Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

JANUARY 15, 2017 — SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES 15 DE ENERO 2017 — SEGUNDO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO

And SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God." - Jn 1:34

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

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

HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo......12:15 p.m (Español)Misa Diaria: ...Jueves8:30 a.m (Ingles)...Miércoles y Viernes12:00 del medio día

CONFESIONES (Sábado)..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

OFFICE HOURS

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

813 W Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs VA 23075 *Website—Página electrónica: www.stjohnscatholicchurch.org *Email- Correo Electrónico office@stjohnscatholicchurch.org 804-737-8028 • FAX: 804-328-4683 Pastor - Párroco Rev. Gino Rossi., ginopaulrossi@hotmail.com Parochial Vicar—Vicario Parroquial Rev. Frank Wiggins, padreop@verizon.net Parochial Vicar—Vicario Parroquial Rev. Ernest Livasia Bulinda, livasia@gmail.com Dir. Religious Education - Dir. de Educación Religiosa Paulita Matheny pmatheny@stjohnscatholicchurch.org Bookkeeper —Contador David Stull dstull@stjohnscatholicchurch.org Music Coordinator Coordinador del CoroAngela Pometto apometto@richmonddiocese.org Emergency contact number / Número en caso de emergencia 804-402-1221		
SATURDAY 4:30 PM 5:30 PM SUNDAY 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:15 PM	St John Parish Calendar JANUARY 14, 2017 Reconciliation Mass souls Felicia & Marcial Pasarda JANUARY 15, 2017 Mass soul of Mary Lipinski Rosary Misa parroquianos San Juan, San Pedro, San Patricio JANUARY 18, 2017 Mass JANUARY 19, 2017	After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descend- ing like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my be- loved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:16-17 Readings for the Week of January 15, 2017 Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34 Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110/Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110/Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: Heb 7:25 8:6/Ps 40/Mk 3:7 12
8:30 AM FRIDAY 12:00 Noon	Mass JANUARY 20, 2017 Mass	Thursday: Heb 7:258:6/Ps 40/Mk 3:7-12 Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47/Mk 3:20-21 Next Sunday: Is 8:239:3/Ps 27/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/ Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17
SATURDAY 4:30 PM 5:30 PM SUNDAY 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:15 PM	JANUARY 21, 2017 Reconciliation Mass for soul Thomas Leary JANUARY 22, 2017 Mass soul of Mary Lipinski Rosary Misa Zosima Flores Canoy & Damaso Bas,Jr	January 7 & 8, 2017 Weekly Actual \$1,173.00 Budgeted <u>\$5,170.00</u> Difference(\$3,997.00) Remaining Debt Balance \$65,069.53
Jr St. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON St. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON St. Peray for Pray for Goodman, Steve Garrett, Pat & Derry Nolte, Sonya Calo'oy, Rich- ard Painter, Martha Livingston, Deborah Shorter, Elena Chavez, Virginia Saunders, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes, Melanie Pattrrson and Lillan Arthur. Prayers for members of the Armed Forces; Daniel Gau- dette, David Licciardello, Josh Drumheller, Lee Balderson, JD Painter and Daniel Johnson.		
Goodman, Steve ard Painter, Mart Virginia Saunder Pattrrson and Lil Prayers for me dette, David Licc	 REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES: Keith Pinney, Doug Stanley, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Rev. Mr. Bill Blatnik, Red and Nancy Garrett, Pat & Jerry Nolte, Sonya Calo'oy, Richha Livingston, Deborah Shorter, Elena Chavez, S, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes, Melanie an Arthur. mbers of the Armed Forces; Daniel Gau- iardello, Josh Drumheller, Lee Balderson, JD 	Year to Date Actual \$124,021.98 Budgeted $$144,760.00$ Difference \$20,738.02) Monthly Debt Expense \$1,860.00 Montly Debt Collection $$1772.28$ Difference (\$87.82) MASS ATTENDANCE 5:30 9:00 12:15 0 45 130

Good day all!

I missed you all last week! Darn snow!!!

It goes without saying, but just a reminder that whenever there is snowfall or dangerous weather, please use caution when determining whether to venture out for Mass. If you are young and just went for a run through the snow and you only live 2 blocks from Church, then you should probably go to Mass. If you have to drive 30 minutes and use a walker and there's an inch of ice, you better stay home.

But I pray you made it through the storm safe and sound. It was a big one but I don't think it was as big as the one last year.

For my pastor message today, I want to highlight some statistics regarding what I believe is the greatest evil in the world today (certainly the greatest evil in our country), abortion. The Annual March for Life is occurring in a week to protest Roe v Wade and will be marked by hundreds of thousands protesting in Washington DC against this awful law, a law which basically says 'we cannot know for sure when a fetus becomes a human so therefore it can be destroyed.' This awful logic is akin to a hunter who sees a moving bush and thinks 'it could be a deer or it could be one of the guys I came hunting with...oh well...I'll take a chance and SHOOT!' That is awful logic...but that is the logic of Roe v Wade. Some statistics to be outraged by:

Almost 60 million Americans have been killed by abortion since Roe v Wade. Over 1 million every year. Over 3000 per day. Over 125 during Mass. Abortion kills more Americans each year than the second and third most causes of death amongst Americans, heart disease and cancer, combined. Twice as many Americans are killed each year through abortion than were killed in WWII.

Over 13,000 babies are killed each year that are viable – meaning they could quite likely survive on their own outside of the womb. Over 16% of all pregnancies end in abortion. 37% of all pregnancies in New York City end in abortion

The most common procedure to kill a baby in a womb (abortion) is suction curettage or vacuum aspiration where a tube is used to suction out the amniotic fluid, placenta and fetus (the baby). The battle over abortion is largely a language battle. While many would not say they are pro-abortion, they would claim to be pro-choice (my body, my choice). This idea completely ignores the choice of the child. Did anyone ask those children whether they would like to be suctioned out of the womb into a glass jar? Why don't they get a chance to choose?

Abortion is basically age/size discrimination. Is a person who is 5 years old less valuable than a person who is 10 years old? Is a person who is 10 days old less valuable than a person who is 20 days old? Is a person who is 100 pounds more valuable than a person who is 50 pounds? Is a person who is 1 pound less valuable than a person who is 10 pounds?

More contraception does **NOT** decrease abortion. Over 50% of women who have abortions report to have been using contraception. Chastity is the only way to prevent unwanted pregnancies. You will NOT GET PREGNANT IF YOU ARE CHASTE!!!

While people will often say we must have abortion because of cases of rape, these are nearly non-existent in frequency. Statistically, the reasons most cited for having abortions are, "not ready for responsibility, inadequate finances, woman's life would be changed too much, problems with relationship or unmarried." Every single one of those reasons is a matter of convenience. Millions of lives are ended each year because they are inconvenient. What if people were to decide that we should exterminate the poor people around the city of Richmond because they are a financial drain on taxpayers or because they don't like them standing on the corner asking them for money...because they are inconvenient?

Planned Parenthood, the largest abortion provider in the country (a group supported by our tax money) specifically targets lowincome and minority neighborhoods to setup operations. African American women represent 6% of the US population but account for 35% of abortions reported. They are five times more likely to have abortions than white women. Minorities are targeted.

I realize none of this is politically correct. And I might get someone mad. That is in fact my intention. Not to get them mad at me, but to get them mad. We should be outraged by this. Disgusted, sad, overwhelmed, etc. It is awful.

The scripture this weekend says God makes us His servant "from the womb." May God protect all His servants, each of whom is unique and special to Him, from the womb. Fr. Rossi.

Strengthening Our Parishes Through the Living Our Mis-

sion Campaign. An Excerpt from the Upcoming Living Our Mission Annual Report. Parishes are realizing profound and long-term benefits from the *Living Our Mission* capital and endowment campaign. The parishes will retain the majority of the funds raised, an estimated \$64,967,000 of the nearly \$103,952,000 raised, or 62.5%. To date, the Diocese has returned over \$26,168,831 to the parishes through nine rounds of funding.

Parishes will use these funds in a variety of ways, including local construction projects, ministries, endowments and debt reduction. The key statistics below highlight how parishes are using their *Living Our Mission* money: 139 parishes plan to use the money raised for construction or repairs \checkmark 42 parishes will fund ministries and outreach programs \diamondsuit 23 parishes are saving for the future by placing funds into endowments \diamondsuit 16 parishes allocated funds to reduce debt.

Parish Construction and Repair Projects – By The Num-

bers: \$55,432,000 of the money raised is for new construction or repairs to existing buildings (The true impact is even larger. The actual cost of construction in the 139 parishes approaches \$77 million.) \$9,172,000 is the largest construction project funded by the campaign - - St. Bede, Williamsburg * 23 parish construction projects exceed \$1 million * 13 parishes are building new churches or making significant renovations to worship space * 6 parishes addressed emergency repairs to their building

As may be seen from the highlights above, the *Living Our Mission* campaign is providing critical funding in strategic ways. Income from the larger endowments of the Church provide a stable source of support for our clergy and other ministries which reduces the reliance on parish assessments - - a direct benefit to the parishes.

"If it weren't for the *Living Our Mission* campaign, new and/or increased parish assessments would have been needed in order to address these financial challenges," stated Michael J. McGee, Diocesan Chief Financial Officer.

Overall, this effort has brought about stronger parishes and a stronger Diocese - - better positioned to advance the mission, through Word, Worship, Community and Service.

MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY IN WASHINGTON DC; Friday,

January 27, 2017 For the 34th consecutive year, the KofC will provide FREE bus transportation for people in the Richmond metropolitan area to attend the 44th annual March For Life Rally in Washington DC, on **Friday, January 27, 2017**. *Seating on the buses is limited and will be by RESERVATION only*. A Registration fee may be required; however, the Registration fee will be returned when you take your seat on the bus. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a Parent, Guardian, or Approved Temporary Guardian with written permission. Contact Ed Gillikin, Sr at 804-737-7628 or EdGilli@msn.com.