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Alice Fogarty, *Parish Catechetical Leader*  
Mary Lou Chingery, *Coordinator of Social Ministry*  
Gerard Chiusano, *Music Ministry*

### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil..... 5:00 pm  
Sunday..... 8:30 am, 10:30 am, Noon (*Spanish*)  
Monday - Friday..... 8:00 am (*Chapel*)  
Tuesday..... 7:00 pm (*Spanish*)  
Second Sunday of each month..... 3:30 pm (*Kiswahili*)  
Holydays..... 8:00 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](mailto:stjev@verizon.net)

**Web:** [www.stjohnsdunellen.org](http://www.stjohnsdunellen.org)

### Office of Faith Formation:

732-968-2621 ext: 13  
[stjohnpcl@gmail.com](mailto: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 from 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, August 21

8:00 a.m. Roberto Criscuolo (1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of death) by Criscuolo family

### Tuesday, August 22

8:00 a.m. Vera & Ray Sheenan by Shea family  
7:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. John's

### Wednesday, August 23

8:00 a.m. Andrew Au by Josephine Kuok

### Thursday, August 24

8:00 a.m. Irene Kuok by Josephine Kuok

### Friday, August 25

8:00 a.m. Andrew Au by Josephine Kuok

### Saturday, August 26

5:00 p.m. Mary & Michael Wieczorek by Chapleski family

### Sunday, August 27

8:30 a.m. Bernice Simmons by Maureen Shea and Parishioners of St. John's  
10:30 a.m. Mary Claire Yesalavich by husband John & family  
Noon Las Almas del Purgatorio by familia Giraldo



*This week our Sanctuary lamp in the Church is lit for Rosa T. Chavez by her husband and family.*

*Please pray for the sick members of our parish:*

Louis Capozzi  
Cathy Sloomaker  
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 año 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, comuniqués 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.

**Sacrificial Offerings 2023  
Sunday, August 13**

Regular Collection: \$4,728.37  
Online Giving: \$ 622.88

Bills Paid this Week: \$3,798.15

**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](mailto: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.

**Diocese of Metuchen**

The Diocese of Metuchen is working on Historical Records for all its parishes. We are looking for someone who has an interest in our parish's history. If you feel you can represent our parish in that diocesan commission, please contact Fr. Alphonsus through the parish office as soon as possible.

Thank you.

**National Eucharistic Pilgrimage**

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage (NEP) has publicly launched! The NEP (<https://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/>) will consist of four cross-country Eucharistic processions, collectively traversing the entire continental United States over a two-month period, beginning during the feast of Pentecost, May 17-19, 2024. The pilgrimage is being organized by the National Eucharistic Revival campaign in conjunction with Modern Catholic Pilgrim, a Catholic nonprofit dedicated to deepening the faith across the country through pilgrimages. Along the way, the pilgrims will make stops in major U.S. cities, churches, Catholic colleges, and holy sites. Parishes along the routes will host Mass, adoration, devotions, praise and worship, lectures on the Eucharist, and more. The Seton Route, which will begin in New Haven, Connecticut, will be passing through the Diocese of Metuchen on **May 27-29, 2024**. The four pilgrimage processions will ultimately converge in Indianapolis on July 16, 2024, to participate in the National Eucharistic Congress. Adam Carlisle, Secretary for Evangelization and Communication, will be helping to organize our diocese's involvement. If anyone is interested in assisting with this important event, please feel free to contact him at [acarlisle@diometuchen.org](mailto:acarlisle@diometuchen.org).



**Parish Ministry & Contacts**

**Activities & Fund Raising Committee:**

Parish Office (732) 968-2621; [stjev@verizon.net](mailto:stjev@verizon.net)

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

**Altar Servers:** (732) 968-2621; [stjev@verizon.net](mailto: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; [stjohnpcl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnpcl@gmail.com)

**Finance Committee:** John Fitzgerald

**Golf Outing Committee:** Parish Office  
(732) 968-2621; [stjev@verizon.net](mailto:stjev@verizon.net)

**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; [stjev@verizon.net](mailto:stjev@verizon.net)

**Ushers:** Mike Sciametta (732)968-2621

**Adopt a Priest Program**

Have you prayed for your Priest today?  
To adopt a Priest or for more information, please call Maureen Shea 732-968-0136 or 732-770-0502 cell.

**Programa Adopta a un Sacerdote**

¿Has orado por tu sacerdote hoy?  
Para adoptar un sacerdote o para obtener más información, llame a Maureen Shea al 732-968-0136 o al celular 732-770-0502.



**Register now for the St. John Fall Classic Golf Outing!!**

The St. John Fall Classic Golf Outing is now registering players and sponsors. You can call the office (732) 968-2621, email [stjeacct@gmail.com](mailto:stjeacct@gmail.com) or visit EventBrite at this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-johns-golf-fall-classic-tickets-698464675647?aff=oddtcreator>.

Our outing is set for **October 1st** at Fox Hollow Golf Course in Branchburg. This is a major fundraiser for the church and its success depends on our loyal parishioners.



**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. Cmdr. 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Michael Nielsen**

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

**2023 – 2024 FAITH FORMATION**

HELLO! I'm Alice Fogarty the PCL at St. John the evangelist.

St John's has a great tradition of the family faith program. When I arrived in March, I was amazed at the beautiful curriculum that put the family first. Families can learn on their own schedule and pace.

Parents and guardians are the first teachers in children's lives. What's more important than passing along their Catholic faith. Catholic values.

Our families worship together, learning their faith together and service the community together. Wonderful community service projects done by St John's families include:

- donating clothes to the needy
- raking at the parish center
- collecting food for the pantry
- gathering old eyeglasses for a local organization
- bringing a neighbor in needs garbage can
- praying for their neighbors as they walk, ride their bikes, and scooter through the neighborhood

Making memories and learning about their faith

Registration is open. Monday and Tuesdays till 6pm, I will be hosting in person registration at the parish center. Please come by, I'm looking forward to meeting you.

Registration can also be mailed in or dropped at the Parish center. Forms are on the website and at the back of the church.

I am looking for catechists and classroom AIDS one day a month. A background check and an open heart is all that's needed

In closing, I would like to say our children go to school for 12, 16 or 20 more years, but they will be a Catholic for their entire life.

**2023 – 2024 FORMACIÓN EN LA FE**

¡HOLA! Soy Alice Fogarty, PCL en St. John the evangelist.

St John's tiene una gran tradición del programa de fe familiar. Cuando llegué en marzo, me sorprendió el hermoso plan de estudios que ponía a la familia en primer lugar. Las familias pueden aprender a su propio ritmo y horario.

Los padres y tutores son los primeros maestros y la vida de los niños. ¿Qué es más importante que transmitir su fe católica? valores católicos.

Nuestras familias adoran juntas, aprenden su fe juntas y sirven a la comunidad juntas. Maravillosos proyectos de servicio comunitario realizados por las familias de St John's como: tales como

- donar ropa a los necesitados
- el rastrillado es en el centro parroquial
- recoger alimentos para la despensa
- reunir anteojos viejos para una organización local
- llevar a un vecino al basurero necesitado
- orando por sus vecinos mientras caminan, andan en bicicleta o andan en patineta por el vecindario

Haciendo recuerdos y aprendiendo sobre su fe.

La inscripción está abierta. Lunes y martes hasta las 6pm, estaré hospedando registro en persona en el centro parroquial. Por favor, acércate, estoy deseando conocerte.

La inscripción también se puede enviar por correo o dejar en el centro parroquial. Los formularios están en el sitio web y en la parte trasera de la iglesia.

Busco catequistas y aula sida un día al mes. Una verificación de antecedentes y un corazón abierto es todo lo que se necesita

Para terminar, me gustaría decir que nuestros hijos van a la escuela por 12, 16 o 20 años más, pero serán católicos toda su vida.

Registration may be:

\* emailed to: [stjohnpcl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnpcl@gmail.com)

\* dropped off Parish center

\* or mailed to: St. John the Evangelist,  
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