

# 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

## **NOVEMBER 3, 2024**

### PARISH CLERGY

Reverend William J. Monahan Pastor fatherwill@stjohnpa.org

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Reverend Alexander Gibbs Weekend Assistance

**Deacon Thomas Cusick** 

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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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## **THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

There is no other commandment greater than these.

MARK 12:31

### **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, November 3 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 AM Judy Samsoe, requested by the Nally Family 9:30 AM Catherine Vidunas, requested by her daughter, Anne 11:30 AM All the Members of our Parish

#### Monday, November 4: Saint Charles Borromeo

8:00 AM Pat Stahl, requested by Sue and Bob Malone 7:00 PM Mass of Remembrance

Tuesday, November 5: Tuesday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM The Fastiggi Family, requested by Bob and Marcia Watters

Wednesday, November 6: Wednesday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM Mr. and Mrs. William Lydon, requested by Sheila Cardone

**Thursday, November 7: Thursday in Ordinary Time** 8:00 AM Family and friends of Kathleen, requested by Kathleen

*Friday, November 8: Friday in Ordinary Time* 8:00 AM Pat Stahl, requested by Jen and Chris Davis

Saturday, November 9: The Dedication of the Lateran **Basilica** 8:00 AM Geraldine Kick, requested by Gerri and George Maus 4:00 PM Eileen Brett Flynn, requested by the Lynskey Family

Sunday, November 10 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Richard and Mary Hayden, requested by Mary and Richard McCormick

9:30 AM Joseph P. Kirlin, Jr., requested by Joan Graves 11:30 AM All the Members of our Parish



William J. Kozak



Thanks to Saint John parishioners who have already adopted a family for Thanksgiving and Christmas 2024. The Saint John's Knights will add a turkey and bread to each meal for distribution before each holiday.

If you haven't signed up for a family, and would like to, we will be back in Church on November 2 and 3. You will be able to choose a family and get information about drop off dates, and our recommendations for your meals.

Food donations for Thanksgiving will be accepted at the school building before and after Mass on November 9/10 or 16/17.

If you prefer, contact Jim Coyle at 215-622-3894 or icoyle5@verizon.net to sign up for a family.



Church Ministries

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

Altar Servers: Lucy Fronheiser, lucydonnellan@gmail.com

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 CYO Athletic Director: Joe Hartigan, cyodirector@stjohnpa.org **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** 

Cathleen Lynskey, clynskey@stjohnpa.org

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Women of the Word Prayer Group: Connie Drummond, 215.493.5857 Youth Ministry: youthministries@stjohnpa.org



All Souls

Please send in your All Souls Mass Remembrance envelopes, with the names of your deceased loved ones on the back, so they may be placed on the altar for the month of November, when we remember all of our faithful departed.



Please stop by our Bakery Basket, sponsored by our Music Ministry, on Sunday, November 3rd, 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!



On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Church observes the commemoration of all the faithful departed (All Souls Day). In the first Prayer After Communion for November 02, the priest says: "Grant we pray, O Lord, that your departed servants, for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament [the Mass], may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace .... " (Roman Missal) We pray regularly for our beloved departed and believe that they are not in a place of darkness. Rather, they live in a place of light with Christ Jesus, the true Light of the World and Prince of Peace.

When someone we love passes from this world, we feel a great loss and may experience a time of darkness. However, our Catholic faith reminds us that we are children of the light, sharing the light that is Christ. For this reason, during a Christian funeral, we place the Easter candle in a place of prominence near the casket or vessel holding the remains of the loved one who has died. This candle reminds us that the deceased continue to be bathed in the Light of Christ and that this light will lead the departed from this world into Heaven, the "eternal dwelling place of light and peace."

Our annual Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated Monday, November 4th, 2024, at 7:00 PM in Saint John the Evangelist Church. Please plan to attend this moving liturgy.

The month of November reminds us to pray for all the faithful departed and that we continue to share the light of Christ with them. By prayer, we are united with those who are being purified. We are also united with our loved ones in Heaven who watch over us and intercede for us. Please continue to pray for the parishioners, deceased and living, of Saint John the Evangelist parish, and please be assured that you and your loved ones remain daily in my prayers.

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Based on the works of the **Blessed Carlo Acutis** 

## ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST MSGR WILLIAM J PAUL PARISH CENTER GYM NOVEMBER 3 – NOVEMBER 15, 2024

This traveling exhibit has been created to assist those who will experience it to affirm belief in the Real Presence of the Jesus in the Eucharist. It is based upon the website created by Blessed Carlo Acutis to catalogue all the eucharistic miracles that have taken place worldwide.

The exhibit is circular and is divided into seven sections or rooms. In the first six rooms, information about the Eucharistic miracles is displayed. Each panel names a miracle, recounts the story of its occurrence and the country where it took place. The panels are arranged in chronological order from the early Third Century to 2013.



Sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton as part of the **Eucharistic Revival Mission.** 

# SAVE THE DATE!

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The exhibit is open to the public. Bring your family and friends!

Sunday Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM Friday thru Saturday

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM 10:00 AM -3:00 PM

### Saint John the Evangelist Church



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## Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Alyssa Adubato Olivia Andrews Ronald Ardenti Baby Dylan Karl Bahmiller Maureen Barrett Irene Bentz Edward Bowden, Sr. Charles Buiocchi Joan Cope Ed Cook Dennis DelGrosso Claudia DiBraccio Christopher Dixon Michael Donahue Jerry Donnell Grant and Noah Elliot Joni Elliot Shanna Fan Daniel Fedeiko Roselyn Foulke Fidencio Francis Cathy Fuller Don Garner, Sr.

Don Garner, Sr. Roger Garceau John Guinter Samantha Rose Haggerty Ed Harkanson Paul Hartmann David Hayes Frank Henniger Zane Helsel Alan Hill Mary Hirsch Mary Ann Holt Ethel Humienny Carly Jacobs Jim Jones Elliott Jacqueline Kay Joseph P. Kirlin, III Theresa Land Barbara Lawlor Jean Lucci Beth Lynch Carmen Marchesano John Marcucci Michael Martin Butch McCain Ryan McVan Walter Mitchell Connie Moredich Philip Murtaugh Lena O'Brien Eleanor Queppet Magda Rueda Baby Grayson Rustay Albert Spicer Louis Stevens Joseph Stracci Abbie Stross Fryderyk Szkutnik John Toler Alfred J. Tomaselli, III Austin Trainor (child) Bridgette Traynor Shelby Wagner Martina Warren David Wood

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



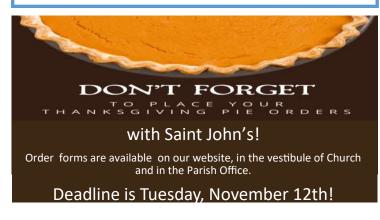
Thanks so much to all, bakers, makers, and buyers alike, that contributed to making our fall sale a huge success! Through your generosity, many will receive help. Proceeds will be donated to benefit hurricane victims.

**Loving Hands Meeting** next meeting will be held on the Day of Service, Sunday, November 10th from 12:30-2:30 PM in the Social Concerns Room.

Social Concerns is having 2 collections on the Day of Service. -We will be collecting food items, paper and cleaning products for the Interfaith Food Alliance pantry in Morrisville. -We will also be collecting new sweat pants sizes L and XL in navy, black, dark grey and grey for those served by AHTN( Advocates for the Homeless and those in Need) during Code Blue.

Thanks for your support for those in need in our local area!

CALLING ALL BAKERS: If you would like to bake for the Christmas Bazaar, please email Liz Schenck - <u>eas7413@gmail.com</u>



### Saint John the Evangelist Church

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Collections

<b>Forty-Third Sunday in 2024</b> Regular Sunday Collection Parish Giving Total	\$ 7,420 <u>4,926</u> \$ 12,346
Forty-Third Sunday in 2023	
Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 8,332
Parish Giving	<u>3,811</u>
Total	\$ 12,143
YTD Sunday Collection	
(July 1, 2024—Oct. 27, 2024)	\$214,131

Thank you for your continued generosity!



Look for our parish's Jesse tree to make its appearance in the vestibule the weekend of November 16. For this to happen, volunteers are needed to help cut and write Angel/Ornament Tags for the Jesse Tree. Please meet at the school cafeteria from 12:30 - 3:00 pm Sunday, Nov. 10. Thank you!

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 Wendors 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 regarding this event, please send an email to sjechristmasbazaar2024@gmail.com.





Week of November 03, 2024



### How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul by Matt Fradd

Whether you are arguing with family members or Facebook friends, skeptical co-workers in the office or pushy proselytizers at your front door, it helps to have not only the facts but the skills for presenting your points forcefully and well. In How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul, Matt Fradd equips you with the powers of argumentation you need to be an effective debater and the right attitude for doing it with charity, humility, and patience.



#### The Problem of Evil with Jimmy Akin

If God is all-good and all-powerful, then why is there evil? In The Problem of Evil, Jimmy Aklin tackles this most difficult of apologetics questions. He builds a biblical and philosophical case for understanding how God's perfections are not disproved by the existence of evil, but in fact allow for a world in which pain and sin may be mysteriously ordered by Providence towards a greater good.



#### In Persona Christi: The Catholic Priesthood

The Catholic priesthood comes to us from Jesus Christ. Building on this pattern of priesthood from Old Testament times, Jesus chose twelve men to act in His place as priest of the new and everlasting covenant. This film explores the essential nature and theology of the sacred priesthood, the importance of a deep prayer life, the centrality of the Mass and Eucharistic Adoration, devotion to the Blessed Virgin, priestly fatherhood and celibacy, and the necessity of a missionary zeal.

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## Saint John the Evangelist Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)



# November is the Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Virtue of the Month Courtesy: Being thoughtful of others

## Family Faith Activity of the Month

Each day prayer the prayer below for those who have died, especially for those who have no one to pray for them.

## This Week's Facts of our Faith

## Q. What is man?

A. Man is a creature composed of body and soul, and made to the image and likeness of God.

### Q. Is the likeness in the body or in the soul?

A. The likeness is chiefly in the soul.

### Q. How is the soul like to God?

A. The soul is like God because it is a spirit that will never die, and has understanding and free will.

Baltimore Catechism

## **Attention Children of the Parish**

This past Friday, we celebrated the Solemnity of All Saints. Did you know that everybody who is in Heaven is a saint? Did you know that you are called to be a saint? Today write down one way that you can become a better follower of Jesus and do it.

> All you holy Men and Women, pray for us!

# To God be the Glory

"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." 2 Maccabees 12:46

## Prayer for those who have died

"Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Mark your calendars . . . Next **All PREP Mass** is Sunday, November 17th at **9:30am** 

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