

Saint John Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan

JANUARY 13, 2019 – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
13 DE ENERO DE 2019— EL BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR



The Baptism of the Lord

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. *Lk 3:21-22a*

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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 JANUARY 12, 2019
 4:30 PM Reconciliation
 5:30 PM Mass for soul of Florida McMahon

SUNDAY JANUARY 13, 2019
 9:00 AM Mass for parishioners of St John, St. Peter
 And St. Patrick
 10:00 AM Rosary
 12:15 PM Misa por el alma de Felician Puluc

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 16, 2019
 12:00 Noon Mass

THURSDAY JANUARY 17, 2019
 8:30 AM Mass

FRIDAY JANUARY 18, 2019
 12:00 Noon Mass

SATURDAY JANUARY 19, 2019
 4:30 PM Reconciliation
 5:30 PM Mass soul of William Haller

SUNDAY JANUARY 20, 2019
 9:00 AM Mass for all military personnel
 10:00 AM Rosary
 12:15 PM Misa por el alma de Pedro Luna

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 Nolte, Richard Painter, Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillian Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Esperanza Godinez, Sherry Wright, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Martha Livingston, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Sulma Rojas, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Lynn Miskimon, Suzanne DiMarino, , Ruth and Donald Barock, Jeff Konschak, Virginia Saunders, Marion Mazzetti, Gerry Biartel, Fred Brown, Ewing Family and Jones Family.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **January toothpaste**
 En el mes de **enero** necesitamos **Pasta de Dientes**



"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

Readings for the week of January 13, 2019

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/ Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/ Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/ Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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Actual \$6,557.76	Actual \$111,434.22
Budget <u>\$4,807.00</u>	Budget <u>\$129,789.00</u>
Difference \$1,750.76	Difference (\$18,354.78)

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
73	168	210

If someone you know is sick, hospitalized or home bound and would like our Eucharistic minister 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 of gravely ill, call our emergency number **804-402-1221.**

Baptism OF THE Lord

Pastor message

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The Lord shows us the importance of baptism by Himself receiving it at the hands of his cousin John the Baptist. When Christ's head went into the water of the Jordan, He blessed the water that we would eventually be used to baptize millions and billions of people since His time here on earth. There have been billions of people baptized since Christ was baptized in the Jordan.

We priests are privileged to perform thousands of baptisms over our lifetime – baptisms at Mass, at hospitals, in homes, older folks, babies, middle aged, sick, healthy, joyful situations, sad situations and everything in between. We even perform them in foreign languages. Once we had 11 baptisms at Mass in Spanish! That was wild!

Baptism is such an amazing grace for someone. Theologically speaking, it washes away original sin that we all inherit and makes us adopted sons and daughters of God. On a practical level, it makes life better. It makes people more able to walk with God on a daily basis. It gives people a special level of protection from temptation that would otherwise lead them to make bad choices that have lasting and detrimental consequences. Your reasoning and thought abilities are heightened after baptism by an outpouring of the Holy Spirit through your mind. It is amazing. What a gift! And it's free at your local Catholic Church!

What amazes me, in a negative sense, is that people now-a-days deprive their kids of this. Why on earth would a parent deprive their kid of this when it does so much good for them? Parents do so much to provide every benefit and advantage for their child, and yet they do not give them this which does so much for them and will help them so much in their future.

Usually when this occurs, when a parent decides not to have their child baptized, it is because that parent is taking their own baptism for granted. They are not appreciating how much baptism is helping their own life. They just think it is them who is doing all they do in their life...they don't realize that if they themselves had not been baptized, they would be far less effective and successful and happy at whatever they do in their life that is good and decent. They don't realize how much their own (the parents) baptism has changed and helped their own lives. If they understood how important it was in their own life, they NEVER would have even thought about depriving their own kids from baptism. NEVER.

There are grandparents or relatives who are reading this message whose hearts are in agony because their own grandchild or niece or nephew has not been baptized. That is a sad thing. But the fact that your heart aches is a good thing. That means you know the truth and you should remind and nag and continually encourage your loved one to have their children baptized.

Tell them how good it is for them. Tell them it is NOT just checking the box. Tell them it will make the kid more able to deal with the ups and downs of life and persevere head on into any challenges they might experience.

Parents always want what is best for their kids. But sometimes they don't realize what is best because of immaturity or some other reason. You know the answer. You know the truth about baptism and how important it is. So don't hesitate to remind anyone who has not baptized their children to get it done!

Fr Rossi

CONDOLENCES

St. John's family extends sympathy to the family and friends of Pat Nolte on the loss of her husband Jerry who died this past week. Jerry was a long time member of St. John. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Kroger Community Rewards Program

Receiving a charitable donation from Kroger it is so easy only depends on each of us registering Saint John to our Kroger Plus cards and then shopping with the Kroger Plus card. Please register your Kroger Plus Card.

Here are the steps:

From www.kroger.com/communityrewards and follow the prompts

Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 800-576-4377, select option 3 to get your Kroger Plus card number.

Explain you want to register St. John Catholic Church, #UQ223, to your Kroger Plus card. Verify the address is 813 West Nine Mile Rd, Highland Springs, VA 23075.

The organization number for St John is now UQ223.

Every time we shop with the Kroger Plus card registered to St. John we increase our donation received from Kroger. Thank you so much for taking your time and enrolling your card. Remember each one who signs up will make a difference!

MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY IN WASHINGTON DC; Friday, January 18, 2019

For the 36th 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 18, 2019. 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 service 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. Bus Captain: Steve Gerloff.

Church of the Redeemer bus will stop at the **Diocese of Richmond Pastoral Center**, 7800 Carousel Lane, Henrico, (just off of Parham and Shrader Roads) at 8:00 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 condition.** Bus will normally return by 6:30 pm.