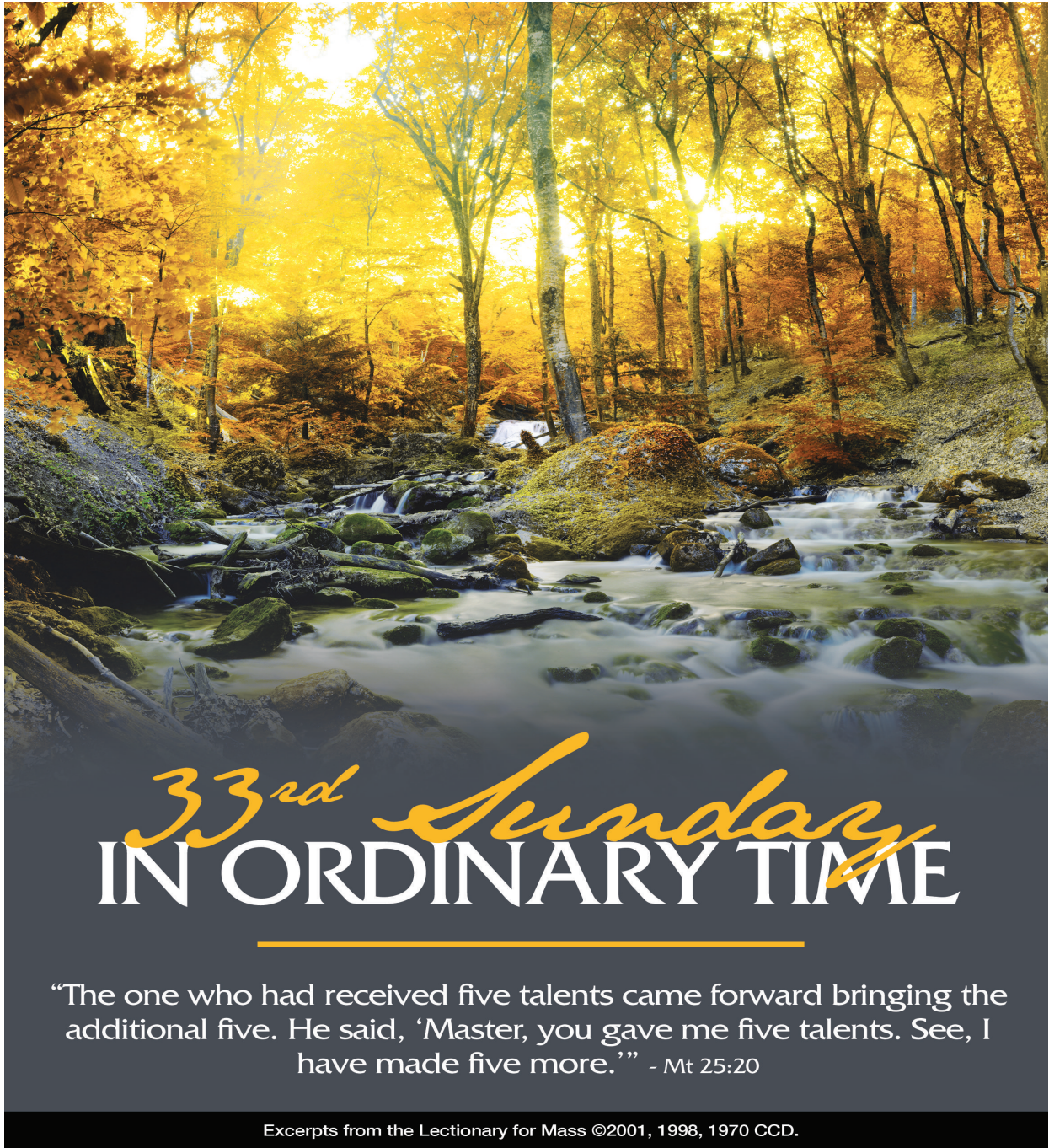


# Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

NOVEMBER 19, 2017 — THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2017 — TRIGÉSIMO TERCER DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO



### 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

## IN ORDINARY TIME

“The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, ‘Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.’” - Mt 25:20

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

#### 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  
CONFESSIONES (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.  
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Music Coordinator ..... Coordinadora del Coro.....Angela Pom"Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities.

## St John Parish Calendar

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 18, 2017</b>
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass Julius Flores Bas & Damaso Bas Jr.
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 19, 2017</b>
9:00 AM	Mass
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 22, 2017</b>
12:00 Noon	Mass
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 23, 2017</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Mass for Thanksgiving</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 24, 2017</b>
12:00 Noon	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 25, 2017</b>
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass souls of Carl & Marie Carlson.
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 26, 2017</b>
9:00 AM	Mass parishioners St. John, St. Peter, and St. Patrick
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa

**ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON**



*Pray for*

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

Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman, Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Deborah Shorter, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes,

Melanie Patterson, Lillan Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Thomas Whitehead, Esperanza Godinez, Shirley Hughes, Eugene Cooley, Sherry Wright, David Stull, and Otts Miskimon.



"Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' "

Mt 25:20b-21

### Readings for the Week of November 19, 2017

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21  
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43  
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-7/Lk 19:1-10  
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15/Lk 19:11-28  
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44  
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd-12/Lk 19:45-48  
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19/Lk 20:27-40  
Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

**The annual Thanksgiving Community Service** will be held at Living Hope Church on Tuesday November 21 at 7PM. As always all donations will go to FISH. Rev. Ron West will be the speaker.

**November 11 & 12, 2017**

**DUE TO HOLIDAY'S EARLY TRANSMISSION  
THIS INFORMATION WAS NOT AVAILABLE AT  
THE TIME OF PRINTING**

The item being collected for **FISH** for **November Instant Potatoes**

En el mes de **noviembre** necesitamos **Papas o puré de papas instantáneas**

There is one thing that we all need in our lives in order to celebrate Thanksgiving this upcoming week.

Thanksgiving is a great day. I love the turkey. My mom makes it once a year.

But that is not the thing that we need in order to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Some people like sweet potatoes. I just think they are ok. Some people put marshmallows on them. I think that is strange...personal opinion. But whether you love them or not, they are not what you need to celebrate thanksgiving. Stuffing. My mom makes her own...the whole bit...gets the bread from the bread store, dries it out, etc...it is amazing...especially the partially burnt stuff. But you don't even need stuffing in order to celebrate Thanksgiving.

One thing I really like about Thanksgiving is the chance to see family. I know this can be a hard time for some folks because they have lost family members and it really hurts around the holidays. But as a matter a fact, you don't even need family to celebrate Thanksgiving.

But there is one thing that you absolutely must have to celebrate Thanksgiving...to celebrate it with meaning – to actually experience a sentiment of feeling thankful.

You need TIME TO REFLECT.

It's amazing how much time we can spend working, being busy trying to accomplishing things, but all the while our life can pass quickly by without us taking the time to reflect upon how much we have been given and how blessed are our lives...in which case we never feel thankful.

We need time to reflect upon our lives in order for us to recognize the gifts, blessings and graces we have received. Only after we have had time to reflect will we feel genuinely thankful (that is why having a prayer life all year long and every day is essential to having an attitude of gratitude...because it slows us down to reflect). No time for reflection = no thankfulness.

Thanksgiving is all about feeling thankful for what we have been given, most especially by what we have been given by God (the bible says every good and perfect gift comes from God).

Feeling thankful is the only thing that has to be there in order to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Fr Rossi



Fr Rossi, Fr. Ernest, Fr. Frank and the entire staff wish each of you a happy and safe Holiday weekend.

The office will be closed Thursday and Friday

BE SURE AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS – COMMUNITY PENANCE SERVICE IS TUESDAY DECEMBER 5 AT 6:30 PM

Because of everyone's generosity **St. Peter** now has plenty of winter cloths for the homeless. There are now accepting food donations. A box is on the counter for your convenience.

**NOTICE!!** The Christmas Flower offering envelope in your sets does not have the usual line space on the back for the names of all your deceased. Please add the names on the back as best you can.

### St. Patrick Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 pm.

**Vocalists Needed – Christmas Concert**

**Lectors Needed – Christmas Concert**

Anyone interested in helping should contact Angie Pometto at 703-772-6866 or [apometto@gmail.com](mailto:apometto@gmail.com).

### Statement by the Virginia Catholic Conference

After the election, the work for life and justice continues. For many months Virginians have watched the political campaigns taking place here and wondered how the outcome would affect the direction of our commonwealth. On November 7th, they made their decisions. Today, we at the Virginia Catholic Conference and in the Catholic Dioceses of Arlington and Richmond assure Governor-elect Ralph Northam and all those elected yesterday of our prayers for them and our appreciation for their answering the call for public service. As they strive to serve the more than eight million men, women and children who live in Virginia, we will work with them whenever possible to ensure Virginia laws and policies reflect the common good and the inherent dignity of every human being – from the very beginning of life, through and until natural death. We pledge to reach out to them and continue to advocate for policies that protect the most vulnerable in Virginia, especially people who are unborn, elderly, sick, poor, immigrants or refugees. We will work for legislation that protects the family, and that assures Virginia continues to respect religious liberty, especially for faith-based entities that serve so many of our sisters and brothers in need. In this great state, foundational to American democracy, we call on Catholics, people of all faiths and good will and all Virginians to work together to address the needs of our commonwealth through respectful dialogue and civility.

**A special holiday gift** for someone who has everything: Consider a year's membership in the SJP 500 Club. For \$5.00 a month they can be in a drawing for prizes of \$500, \$200 and six \$50. There are eight changes to win! Purchase eleven months at \$55.00 and receive the twelfth month free. Profits go to St. John's. Join now! Applications are near the front door on the wall shelf. Or call Diana Young (804) 647-5665.



### "Our Blessed Mother Virgin Mary's Baby Shower" and Breakfast with Saint Nicholas



Once again this year we will be hosting the baby shower dedicated to our Blessed Mother Virgin Mary on Sunday, December 10th, from 10:00 am to 11:45 am in the social hall. We will celebrate the blessings of life with a breakfast in which we will have a special visitor, St Nicholas. There

is no cost but a donation will be greatly appreciated.

At the baby shower we will collect items to benefit the East End Pregnancy Center. Bring diapers (especially newborn and size 4, 5 and 6), baby wipes, baby blankets, pack n plays, gift cards, and/or clothes for newborn babies. Your presence and your presents will be greatly appreciated.