SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

317 FIRST STREET, DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY 08812



PASTORAL STAFF

Reverend Alphonsus Kariuki, Pastor Reverend Roy Quesa, Weekend Assistant Deacon Glenn Robitaille Alice Fogarty, Parish Catechetical Leader Mary Lou Chingery, Coordinator of Social Ministry Gerard Chiusano, Music Ministry

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	
Sunday8:30) am, 10:30 am, Noon <i>(Spanish)</i>
Monday - Friday	
Tuesday	7:00 pm (Spanish)
Second Sunday of each m	onth3:30 pm (Kiswahili)
Holydays	am, Noon & 7:00 pm (Church)

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm; closed on Friday.

Evenings by appointment only.

Telephone: 732-968-2621

E-Mail: stjev@verizon.net

Web: www.stjohnsdunellen.org

Office of Faith Formation: 732-968-2621 ext: 13 stjohnpcl@gmail.com

For Pastoral Emergencies, please call: 732-968-2621, ext. 12

PARISH REGISTRATION

All families and individuals within the canonical bound areas of St. John the Evangelist are invited to register by contacting the Parish Office. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Thursday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm in the Chapel and on the first Friday of each month from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Chapel. You are invited to visit as your schedule permits. If you wish to be a regularly scheduled adorer, please contact the Parish Office. During Lent, Adoration takes place on Friday from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm in the Chapel.

Sacrament of Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm. Baptisms will not be performed during Lent. An instructional Infant Baptism Class is required for parents having their child baptized and is recommended for godparents. For more information and to register for Pre-baptism class, please call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage: Common Policy among the Dioceses in New Jersey recommends preparing for your wedding at least one year in advance. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday form 4:00 - 4:45 pm in the Reconciliation Room of the Church or by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office if you are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion.

Sponsor Eligibility: Godparents/Sponsor eligibility certificates are available for registered parishioners by calling the Parish Office. Godparents/Sponsors must be practicing Catholics who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist and, if married, are in a marriage recognized by the Church.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation is available for registered parish families with children in Grades 1-8. As the Primary Catechists of their children, parents are prepared and supported to lead their children in faith at home. Meetings are twice a month, one for parents only to prepare for monthly activity lessons and one for parents and children to grow in community. Sacramental reception years (2nd and 8th grade) have additional Sunday meetings to prepare for receiving First Reconciliation/Holy Communion and Confirmation. To register, or for more information please call the Office of Faith Formation.

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, July 17

8:00 a.m. Francis Alapatt by Vincent & Brigit Babu

Tuesday, July 18

8:00 a.m. Mariol Rodrigo by Lia & Ray Velez7:00 p.m. Irene Palomino Hernandez by Alex & Millie

Wednesday, July 19

8:00 a.m. Tony Payer by family

Thursday, July 20

8:00 a.m. Tony Payer by family

Friday, July 21

8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. John's

Saturday, July 22

5:00 p.m. Tony Furino by Fran Furino

Sunday, July 23

- 8:30 a.m. Roberto Loo Hernandez by Lynne & Manny Jacalan and Parishioners of St. John's
- 10:30 a.m. Antonino DiMaggio by wife & family
- Noon Pedro Mortara by Adriana Giraldo

Please pray for the sick members of our parish:

Louis Capozzi Cathy Slootmaker MaryAnn Briones Joan Rabouin



Padrinos de Bautismo Y Confirmacion:

La ley eclesiástica manda que los padrinos para el bautismo y confirmación, deben ser católicos confirmados y activos en la parroquia, o sea que asistan a la misa dominical, ayudan al mantenimiento de la Iglesia, este casado/y por la Iglesia; si es soltero/a no debe estar en unión libre. Debe vivir una vida de acuerdo con las enseñanzas de la Iglesia. Solo Podemos entregar cartas a parroquianos que viven de acuerdo con estas normas.

Bautismos:

Los Bautismos en español son celebrados en el segundo domingo del mes a la 1:15 PM. No se celebran bautismos durante la Cuaresma. Para hacer arreglos para los bautismos en español, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial. Si la secretaria no puede contestar en ese momento, le puede dejar un mensaje con su número de teléfono para llamarle luego.

Formacion Religiosa–Catecismo:

Si usted es nuevo en la parroquia y quiere inscribir a su niño/a en las clases de catecismo, por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial.

RICA:

Adultos que deseen convertirse a la religión católica o que necesiten recibir Primera Comunión y o Confirmación, deben ponerse en contacto con la oficina de la parroquia para el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de adultos

Matrimonios:

Los arreglos para la fecha de casamiento se deben hacer un ano por anticipado, antes de hacer los arreglos sociales. Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial.

Ministerio de Visitar a Los Enfermos:

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial. Si es una emergencia (en peligro de muerte) después de horas de oficina, llamar al número 732-685-1098

Confesiones en Espanol:

El padre está dispuesto después de la misa dominical. Por favor, communiqués con él.

Círculo de Oración: todos los jueves se comensara a las 6:45 pm con el Santo Rosario en la Capilla. El último jueves del mes hay una Hora Santa a las 7:00pm.



DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

June 30, 2023

Rev. Alphonsus Kariuki, Pastor St. John the Evangelist Parish 317 First Street Dunellen, NJ 08812

Dear Father Kariuki,

Please extend my sincere thanks to the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist Parish for their generous response to the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal. I know that the pastor's endorsement and enthusiastic promotion of the Appeal are the key in reaching the parish goal, so thanks to you, too. With pledges totaling \$32,544, your parish achieved 101.7% of its \$32,000 goal. As of June 27, 2023, the amount collected was \$28,626. I am confident that your parishioners will fulfill their pledges by November at which time you will receive a rebate equal to 50% of the amount collected over goal.

I am particularly grateful to you, your parish staff and Appeal coordinators for the outstanding effort. Through your hard work, and that of pastors, parish teams and generous parishioners across the diocese, we have surpassed our \$7.2 million goal with over \$7.9 million in pledges to date making this year's BAA a great success and enabling us to continue to be *Renewed and Sent on Mission by the Eucharist*.

The wonderful response to the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal is a reflection of our people's commitment as a diocesan family to our Church of Metuchen and its ministries. God bless you and be assured you have my heartfelt gratitude and prayers.

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA Bishop of Metuchen

Renewed and Sent on Mission by the Eucharist

St. John Neumann Pastoral Center * P.O. Box 4000, Metuchen, New Jersey 08840-4000 * P: 732.562.1990 E: annual.appeal@diometuchen.org * http://diometuchen.org

Sacrificial Offerings 2023 Sunday, July 9

Regular Collection:	\$3	,304.17
Online Giving:	\$	823.55

Bills Paid this Week: \$4,079.88

Online Giving

Have you tried our new Parish online giving system? There are three ways to give through Tithe.ly:

*Through our website *through our Facebook page *using the Tithe.ly mobile giving App

When giving Tithe.ly you can donate by credit/debit card or bank transfer. You can also select "reoccurring gift" to automate your regular weekly offering so that it is donated automatically on a schedule that you choose. As with any automated service there is a small transaction fee for the church. You have the option to select "cover the fee" to make this transaction fee a part of your tax deductible gift. If you need assistance setting up a gift or learning how to use Tithe.ly email stjohnpcl@gmail.com

Give the Gift of Faith

Churches are dependent upon the generosity of others to fulfill their mission of spreading the Good News as mandated by Christ on the day of his Ascension. To perpetuate our church's mission in our area, please consider putting St. John the Evangelist Church in your will.

St. John Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry is in need of the following: dry pasta, rice, cereal, canned tuna and chicken, low/no sugar canned fruit, no/low sodium canned vegetables and soups, tomato sauce and fruit juice. **Please note: there is a particular need for gluten free products.** Food donations support our parish food pantry, for our neighbors in need as well as FISH Food Pantry on New Market Road in Piscataway. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

NATIONAL YEAR OF EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

What is a National Eucharistic Revival? The Bishops of the United States are calling for a threeyear grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the



Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist----and sent out in mission "for the life of the word".

These three years will culminate in the first National Eucharistic Congress in the United States in almost fifty years.

Almost a hundred thousand Catholics will join together in Indianapolis for a once-ina-lifetime pilgrimage toward the "source and summit" of our Catholic faith.



July 16, 2023 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit."-Matthew 13:22

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in earthly activities that you have no time for God? Gratitude and generosity are virtues that we should strive to do on a daily basis. Every decision we make either takes us one step closer to God or one step further away. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week as well.

Parish Ministry & Contacts

Activities & Fund Raising Committee: Parish Office (732) 968-2621; <u>stjev@verizon.net</u>

Altar Rosary Society: Fran Furino (732) 968-2621

Altar Servers: (732) 968-2621; stjev@verizon.net

Art & Environment Committee: Kate Guzzi, (732) 968-2621;

Catholic Daughters of the Americas: Nina DiQuollo (732) 968-2621

Eucharistic Adoration: Maureen Shea (732) 968-2621

Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Martha Pizzigoni; (732) 968-2621

Faith Formation & Catechists: Alice Fogarty, PCL (732) 968-2621, x13; <u>stjohnpcl@gmail.com</u>

Finance Committee: John Fitzgerald

Golf Outing Committee: Parish Office (732) 968-2621; <u>stjev@verizon.net</u>

Homebound Ministry: Jon Fourre, (732) 968-2621

Hospitality Committee: Kate Guzzi (732) 968-2621

Knights of Columbus Council 2544: Keith Venturella, (732) 968-2621

Marriage Encounter: Eugene & Theresa Porras (732) 968-2621

Money Counters: Jeff Marren, (732) 968-2621

Music Ministry: Gerard Chiusano, (732) 968-2621

Readers: Martha Pizzigoni; (732) 968-2621

Social Concerns Ministry: Mary Lou Chingery (732) 968-2621

Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group: Gloria Labanda (732) 968-2621

Guadalupe Group: Ana Alpizar (732) 968-2621

Tricky Tray Committee: Parish Office (732) 968-2621; <u>stjev@verizon.net</u>

Ushers: Mike Sciametta (732)968-2621



Prayers for Our Service Members

Please pray for the following parishioners who are currently

serving in the Military:

- U.S. Navy Reserve Lt. Michael Bartilotti
- U.S. Army Pvt. Luke Harshaney
- U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Ed Sella
- U.S. Marine Mer. Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak
- U.S. Army Pfc. Sean Parente
- U.S. Marine LCpl. Dante Parente
- U.S. Army 2nd Lt. Casey Wenzel
- U.S. Army Spec. 4 Timothy Francisco
- U.S. Marine LCpl. Stephen Wright
- U.S. Navy IT2 Kenneth Millman III
- U.S. Navy HM3 Rosemary Plunkett
- U.S. Marine LCpl. Dylan Kolakowski

U.S. Air Force, 2nd Lt. Michael Nielsen

If there are any other military members you would like to be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish Office.

Descubriendo a Dios en nuestros hermanos Doctrina Social de la Iglesia

Cuando: Agosto 7 y 9 Hora: 7pm a 9pm Donde: Centro Pastoral St. John Neumann 146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway, NJ

Employment Opportunity – Business Manager

The Catholic Spirit, the official newspaper of the Diocese of Metuchen, seeks a Business Manager to develop, implement, and oversee business strategies for the awardwinning paper. The ideal candidate will be expected to establish production and quality control standards, develop budget and cost controls, and obtain data regarding the circulation, production and delivery specifications of the paper. Interested candidates should forward their resume to hr@diometuchen.org. The Adopt a Priest Program

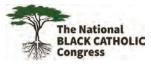
The "Adopt a Priest Program" is strictly a spiritual commitment to pray and offer the sacrifices required by one's daily duty, to draw down graces for a particular Priest, for the rest of one's life. It is a lifelong commitment. This can be done by simply praying the "Morning Offering" in this way: **O My God**, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus, I offer Thee all my prayers, works joys and sufferings of this day, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, the sins of the whole world and especially for my adopted Priest, Father____(mention your adopted Priest's Name). Amen. If your priest dies, continue to pray for him. If you should die, certainly you will not cease to pray for him until you both meet in heaven. Saint Therese, the Little Flower, adopted two Missionary Priests in this way. This is very powerful. It makes the littlest thing we do infinitely worthwhile. To adopt a Priest or for more information, please call Maureen Shea 732-968-0136 or 732-770-0502 cell.

El "Programa Adopta a un Sacerdote" es estrictamente un compromiso espiritual para orar y ofrecer los sacrificios requeridos por el deber diario de uno, para atraer gracias para un sacerdote en particular, por el resto de su vida. Es un compromiso de por vida. Esto se puede hacer simplemente rezando la "Ofrenda de la Mañana" de esta manera: Oh Dios mío, a través del Inmaculado Corazón de María y del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, te ofrezco todas mis oraciones, obras, alegrías y sufrimientos de este día, en unión con el Santo Sacrificio de la Misa en todo el mundo, en reparación por mis pecados, los pecados de todo el mundo y especialmente por mi Sacerdote adoptivo, _(mencione el nombre de Padre su sacerdote adoptivo). Amén. Si su sacerdote muere, continúe orando por él. Si uno muere primero, ciertamente no dejarás de orar por él hasta que ambos se encuentren en el cielo. Santa Teresita, la Pequeña Flor, adoptó dos sacerdotes misioneros de esta manera. Esto es muy poderoso. Hace que las pequeñas cosas que hacemos valgan infinitamente la pena. Para adoptar un sacerdote o para obtener más información, llame a Maureen Shea al 732-968-0136 o al celular 732-770-0502.

Celebrating Life! A Day for Grandparents & Seniors (55+)

"His mercy is from age to age..." Wednesday, July 26, 2023 - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, Feast Day of Saints Joachim & Anne, St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway. Join us for breakfast, fellowship, a guest speaker & Holy Mass. Event is free. Registration is required. Call 732-562-1543 or visit: https://www.diometuchen.org/humanlifean

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SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 12, 2023

Diocesan Informative Day for Black Catholics

In preparation for the National Black Catholic Congress (NBCC) which will be celebrated July 20-23, 2023, the Diocese held a Day of Reflection in an effort to obtain insights and wisdom from Black Catholics in the Diocese of Metuchen. The upcoming Congress will explore two major themes: "THE EUCHARIST: OUR PROPETIC CALL TO LOVE" and "A PROPHETIC CALL TO THRIVE: G.R.O.W. TOWARD YOUR GREATNESS". Black Catholics, now is the time to come together, work and evangelize! Be part of the process. You are called to participate in the August **12, 2023** Diocesan Informative Day from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center,

Piscataway. There are at least six representatives of the Diocese attending the NBCC. On August 12th they will share their experiences and information obtained at the congress and motivate each of us to work and promote the Pastoral Plan at both a Diocesan and a Parish level. Call 732-562-1543 or visit

www.diometuchen.org/2023nbc to register.

Faith Formation



A Family of Faith

Registration for 2023 - 2024 year

Registration Started **Monday**, **5/15**, for inperson registration. **Monday**, **5/22 from 11am to 3pm** will be the next in-person registration for next year. Registration may also be:

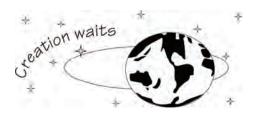
* emailed with Credit card payment. through <u>tithe.ly</u>.

* dropped off or mailed to the Parish center with cash or check or credit card confirmation.

If you are using credit card, please give us a copy of the email confirmation as well. A copy of the Baptismal certificate is needed for all new students. Registration Forms will be located in the back of the church and in the Parish Center office.

High School Youth Group

All High School Teens are welcomed to join the High School Youth Group. Stop by the Parish Center to see what we are all about. For more information email <u>stjohnshsyg@gmail.com</u>



Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer Upcoming Programs

Registration for all offerings is required 10 days in advance to avoid the program being cancelled. T o register call 908-753-2091, email:<u>msmhope@msmhope.org</u> or visit our website:<u>www.msmhope.org</u>.

Wednesday, August 2 from 7-9 p.m. (Hybrid)

TRANSFORMED BY AND INTO CHRIST

During August we celebrate the biblical feast of the Transfiguration of Christ. What was the meaning of this event in Christ's life and what does it mean for us to be transfigured and transformed by Christ?

Come and encounter Christ in this biblical story and discover ways to be the presence of Christ in our world today. (\$20-\$30 as you are able)

Thursday, August 3 from 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. SACRED TIME, SACRED SPACE

A personal, quiet day to enjoy God's presence. Day begins with communal prayer. Bring a bag lunch. (\$20-\$30 as you are able)

Friday, August 4-11 Begins 7 p.m. on Friday; concludes on Friday by 11 a.m WEEKLONG RETREAT (\$665; nonrefundable deposit \$100)

Sabado, 12 Agosto, 9-11:30 a.m LA CONTEMPLACION ES PARA TODOS

En esta presentación, ofrecemos experiencias de oración que tienen su origen en la antigua práctica contemplativa que pueden ayudarnos experimentar una vida más transformada en Christo hoy. In person program. (\$20-\$30 as you are able)

Sunday, August 13 from 1-5:30 p.m. In person program.

GRIEF RECOVERY Learning a process to deal with grief.

Gentle 4-step experiential process for resolving grief caused by loss. (\$50-\$60 as you are able)



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