

Saint John Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan

March 24, 2019 Third Sunday of Lent
24 de marzo de 2019 - Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma

Third Sunday of Lent

Jesus said to them in reply, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!”

— Lk 13:2-3



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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
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

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| SATURDAY | MARCH 23, 2019 |
| 4:30 PM | Reconciliation |
| 5:30 PM | Mass soul of Stanhope Flournoy, Jr. |
| SUNDAY | MARCH 24, 2019 |
| 9:00 AM | Mass soul of Robert Kerney |
| 10:00 AM | Rosary |
| 12:15 PM | Misa por Paulino, Enriqueda, Ricarda, Sopia Garcia |
| WEDNESDAY | MARCH 27, 2019 |
| 12:00 NOON | Lenten Services St. John Church |
| THURSDAY | MARCH 28, 2019 |
| 8:30 AM | Mass souls of Frank & Chirs Magner |
| FRIDAY | MARCH 29, 2019 |
| 12:00 Noon | Mass |
| SATURDAY | MARCH 30, 2019 |
| 4:30 PM | Reconciliation |
| 5:30 PM | Mass |
| SUNDAY | MARCH 31, 2019 |
| 9:00 AM | Mass parishioners St. John, St. Patrick & St. Peter |
| 10:00 AM | Rosary |
| 12:15 PM | Misa |

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON

THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY NOON MASSES DURING LENT. JOIN US FOR THE LENTEN SERVICES AT NEIGHBORING CHURCHES.

There will be **NO Penance service** during Lent. Confessions will be heard before and after all Masses and/or by appointment.

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, Jones Family, Beverly Burrow, Marie Ellett, Evelyn Clatterback, Dick Wassel, Bobby and Christie Osterloh.

Readings for the week of March 24, 2019

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a, 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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MASS ATTENDENCE

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| 5:30 | 9:00 | 12:15 |
| 77 | 147 | 280 |

CONDOLENCES

St. John's family extends sympathy to the family and friends of Robert Kerney who died this past week. We also extend our sympathy to Zoila Arteaga on the loss of her brother Jose Guadalupe. Please keep both families in your prayers.

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 or gravely ill, call our emergency number **804-402-1221.**

The item being collected for **FISH** for **March Bar Soap**
En el mes de **marzo** necesitamos **Jaboncillo**

Pastor Message

Don't forget to make your contribution to the Bishop's Annual Appeal and support our retired priests, our seminarians, our campus ministry and the poor of our diocese. I know I sound like a broken record...

Also don't forget to make a good confession during Lent. Priests are available 30 minutes before and after every Mass!!!

These are some common reasons why people don't go to confession, and my corresponding response.

1. "I don't have anything to confess" – spend some time thinking about what your sins might be; read an examination of conscience to help you examine your conscience; ask the priest in the confessional to help you make sure you don't have any big sins and he will ask you some questions
2. "I don't have to go to a priest I can just confess to God" – that is NOT what the bible says...it says you must confess your sins to one another and it also says Jesus directly gave the power to bind and forgive sins to the Apostles who in turn gave it to Bishops who in turn give it to priests in ordination
3. "It has been too long since I have been and I have too many sins or I cannot remember all of them" – if it has been a long time then you are exactly the person God wants the MOST! Read the parable of the lost sheep or the parable of the prodigal son. He wants you more than someone who goes every week. He died so that He can forgive your sins...don't waste it! Also I promise it will be way faster than you think, it doesn't take long and you will feel sooooo much better that is a guarantee. Even if you forget some of your sins, just start with the big ones. It will come back to you in the confessional the Holy Spirit will remind you.
4. "I am embarrassed" – good! You should be ashamed! That is what will make you humble and careful so as to not sin again or at least be less likely to. Only pagans are proud of their sins (per the Bible). You can still go behind the screen and maintain your privacy.
5. "I am just going to commit the same sin again" that is a terrible attitude; when you say that you are basically saying God is too weak to be able to help you stop committing this sin; that is ridiculous; God can free anybody from any sin; absolutely nothing is impossible for Him; don't be afraid of the fight but go at it head on...the fight against sin
6. "Priests are bad and sinful people so why confess to them" – the priest is only an intermediary to bring Christ to the moment, you are in fact confessing to Christ; Christ is the one who will absolve your sins; priests go to confession too...
7. "I can go to heaven without confessing my sins" – are you sure? Do you want make that gamble? It is very risky...

Am I missing anything? Whatever the reason it is not a good reason. Whatever the excuse it is simply an occasion to miss out on a gift God died to give you.

I hope to see you or hear you there. Enjoy Lent and all the graces God is giving us at this time!!!

Fr Rossi

LENTEN FISH DINNERS FRIDAYS AT 5:00 PM FOLLOWED BY STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 6:30 PM

Sponsorship Opportunity

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS

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| Fish - | \$1,700 |
| Sea Food - | \$200 |
| Vegetable Oil & Margarine | \$300 |
| Breading & Hushpuppy & Mac&Cheese | \$200 |
| Big Potatoes & French Fries - | \$300 |
| Dressings - | \$250 |
| Produce - | \$350 |
| Coffee, Ice Tea, Sugar - | \$200 |
| Paper Product - | \$500 |

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS IN OUR RECYCLING PROGRAM. JUST A FEW REMINDERS: PLEASE FLATTEN ALL BOXES, NO STYROFOAM (CARRYOUT OR PACKAGING MATERIALS), EVEN IF THERE IS A RECYCLING LOGO ON IT, AND LASTLY RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS AT LOCAL RETAIL/GROCERY STORES.

The St. John's Council of Women wish to thank all who supported the once again successful pancake supper. A big thanks to all who attended the supper, donated and worked to make it a success. I Judy Patterson(Ways and Means Chair) especially want to thank all the TALL people who helped me by decorating the walls so beautifully. A big thank you to Neilann Brown for taking charge of the kitchen and all who cooked and served supper. A very special thanks to our own Father Rossi for giving his time and talents to cooking pancakes.

Getting a tax refund? Join the SJP 500 Club: Consider a year's membership in the SJP 500 Club. For \$5.00 a month you 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 on the counter at church. Or email: sjp500club@gmail.com. Or call Diana Young 647-5665.

Christians throughout Richmond are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life effort from March 6 through April 14. We will be dedicating 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in America. A peaceful vigil of prayer will also be held outside of the Richmond Medical Center for Women abortion clinic at 118 N. Boulevard next to the Virginia Museum of Fine Art from 7 am to 7 pm each of these 40 Days. contact: Ann Niermeyer, 804-714-5170. Sign up at: www.40daysforlife.com/Richmond or email ATNiermeyer@aol.com

National March for Life is coming to Virginia Wednesday, April 3, in Richmond! we are encouraging all Catholic parishes, schools, and campus ministries to participate.

Schedule of the Day:

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| 9:00 am: | Mass celebrated by Bishop Knestout at the Convention Center in Richmond |
| 11:00 am: | Rally at the State Capitol in Richmond |
| 12:00 pm | March for Life begins |