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

MARCH 17, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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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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Unless a grain
of wheat falls to
the ground and
dies, it remains
just a grain
of wheat.

JOHN 12:24

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

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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.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA 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 Rev. William Monahan at 215-295-4102 for more information, or email at fatherwill@stjohnpa.org.



Sunday, March 17
Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 AM Rose Ann Martel, requested by the McVan and Martel Families
9:30 AM Family and Friends of Kathleen, requested by Kathleen
11:30 AM Zygmunt Piascik, requested by Richard and Elizabeth Piascik

Monday, March 18: Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

- 8:00 AM John Hartmann, requested by Ann and Akos Swierkiewicz

Tuesday, March 19: Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:00 AM Sister Frances Teresa Cawley, requested by Jim and Donna Higgins

Wednesday, March 20: Wednesday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Amadio Diamante, requested by his daughter, Lisa

Thursday, March 21: Thursday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Claire Hartmann, requested by Luke and Gayle Lawlor

Friday, March 22: Friday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Louis and Doris Strzelec, requested by Karen Strzelec

Saturday, March 23: Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo

- 8:00 AM Darius F. Thomas requested by the Thomas Family
4:00 PM John Rooney, requested by his Aunt Marie

Sunday, March 24

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- 7:30 AM All the Members of our Parish
9:30 AM Marguerite O'Brien, requested by the Salamone Family
11:30 AM Charles Many, requested by Robert Trigg

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of March 17, 2024



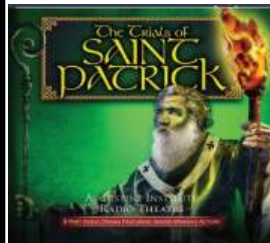
Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth



An Encounter with Mercy

We are not defined by our mistakes. In Confession, Jesus invites us to encounter His mercy and be healed by His love. When He tells us "Go and sin no more," He also gives us the grace to do so.



The Trials of Saint Patrick

The Trials of Saint Patrick, a powerful journey through hardship, loss, mercy, and forgiveness. With skilled actors and cinematic elements, this captivating story comes to life, stirring the imagination and sparking inspiration.



To the Parish Family of Saint John the Evangelist,
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Lost and Found

If you lost a bracelet in Church, please call the Parish Office at 215-295-4102 and describe your piece of jewelry so we may give it to the rightful owner. Thank you!



COMPLETE FORGIVENESS OF SINS AND PUNISHMENT

THIS IS THE PROMISE OF DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY!

**Join us to learn HOW to receive this
amazing grace from Jesus.**

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 AT 7pm
Chapel of our Lady
(Please note the change of venue)

Questions? Contact vickiefuller@msn.com

*Congratulations on the Episcopal Ordination of our
Auxiliary Bishops
Thursday, March 7, 2024
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul*



From left to right: Bishop Keith Chylinski, Bishop Efen Esmilla and Bishop Christopher Cooke

Most Rev. Keith J. Chylinski currently serves as the Rector of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary; He is 52 years old, born July 23, 1971 and was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of by Cardinal Justin Rigali on May 19, 2007. He is a graduate of Conestoga High School in Berwyn, and earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Temple University. While studying at the Seminary, he earned a Master of Divinity Degree in 2006 and a Master of Arts Degree in 2007.

Most Rev. Efen V. Esmilla currently serves as the Pastor of Saint James Parish in Elkins Park. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from San Beda College in Manila, The Philippines, in 1984. While studying at the Seminary, he earned a Master of Divinity Degree in 1992. He is 61 years old, born June 18, 1962 and was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in 1993 by Cardinal Anthony Bevilacqua. He served as Regional Dean of Deanery 12 (Lower Northeast Philadelphia) from 2017 to 2022; adjunct Spiritual Director at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary from 2017 to 2020; and Parochial Administrator of Saint Martin of Tour Parish (Philadelphia) from May 2021 to October 2021.

Most Rev. Christopher R. Cooke currently serves as the Dean of Men at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary; He is 50 years old, born on November 8, 1973 and grew up in Saint Vincent de Paul Parish (Richboro). Prior to entering the program of priestly formation at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Delaware in 1996. While studying at the Seminary, he earned a Master of Divinity Degree in 2005 and a Master of Arts Degree in 2006 and was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese in 2006 by Cardinal Justin Rigali.



with

Monsignor Joseph Prior



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"Where we have seen and heard the glory from the past, we show you more about God with us." - 1 John 1:1

**Prayer, Fasting,
& Almsgiving:
Not Just for Lent**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 7 PM:
"Almsgiving: A Life of Love"**

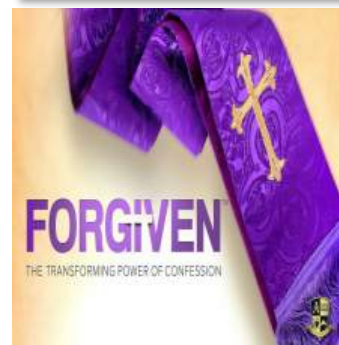
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*Paul O'Neill
and
Thomas J. Donahue*



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



Experience God's mercy in a whole new way by watching Session 3: The Rite Explained of **Forgiven** next Sunday, March 24th in the Parish Office, from 1-3 PM with your fellow parishioners. Learn more about the **Transforming Power of Confession**. Light refreshments will be served. **Please note: After this session, priests will be available to offer the Sacrament of Confession.**

Saint John the Evangelist Social Concerns



Lenten Collection for Reach Out Foundation

Until March 24th, Social Concerns is organizing a collection to benefit Reach Out Foundation in Pennel.

Reach Out offers community support to those trying to break the cycle of homelessness, mental health issues, or addiction. At their facility, they offer coffee and community, laundry and shower facilities, a variety of support classes, and food access. Check the flyer in the vestibule for a list of items being collected. Items can be placed in boxes marked REACH OUT FOUNDATION in the vestibule and in the Saint Gianna Room (cry room).

Thank you for your support!

Social Concerns will meet in the Social Concerns Room in the old school at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, March 20th.

The next Shared Meal will be on Friday, March 22, from 4:30—8:00 PM. See Signup Genius for more information.

The next Loving Hands Meeting will be on March 24th from 1:00-3:00PM. In the Social Concerns Room.

LAST WEEK

Saint John the Evangelist Church

Collections

thank you

Tenth Sunday in 2024

Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 8,401
Parish Giving	<u>4,336</u>
Total	\$ 12,737

Tenth Sunday in 2023

Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 8,761
Parish Giving	<u>4,535</u>
Total	\$ 13,296

YTD Sunday Collection
(July 1, 2023—March 10, 2024) \$470,883

Thank you for your continued generosity!



We are in need of more families to signup for the Adopt-a-Family for Easter program. Please see the us at the sign-up table in Church this weekend!

If you have already signed up for the Adopt-A-Family please drop off your donations before and after Mass this weekend, **March 16-17 or next weekend, March 23-24**. The Knights will distribute the meals and additional food before Easter. Please contact Jim Coyle at 215-493-8472 or email him at jcoyle5@verizon.net, if you have any questions.



Alyssa Adubato	Cathy Fuller	Beth Lynch
Olivia Andrews	Don Garner, Sr.	John Marcucci
Ronald Ardeni	Roger Garceau	Ryan McVan
Karl Bahmiller	John Guinter	Connie Moredich
Irene Bentz	Samantha Rose	Linda Morelli
Edward Bowden, Sr.	Haggerty	Lena O'Brien
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Jose Calix	Paul Hartmann	Magda Rueda
Hilda Carman	David Hayes	Baby Grayson Rustay
Theresa Ross-Clark	Frank Henniger	Rita Senkovich
Joan Cope	Mary Hirsch	David Slagle
Ed Cook	Mary Ann Holt	Louis Stevens
Dennis DelGrosso	Edward Jacobs	Abbie Stross
Claudia DiBraccio	Thomas Karas	John Toler
Christopher Dixon	Elliott Jacqueline	Alfred J. Tomaselli, III
Michael Donahue	Kay	Austin Trainor (child)
Jerry Donnell	Joseph P. Kirlin, III	Bridgette Traynor
Roselyn Foulke	William Kozak	Shelby Wagner
Fidencio Francis	Theresa Land	Martina Warren

*and all the residents of Yardley Rehabilitation and
Healthcare Center, Arden Court and Heartis*

J.M.J.




Come and join us for Saintly Celebrations!

There are no fees to attend! See you soon!

SJE Youth Ministry will have Easter Flowers for sale first come first serve until sold after Masses on March 23 & 24th



Hot Dog Social & Easter Egg Hunt for Ages 10 and under at 1 p.m. on Sunday, April 24 @ the Parish Center/Field



Youth Group Most Sundays

4:30 p.m. – Middle School

6:30 p.m. – High School

No Meetings on March 31st to spend time with your families to Celebrate Easter!

Upcoming Service Opportunities

3/23 - 12 p.m. -Operation Resurrection
Distribute Flowers to Families -Meet in Parking Lot

3/23 -SJE Youth Ministry Easter Flower Sale after 4 p.m. Mass

3/24-SJE Youth Ministry Easter Flower Sale after all Masses

3/24-12:45 p.m.-Hot Dog Social & Easter Egg Hunt

3/30-8:30-10:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus
Easter Food Delivery @ Meet at School



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Adherence to mission and core values including faith-based, empathy, commitment, teamwork, and growth is essential.


Submit your resume, cover letter, and salary requirements to denis@legacyoflifefoundation.org.

Lenten Visio Divina

Join us virtually on Thursdays @ 7 pm during Lent. Starting on 2/15

Zoom Link:
<https://dasd-org.zoom.us/j/98906285987>

Email lizzysaupe@gmail.com with questions



CONWELL-EGAN
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL


CEC 7th Grade Visitation Day

Thursday, March 21 from 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.


Conwell-Egan Catholic High School
611 Wistar Road
Fairless Hills, PA 19030

RSVP now at www.conwell-egan.org!

Please note- transportation will NOT be provided for this event. Students will need to be dropped off and picked up.



**EMBODYING THE LOVE OF CHRIST
BY CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER**



Reflect on your Lenten journey thus far: What have you learned from our global family members in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia? How does the Eucharist unite us with our sisters and brothers around the world? Consider how Christ is present in Adolf and Florence, Sandra and Santos, and Evita. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's **Story of Hope**.

Saint John the Evangelist
Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)



Good Saint Joseph, pray for us!

February is the Month of Saint Joseph

Virtue of the Month

Temperance: Enjoying things in a proper, balanced way

Family Faith Activity of the Month

Each night ask Saint Joseph to guide and protect your family.

This Week's Fact of our Faith

189. Q. How do you know that the priest has the power of absolving from the sins committed after Baptism?
- A. I know that the priest has the power of absolving from the sins committed after Baptism, because Jesus Christ granted that power to the priests of His Church when He said: "Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven; whose sins you shall retain, they are retained."

Baltimore Catechism

Aspiration to Saint Joseph

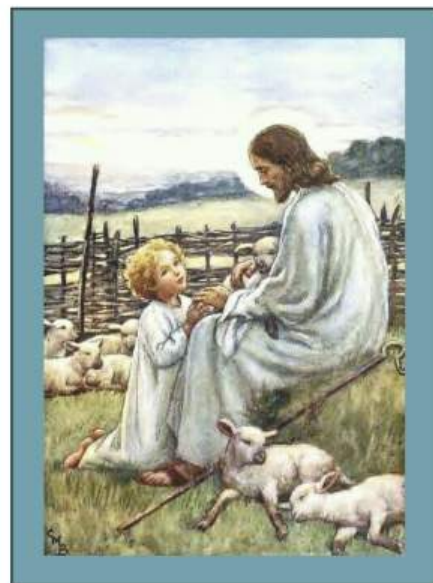
"Blessed Saint Joseph, obtain for me the grace to lead a pure and holy life, ever secure under thy patronage."

Recite 3 Glorias

Attention Children of the Parish

This week commit to your heart the Scripture verse "The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." Psalm 23:1
Jesus is Our Good Shepherd!

To God be the Glory



"The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." Ps 23:1

On March 12th our 2nd Graders made their First Reconciliation.

Thank you, Jesus, Our Good Shepherd!

PREP Substitutes Needed

If interested, please contact the PREP Office at prepdirector@stjohnpa.org

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