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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





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

Monday, March 20: Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00 AM Amadio Diamante, requested by his daughter, Lisa

Tuesday, March 21: Tuesday in Lent

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

Wednesday, March 22: Wednesday in Lent

8:00 AM Louie and Doris Strzelec, requested by Karen Strzelec

Thursday, March 23: Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo

8:00 AM Darius F. Thomas, requested by the Thomas Family

Friday, March 24: Friday in Lent 8:00 AM Martin McNeela, requested by the Martella Family

Saturday, March 25: The Annunciation of the Lord

8:00 AM All Priests, requested by the Blue Army
4:00 PM Anna and Stephen Falatko, requested by their Family

Sunday, March 26 Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM All the Members of our Parish

Martin McNeela, requested by the Nally Family 9:30 AM 11:30 AM Joan Jackman, requested by Diane and Ken Afferton



Lenten Rice Bowl

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

This week, we visit Kenya to meet Rebecca and Lotiang. Their area of Kenya is experiencing increasing drought due to climate change, hindering their ability to farm and raise their goats. A CRS program installed a water well in their village with a solar-powered pump. CRS taught new farming techniques. They learned to grow kale to feed their family, and to take to the market to sell. To learn more about how this life-changing program helped them, go to https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-4.



"Bringing up the gifts" is a way to offer our intentions and unite them to the offering of Christ. If you have requested the Mass intention and you are in attendance at the Mass and you wish to take up the Offertory gifts, please check in with the Ushers or Sexton 10 minutes before Mass begins. Thank you!



Adoration Society: Maria DiDonato, Cynthia Mariotti Adult Faith Formation: Fr. William Monahan, 215.295.4102

Altar Servers: Fr. William Monahan and Parish Deacon, 215.295.4102

Bakery Basket: Joan Graves, Sinota Fakolujo, Tom Burke, bakerybasket@stjohnpa.org

Bereavement (Seton Society): Tom Brunner, 215.734.3031

Bible Study: Jane McGinniss, 267-981-3739

Blessed Counters: Fr. William Monahan, 215.295.4102

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Cathleen Lynskey, clynskey@stjohnpa.org Funeral Liturgy Assistance: Rosemary Goode, 215.493.7424

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Music Ministry: Shelly O'Hara Tapp, musicdirector@stjohnpa.org

Prayer Network: Lisa Petrino, 267.994.4513

Shared Meals: Nancy Doyle, shared meals@stjohnpa.org Social Concerns Committee: Monica Forst and Kathy Parasimo, socialconcerns@stjohnpa.org; 215-378-6781 (Monica); 267-566-3025 (Kathy)

Ushers: Walter Burek, walterburek@icloud.com

Women of the Word Prayer Group:

Connie Drummond, 215.493.5857

Youth Ministry: Maria Shadle, youthministries@stjohnpa.org



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.

You are invited during this Lenten season to carve out a few extra minutes every week to be still before God in our Adoration Chapel. Quiet your heart that you might hear His heart speak.



Alyssa Adubato Karl Bahmiller Nancy Baradziej Irene Bentz Charles and Carol Buiocchi Ed Cook

Claudia DiBraccio Louis DiTanna, Jr. Christopher Dixon Michael Donahue Jerry Donnell Fidencio Francis Cathy Fuller Don Garner, Sr. John Guinter

Samantha Rose Haggerty Edward Harkanson John R. Hartmann David Hayes Frank Henniger Mary Ann Holt Elliott Jacqueline Kay Joseph P. Kirlin, III William Kozak Theresa Land

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Ryan McVan

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Cora Murtagh Lena O'Brien Florence Opara Eleanor Queppet John Rooney Richard and Magda Rueda Rita Senkovich Abbie Stross John Toler Austin Trainor (child) Bridgette Traynor Barrie Urbano

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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.



Become a part of St. John's Prayer Network! Prayer petitions can be emailed to you each week and you can pray them on your own time. Petitions for prayers can also be emailed to me at anytime or placed in the Prayer Network box located in the vestibule of our Church. No meetings to attend!

Contact Lisa Petrino 267-994-4513;LisaPetrino 412@gmail.com



On Sunday, March 5, 2023, Reverend William Monahan baptized this precious little one into our Catholic faith:

> Gio Santino Giannacio Son of Anthony and Danielle Giannacio

May the blessings of his Baptism Day always keep the presence of the Lord in his life.

Summer camp on the campus of St. John's

For the past 8 years, Camp Concepts has leased the campus of St. John's to run a vibrant & fun summer cent camp for children ages 2-14. Educator owned and operated, Camp Concepts provides high quality summer camp programming right here on our beautiful campus. There is an information session on **Sunday, March 19th 3:00 p.m.** RSVP: campconcepts@comcast.net

Little Buds Day Camp (ages 2-5) Big Oak Day Camp (ages 6-14) and Expressions Day Camp (ages 6-16 for those with social challenges).

Website: www.CampConcepts.org









MASS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES & the DEAF COMMUNITY Celebrant: Archbishop Nelson Pérez



March 26, 2023 @ 3 PM

Cathedral Basilica SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia www.OPDarchphilly.org



Mass Readings for Next Sunday, March 26, 2023

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

Reading 1 Ezekiel 37:12-14

Responsorial Psalm *Psalms 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8*

Reading 2 Romans 8:8-11

Gospel John 11:1-45



Many thanks to all those in the <u>Loving Hands</u> group who made delicious treats and handmade goodies that were sold after Mass last week. Thanks very much to our generous parish for the wonderful support for this effort! A total of \$1400 was raised through the sale, which will benefit the earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria.

Shared Meal—will be in person on March 24th. Check signup 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 collecting for **Project Fiaria in Doylestown**. We are specifically targeting items for **preemies**, 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 Čloths | 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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Saint John the Evangelist Church

Collections

Eleventh Sunday in 2023
Regular Sunday Collection \$ 8,761
Parish Giving 4,535
Total \$ 13,296

Eleventh Sunday in 2022

Regular Sunday Collection \$ 10,259 Parish Giving 3,975 Total \$ 14,234

YTD Sunday Collection

(July 1, 2022—March 12, 2023) \$ 469,249

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 this weekend, **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.

Bishop Conwell/Bishop Egan Class of 1973 - 50 Year Reunion

Save the Date! Saturday, June 3, 2023 4-9 PM
Conwell –Egan Catholic High School
611 Wistar Road
Fairless Hills, PA 19030

Post reunion gathering Sunday, June 4 at Core Creek Park Join us for a weekend of reminiscing, reuniting, and celebrating faith and friendship!

Invitations will be mailed in February. RSVP by April. For more information, please join our Facebook groups:

Bishop Conwell Class of 1973 OR

Bishop Egan/Bishop Conwell Class of 193 Reunion Contact information:

Marianne Drennen Cleary (mariannecleary@comcast.net)
Bill Burns (bburns@conwell-egan.org)
Spread the word . . . you've still got a friend!

St. John the Evangelist Youth Ministry

Mrs. Maria Shadle
Director of Youth Ministry
youthministries@stjohnpa.org
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St. Joseph has always had a special place in my heart. My paternal grandfather's name was Joseph and he passed away a month and eleven days after I was born. I am sure he is my guardian angel and is always with me. I got older and realized the role that St. Joseph had in both Mary's life and Jesus' life, I have developed a stronger love and admiration of him. My dad shows the same love and compassion as St. Joseph did to his family. And now I have the privilege of seeing my brothers become fathers and show the same love and compassion to their families. St. Joseph, patron saint of families, pray for us.

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.

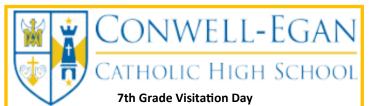
Registration available via email and on our website.

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.



Spend a day at CEC with other local seventh grade students and learn all about what it's like to be an Eagle!

Thursday, March 23, 2023 8 am - 2:15 pm

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

RSVP now at conwell-egan.org.

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



Go to our website, www.stjohnpa.org, and click on the envelope icon on the right hand side of the page to sign up for notifications!

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.

This Week's Facts of our Faith

- 72. 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.
- 73. Q. How could they be saved who lived before the Son of God became man?
 - A. They who lived before the Son of God became man could be saved by believing in a Redeemer to come, and by keeping the Commandments.

 Baltimore Catechism



Director of Religious Education Christa Stefanchik prepdirector@stjohnpa.org

Family Faith Activity of the Month

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

To God be the Glory

"The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

Thank you, Jesus, our Good Shepherd for the gift of First Reconciliation!

Thank you for taking such good care of us!

Our 2nd Graders made their

First Reconciliation on March 14th.

J.M.J.

Attention Children of the Parish

Let's continue working on our acrostic poem using the name of Saint Joseph. So far, we have completed the "J" and the "O."

Now it's time for the "S."

"Joseph"

For Example:

Joyfully served Jesus and Mary

Obedient to God's Holy Will

Steadfast in caring for the Church

Now it's your turn.

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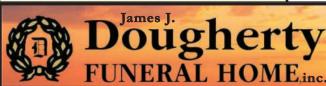
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