

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

FEBRUARY 5, 2017 — FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES
5 DE FEBRERO 2017 — QUINTO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” —Mt 5:14

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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 4, 2017

4:30 PM

Reconciliation

5:30 PM

Mass soul Emma Yates

SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

9:00 AM

Mass parishioners St. John, St. Patrick & St Peter

10:00 AM

Rosary

12:15 PM

Misa

WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 8, 2017

12:00 Noon

Mass for soul of Pura Planta

THURSDAY

FEBRUARY 9, 2017

8:30 AM

Mass

FRIDAY

FEBRUARY 10, 2017

12:00 Noon

Mass

SATURDAY

FEBRUARY 11, 2017

4:30 PM

Reconciliation

5:30 PM

Mass for special thanksgiving

SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 12, 2017

9:00 AM

Mass for soul of Diann Andre

10:00 AM

Rosary

12:15 PM

Misa por el alma de Emilia Cervantes

St. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON



**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 and Mary Helen Sohaski.

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

CONDOLENCES

St John's family extends deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Marion Pastore on the loss of her son-in-law Mark Robins; and to the family and friends of Bill Bryant on the loss of his beloved wife Helen. Please keep these families in your prayers.

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden."
- Mt 5:13a, 14

Readings for the Week of February 5, 2017

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c/
Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20--2:4a/Ps 8:4-9/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-5/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

January 28 & 29, 2017

Weekly

Actual \$3,692.01

Budgeted \$5,170.00

Difference (\$1,477.99)

Year to Date

Actual \$140,828.74

Budgeted \$160,270.00

Difference \$19,441.26)

Monthly Debt Expense \$1,860.00

Monthly Debt Collection \$2,077.28

Difference \$217.28

Remaining Debt Balance \$65,069.53

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
83	151	210

On Tuesday, we celebrated the Feast Day of St John Bosco. St John Bosco was an amazing saint who became known for his excellent education and formation of youths. He founded the Salesians, an order dedicated to educating youth and is the patron saint of youth.

In regards to education, I have been hearing talk of an issue that has been raised and wanted to provide a little information so that you will know where the Church stands on this issue.

It is in regards to school choice.

Recently, this topic has come up. The Church does not support individual politicians, but it does take sides on issues.

The Church is pro-school choice. What does that mean?

Well let me tell you what school choice is.

Currently, in most places, including here in Richmond, we all pay taxes and a portion of that tax money goes to the government (local and federal) so that the local government can provide free public education for grades K-12. Free education of youths is absolutely essential to provide equal opportunities for all children to advance socially and economically.

For most children, they have to go to the school determined by their geographic school district. If you live in such-and such a neighborhood, you have to go to school 'X.' Etcetera.

This is all very common to us.

The problem with this, and we all recognize this, is that certain neighborhoods are not as nice as other neighborhoods...that is to say, some are more safe, have better family environments, have less drugs and crime, etc. And when a school district has more 'bad' neighborhoods than 'good' neighborhoods, usually what results is the school itself becomes a mediocre or poor performing school.

This is commonly understood. All we need to do is look at independent school rankings provided by greatschools.org or any of the various evaluative organizations and they unanimously agree that, for example, Hanover public schools are better than the Richmond City schools, or where I was blessed to attend public school, York County, was better than Newport News public schools. That's why my parents lived in York County, even though they had to sacrifice the home they could have had if they would have lived in Newport News. They did this because they did not want to send their kids to schools with metal detectors.

This is a problem. What it does create is a cycle of disadvantage for those children who are raised in bad neighborhood, sent to bad schools and eventually make bad choices.

What is school choice and how does it work to solve this problem?

School choice creates the possibility for a parent to choose where they want to send their kids to school. School choice allows the parents to take the tax money that would have been sent to their own school district towards and use it towards the education cost or tuition at the school of their own choosing. This is called a school voucher or tax voucher.

You are probably thinking, 'well everyone will just send their kids to the better public school and it will be overwhelmed and not be able to take all those kids...and then the other school will just close.'

While there would be additional students going to the better performing public schools and less to the underperforming, more importantly what would happen is that schools would be forced to be competitive. They would be forced to produce good results or else they would cease to exist. And I for one believe a bad school should not exist.

But also what would happen, and has happened where school choice has occurred, is the creation of independent private schools, like Catholic schools. These schools are more efficient than the government run schools and provide superior education. The City of Richmond spent almost \$13k per student in 2015 in public schools.

Newport News spent over \$10k per student. The local private Catholic school in Newport News cost \$9k for tuition and provided a far superior education than the local public school by all measures.

Competition is good. It makes us better and makes us strive for excellence. A lack of it makes us lazy. School choice would provide the option for parents to choose where they send their kids and would create a competitive schooling system where schools had to sell themselves to parents by being the best, showing themselves the best, and truly serving their customer, the student. That is a little about school choice and why we as a Church are pro-school choice.

Lenten Fish Dinner - Sponsorship Opportunity

Lenten dinners will be here before you know it. In order to keep our prices the same as last year we need sponsors. Please take a look at these sponsorship opportunities and let us know if you can help us and help our community:

Fish -	\$1,700
Sea Food -	\$100
Vegetable Oil & Margarina	\$300
Breading & Hushpuppy & Mac&Cheese	\$250
Big Potatoes & French Fries -	\$300
Dressings -	\$250
Produce -	\$350
Coffee, Ice Tea, Sugar -	\$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

CENA CUARESMA— NECESITAMOS AUSPICIADORES

La Cuaresma llegara en un abrir y cerrar de ojos. Para que podamos mantener nuestros precios a bajo costo necesitamos que usted nos ayude con su auspicio. Si usted nos ayuda, estará ayudando a la comunidad de San Juan. Abajo encontrara los precios de aquello con lo que quiera colaborarnos. Si no puede en su totalidad, por favor colabore con algo. Muchísimas gracias por su colaboración.

Pescado	\$1,700
Mariscos	\$100
Aceite vegetal y mantequillas	\$300
Pan molido y Mac&Chese	\$250
Papas y Papas fritas	\$300
Condimentos	\$250
Verduras	\$350
Café, Te, Azucar	\$200
Productos Desechables	\$500

Here it is – **DEAL #2 for Fat Tuesday. Children 2-10** can eat for only **\$4.00**. This includes 2 pancakes, 3 slices of bacon **OR** 2 sausage patties, apples and a beverage of their choice, (milk, hot chocolate or juice). Deal #1 was in last week's bulletin – did you see it? See next week for the best deal. **Sign up now.** No cooking ladies! **Thanks,** St John's Council of Women

Oferta # 2. Niños de 2 a 10 años solo pagan \$4.00

Martes de Engorde es el 28 de febrero y aquí le presentamos algunas de las ofertas que tenemos para usted. Tres pancakes, 4 lonjas de tocino o 3 porciones de chorizo además de manzanas y bebidas. Todo eso por \$6.00.

Por favor coloque su nombre en la lista que se encuentra en el mesón de área común, así sabremos cuantas personas asistirán. Las damas del consejo cocinarán. Muchas gracias. Consejo de Mujeres de San Juan