

# Saint John Catholic Church

## Iglesia Católica San Juan

February 10, 2019 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10 de febrero de 2019 — Quinto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario



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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

**FEBRUARY 9, 2019**

4:30 PM

Reconciliation

5:30 PM

Mass for the soul of Paul McMahon

### SUNDAY

**FEBRUARY 10, 2019**

9:00 AM

Mass good health of St John parishioners

10:00 AM

Rosary

12:15 PM

Misa—Por el alma de Eulalio Carrillo

### WEDNESDAY

**FEBRUARY 13, 2019**

12:00 Noon

**NO MASS**

### THURSDAY

**FEBRUARY 14, 2019**

8:30 AM

**NO MASS**

### FRIDAY

**FEBRUARY 15, 2019**

12:00 Noon

**NO MASS**

### SATURDAY

**FEBRUARY 16, 2019**

4:30 PM

Reconciliation

5:30 PM

Mass soul of Jerry Nolte

### SUNDAY

**FEBRUARY 17, 2019**

9:00 AM

Mass for more Religious vocations

10:00 AM

Rosary

12:15 PM

Misa

**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, Lillan 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, Jones Family, Beverly Burrow and Marie Ellett.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **February**  
**Laundry detergent**

En el mes de **febrero** necesitamos  
**Detergente para lavar ropa**



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## Readings for the week of February 10, 2019

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/  
1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and  
35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/  
Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28,  
29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a] /  
Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/  
Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor  
15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

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## February 2 & 3, 2019

### Weekly

Actual \$4,976.16

Budget \$4,807.00

Difference \$ 169.16

### Year to Date

Actual \$ 96,174.90

Budget \$ 153,824.00

Difference (\$ 57,649.10)

## MASS ATTENDANCE

**5:30**

76

**9:00**

175

**12:15**

280

**Save this date! St John's third annual pancake supper.  
March 5 from 5:PM to 7:PM. Food, fun and music**

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.**



### **Pastor Message**

Today I want to inform you about something that will be coming in the news. As you may have recently heard, the state of Texas has recently released a list of names of priests who have been credibly and substantially accused of sexual abuse. Texas along with many other states have decided to release this list of names as an act of transparency.

I want to inform you that in February (this month) our Diocese as well as the Diocese of Arlington will release a similar list of names of priests who have been credibly and substantially accused of sexual abuse. I tell you now so as to hopefully minimize any emotional surprise.

A couple things to note:

These all are the people substantially and credibly accused over a significant number of years. Most of the priests are already deceased or are extremely advanced in age.

These priests are currently not in active ministry in our Diocese. They were all removed years ago.

I have not seen the list of names but this is what has been told to me and I give you what I know to the best of my ability.

I do not know the exact number of names on the list.

I no way make any excuse for these awful and disgusting actions. I hate the fact that such evil things occurred. I will tell you that the percentage of abusers in the past among priests is about the same as the percentage of abusers in society at large (teachers, doctors, parents, etc), approximately 2%. This is not an excuse but just helps me to keep a perspective and so I share it with you. The fact is there should be absolutely zero abusers in the priesthood. Priests are supposed to stand as a symbol of holiness and a model of where to look for guidance. I reiterate what I've said before, I can think of no other act so evil and wicked as these acts that have occurred that would more undermine the very purpose of the existence of priests.

Being a priest is the greatest honor of my life and I believe it is the highest calling of man. But how strong is the temptation now -a-days to feel embarrassment when I wear by Roman Collar in public. What a terrible turn of events.

But I leave you with this fact. Our diocese has a very large and growing number of seminarians. Every year, in spite of scandal and awful things from the past being continually portrayed in the headlines (some fair and some unfair), more and more men join our diocese in pursuit of a religious vocation (a women in pursuit of the religious life in their own manner).

How can this be? Wouldn't you think men and women would be turned off from giving their entire lives away to an organization that seems to have so many issues?

No. This is not the case. In fact, I dare say it is almost the opposite. The more things look bad and bleak, the more men and women want to devout their lives and sacrifice their lives to make our Church pure and holy.

I think of it like men and women of a country that they love that is attacked from an enemy. If the men and women truly love the country, they don't run, but they stay and fight. In fact, they fight harder. Remember after 9/11 in our country how many people signed up for the military?

Or how many people enlisted in the armed services after Pearl Harbor?

I think it is the same thing. Men and women love God and the Church He founded (our Church, our Catholic Church) very very deeply. And when they see it in distress they want to give their lives for it all the more.

I joined seminary after the first wave of abuse stuff hit the headlines back in the early 2000's. I was not deterred from what I read. In fact, when I read about all that evil stuff in the Church, it only made the work of a priest and the Church seem more REAL, more URGENT, more IMPORTANT.

## **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY**

For me, accounting and making money (my former life) was small potatoes compared with the work of the Church which has eternal consequences for souls. The more real evil becomes in our lives, the more real good and holiness comes as well.

I finish with these words: if you love God and your Church, then when it is attacked you should be inspired to die more for it, to sacrifice more for it. Our Church has been wounded. Will you give of yourself to care for her? Is your love true love?

Fr Rossi

### **2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Building Our Family of Faith**

Welcome to the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal – Building Our Family of Faith. With a goal of over \$3.2 million, the 2019 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas: Advancing Social Justice, Cultivating Catholic Leadership and Empowering Parish Communities. We look forward to sharing with you more about the Appeal and its impact in the very near future.

**This week and into next week, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. It is our sincere hope that you will answer our Bishop's request and make a generous pledge to this effort.**

### **ATTENTION**

I have been approached by several parishioners to lead a Bereavement Group here at St. John's. A Bereavement group is very helpful and very therapeutic in working through death and dying of a loved one. If you have experience a death either in your family or know of someone who is dying; this group would be very helpful to you. This group will start on Thursday March 7 at 10:00am in the conference room and will continue for 8 weeks. The last session will be Thursday May 9 at 10:00am. All sessions will be on Thursdays at 10:00am. There will a signup sheet in the commons. If you have any questions please call Fr. Frank at 804-737-8028.

### **A year of prayer for our Priests**

In recent times our priests have come under a lot of scrutiny and attack. Council 6936 of the Knights of Columbus has committed to a year of prayer in solidarity with our priests. The Knights are having individual masses said for Father Rossi, Father Ernest and Father Frank. Additionally asking each of our members to commit to praying at least one rosary each month for our priests. We would like to ask the members of our parishes to join with us and commit to praying a rosary, or some other form of prayer at least once each month for our three priests. Please consider it. There will be a commitment sign up sheet in the back of church starting Sunday February 17. We would like to get an idea of how many Knights and other parishioners have committed to praying for our priests and present them with a card telling them of our commitment. Please pray for our priests and let's let them know we stand with them.

### **SPRING TIME MEANS YARD SALE TIME!!!!**

Mark your calendars for the Annual St. John Council of Women Yard Sale in May. We are asking for all of that stuff you decided you can no longer keep in your home while it was snowy and cold and you were stuck staring at 4 walls (No kids or significant others!) We can even come and get it if you need help. Our storage shed is mostly empty, so now is a great time to give Dianne (804-840-8642) or Pat (804-746-5842) a call.