

Saint John Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan

DECEMBER 2, 2018 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
2 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2018 — PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO



LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday5:30 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.
Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY	DECEMBER 1, 2018
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass for soul of Frances Leary
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 2, 2018
9:00 AM	Mass for all First Responders
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 5, 2018
12:00 Noon	Mass
THURSDAY	DECEMBER 6, 2018
8:30 AM	Mass
FRIDAY	DECEMBER 7, 2018
12:00 Noon	Mass soul of Buenaventurada Pasarda
SATURDAY	DECEMBER 8, 2018
10:00 AM	Mass Immaculate Conception
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass soul of Erica Parris
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 9, 2018
9:00 AM	Mass for parishioners St. John, St. Patrick & St. Peter
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa
3:30 PM	Christmas concert at St. Patrick

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON

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, Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillan Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Esperanza Godinez, Sherry Wright, David Stull, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Sulma Rojas, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Lynn Miskimon, Suzanne DiMarino, Charlotte Brooks, Donald Barock, Martha Livingston, James White, Jeff Konschak, Virginia Saunders, Marion Mazzetti, Gerry Biartel, Judy & Fred Brown



"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." - Lk 21:27-28

Readings for the week of December 2, 2018

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:51
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6
Liturgical Publications, Inc

Workbook for lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word 2019 available at the Office. A donation of \$15 gladly accepted.

November 24 & 25, 2018

Weekly	Yearly
Actual \$2,548.00	Actual \$ 82,457.48
Budgeted <u>4,807.00</u>	Budgeted <u>105,754.00</u>
Difference (\$2,259.00)	Difference (\$23,296.52)
Debt reduction	Budgeted \$2333.00
	Actual <u>1960.00</u>
	Difference (\$ 373.00)
Balance of Debt	\$7,935.42

The item being collected for **FISH** for **December Rice-a-Roni**
En el mes de **diciembre** necesitamos
Arroz Instantáneo

If someone you know is sick, hospitalized, or home bound and would like our Eucharistic ministers or a priest to visit, please call the office. **Unless you call we have no way of knowing.** If you need a priest for someone who is dying or gravely ill, call our emergency number 804-402-1221.

Pastor Message

Dear all,

I know what God wants for Christmas! I am sure you're buying stuff for all your loved ones. But don't forget about God!!! The most important loved one!!!

You may be asking yourself 'what should I get God?' God has everything. What could He possibly need?

Well, I can tell you what He wants. I can tell you that what He wants is NOT sold on Amazon. It's not at the mall or even at Walmart.

Now, you are probably thinking, 'well if it's not at Walmart, how could it even exist...Walmart sells everything!'

Well they sell a lot but NOT what God wants.

But do not fear. I have the #1 gift that He wants. And it isn't going to cost you a fortune, requires no credit card debt, and really only takes a few minutes of your time. He wants you to GO TO CONFESSION! GOD WANTS YOU TO GO TO CONFESSION TO BE READY FOR HIS SON AT CHRISTMAS.

That is His number one desired present. Don't be stingy. Give Him what He wants. He wants your pure heart for Christmas. That happens when you go to confession.

We at our parishes are going to make it easy to give God what He wants.

Here at St Peter, St Patrick, and St John, we are going to make it easy for you to go to confession.

At each of our parishes, we priests will be offering Confessions 30 minutes BEFORE and AFTER every Saturday evening and Sunday Mass. Every Mass during Advent the priest will be hearing confessions 30 minutes before and after every Mass.

All you need to do is stop in. How wonderful! No extra parking lot traffic, no sales tax, and no limited supplies. So please be generous to God this Christmas as you are to all your loved ones. Give Him the best. Give Him a pure heart. Go to confession before the arrival of the Savior.

Fr Rossi

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE *Blessed Virgin Mary*

Saturday December 8th, is the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**, patron saint of the USA, This is a Holy Day of Obligation. **The Mass for this feast is at 10:00 AM .**

Choose a special holiday gift or birthday

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 monthly! 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.

SJP winners for November were Shirley Griffey, Martha Moran, Omer Pugh, Jr. Betty Pool, Diane Yates, Hallet Harrison, Nancy Goodman and Jill Bandon. The next drawing is December 20.

Catholicism Series

The Catholicism series continues today at 10:15 in the conference room in the back of the church. Come and see what it is all about. We promise you a new enlightening and entertaining perspective on our faith.

The Busy Bees will have their Craft and Bake Sale on Dec. 8th and 9th. Our beautiful hand crafted items make wonderful Christmas gifts. Shop today! They will be here the following weekend also.

CELEBRATING THE APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE THE PATRONESS OF THE AMERICAS.



This year the celebration of the apparition of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart on her feast day, Wednesday December 12 with a Mass at 7:00 PM, officiated by our own Bishop Barry Knestout and concelebrated by Fr. Rossi and other priests from our Diocese.

Our parish St John will celebrate the reenactment of the apparition Sunday December 16 at the end of all Masses. And at after the 12:15 PM Mass we will have a celebration in the Parish Hall. Plan to bring a dish to share this tradition.

2019 Offering Envelopes

The 2019 sets of offering envelopes with your name in alphabetical order are now ready for you to pick up. If you do not find a set and you wish to use envelopes please call the office and we will gladly furnish you a set.



Once again this year we will be hosting the baby shower dedicated to our Blessed Mother Virgin Mary on Sunday December 9 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. Your presence and your presents will be greatly appreciated.

DON'T FORGET YOUR GIFTS FOR APPALACHIA SHOULD BE RETURNED BY NEXT SUNDAY THE 9TH.