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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

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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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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

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.



Sunday, September 22 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Living and deceased members of the DiCesare Family,

requested by Maria

9:30 AM Constant Vidunas, requested by his daughter, Anne 11:30 AM Genevieve Nobile, requested by Terry Iacobellis

Monday, September 23: Saint Pius of Pietrelcina 8:00 AM Robert Webster, requested by the Webster Famiy

Tuesday, September 24: Tuesday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Carl F. Marshall, Jr., requested by Frank Cartelli

Wednesday, September 25: Wednesday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Brian P. McMahon, requested by the Kloc Family

Thursday, September 26: Saints Cosmas and Damian 8:00 AM Helen Marizy, requested by the Mursch and Marizy Families

Friday, September 27: Saint Vincent de Paul 8:00 AM Dina Carella, requested by the Palermo Family

Saturday, September 28: Saints Wenceslaus and

Lawrence Ruiz
8:00 AM Jim Muldowney, requested by the Madden Family
4:00 PM Louis DiTanna, requested by Ted and Pat Larr

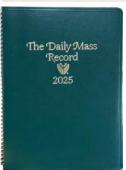
<u>Sunday, September 29</u> Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM All the members of our Parish

9:30 AM Giovanna and Gaetano Rossi, requested by Bill, Carole

and Kristin Rossi

11:30 AM Charles Many, requested by Robert Trigg



OUR 2025 MASS BOOK IS **OPENING SOON**

On Saturday, October 5, 2024, our Mass book will be opening from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM in our Parish Office. Only 3 Masses per family may be requested at this time. The suggested donation is \$10.00 per Mass.



When: Saturday, September 28, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM

Where: Saint John the Evangelist Parking Lot

Who: Pet "Parents" and their Pet(s)

Why: Prayers for our Pets

Bring your pet(s) to Saint John the Evangelist to be blessed and to enjoy fellowship with friends and family!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Church Ministries

Adoration Society: Maria DiDonato, Cynthia Mariotti Adult Faith Formation: Tom Burke, tomburkeyourwillbe done@gmail.com

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

Bakery Basket: Joan Graves, 267-760-3950, and Sinota Fakolujo, 215-378-7666

Bereavement (Seton Society): Tom Brunner, 215.734.3031

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

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Ushers: Walter Burek, walterburek@icloud.com Women of the Word Prayer Group:

Connie Drummond, 215.493.5857 Youth Ministry: youthministries@stjohnpa.org



Saint John's Ministry Fair will be held on

September 28 and 29.

This is your opportunity to sign up to serve in our parish and our community. Please join us following Mass. "Show me your faith without deeds, and I will

Show you my faith by what I do." James 2:18

From the Paston Desk

To the Parish Family of Saint John's,

As summer has ended and school has begun when many people's schedules begin to fill up, I find it an opportunity to reach out to all who have never been fully initiated into Christ''s Church, to consider doing just that. There are many times and instances when teenagers, young adults or adults have never received baptism or the other sacraments. It is never too late however, to do so.

Each year there are individuals who, for one reason or another, have been hearing a Voice deep inside of them suggesting that they consider becoming a Catholic. Perhaps they are married to a Catholic spouse and they want what that spouse has—namely a deeper relationship with Jesus. In a world where so many moral absolutes upon which our country and civilization have been built are called into question, more and more people look to the Catholic Church to be a rock of stability in a shaky time.

If any of these scenarios speak to you or someone you know, I invite you to consider the OCIA. The Order of Christian Initiation is the process by which young adults and adults inquire, question, journey, listen, and discover over the course of several group meetings whether or not the Catholic-Christian faith is the answer to their inner thirst for truth, joy and peace.

Over the course of the last several weeks, we have been publishing in this bulletin an invitation to OCIA to learn more about the richness and fulfillment found within our Catholic faith and heritage. If participants discern through prayer and reflection that entering the Catholic Faith (or being confirmed in the Catholic Church) is for them, then the OCIA program culminates in the reception of the sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

If I can be of any assistance to help you or a loved one discuss this process or this decision, or simply if you need more details, do not hesitate to contact us. You can also call Lori Miller, our Director of the Order of Christian Initiation at (856) 905-2624 or e-mail her at Lauritam408@gmail.com.

May God's abundant graces and blessing continue to be with you and your loved ones!

For. Will



Adult Catholic Initiation A Journey of Faith

Come to the Ministry Fair on September 28-29

and explore what a life of faith within the Catholic community can be!

Ask us about:

- + receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and/or celebrating First Eucharist as an adult
- +becoming a Catholic

Group sessions are forming now and begin in October, in a welcoming and informal setting.

For more information, please check our parish website, or stop by to see us at the Ministry Fair.



Come join the choir at Saint John the Evangelist! All young and old, youth, women and men, are invited to join in praising God with our hearts and voices. And tryout for one of our cantor positions – to lead music during Mass! Our choir meets only once a week, and we sing at Mass 1-2 times per month

Please email David @ musicdirector@stjohnpa.org for more information, or stop by the Church Wednesday night @ 7pm.



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY

at

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

When: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Where: Saint John the Evangelist (SJE) Parking Lot

Who: People Advancing Reintegration (PAR)

Why: Protect the Environment

All proceeds benefit the non-profit

home.par-recycleworks.org.



Come see what Social Concerns is all about! All are welcome.

Loving Hands Meeting—Sun., September 22, 12:00-3:00 pm in the Social Concerns Meeting Room.

Shared Meals—Fri., September 27, 4:30-8:00 pm in the Religious Education Center. See Sign-up Genius for ways that you can help.



Mark Your Calendars for the Very Best Ever Christmas Bazaar

Sat., December 7, 2024 - 10 am to 3 pm Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church 752 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA

Vendors welcome, tables are still available! The event will include many crafters and vendors. raffles, Santa (from 11:30 to 1:30), and much more. Food/lunch items will be available for purchase. Proceeds will benefit the Saint John the Evangelist's Social Concerns Committee which supports the Interfaith Food Alliance of Morrisville, Meals for the Homeless, and other area nonprofits. If you have any questions of the support of the suppor

tions regarding this event, please send an email to sjechrist-masbazaar2024@gmail.com.





Over the course of the past 19 years, the support of the sponsors and advertisers of our Annual Golf Classic have enabled the Knights of Columbus St. John and St. Ignatius Councils to raise more than \$750,000 to benefit more than 40 causes and activities.

If you are a golfer, you can help us this year by registering to play on the form available in the vestibule of Church near the TV monitor. You can also be a sponsor or donor!

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Thirty-Seventh Sunday in 2024

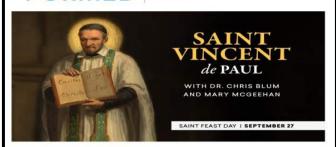
Regular Sunday Collection \$10,204 Parish Giving \$3,766 Total \$13,970

Thirty-Seventh Sunday in 2023

Regular Sunday Collection \$ 9,598 Parish Giving 3,325 Total \$ 12,923

YTD Sunday Collection (July 1, 2024—Sept. 15, 2024) \$137,962 Thank you for your continued generosity!

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Martina Warren

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

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DATES-TIME-LOCATION

Every Tues. beginning Oct. 1- Nov. 19 6:30-8:00 PM

Pastoral Life Center (Parish Office) in the Saint John Paul II Meeting Room

COST

\$30 for materials

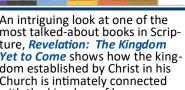
Checks made payable to Saint John the Evangelist due the first night of class

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

To register or for more information, contact Jane McGinniss (267-981-3739) An intriguing look at one of the most talked-about books in Scripture, Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven.

Presenter Jeff Cavins pulls back the veil on the rich symbolism present in Revelation. Discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean and see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times.'

"Once you start learning, he makes you hunger for more. Jeff pulls everything you need to know out of the Bible, and it all starts to make sense like it never did before."



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Sunday, October 13

1400 Evans Road, Ambler, PA 19002

Tours begin at noon, with the last seminarian-led tour

leaving at 2:15 p.m. Light refreshments will be available.

All are welcome.

Fall Scholarship Exam

For 8th Graders in Archdiocesan Schools: Students will take the HSPT Test in their local school building the week of September 23.

For 8th Graders in Public, Private, or Charter Schools: Students will take the HSPT exam at Conwell-Egan on Saturday, October 5 from 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Open House

Tuesday, October 8 & Thursday, October 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Join us for a fall Open House at CEC! Meet our wonderful students, teachers, coaches, and staff and get an inside look at all things CEC with a guided tour of our campus. Registration is required in advance as these events fill up fast.

Visit www.conwell-egan.org for more information.

SAINT JOHN'S/HOLY TRINITY **BASKETBALL SIGN-UPS**

Basketball Sign-ups for the 2024-2025 season are now open. This includes Travel Basketball (3rd to 8th and High School) and Intramurals (Pre-K (4) to 2nd grade). The cost is \$135.00 for Travel Basketball and \$65.00 for Intramural Basketball. Late fee of \$25.00 per player applies after October 14TH. Please sign up via https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/ Any questions regarding Intramural Basketball please contact Doug Bartlett at Trinty-<u>Track@comcast.net</u>. Any questions regarding Travel Basketball please email Brian Holmes at briholmes10@yahoo.com

MOUNT SAINT JOSEPH ACADEMY FALL OPEN HOUSE



Join us for our annual fall Open House on Sunday, September 29, from 10am to 1pm! Learn how a mission-driven education and the bonds of sisterhood fuel meaningful learning at the Mount. Tour our campus with a student tour guide, attend an information presentation, learn about personalized and dynamic academ-

ics and student life, and meet our experienced faculty, staff, and coaches.

Prospective families in grades 5-8 may register today at msiacad.org/visit.

Apply today for the Class of 2029 at msjacad.org/apply! Applications are due by October 10. Scholarships/Entrance Exams will be offered on October 5 and October 12. Contact the Admissions Team at admiss@msjacad.org or (215) 233-9133 with any questions.



Saint John the Evangelist Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)



September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

Virtue of the Month

Fasting: abstaining from food or drink

Family Faith Activity of the Month

As a family use your Bible and read about the Seven Sorrows of Mary. Ask Mary to help you with your sorrows and those whom you know are sorrowing.

This Week's Facts of our Faith

280. Q. How should Christians look upon the priests of the Church?

A. Christians should look upon the priests of the Church as the messengers of God and the dispensers of His mysteries.

281. Q. Who can confer the Sacrament of Holy Orders?

A. Bishops can confer the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

Baltimore Catechism

The Seven Sorrows of Mary

- 1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35)
- 2. The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-21)
- 3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days (Luke 2:41-50)
- 4. The Carrying of the Cross (John 19:17)
- 5. The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus (John 19:18-30)
- 6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross (John 19:39-40)
- 7. Jesus laid in the Tomb (John 19:39-42)

To God be the Glory

This week the PREP Parents have the joy of meeting the PREP Teachers and seeing their children's classrooms.
What a gift it is to work with each family!

Attention Children of the Parish

Tomorrow the Church celebrates Saint Padre Pio. He would tell people, "Pray, hope, and don't worry!" Color his words below and commit them to your heart.

"Pray, hope, and don't worry!"

Saint Padre Pio, pray for us!

Director of Religious Education Christa Stefanchik prepdirector@stjohnpa.org

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