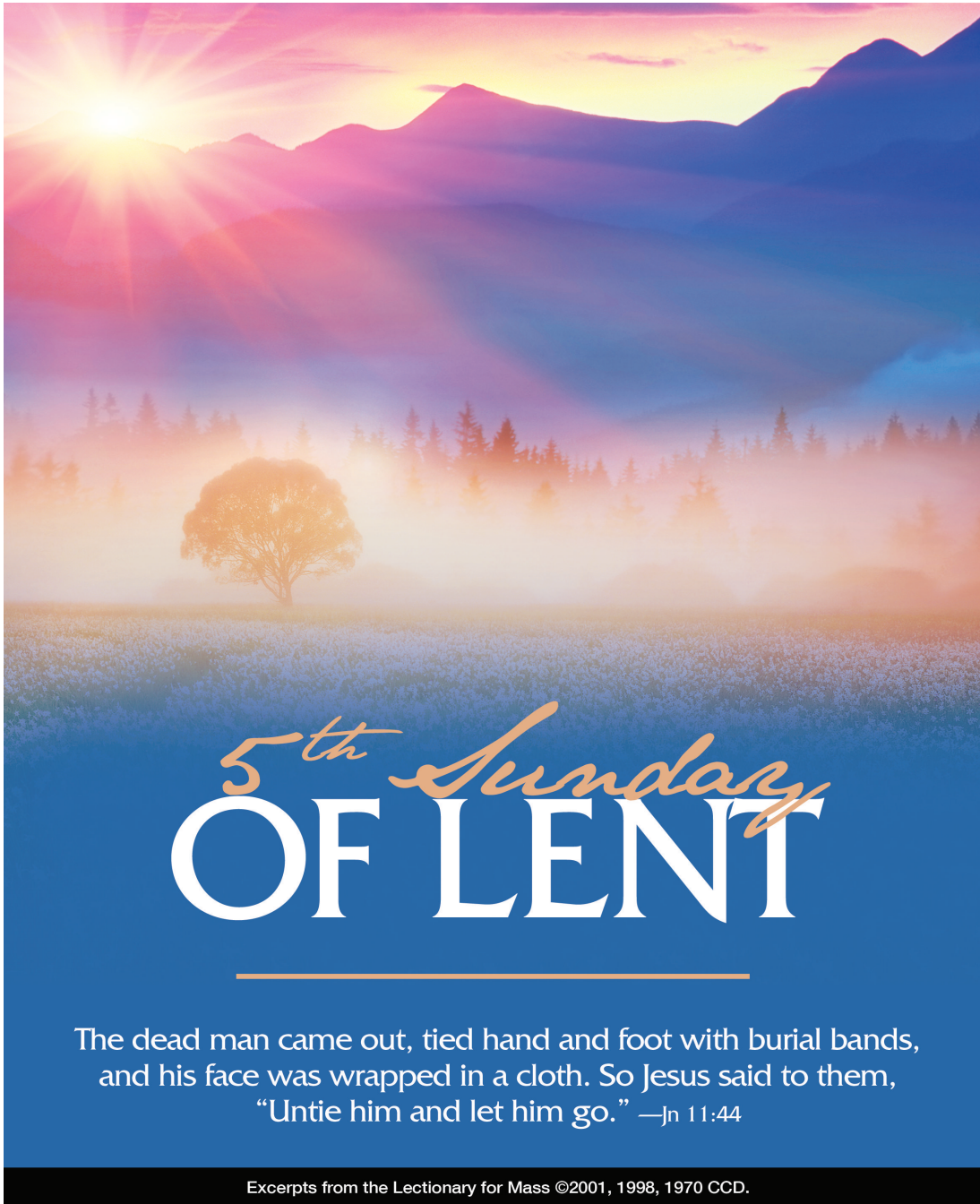


# Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

APRIL 2, 2017 — FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
2 DE ABRIL DE 2017 — QUINTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA



### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday OF LENT

The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands,  
and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them,  
“Untie him and let him go.” —Jn 11:44

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#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Daily Masses: ..Thursday ..... 8:30 a.m.  
                  ..Wednesday and Friday ..... 12 noon  
CONFESSIONS (Saturday) ..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

#### HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo ..... 12:15 p.m (Español)  
Misa Diaria: ..Jueves ..... 8:30 a.m (Ingles)  
                  ..Miércoles y Viernes ..... 12:00 del medio día  
CONFESIONES (Sábado) ..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

#### HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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## St John Parish Calendar

### SATURDAY

**APRIL 1, 2017**

4:30 PM Reconciliation  
5:30 PM Mass soul of Helen Bryant

### SUNDAY

**APRIL 2, 2017**

9:00 AM Mass for all sick in the parish  
10:00 AM Rosary  
12:15 PM Misa

### WEDNESDAY

**APRIL 5, 2017**

8:30 AM Mass  
12:00 Noon Lenten Service Redeeming Love

### THURSDAY

**APRIL 6, 2017**

8:30 AM Mass

### FRIDAY

**APRIL 7, 2017**

12:00 Noon Mass  
5-7 PM Lenten Fish Dinner

### SATURDAY

**APRIL 8, 2017**

4:30 PM Reconciliation  
5:30 PM Mass for police, fire, emergency personnel

### SUNDAY

**APRIL 9, 2017**

9:00 AM Mass for St. John, St. Patrick, St Peter  
10:00 AM Rosary  
12:15 PM Misa

**DURING LENT ST JOHN'S WEDNESDAY MASS  
WILL BE AT 8:30 AM  
ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON**



Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." Jn 11:25-24

### Readings for the Week of April 2, 2017

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52-56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jr 31:10-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14--27:66 or 27:11-54

**Stations of the Cross and Confession:** Please join us as we pray the stations of the cross every Friday during the season of Lent. Stations will start at 6:30 pm. Fr. Frank will lead the stations on the First and Last Friday of Lent. There will be confession every Friday during Lent at 6:30.



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/  
RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:**  
*Pray for*

Keith Pinney, Doug and Edna Stanley,  
Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron  
Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman,

Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Martha Livingston, Deborah Shorter, Elena Chavez, Virginia Saunders, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes, Melanie Patterson, Lillian Arthur, Carole Trent, Shirley Griffey, Mary Helen Sohaski, Shirley Hughes, Thomas Whitehead, Leslie Gray and Esperanza Godinez.

**Prayers for members of the Armed Forces:** Daniel Gaudette, David Licciardello, Josh Drumheller, Lee Balderson, and Daniel Johnson.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **April**  
**SPAGHETTI SAUCE AND NOODLES**  
En el mes de **abril**  
**PASTAS Y SALSA PARA PASTA**

### March 25 & 26, 2017

#### Weekly

Actual	\$4,554.50
Budgeted	<u>\$5,170.00</u>
Difference	(\$615.00)

#### Year to Date

Actual	\$177,808.79
Budgeted	<u>\$201,630.00</u>
Difference	(\$23,821.21)

Monthly Debt Expense	\$1,860.00
Monthly Debt Collection	<u>\$2,849.00</u>
Difference	\$989.00

**Remaining Debt Balance \$61,664.88**

#### MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
<b>83</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>215</b>

Hello everyone,  
Two things today.

First I want to continue to remind and invite everyone to our weekly Friday Stations of the Cross prayer service and Lenten Fish Fry dinner. I once read a great Saint said that the quickest way to grow in holiness is to contemplate the passion of our Lord. Praying the Stations of the Cross is an excellent way to journey through our Lord's passion in prayer and contemplate the magnitude of God's sacrifice for us. It's sure to increase our love for God. And join us as well for our delicious fish dinner. We have a TOP-NOTCH team of volunteers who make it happen every week. They are super-cooks and superstars for God!

Second, I just want to say one thing about the Gospel reading today. Today we heard the amazing account of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. Lazarus was 'dead as a doornail,' as the saying goes, and Jesus prayed and brought him back to life. Jesus has got some kinda power!!!

Jesus did this to manifest his power over death. To show us that even in the face of taking our last breath, we do not have to fear so long as we seek shelter under the staff of our Good Shepherd. Jesus defeated death when He died and rose.

But I want to remind you of something I have said before (I don't remember where...the years are all starting to blend together...I am getting old), that Jesus does a greater miracle every time a person enters a confessional and confesses their sins and received Jesus' forgiveness.

That's right folks! Although you might be more impressed to see someone walk up to a dead person, say some words and then that dead person sit up, it is in fact more 'impressive' what God does each and every time someone walks into a confessional with a dump of sin and walks out like a newborn baby. The person's body who was dead and brought back to life is still going to die again...but the person who had their sins forgiven was given restoration to their soul, and the soul LIVES FOREVER. That's why when God forgives it is more 'impressive' or more significant to the Kingdom than when He heals.

On that note, please find attached to this bulletin an examination of conscience. Read over it. If you have committed these sins, confess them...be part of a miracle. If you haven't committed them, then take the sheet to your friend who has committed those sins and tell them to go to confession (that's a joke...sort of...).

God is still a miracle worker. We just have to understand what is actually a miracle.

Happy Lent!!! Only and couple more weeks. Make the most of it and take your spiritual life seriously! Your soul will thank you for it!!!!!!!

Fr Rossi

### **The Practice of Covering Crosses and Images**

In the Diocese of the United States, the practice of covering crosses and images throughout the church from this Sunday may be observed. Crosses remain covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord's Passion of Good Friday, but images remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil.

### **St John Lenten Dinners**

The Lenten dinners are doing awesome thanks to you. Thank you so much to all who came and helped, and this will be the **LAST ONE** for all to join in. We still need You. **We especially need volunteers after the dinners to help clean up.** Come and give us a hand, bring your favorite dessert, promote our Lenten dinners, tell your family and friends. We hope to see you here.

**The Religions Ed Program will hold its traditional Easter Egg Hunt open to all children** on Sunday April 9th at 10:30 AM. For that reason we are asking for donations of plastic eggs and individually wrapped candy to fill up the plastic eggs. There will be a box on the counter in the commons. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**The Busy Bee Spring Craft and Bake Sale** will be this week end and next after Mass. Purchase beautiful crafts and buy delicious homemade baked goods. All proceeds go back to the church.

**Please note** if you cannot attend Mass because of health reasons, or you are home bound, we have parishioners that will bring you the Eucharist. They do not come unless **you** call the office, and request their visit.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to Neilann Brown, one of the recipients of The Saint John Bosco Award from the Diocese of Richmond. The Award is presented to individuals who are dedicated to and who serve our youth. We are very proud of you, Neilann. Thank you for being a great youth minister.

**Once again we are missing the Key on a stick. Please search for it. If found call St John or bring it back. Thank you**

**The Knights of Columbus** gives you a chance to win tickets to the Nascar Cup race on 4.30.17 at the Richmond International Raceway. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. All proceeds to benefit the good works and projects in our community of the K of C Father James Scanlon Council of St. John and St. Patrick parishes. Drawing to be held on 4.23.17. Tickets are available after mass each Sunday in the commons area

**The Knights of Columbus** are organizing a Charity Concert at the Byrd Theater, April 28th 6-10 pm. All proceeds go to Feed the Hungry or Heal the Sick. For more information, or to purchase tickets, go to: [FeedTheHungry.TicketLeap.com](http://FeedTheHungry.TicketLeap.com)

Attention men of all ages. The Legion of St. Michael, a local Catholic men's group invites you to join us as we begin a new study on Christian friendship. The series will start on Sat April 8th at 8am at the home of one of the men in Chester. We will be studying the book "True Friendship: Where Virtue Becomes Happiness" by John Cuddeback. If you would like to join us or have questions about the group please contact [marioedance@gmail.com](mailto:marioedance@gmail.com) or call 804-314-1681.