

Saint John Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan

March 6, 2022 – First Sunday of Lent

6 de marzo 2022 – Primer Domingo de Cuaresma



Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus (Here we are, Holy Spirit)

**We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.**

**With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;**

**Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.**

**We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down
the wrong path nor partiality influ-
ence our
actions.**

**Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to
eternal life and not stray from the
way of truth and what is right.**

**All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and
time, in the communion of the Fa-
ther and the Son, forever and ever.
Amen.**

JOURNEY TOGETHER: SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

**The synod's theme
is communion, participation, and mission.**

Thank you very much to all those who heard the call and came to listen and share their thoughts, as well as the members of the parish council who took time out of their schedule to oversee all of these sessions.

Many good ideas have come out of these sessions, some of which will be reviewed and implemented in the near future in our parish cluster.

Unfortunately, we heard that many of those who work during the day were unable to attend one of the sessions. So, we are adding one additional session this **Thursday evening March 10th at 6:30 pm** in the social hall at St. John. If you have not attended a session, please make an effort to attend so that your voice may be heard.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday.....5:30 p.m.
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.
Daily Masses: ..Wednesday 12:00 p.m.
 .. Thursday 8:30 a.m.
CONFESSIONS (Saturday)..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo.....12:30 p.m. (Español)
Misa Diaria: ... Miércoles 12:00 del medio día
 ..Jueves 8:30 a.m.
CONFESSIONES (Sábado).....4:30 p.m. o por cita

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES – JUEVES: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 12 NOON

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY 4:30 PM 5:30 PM	March 5, 2022 Reconciliation Mass for soul of "Otts" Miskimon
SUNDAY 9:00 AM 12:30 PM	MARCH 6, 2022 Mass soul of Edna Stanley Misa por el alma de Julio Penarrieta
WEDNESDAY 12:00 Noon	MARCH 9, 2022 Mass soul Julio Penarrieta
THURSDAY 8:30 AM	MARCH 10, 2022 Mass soul Joan Mc Mahon
SATURDAY 4:30 AM 5:30 PM	March 12, 2022 Reconciliation Mass soul of Edna Stanley
SUNDAY 9:00 AM 12:30 PM	March 13, 2022 Mass all parishioners St. John, St. Peter & St John Misa Bernardo Diaz Vasquez, Vidal Diaz Ramirez, Bernado Diaz Ramirez

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON

Readings for the week of March 6, 2022

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/
Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/
Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab,
2cd-3, 7c-8 /Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/
Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/
Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/ Lk 9:28b-36

DONATION REQUEST FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

Spaghetti Sauce

DONACIONES PARA FISH ESTE MES

Marzo

Salsa para espagueti

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Helen Rice, John & Jolene White, Junie Kirby, Maxine Di-Marino, Wayne Ewing, Jeff Kenschack, Mary Higgins, Elena Chavez. John & Peggy Smith, Stanhope Flournoy, Betty Yingst, Paul Greene, Frank Haselton, Leonora Gray, Leslie Gray, Melissa Harrington, Chris Jones, Carl Saunders, Hallett Harrison, Joseph Di Marino, Mike Elrod, Theresa Mose-ly, James Geishermer, Joan Purcell and Paul Evans.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES—RICE BOWL

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. **Don't forget to pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl TODAY.**

WEEKLY COLLECTION

February 26 & 27, 2022

	Weekly	Year to date
Actual	\$3,845.00	\$163,162.16
Budget	<u>\$4,135.00</u>	<u>\$144,725.00</u>
-	(\$290.00)	\$18,437.16

All totals include weekly collection and e-giving

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:30
71	99	227

COUNCIL OF WOMEN YARD SALE

Mark your calendar so you don't forget the Yard Sale on **Saturday May 14th and Sunday 15th**. We need lots of donations to fill up our storage building. We will take donations any day beginning now. Just call Margaret Owens(804-795-5090) or Pauline Carlson (804-932-8547)

From the Desk of the Administrator

Lenten Message: The Holy Journey of Lent

Last Wednesday, the church began *Lent*, the traditional forty-day journey, for more intense prayer, a well-chosen penitential act and some gift of alms to charity. It is indeed a period of offering your whole heart to the Lord as the psalmist repeatedly says: "if today you hear his voice harden not your hearts" (Ps. 95:8-9), so as to be able to overcome temptations, just as Jesus did to confront the evil one with the strong hand and outstretched arm of God's saving word; "get behind me Satan" (Lk. 4:8)

This is the time to return to God in a journey of forty days involving your whole life, to reconsider the path being taken to find the route leading to God; a time to feel more connected to Him, to draw closer to Him, to give more time to Him, to dedicate more to His service, to receive his restoring grace and to feel his loving care. This can be done by: a) accepting the bad attitudes in you such as laziness, pride, selfishness, anger, gossiping, inordinate sexual behaviors, excessive drinking habits etc., that have to be worked on, as well as b) visiting the Lord regularly in the Blessed Sacrament (adoration), and c) reading the scriptures in order to be enlightened by the word of God to find true wisdom, courage, and love so as to overcome your passions and fleshy desires.

May you have a fruitful Lent full of renewal in the Lord after this holy journey.
Fr. Maxwell.

Baby Bottle Campaign for East End Pregnancy Center

Saint John is having a Baby Bottle Campaign for East End Pregnancy Center during Lent (March 5—April 10). East End Pregnancy Center reaches some of the most vulnerable women, babies, and families in Richmond. All of their services are FREE which include pregnancy tests, prenatal vitamins, ultrasounds to confirm pregnancy, individualized parenting and mentoring classes, emergency baby essentials, abortion education (we do not refer for abortions), post-abortion support, adoption referrals, and referrals to community resources and churches. As you take a baby bottle home, we encourage you to pray for EEPC and to consider financially supporting their ministry. The bottles can be filled with change (no need to roll), checks (made payable to EEPC), cash, or you can give online at www.richmondisorlife.com or text "GIVE" to 804-531-3372

2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal:

Together, we bestow His first fruits

Almsgiving is a staple of our Lenten disciplines as Catholics. As we begin this Lenten season, please consider supporting our Annual Diocesan Appeal as opportunity for almsgiving, and as a way to deepen your trust and dependency upon God the Father.

We will conduct our Digital In-Pew pledge process at all Masses during next weekend.

CONDOLENCES

St. John family extends deepest sympathy to our parishioners Lloyd & Julie Mercer on the loss of her father Jerry Armeli, and to Bob Johnson on the loss of his wife and Linda Balderson on the loss of her mother Virginia who died this past week and to our music director Katie Goodloe on the loss of her father Mel Siple. Please keep all these families in your prayers.

40 DAYS for life The spring campaign for 40 Days for Life will begin on March 2 and run through April 10. Please consider giving an hour to stand in front of the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic to pray for an end to abortion. contact Pro Life Chair Dan Mages at 804-614-5623 (phone or text).

THE WISDOM OF VENERABLE FULTON SHEEN

365 DAYS OF INSPIRATION

Venerable Fulton Sheen was one of the greatest communicators to ever live. **Please take a book for FREE and enjoy reading during this LENTEN season.**

LENTEN DINNERS—CURBSIDE ONLY

Come and support St. John's Lenten dinners. From 5-7 PM. Come and pick up your food and don't forget to tell your friends.

Sponsorship Opportunity

Lenten dinners will be here before you know it. In order to keep our prices the same as last year we need sponsors. Please take a look at these sponsorship opportunities and let us know if you can help us and help our community:

Fish -	\$900	\$1,800
Vegetable Oil & Margarine-		\$200
Breading & Hushpuppy & Mac&Cheese		\$300
Big Potatoes & French Fries -		\$400
Dressings -		\$300
Produce -		\$400
Paper Product -		\$600

Please consider sponsoring any of the above items or give a donation of a portion of the total amount. All amounts of donations help. Thank you in advance. The Lenten Fish Team.