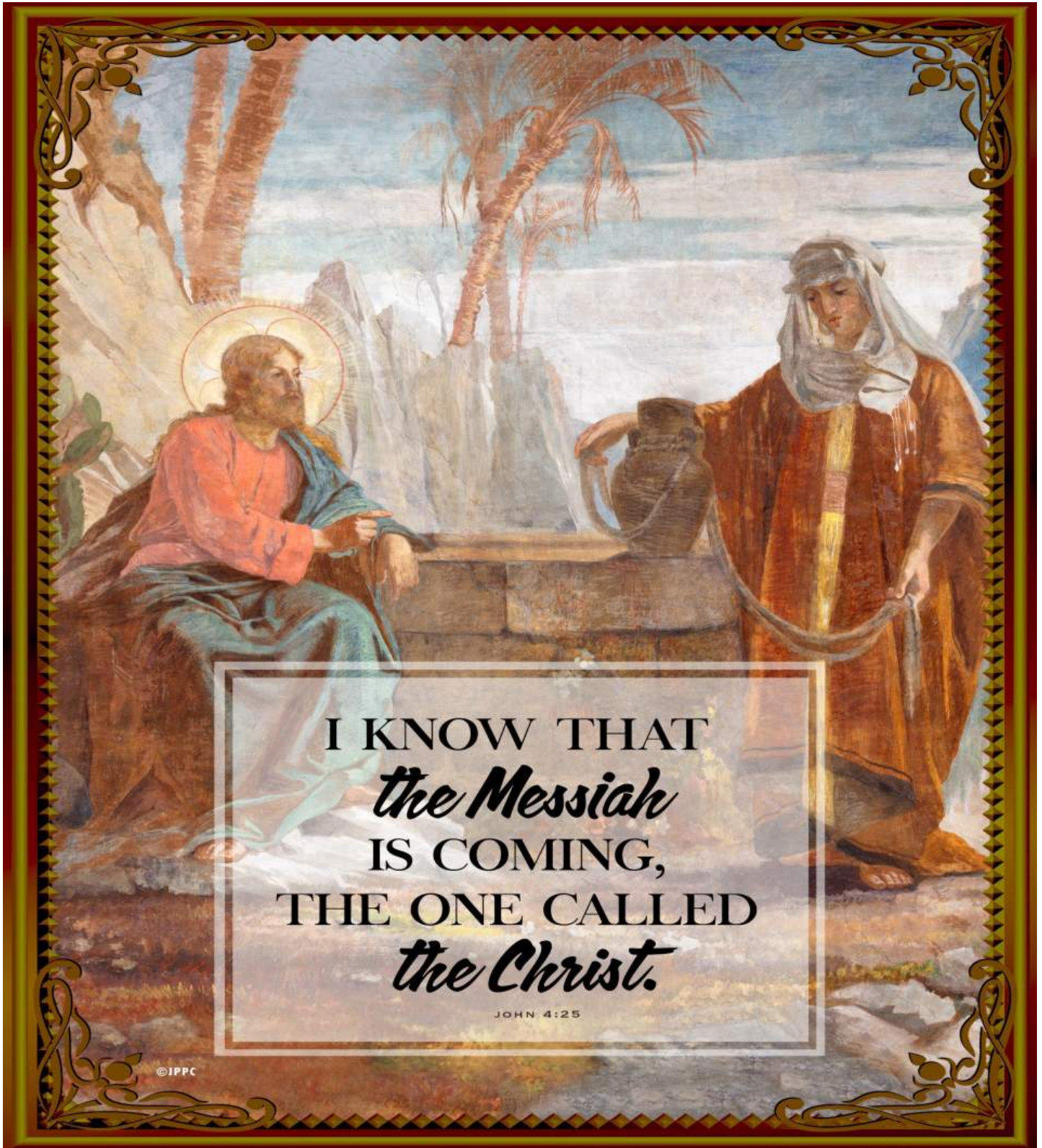




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THE ONE CALLED
the Christ.

JOHN 4:25



Sunday, March 12
Third Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 AM Healing Intention for the Mursch Family, requested by the Nally Family
9:30 AM Martin Coffey, requested by the Salamone Family
11:30 AM All the Members of our Parish

Monday, March 13: Monday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Ethel Iannuzzi, requested by Ann and Akos Swierkiewicz

Tuesday, March 14: Tuesday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Elizabeth W. Stewart, requested by Ginny Napolitano

Wednesday, March 15: Wednesday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Kathleen Hackley, requested by Kathy and Kevin Baker

Thursday, March 16: Thursday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Dr. John Hermann, requested by Rosemary Vickers

Friday, March 17: Saint Patrick

- 8:00 AM Margaret Dorsey Heidler, requested by Cynthia Mariotti

Saturday, March 18: Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

- 8:00 AM Mary Spader, requested by the Fuller Family
4:00 PM Bill and Kate Overberger, requested by their children

Sunday, March 19
Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 AM All the Members of our Parish
9:30 AM Sean Michael Hess, requested by the SJE Office Staff
11:30 AM J. Michael Harrison, requested by Kathy Harrison



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Lenten Rice Bowl

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Your Lenten contribution to CRS Rice Bowl can save a life. This week, CRS Rice Bowl spotlights Raul and Rhodora, coconut farmers in the Philippines. They were forced to work hard and made very little money. CRS helped them build their own fish-pond and raise and sell fish. The fish provides food for their family, but also a more accessible income. Raul and Rhodora are able to support their granddaughters to attend school. To meet Raul and Rhodora in person, go to <https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-3>.



Our monthly food drive will take place the weekend of March 18/19. Your donations will be delivered to Mary's Cupboard located on Levittown Parkway.

Thank you for helping those in need!



Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday evenings during Lent, at 7:00 PM in the Church. Join us as we retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary.



Patty Jo Zackowski
and
Lawrence Fluehr



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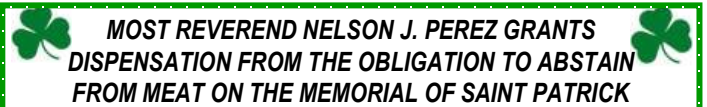
If you have a family member serving in the Armed Forces and would like them to be remembered in our Parish prayers, please call the Parish Office and leave their names, rank and branch of service.



Are you a woman who enjoys a lively discussion about our Catholic faith? If you are, then Women of the Word welcomes YOU! We are a group of parishioners and friends who meet once a month on a Saturday in the **Pastoral Life Center**. Our time together consists of prayer as well as listening to guest speakers via the internet or discussing a religious topic or book.

For more information, please contact Connie Drummond at 215-493-5857.

Next Meeting: Saturday, March 18, 2023
9:30 AM—11:00 AM



The Memorial of Saint Patrick (**March 17th**) falls on a Friday during the Season of Lent this year.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia announces that Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez in accord with the *Code of Canon Law* (canon 87), has granted a dispensation to all Roman Catholics in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia from the obligation to abstain from meat on the Memorial of Saint Patrick—**Friday, March 17, 2023**.

The Catholic Bishops of the United States prescribe as part of a minimal penitential obligation that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on the Fridays of Lent.

In certain circumstances, such as the coincidence of Saint Patrick's Day and a Friday of Lent, the Diocesan Bishop may grant a dispensation from this obligation. However, if a Catholic makes the choice not to abstain from meat, then some other penance of choice is to be observed in honor of the passion and death of our Lord on the cross.

Saint Patrick's Day, recalls the memory of this missionary Apostle to Ireland; his preaching of the Faith; and his encouragement to live authentic Christian lives. Faithful throughout the Archdiocese may observe **March 17, 2023** by choosing a penitential act other than abstaining from meat.



On Sunday, February 19, 2023, Deacon Thomas Cusick baptized these precious little ones into our Catholic faith:

Eleanny Joanna McLaughlin
Daughter of Timothy and Julia McLaughlin
and

Kelly Grace Pawlowski
Daughter of Mark and Ashley Pawlowski

May the blessings of their Baptism Day always keep the presence of the Lord in their lives.



A grief support group for everyone.

Grief, no matter where it comes from, can only be realized by connecting to other people.—Thomas Horn

For more information on individual or group support, please contact Tom Brunner at 215-734-3031. All discussions are confidential. Next meeting will be held on:

Wednesday, March 15, 2023
at 7:00 PM in the
Pastoral Life Center



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

Reading 1
1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Responsorial Psalm
Psalms 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Reading 2
Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel
John 9:1-41



Social Concerns Sale—March 11th and 12th. Homemade baked goods and other items will be available after all Masses in the vestibule of Church. **Proceeds will be donated to assist the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria.**

Shared Meal—will be in person on March 24th. Check sign-up Genius for details.

Loving Hands Meeting—March 26th—Social Concerns Meeting Room, 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

During Lent, Social Concerns will again be collecting Transition Kits for children in foster care. This year we are collection for **Project Fiaria in Doylestown**. We are specifically targeting items for **premies**, since the organization has the greatest need for these items. New pajamas, children's toothbrushes and toothpaste, socks, undies or children's clothing items in any size can always be used.

Infant Transition Kit (Ages 0-1)

Blankets	Bottles	Wipes
Diapers	Baby Soap	Clothing
Hat	Socks	Bibs
Soft toys	Receiving Blankets	Towels
Wash Cloths	Sippy Cup	Clippers
Thermometer	Pacifiers	Backpacks
		(esp. girls)

Thank you so much for your support. Items Project Fiaria **does NOT accept** include used clothing, diapers, stuffed animals, bathrobes, hotel toiletries, and holiday and family-themed clothing.

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Tenth Sunday in 2023

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Total	\$ 14,933

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Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 8,096
Parish Giving	<u>4,495</u>
Total	\$ 12,591

YTD Sunday Collection
(July 1, 2022—March 5, 2023) \$ 455,953

Thank you for your continued generosity!



Please join the Saint 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 all Masses during the weekends of **March 11-12 and March 18-19** 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 **March 25-26 and April 1-2**. The Knights will distribute the meals and additional food before Easter. Please contact Jim Coyle at 215-493-8472 if you have any questions.

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Save the Date! Saturday, June 3, 2023 4-9 PM

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Post reunion gathering Sunday, June 4 at Core Creek Park

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Invitations will be mailed in February. RSVP by April.

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St. John the Evangelist Youth Ministry

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REMINDER! Youth group during Lent will begin in the Adoration chapel and move to the youth room after spending some time with Christ in Adoration. This is a beautiful time to prepare our hearts for Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

One last pierogi night is scheduled for March 31 6-7pm in the school cafeteria. Pierogis will be sold \$5 for 6 pierogis. Doors will not open until 6pm and no pre-orders are accepted. Dine in and take out are available. We look forward to seeing you there!

FROZEN PIEROGIS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE BY THE DOZEN. REACH OUT TO ME TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR PICK UP.

Volleyball is back for high schoolers. Co-ed teams are being set up now. **WE CANNOT REGISTER UNLESS WE HAVE A COACH.** Registration available via email and on our website.

GLOW EVENT for youth in 6th-12th grade will be next Sunday, March 18th from 5-6 in the cafeteria. We will be stuffing eggs for the Easter egg hunt. We are also looking for candy donations to stuff our eggs.

St. John/Holy Trinity

CYO Track & Field Sign-Ups



Track & Field Sign-ups for the 2023 season are open. Novice, Minor & Cadet Age Groups (4th to 8th Grades) are \$55.00 per runner and the Sub-Novice Age Group (born in 2014-16) is \$45.00 per runner. For more information and to sign up visit our web site at <https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/>

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



Our warmest welcome to all who are visiting Saint John the Evangelist Church for today's Liturgy. If you have not officially registered in the Parish and would like to become a Parishioner, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket. We will contact you. Parishioners may also use this form to note any address/phone/email changes.

_____ *New Parishioner* _____ *Address Change*

FAMILY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____



Saint John the Evangelist
Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

March is the Month of Saint Joseph.

*"Make him (Saint Joseph) the patron of your family
and you will soon have tangible proof of his protecting hand."*

-Saint Peter Julian Eymard



Virtue of the Month

**Fortitude: Being brave and strong in the
face of trials.**

Family Faith Activity of the Month

**Each night ask Saint Joseph to Guide
and Protect your Family.**

This Week's Facts of our Faith

**69. Q. *What do you mean by the
Incarnation?***

**A. *By the Incarnation I mean that the
Son of God was made man.***

70. Q. *How was the Son of God made man?*

**A. *The Son of God was conceived and
made man by the power of the Holy
Ghost, in the womb of the Blessed
Virgin Mary.***

**71. Q. *Is the Blessed Virgin Mary truly the
Mother of God?***

**A. *The Blessed Virgin Mary is truly
the Mother of God, because the same
Divine Person who is the Son of God
is also the Son of the Blessed Virgin
Mary.***

Baltimore Catechism

To God be the Glory

**Please pray for our 2nd Graders as they
make their First Reconciliation this week.**



"The Lord is my Shepherd." Ps 23:1

J.M.J.

Attention Children of the Parish

**This month we are working on an acrostic
poem using the name of Saint Joseph.**

**Remember an acrostic poem uses each letter
in a word to write a word or phrase. Last week
we began with the first letter in Joseph's name
"J." This week let's fill out the "J" and the "O."**

"Joseph"

For Example:

Joyfully served Jesus and Mary

Obedient to God's Holy Will

**Now it's your turn. Write a word or phrase
about Saint Joseph using the letters "J" & "O"**

J _____

O _____

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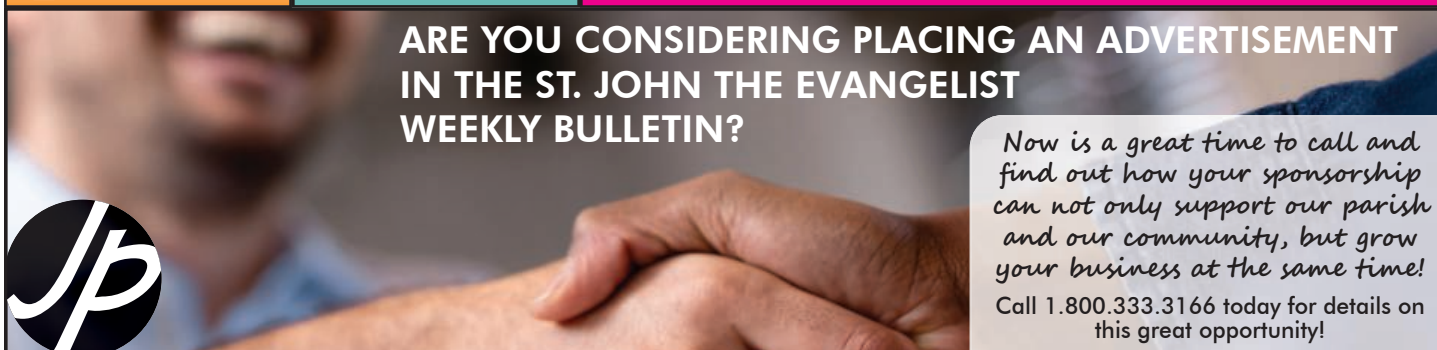

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