

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

DECEMBER 31, 2017 — THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
31 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2017 — LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE JESÚS, MARIA Y JOSÉ



THE HOLY FAMILY

“For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.”

- Lk 2:30-31

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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	DECEMBER 30, 2017
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass souls of Marcel & Felisa Pasarda
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 31, 2017
9:00 AM	Mass for soul of Robert Strutton
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 3, 2018
12:00 Noon	Mass for soul of Emelio Giordano
THURSDAY	JANUARY 4, 2018
8:30 AM	Mass for soul of Frank DiPerna
FRIDAY	JANUARY 5, 2018
12:00 Noon	Mass for soul of Flora Giordano
SATURDAY	JANUARY 6, 2018
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass parishioners St. John, St. Peter And St. Patrick
SUNDAY	JANUARY 7, 2018
9:00 AM	Mass soul of Ussey
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON



When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:39-40

Readings for the Week of December 31, 2017

Sunday: Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 or Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9, [7a, 8a] or Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40
Monday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29--3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 [3cd]/Jn 1:29-34
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [3cd]/Jn 1:35-42
Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2a]/Jn 1:43-51
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38
Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

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December 23 & 24, 2017

Weekly

Actual \$6,950
Budgeted 5,266
Difference \$(1,684)

Year to Date

Actual \$120,561
Budgeted \$136,916
Difference (\$16,355)

Monthly Debt Collection \$2,510.00

Remaining Debt Balance \$35,870

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
88	110	240

Christmas Attendance

4:00 PM	251	9:00 AM	102
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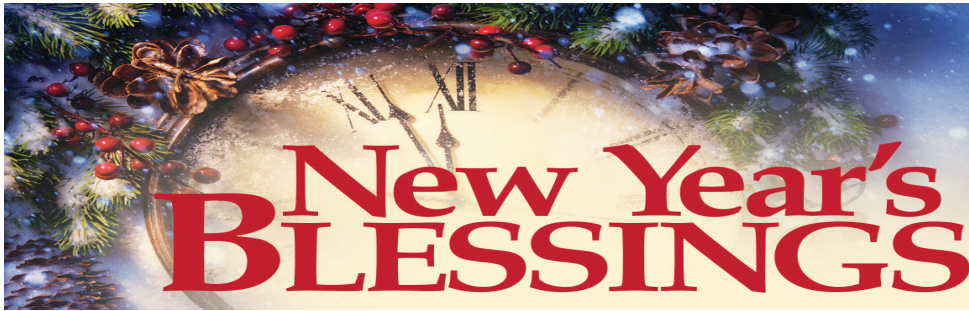
**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/
RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:**
Pray for

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, Sherry Wright, Barbara Greene, David Stull, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt and Doris Bartlett.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **December Shampoo**

En el mes de **diciembre** necesitamos **Champú**



From all of us, to all of you we wish you only good health and peace in 2018. Happy New Year.

De parte de todo el personal de la oficina de San Juan, les deseamos Buena salud y paz en el 2018. Feliz Año Nuevo.

Happy New Year!!!

We made it folks, another year.

Did you have a good year? I realize that those reading this bulletin have had a range of years in 2017, from good to great to bad to worst.

It's nice to start a new year. It's sort of a fresh start. We take a breath and carry on.

My prayer for everyone is that they have a very happy 2018.

I was thinking about happiness and my life and the times I have been most happy in my life and I would say that two things are always present in my life, in my year in those years when I can look back and say 'that was a good year' as opposed to a bad one.

The first is hard work. I can say without a doubt that the happiness times in my life is when I am busy with work. I don't mean being a workaholic, but I mean staying busy. Keeping focused and trying hard at whatever task God has put in front of me. The alternative is self-absorption and nobody is happy when they are focused on themselves.

The second is being sensitive to the voice of God in my daily life and being strictly obedient to it. What do I mean by this? I mean that each day we have to consider our day a 'walk' with God. What do you do when you walk with someone? When you walk with someone you have to be sensitive to their pace in order to be walking close to them...not too fast or too slow. When you walk with someone you also talk with them, listening and speaking occasionally. But you have to be continually aware of that person with whom you are walking, aware of their presence, because if they go left you have to go left, or if they go right you have to go right. Otherwise you get separated. These two aspects of life make for a happy life.

Oh what does this new year have in store? If we only knew...

But I can tell you one thing, whether your new year has good things in store or tough things, your best bet is to go through it working hard, trying your best and doing it with God alongside you. That way, when the good things happen, you will know to give thanks to God who gave you the strength to do all you have done, and when the tough stuff happens, you will have the most powerful partner to get through it with.

Prayers for you and all your loved ones in 2018.

Fr Rossi

MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY IN WASHINGTON DC; Friday, January 19, 2018

For the 35th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus will provide **FREE** bus transportation for people in the Richmond metropolitan area to attend the 45th annual March For Life Rally in Washington DC, on **Friday, January 19, 2018. Seating on 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, Legal 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 7:45 am; contact Ed Gillikin, Sr at 804-737-7628 or EdGilli@msn.com.

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 condition.** Bus will normally return by 6:30 pm.

¡Feliz año nuevo!

Logramos otro año, amigos.

¿Tuvieron un buen año? Entiendo que todos los que están leyendo este boletín han tenido una variedad de año en 2017. De bueno a excelente, de malo a peor.

Es bonito empezar un nuevo año, es como empezar de nuevo, respiras y adelante.

Mi oración para cada uno de uds. es que tengan un muy feliz año 2018.

Estaba pensando en la felicidad y en mi vida, en los tiempos cuando he sido más feliz. Puedo decir que hay dos cosas que siempre han estado presentes en esos años cuando he mirado hacia atrás y he dicho: 'este ha sido un buen año.'

La primera, es trabajar duro. Puedo decir sin lugar a duda, que los tiempos más felices, han sido cuando he estado ocupado con trabajo. No quiero decir ser un adicto al trabajo, pero mantenerse ocupado. Mantener el enfoque y esfuerzo en la tarea que Dios ha puesto enfrente mío. La alternativa es la auto absorción, y nadie es feliz cuando está centrado en si mismo.

La segunda, es ser sensitivo a la voz de Dios en mi vida diaria y ser estrictamente obediente. ¿Qué quiero decir con esto? Significa que cada día tenemos que considero una caminata con Dios. ¿Qué hacemos cuando caminamos con alguien? Somos considerados del paso para caminar junto a ellos, ni muy rápido, ni muy despacio. Conversamos con ellos, escuchamos y ocasionalmente hablamos. Tenemos que estar continuamente consientes de su presencia, porque si voltean a la izquierda, témenos que virar a la izquierda, igual si lo hacen a la derecha, de lo contrario nos separamos.

Estos dos aspectos de la vida hacen para una vida feliz.

¿Qué nos traerá este nuevo año? Si lo supiéramos...

Pero puedo decirles una cosa, si su nuevo año tiene buenas cosas o cosas difíciles, su mejor apuesta es ir a través de él trabajando duro, hacienda lo mejor posible al lado de Dios; de esa manera cuando las buenas cosas pasan, le darás gracias al Señor por la fuerza que te ha dado para lograrlo. Y cuando las cosas difíciles suceden vas a tener al compañero más poderoso a tu lado para sobrellevarlas.

Oraciones para ustedes y sus seres queridos en el 2018.

Padre Rossi

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Because the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, falls on Monday, January 1, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation in the Diocese of Richmond. There will be NO Mass at St. John's. If you want to attend Mass that day, please visit St. Peter's, which will have its regular daily Mass at 12:05 PM.

The SJP winners for December are Hans Majko & Paulita Matheny, Angelina Paravati, Andrew Clark, Dennis Trent, Russell Cary Jr. Carole Trent, Stephanie Forshey and Anne Link. The next drawing is January 18.

Calendars: St. John's calendars 2018 are ready to be picked up. Please take one, two or three per family.

THANKS FOR 2017

Many thanks to all those involved in ministries, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, ushers and music ministers. To those that volunteer to clean the church, wash the altar linens, decorate and beautify the church for all the seasons inside and outside, count our offerings each week and all other "little" jobs for St. John. To all the families of the parish that furnish food and time for the funeral lunches, to the Council of Women, that provide for all receptions and special lunches and those that help during the Lenten dinners and Caritas. To the busy bees, SJP 500 team, Fish representatives, staff, Care A Van volunteers Knights of Columbus the crew who take care of the lawn and the Grotto of Our Lady of Guadalupe. To all the committed catechists who made the classes so wonderful for our kids. All these projects could not have been done without all of you. May we be granted the strength and will to do more in 2018. Fr. Rossi.

PLEASE NOTE: Any giving to the church that you wish to be on your 2017 tax report must be received in the office no later than Sunday December 31.

Attention: Your envelopes are ready to be picked up. There are arranged in alphabetical order. If you can't find your set, please contact the office so we can update your information and mail the envelopes to you. Thank you.