

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

FEBRUARY 26, 2017 — EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES
26 DE FEBRERO 2017 — OCTAVO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO



8th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

“Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they?” —Mt 6:26

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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 FEBRUARY 25, 2017

4:30 PM Reconciliation

5:30 PM Mass for soul of Joseph DiMarino

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2017

9:00 AM Mass soul of Helen Bryant

10:00 AM Rosary

12:15 PM Misa for parishioners San Juan, San Pedro
Y San Patricio

WEDNESDAY MARCH 1, 2017 ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM Mass for the soul Fr. Alistair McKay

12:00 Noon Lenten Service Village Presbyterian

7:00 PM Mass for the soul of Fr Alistair McKay

THURSDAY MARCH 2, 2017

8:30 AM Mass

FRIDAY MARCH 3, 2017

12:00 Noon Mass

5-7 PM Lenten Fish Dinner

SATURDAY MARCH 4, 2017

4:30 PM Reconciliation

5:30 PM Mass for soul Alfreda Chandler

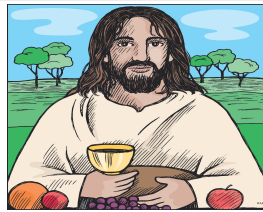
SUNDAY MARCH 5, 2017

9:00 AM Mass for soul of Helen Bryant

10:00 AM Rosary

12:15 PM Misa

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



"So do not worry and say, 'What are we to eat?' or 'What are we to drink?' or 'What are we to wear?' Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." - Mt 6:31, 32b-33a

Readings for the Week of February 26, 2017

Sunday: Is 49:14-15/Ps 62:2-3, 6-9/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34

Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17/2
Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17/
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Stations of the Cross: 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. There will be a sign up sheet in the commons for those who want to lead the stations. Fr. Frank will lead the stations on the First and the Last Fridays of Lent.



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

Keith Pinney, Doug Stanley, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Rev. Mr. Bill Blatnik, Red and Nancy

Goodman, Steve Garrett, Pat & Jerry Nolte, Sonya Calo'oy, Richard Painter, Martha Livingston, Deborah Shorter, Elena Chavez, Virginia Saunders, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes, Melanie Patterson, Lillian Arthur, Carole Trent, Anita French, Shirley Griffey, Mary Helen Sohaski and Shirley Hughes.

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

The item being collected for **FISH** for **February**
Breakfast Bars
En el mes de **febrero**
Barras de Desayuno

February 18 & 19, 2017

Weekly

Actual

Budgeted

Difference

\$5,170.00

Year to Date

Actual

Budgeted

Difference

Monthly Debt Expense

\$1,860.00

Monthly Debt Collection

Difference

Remaining Debt Balance \$63,377.35

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30

83

9:00

179

12:15

249

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available at the time of printing.*



ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE MIERCOLES DE CENIZA Mass 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Hello everyone!!!

Do you know what Wednesday is? I bet you do!!!

Come on...don't dread it...it's not so bad...

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday...the beginning of Lent!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Lent is a glorious season. It is time for us to do a little extra buckling down, to focus in on prayer, to GO TO CONFESSION, and to strive for spiritual growth. At the very least, it's a time to offer up all those little crosses we encounter on any given day as opposed to griping or grumbling...that is a penance the Lord loves us to do!

We have Mass and the Distribution of Ashes at 9am and 7pm at St John, 7pm at St Patrick, and 12:05pm at St Peter. "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return." "Repent and believe in the Gospel."

Just some reminders: Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence (i.e. no meat) and Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are fast days (i.e. no more than one meal and 2 small snacks that day for all Catholics 18-59 years old).

This past week, we celebrated the Feast of the Chair of St Peter, a day that recalls the authority of the Bishop of Rome (the Pope). I thought it would be a good time to review the scriptural references for why we go to confession (since it is only because God gave the Pope and the Bishops this ability that allows them to do what they do).

Firstly, in the Bible (James 5:16) James clearly teaches us that we must "confess our sins to one another." In fact in the early Church, they practiced public confession. People would get up in front of the whole church community and confess whatever they did wrong. I'm glad those times are over.

But what is the good of confessing if you don't get forgiven. I don't want to spill my guts if I can't be sure I am forgiven and those sins are wiped away.

Fear not. The Bible is very clear about the powers God entrusts to his followers, to Popes, Bishops and their delegates (priests). Firstly, Jesus gives Peter alone the power to bind and loose anything. This is the reading on the Feast of the Chair of Peter (Matthew 16:19) "I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

Later on, Jesus gives this power to the others, (Matthew 18:18) "Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

Finally, to the Apostles gathered he spoke specifically about their power to forgive sins, (John 20:21-23) "Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.'"

This action or ability of a man to petition God for the forgiveness of sins (which is what a priest does when he says the prayer of absolution in the confessional), is prefigured in the Old Testament (Numbers 14:20-23) when Moses asked God to forgive the Israelites for their offenses, "The Lord answered Moses: 'I pardon them as you have asked.'"

So don't ever let anyone tell you, 'that's not in the Bible.'

Have a great Lent!!! Make a great confession!!! It always makes us feel better!!! Fr Rossi

St John Lenten Dinners

Don't forget our Lenten Dinners will start this Friday. As always, in order to make this year another successful year we **NEED YOU**. If you are interested in pitching in (and perhaps making a Lenten sacrifice or commitment) now is the time to step up. We can always use help performing food prep work, set-up, food donations (specially desserts), cooking, serving and cleaning up. If you are interested in serving as a team member please call the office, or just show up. If you are not able to work, come and eat and bring your friends.

RICE BOWL

Once again this year St John's will participate in the Rice Bowl Operation. Don't forget to pick up a bowl on Ash Wednesday.

Lenten Fish Dinner - Sponsorship Opportunity

ITEM	COST	DONATION
Fish—	\$1,700	
Sea Food—	\$100	\$100
Vegetable Oil & Margarine	\$300	\$20
Breading & Hushpuppy & Mac&Cheese	\$250	\$250
Big Potatoes & French Fries	\$300	
Dressings	\$250	
Produce	\$350	
Coffee, Ice Tea, Sugar	\$200	\$200
Paper Product	\$500	

Please consider sponsoring any of the above items or give a donation of a portion of the total amount. All donations help. Thank you in advance. The Lenten Fish Team

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR THE PANCAKE SUPPER ON FEBRUARY 28TH.

The cost for adults is only \$6.00, children 2-10, \$4.00 and children under 2 will be **FREE**. Menu includes pancakes, bacon **OR** sausage, apples and beverage. Serving from, 5:00pm (not dark yet) until 7:30 pm. **AND**, as an added benefit, **LADIES YOU WON'T HAVE TO DO THE COOKING**. Thank you for joining us. **St. John's Council of Women**

The **SJP** winners for February are Elena Penarrieta, Shirley Lawhorne, Joan Edwards, Betty Pool, Donnie Farmer, Henry Young, Jeremy Young and Jannette Kelejian. The next drawing is March 16.

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

From March 1 through April 9, you're invited to join with Christians in cities around the world for the Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and to pray peacefully during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Richmond Medical Center for Women abortion clinic at 118 N. Boulevard at Grove Avenue. for more information contact: Ann Niermeyer, 804-714-5170, atniermeyer@aol.com.