

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

JANUARY 8, 2017 — EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
8 DE ENERO 2017 — LA EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR



The Epiphany of the Lord

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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 JANUARY 7, 2017

4:30 PM Reconciliation
5:30 PM Mass soul of Emma Yates
Flores

SUNDAY JANUARY 8, 2017

9:00 AM Mass
10:00 AM Rosary
12:15 PM Misa Elena Chavez

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11, 2017

12:00 Noon Mass

THURSDAY JANUARY 12, 2017

8:30 AM Mass for soul of Florida McMahon

FRIDAY JANUARY 13, 2017

12:00 Noon Mass

SATURDAY JANUARY, 14 2017

4:30 PM Reconciliation
5:30 PM Mass for souls Felicia & Marcial Pasarda

SUNDAY JANUARY 15, 2017

9:00 AM Mass soul of Mary Lipinski
10:00 AM Rosary
12:15 PM Misa parishioners San Juan, San Pedro
San Patricio

St. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON



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Readings for the Week of

January 8, 2017

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29/Mt 3:13-17
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19/Mk 2:13-17

DECEMBER 31 & JANUARY 1

Weekly

Actual \$4,627.03
Budgeted \$ 5,170.00
Difference (\$542.97) Remaining Debt Balance
\$65,069.53

Year to Date

Actual \$122,894.51
Budgeted \$139,590.00
Difference (\$16,695.79)
Monthly Debt Expense \$1,860.00
Montly Debt Collection \$1,374.00
Differnce (\$489.00.)

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
92	139	218



**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, Tom
Yates, Richard Painter, Martha Livingston, Deborah Shorter, Elena
Chavez, Virginia Saunders, Maxine DiMarino, and Isaias Fuentes.

Prayers for members of the Armed Forces; Daniel Gau-
dette, David Licciardello, Josh Drumheller, Lee Balderson, JD
Painter and Daniel Johnson.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **January**
Deodorant
En el mes de **enero**
Desodorante

The 2017 boxed sets of envelopes are on the counter
at St. John's in alphabetical order. if you do not find a box
with your name or your address has changed please call
the office, we will be happy to send you a set and update
our records.

Good day all!

By now everyone is back to work and through the holidays. You made it!

Just kidding. I love Christmas. It is a very spiritual time of year and very easy to pray during this time of year. Remember, it's Christmas until January 9th, the Baptism of the Lord. So keep those Christmas songs going!

Because Christmas was on a Sunday this year, we did not have the chance to celebrate on a Sunday one of my favorite feast days of the year, the Holy Family.

The Holy Family feast day is a time to lift up the family who was entrusted with the Savior – Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

I remember Fulton Sheen used to write at the top of the black board on his TV show, JMJ, which stands for Jesus Mary and Joseph. This was a way to 'consecrate' his work to them with a small act of devotion at the beginning of his teaching series. Small acts of devotion like that are good, such as kissing your cross around your neck before you put it on or making the sign of the cross when you pass a Catholic Church. Worship God constantly!!!

The Holy Family is very much needed today. In case you haven't noticed, the family in our culture is being annihilated. It is a terrible thing to see because without good families you don't have good people...most of the time. The family is the nest for raising children, and when there are rats and snakes crawling around and through the nest...it's a dangerous place.

What are these attacks on the family? They are very numerous. No-fault divorce run wild, the attempted dissolution of real gender differences, so-called alternative lifestyles (anything except one man/one woman relationships), pornography use, excessive greed or materialism, cohabitation, in-vitro fertilization, and the list goes on and on and on and on.

I hate to be Debbie-downer. You no doubt have enough to deal with in your life, you don't need to be worrying about the destruction of the family on a cultural scale. In fact, if you are like me, you have some or even all of these problems in your own family. It is the world we live in and it seems we (Christianity) is not winning the war.

But to that I would say a couple things.

First, never give up the fight. Proclaim the truth in season and out of season, as scripture says. If it makes you a hero, great! If it makes you a martyr, great as well! Never waver from the truth God has shown us. It is the truth that will ultimately make us happy, even if in a confused world it seems otherwise.

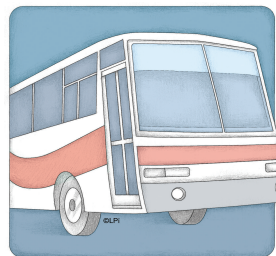
Second, we only need to do our part. God is in control and has chosen to save humanity. We cannot save ourselves, let alone the whole world. So we individually need to do our part and let God do the rest. Don't forget to ask him though.

Third, as I said, it is likely a lot or all of that bad stuff is in our family. We are not perfect people ourselves and our families are not perfect. But let me remind you of something very important. On Christmas we read that long genealogy of Jesus all the way from Abraham to David to Joseph to Jesus. Take a little time and read in the bible about some of the skeletons in Jesus' family tree. At times it's pretty ugly...in fact it can be downright scandalous. And that's Jesus' family tree!

The point is that no person, and no family is beyond redemption. Any family God can use to bring about great good. Any family God can work through to bring about the salvation of the world. This is our faith. This is why we are so devoted to God, because he is so amazing in what he has done, is doing and will do.

I hope your 2017 is off to a great start. I hope God makes this year the best year of your life thus far and blesses your family excessively!!!

Fr Rossi



MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY IN WASHINGTON DC; Friday, January 27, 2017

For the 34th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus 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.

Charter bus is scheduled for the following locations:

Church of the Redeemer, 8275 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville, bus arrives at 7:30 am for pick-up and departs by 8:00 am; contact Ed Gillikin, Sr at 804-737-7628 or EdGilli@msn.com. Bus Captain: Steve Gerloff.

Church of the Redeemer bus will also stop at the **Diocese of Richmond Pastoral Center**, 7800 Carousel Lane, Henrico, (just off of Parham and Shrader Roads) at 8:15 am for additional pick-up and a brief prayer service.

Marchers must check-in at the pick-up location at least 30 minutes prior to the specific departure time and **must bring a lunch, soft drinks, cell phone, hat, gloves and suitable clothing for weather conditions.** Bus will normally return by 6:00 pm.

LIKE TO PARTY? FAT TUESDAY is February 28 and

we are planning to party with a Fat Tuesday party with a Mardi Gras theme for both children and adults. Look in upcoming bulletins for menu and cost. St. John's Council of Women

Thank you for Your Support

Thank you to each and every person whose generous and continued support allows CCC to carry on the work of serving the community. Without a caring and committed network of mission-minded individuals, we would not be able to continue helping the homeless, feeding the hungry, and caring for the young, the elderly, and the sick. Thank you!

Are You Considering Becoming a Foster Parent This Year?

The Foster Care Program of Commonwealth Catholic Charities is looking for loving families to provide care to foster children in the Treatment Foster Care and Unaccompanied Refugee Minor programs. CCC is offering a free training class beginning on Tuesday, January 24, 2017. Classes are from 6:00pm to 9:00pm for six weeks. Light dinner will be provided. If you are married, both potential foster parents are required to attend. If you are interested in joining this class, please contact BeBe Tran, Foster Parent Specialist, at (804)545-5949 to reserve your spot.

Caregiver Relief Program

Volunteers are needed to enhance the quality of life for caregivers and their aging loved ones. By volunteering for just a few hours a month, you can provide companionship to an elderly person while giving the family caregiver a much needed break. Your time and efforts can make a difference in keeping loved ones with their families. For more information call (804) 545-5916.