

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

JULY 16, 2017 — FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
16 DE JULIO DE 2017 — DECIMO QUINTO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO



15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word
and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a
hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.” - Mt 13:23

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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 DE OFICINAS

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

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

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 July 15, 2017

4:30 PM Reconciliation

5:30 PM Mass soul of Buenaventurada Pasarda

SUNDAY July 16, 2017

9:00 AM Mass for soul of David Taylor

10:00 AM Rosary

12:15 PM Misa por todos los enfermos de nuestra Parroquia San Juan

WEDNESDAY July 19, 2017

12:00 Noon Mass soul of David Taylor

THURSDAY July 20, 2017

8:30 AM Mass

FRIDAY July 21, 2017

12:00 Noon Mass for soul of Dan Hinton

SATURDAY JULY 22, 2017

4:30 PM Reconciliation

5:30 PM Mass soul of Emma Yates

SUNDAY JULY 23, 2017

9:00 AM Mass for soul of Felisa Marcial Pasarda

10:00 AM Rosary

12:15 PM Misa por los parroquianos San Juan, San Pedro y San Patricio

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON



And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow? Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirty-fold. Whoever has ears ought to hear." - Mt 13:3, 7-9

Readings for the Week of July 16, 2017

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10-14/Rom 8:18-23/
Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-8/Mt 10:34--11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/
Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10--12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc-18 /
Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9
/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/
Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



Pray for

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Keith Pinney, Edna Stanley, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman, Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Deborah

Shorter, Virginia Saunders, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes, Melanie Patterson, Lillan Arthur, Carole Trent, Mary Helen So-haski, Thomas Whitehead, Esperanza Godinez, Shirley Hughes, Barbara Greene, Leslie Gray, Eugene Cooley, Joel Rivera, Sherry Wright, Lou Burnett, Herb Buttner, Albert Patterson, David Stull and Otts Miskimon.

Prayers for members of the Armed Forces; Daniel Gaudette, David Licciardello, Josh Drumheller, Lee Balderson, Daniel Johnson and Shon Azubike.

July 8 & 9, 2017

Weekly

Actual

Budgeted

Difference

Year to Date

Actual

Budgeted

Monthly Debt Expense

Monthly Debt Collection

Difference

Remaining Debt Balance \$56,543.59

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
93	101	247

The item being collected for **FISH** for **July**
Highlighters and #2 pencils
En el mes de **julio**
Resaltadores y lápices # 2

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This week I am going to cheat. I hope you don't mind. I am going to talk about a reading from last Sunday. The reason I am going to do this is because it is very much related to the second reading from this Sunday...it is just the continuation of the *Book of Romans*. It is a continuation of St Paul talking about the flesh vs the spirit.

In the second reading he says "we are not debtors to the flesh." That is to say, we as Christians, if we are living in the Spirit then we are NOT 'debtors to the flesh.' Allow me to explain.

I am Italian. And there are some funny stereotypes of Italians (I think it is good to laugh at stereotypes, it is good to laugh at ourselves...it doesn't always have to be so serious).

One stereotype is that Italians are all in the mob. The fact is that we are...we just don't like to tell that to others...

That's a joke.

Anyway, you never want to be in debt to an Italian. Because he will call his Italian goombas and the next thing you know they will cement your feet in concrete...and it gets worse from there. So you don't want to be in debt to an Italian. You don't want to be a "debtor" to an Italian.

But as bad as it is to be a "debtor to an Italian" it is in fact way worse to be a "debtor to the flesh."

An Italian is in fact more gentle and forgiving than the flesh. The flesh is even more demanding of payment.

What do I mean?

How do we become a debtor to the flesh?

Ever go out and have a real good time? I mean a REAL good time? And really live it up in all those ways one might satisfy the flesh. Think of a night club, and the after party and the after-after party.

Certainly no one here has ever done that but let's just pretend we know someone who has.

Well when a person goes out and satisfies all those wants of the flesh, it costs something...afterall...nothing is free.

But that good time doesn't just cost a bar tab. No way, the flesh wants its payment as well. The flesh is what made that person feel so good. The flesh is what gave that person the thrill...yeehaa...that was fun. But not it's time to settle up. The flesh wants payment and it won't take cash.

What does the flesh want in return for making that person feel so good? It only accepts one form of payment. It wants to be paid by our will. More specifically it want to be paid by a portion of the freedom of the will that it had before that night on the town.

Allow me to explain further.

Every time we go out and spend our credit on the flesh it takes a little of our freedom of the will as payment. The more we strengthen and use our will for good we get more freedom in it. Our will becomes more independent, stronger, does what our mind tells it. And the more we spend it on bad stuff like the pleasures of the flesh...the less freedom of will we have. It becomes more compulsive, "I need to feel this, I need to have this." We become in debt to the flesh...it's always asking for payment and stealing away the freedom of will we used to have. And there is absolutely no chance of happiness without freedom of the will that has been cultivated through hard work and strength from God.

So if you have the option between being in debt to the flesh vs being in debt to an Italian, chose the latter. There's a chance the Italian will let us off, but the flesh is going to take payment as freedom from our will, every time.

Fr Rossi

THANK YOU—GRACIAS

I want to thank St. Peter's, and St. John's for the many gifts that I received for my birthday, and also for being a part of my celebration. I will never forget the kindness and generosity that you have shown me on my 65th Birthday. Fr. Frank Wiggins

Registrations for Religious Education are now open

Parents are called to be the primary educators of their children in all things, including faith. We understand that parenting can be challenging when you have to juggle many activities and obligations for your kids. Because we know that you recognize the importance of faith in your family, we are here to help you in your child's faith formation. **Don't forget to register for the new school year. Registration forms are available on the counter in the commons.** Please feel free to give me a call (737-8028) or email me (pmatheny@stjohnscatholicchurch.org) with any questions you may have. With kind regards, Paulita Matheny

CATECHISTS NEEDED

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU. All of us who work in children's ministry know that the Holy Spirit works through us and that the children and families we serve grow in faith and in true Christ likeliness. But in order for us to continue to successfully teach and share the word of GOD to his people, we will need more catechists. No previous experience is needed. If you are interested and want to know more, or if you are willing to volunteer, please call at 737-8028 or email at pmatheny@stjohnscatholicchurch.org.

The SJP drawing is this Thursday, July 20th after the 8:30 am Mass. You are welcome to join us. For information call Diana Young 647-5665.

Ministry Sunday

In September the St. Johns parish will be holding a Ministry Sunday. We will provide an opportunity for all parish organizations to set up a table with information on their organizations. Parishioners will be afforded the opportunity to meet with representatives of those organizations after the weekend masses. Christ's call to go and make disciples was given to every baptized Christian. Not just to a few. Please take the time over the next two months to prayerfully consider what is God's call to you and how He would have you minister to a needy world. If you are a representative of an organization please contact either the church office or Dan Mages. The contact information for the church office is listed in the bulletin. Dan Mages may be contacted at danielrmages@yahoo.com or 804-328-1602.

ESTUDIO BIBLICO DE VERANO

El grupo de estudio bíblico durante el verano, esta de vuelta. Las clases serán cada miércoles y comenzarán a partir del 19 de julio hasta la ultima semana de agosto de horas 7:15 PM a 8:30 PM. Ven, date la oportunidad de conocer un poquito mas acerca de tu fe. Aprende a defender tu fe cuando te sientes atacado, o simplemente ven a profundizar en tu conocimiento. Te esperamos.

The Knights of Columbus Council 6936 will be celebrating their 40th Anniversary on Saturday July 22. If you are a member past or present of the council but have not gotten an invitation please contact Dan Mages at 328-1602 or danielrmages@yahoo.com.