

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

APRIL 6, 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.



Co, and from now on do not sin any more. DOIN B:11

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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, April 6</u> Fifth Sunday of Lent 7:30 AM All the Members of our Parish Stephen and Rita Diabelko, requested by Mary and Jim Love 9:30 AM 11:30 AM Louis E. Stevens (1st Anniv.), requested by the Stevens Family

Monday, April 7: Saint John Baptist de la Salle 8:00 AM Living intentions for Sarah Gallagher, requested by a friend

Tuesday, April 8: Tuesday in Lent

8:00 AM Living intention for Kathy and Kevin Baker, requested by Nancy McNeela

Wednesday, April 9: Wednesday in Lent

8:00 AM Helene and Dave Crozier, requested by Colleen and Bill Fucich

Thursday, April 10: Thursday in Lent 8:00 AM Carmen Nieves, requested by the Giordano Family

Friday, April 11: Saint Stanislaus 8:00 AM Barbara Madden, requested by the Petrino Family

Saturday, April 12: Saturday in Lent

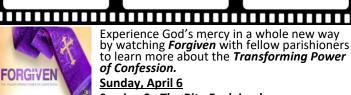
8:00 AM Timothy Klarich, requested by George and Andrea D'Angelis 4:00 PM M/M Albert DiAngelo and son, requested by M/M Walter Chambers and Family

<u>Sunday, April 13</u> Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 7:30 AM John Richard Caruso, I, requested by the Caruso Family 9:30 AM Anthony F. DiSalvo, requested by the DiSalvo Family 11:30 AM All the Members of our Parish



Stations of the Cross are held every Friday during Lent at 7:00 PM in the Church. Join us as we retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary.





Session 3: The Rite Explained Sessions will take place in the Pastoral Life Center from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM.





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@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



Join us on Friday, April 11 for fellowship and a fish meal. The meal will take place from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the School Cafeteria. A freewill offering will be accepted to support the "Faith Formation Team" Ministry.

Head over to the Church after the Fish Fry for Stations of the Cross.



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, April 19, 2025



In less than two weeks, five candidates will be completing their Sacraments of Initiation. We hope many of you will join them at the Easter Vigil for their special day.

Meanwhile, they have participated in a Lent Evening of Retreat that brought alive the events of Palm Sunday and Holy Week through Scripture and music so that they might imagine themselves being there. They are also continuing to attend 9:30 Mass on Sundays and are appreciating parishioner support and prayers. Recently they experienced the formal "handing on" to them of the Lord's Prayer to cherish and pass on to others – a centuries old tradition of the Church from our earliest days.

This weekend, the OCIA ministry is sponsoring the monthly 'Bakery Basket' after 9:30 and 11:30 Mass on Sunday. Do stop by for a little social time and breakfast goodies with our team members who will be happy to answer questions about completing Sacraments or becoming a Catholic.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT ADULT INITIATION, YOU CAN VISIT OUR WEBSITE: stjohnpa.org OR PICK UP A BLUE OCIA BROCHURE IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE. YOU MAY ALSO CONTACT THE OCIA TEAM DIRECTLY THROUGH LORI MILLER AT 856-905-2624



An Invitation from Archbishop Pérez

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:

Thursday, April 24 Our Lady of Guadalupe Doylestown, PA 6:30 PM—8:30 PM Wednesday, April 30 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem Jamison, PA 6:30-8:30 PM

To register, please visit www.trustandhope.org



April's meeting will be held on Monday, April 14th.

Please note our time change for this session. We will meet earlier at 5:00pm in the Parish Office Building. This will allow time to attend the Sacrament of Confession at 7:00, if you wish. Anyone experiencing grief because of the loss of a loved one is invited to attend. All are welcome!

Call Kathy Ross with any questions, 267-230-1224



Take the Survey, Help Saint John's Parish!

The Disciple Maker Index survey, where parishioners throughout the Archdiocese are asked for their responses to questions about their parish and their faith, has returned. We ask all parishioners to take the survey.

To take the DMI survey for Saint John's parish:

- Go online to <u>https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/</u> <u>survey/x8301x</u> **OR click on the QR Code**
- For those who are more comfortable in completing the survey in a written format, paper surveys will be available in the Parish Office. To request one, please contact sjeoffic-es@stjohnpa.org ,or call 215-295-4102.



The DMI Survey will be open and active for

responses from March 5 to April 10. Taking the survey takes approximately 10-15 minutes. If you have any questions about the survey or have any difficulties, contact the Parish Office at the above number.



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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 vestibule for specific items being collected. Donations can be left in marked bins in the Saint Gianna Room.

Social Concerns Meeting - <u>Wed., April 16th, at 7:00 PM</u> in the Old School. Bring your ideas for a Social Concerns fundraiser.

Shared Meals—<u>Friday, April 25th, from 4:30-8:00 PM</u> in the Religious Education Center. See Sign-up Genius for ways that you can help.



THURSDAY, APRIL 10 St. Frances Cabrini Church 325 South Oxford Valley Road Fairless Hills, PA 19030 946-4040

MONDAY, APRIL 14 - 7:00 PM St. John the Evangelist Church Big Oak and Makefield Roads Morrisville, PA 295-4102

TUESDAY, APRIL 15 - 7:00 PM St. Ignatius of Antioch Church 999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 493-3377

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16 - 7:00 PM Our Lady of Grace Church 225 Bellevue Avenue Penndel, PA 757-7700



Please stop by our Bakery Basket, **sponsored by our Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) Team**, this **Sunday**, **April 6th**, in the Deacon James Hartmann Meeting Room after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses. Join us for fellowship, fun and a variety of baked goods and refreshments. Whether you are an existing parishioner, new parishioner, or just visiting, you are most welcome!

Saint John the Evangelist Church Collections *thank you*

| Thirteenth Sunday in 2025 | |
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| Regular Sunday Collection | \$ 7,827 |
| Parish Giving | 4,208 |
| Total | \$12,035 |
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| Thirteenth Sunday in 2024 | |
| Regular Sunday Collection Parish Giving | \$ 7,871 |
| Parish Giving | 4,406 |
| Total | \$12,277 |
| YTD Sunday Collection | |
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(July 1, 2024—March 30, 2025) \$508,686

Thank you for your continued generosity!



On Sunday, March 16, 2025, Deacon Thomas Cusick baptized

Demi Rose Syron daughter of Patrick and Jamie Syron and

James Michael Storch son of Christopher and Kimberly Storch

and Reverend Joseph Monahan baptized Neeve Margaret Webb daughter of John and Shannon Webb

into our Catholic faith. May the blessings of their Baptism Day always keep the presence of the Lord in their lives.



Thank you, parishioners, for your continuing generosity. Many have signed up to adopt a family for this Easter. We also have generous cash and gift card donations which will be put to good use.

We have a small number of unclaimed families. If you haven't signed up to adopt a family and would like to, contact Jim Coyle at <u>icoyle5@verizon.net</u> or by cell at 215-622-3894. Tell Jim your name and number and give him an idea of the size family you would like to support. He'll follow up with you.

Meal drop offs are the next two weekends, April 5/6 and 12/13, before or after any Mass. Knights will be waiting at the door of the old school nearest Big Oak Road.

St. John the Evangelist Youth Ministry





Sunday. April 13th 2025 Beginning at 1:00

NEW THIS YEAR! Different age group hunts!

Come out on Sunday. April 13th for

the egg hunt. face painting and crafts!

Space is limited! Sign up by age group today!



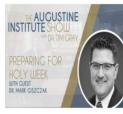


This Week on Formed Week of April 06, 2025



The TRUTH About the Shroud of Turin w/Fr. Robert Spitzer/Chris Stefanick Show

The Shroud of Turin is the subject of a lot of rumors, myths and controversies—maybe you've heard some of them yourself and don't know what to believe. In this episode, Fr. Robert Spitzer offers amazing facts and stories about the Shroud.



Preparing for Holy Week

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Mark Giszczak, professor of Sacred Scripture at the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, as they walk through the liturgies of Holy Week, historical spots in the Holy Land, and how to prepare our hearts for the events of the Passion.



Saint John Baptist de la Salle

Celebrate the feast day of Saint John Baptist de la Salle, the patron saint of teachers, with this great movie on Formed. Saint John Baptist de la Salle, pray for us!

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Alyssa Adubato Olivia Andrews Ronald Ardenti Alyssa Belardo-Troy Baby Dylan Baby Lauren 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 Anna Dubon Grant and Noah Elliot Joni Elliot Daniel Fedejko Roselyn Foulke

Fidencio Francis Cathy Fuller Dee Galloway Don Garner, Sr. Roger Garceau John Guinter Samantha Rose Haggerty 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 Carmen Marchesano John Marcucci Michael Martin

Butch McCain Ryan McVan Angie Meszaros Connie Moredich Philip Murtaugh Lena O'Brien **Eleanor Queppet** Anthony Ragolia Magda Rueda Baby Grayson Rustay James Schlauch Albert Spicer Louis Stevens Joseph Stracci Abbie Stross Fryderyk Szkutnik John Toler Alfred J. Tomaselli, III Bridgette Travnor 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 Remington.

Saint John the Evangelist Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)







Virtue of the Month

Fidelity: Being faithful to promises and commitments.

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

As a family visit Jesus in the Adoration Chapel each week.

This Week's Facts of Our Faith

Q. What do we mean by the transfiguration of Our Lord?

A. By the transfiguration of Our Lord we mean the supernatural change in His appearance when He showed Himself to His Apostles in great glory and brilliancy in which "His face did shine as the sun and His garments became white as snow."

Q. Who were present at the transfiguration?

A. There were present at the transfigurationbesides the Apostles, Peter, James and John, who witnessed it-the two great and holy men of the Old Law, Moses and Elias, talking with Our Lord.

Baltimore Catechism

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Dívíne, All Praíse and All Thanksgívíng be every moment Thíne!

> Director of Religious Education prepdirector@stjohnpa.org

To God Be the Glory

"We cannot regard this Lent as just another liturgical season which has simply happened to come around again. It is a unique time: a divine aid which we should accept. Jesus is passing by, and He hopes that we will take a great step forward — today, now." -Saint Josemaría Escrivá

Attention Children of the Parish

<u>The Tabernacle</u>



Q. Who is inside the Tabernacle?A. Inside the tabernacle is Jesus Christ, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.



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