.



7:30 AM Living intention for Katherine Monahan, requested by Terry Iacobellis

- 9:30 AM All the Members of our Parish
- 11:30 AM Alexander and Genevieve Matuseski, requested by Karen Strzelec

Monday, February 24: Monday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Anne Monahan, requested by Father William Monahan

Tuesday, February 25: Tuesday in Ordinary Time8:00 AMDeceased members of the Knights of Columbus #7515,
requested by the Knights of Columbus Council #7515

Wednesday, February 26: Wednesday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Mario Joseph Verrico, requested by his parents

Thursday, February 27: Saint Gregory of Narek 8:00 AM Louise and Francis Bishop, requested by Judy and Bill Bishop

Friday, February 28: Friday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Jean Lucci, requested by Patrick and Dot Lubey

Saturday, March 1: The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle 8:00 AM All Priests and Seminarians, requested by the Blue Army 4:00 PM Frank Giovinazzo, requested by his children

Sunday, March 2 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Philip Wood, requested by Julia Wood

7:30 AMPhilip Wood, requested by Julia Wood9:30 AMJohn Lynch, requested by the Kenworthy Family11:30 AMAll the Members of our Parish



Lent isn't just about giving up your favorite drink, food or social media. This lent do something extra! Join other parishioners in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet daily. Learn about this important devotion **Thursday, February 27 at 7PM** in our Chapel. Find out about the Saint who brought us the devotion, the Pope that instituted it, and the Incredible Graces associated with the Chaplet.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord

Mary Ann Gartner





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*(*a)comcast.net* 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 done@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



Alyssa Adubato Olivia Andrews Ronald Ardenti Alyssa Belardo-Troy Baby Dylan Karl Bahmiller Maureen Barrett Edward Bowden, Sr. Charles Buiocchi Joan Cope Ed Cook Dennis DelGrosso Claudia DiBraccio Yolanda DiCicco Christopher Dixon Michael Donahue Jerry Donnell Grant and Noah Elliot Joni Elliot Daniel Fedejko Roselyn Foulke Fidencio Francis

Cathy Fuller Don Garner, Sr. Roger Garceau John Guinter Samantha Rose Haggerty Ed Harkanson David Hayes Frank Henniger Zane Helsel Mary Hirsch Mary Ann Holt Ethel Humienny Jim Jones Elliott Jacqueline Kay Joseph P. Kirlin, III Theresa Land Beth Lynch Angie M. Carmen Marchesano

John Marcucci 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 David Wood

and all the residents of Yardley Rehabilita<u>t</u>ion and Healthcare Center, Arden Court and Heartis



JEFF CAVINS and SARAH CHRISTMYER

Dates—Time—Location For 8 Tuesdays beginning February 25 and ending April 15th 6:30– 8:00 PM in the Social Concerns Meeting Room <u>Cost—Registration</u> \$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.



Father Timothy O'Sullivan, of Saint Ephrem Parish in Bensalem, is hosting a trip to experience the beauty of Ireland and her people! The trip is scheduled for June 28-July 8 ,2025. The trip will visit Dublin, Knock, Belfast, Galway and many other beautiful places! You'll experience the wonderful hospitality of the Irish people and see more shades of green than you realize existed! For a brochure with detailed information, please call Saint Ephrem Rectory, 215-245-1698, and a brochure will be mailed to you. To register for the trip, go to: **cloverdaletravel.org**, look under 'Upcoming Trips' and you'll find the upcoming trip: 'Explore Ireland' with Father Timothy O'Sullivan.



Praise and Thanksgiving to God For Our Adult Initiation Candidates And the Support of Our Parish Community!

Guided by the Holy Spirit, our candidates preparing for full initiation continue to learn and grow in the Christian life. **The next milestone on their journey is the celebration of the Rite of Calling to Continuing Conversion on March 9th at the 11:30am Mass.** – a time for our parish family to affirm and **celebrate their willingness and readiness to receive the Sacraments.**

The care of the parish family for our candidates is noticed and appreciated!

- You provide encouragement through your greetings, smiles, and affirmations.
- You are a living example of a life in Christ by your prayer and acts of service.
- You model full and faithful participation in the Liturgy and Sacraments.
- You serve as witnesses to the joy, faith, and care shared in community.

May our parish family, with Rachel, Raeanne, Shane, William, and Thomas, fully live the penitential and reflective spirit of the Lenten season, so that all our hearts are prepared for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery as one.



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.

Social Concerns Lenten Collection, benefiting the Reach Out Foundation in Penndel, will take place from March 5th-April 13th. Reach Out offers support for the homeless, and those with addiction and mental health concerns. See flyer in the bulletin and in the vestibule for specific items being collected. Donations can be left in marked bins in the Saint Gianna Room.

Social Concerns Loving Hands Spring Sale—Saturday and Sunday, March 15-16 after all Masses. Homemade baked goods and other items will be available for purchase in the vestibule of Church. Please stop by!

Social Concerns Meeting—Wednesday, March 19, from 6:30—8:00 PM, in the Social Concerns Meeting Room.



Congratulations to the following parishioners who received Academic Honors at Holy Ghost Prep for the First Semester of 2024-2025:

> Matthew Baker—First Honors Brady Stout—First Honors Steven Osiecki—Second Honors



The Catholic Charities Appeal brings hope where hope is needed most. From center city, to the suburbs, from the suburban communities to our most distressed communities, almost a million people each year receive hope through the Catholic Charities Appeal.

Please consider making a donation to this worthy cause. Envelopes are available on the table in the Church vestibule or you can visit Catholic-CharitiesAppeal.org.

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 8th 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: <u>www.manupphilly.com</u>

Join Us for the Fifth Annual

Gary M. Gladwell, Jr. Corn Hole Tournament!

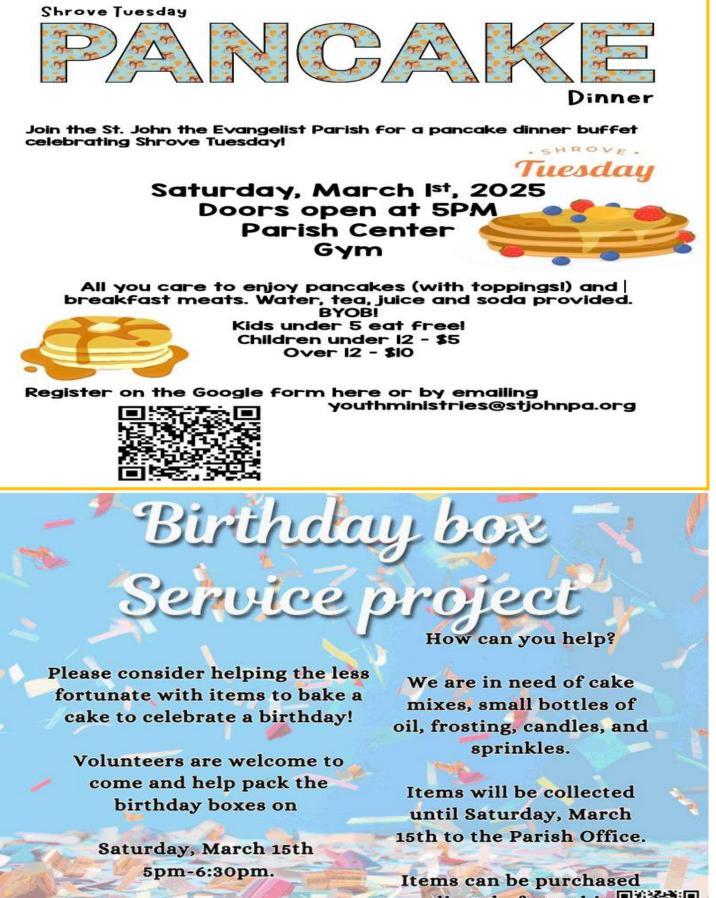
We are excited to invite you to the Fifth Annual Gary M. Gladwell, Jr. Corn Hole Tournament, taking place on Saturday, March 8, 2025 from 1-5 PM at the Monsignor Paul Parish Center.

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 <u>https://phillyfriendsofv.org</u> 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: <u>Gentlemanscup515@gmail.com</u>. We look forward to seeing you there!



RSVP by emailing youthministries@stjohnpa.org directly from this

Amazon wish list:



Saint John the Evangelist Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

February ís the Month of the Holy Famíly



Virtue of the Month

Cheerfulness: Looking on the bright side

<u>Family Faith</u> <u>Activity of the Month</u>

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.

This Week's Facts of Our Faith

- Q. When was the Redeemer promised to mankind?
- A. The Redeemer was first promised to mankind in the Garden of Paradise, and often afterward through Abraham and his descendants, the patriarchs, and through numerous prophets.

Q. Who were the prophets?

A. The prophets were inspired men to whom God revealed the future, that they might with absolute certainty make it know to the people.

Q. What did the prophets foretell concerning the Redeemer?

A. The prophets, taken together, foretold so accurately all the circumstances of the birth, life, death, resurrection and glory of the Redeemer that no one who carefully studied their writings could fail to recognize Him when He came.

Baltimore Catechism

To God Be the Glory



"If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me."

Lent begins in just 10 days. Let's not wait. Let's get our hearts ready!

Attention Children of the Parish

In just 10 days Lent begins. Let's be generous. Lent is a special time of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you how you can best pray, fast, and give alms during this Lent. Be sure to sit still and listen for the answer. May God bless you!



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