

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Saint John Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan

The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." - Lk 10:41-42 813 W Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs VA 23075 *Website – Página electrónica: www.stjohnscatholicchurch.org *Email- Correo Electrónico office@stjohnscatholicchurch.org Pastor – Párroco – Rev. Joseph Maxwell Appiagyei – frmaxwell@stpeterchurch1834.org Parochial Vicar – Vicario Parroquial ... Rev. Nick Redmond – frnickredmond@stjohnscatholicchurch.org 804-737-8028 • Fax: 804-328-4683 Deacon—Diacono ... Ramón Rivera Robles ... ramonrivera880@gmail.com Dir. Religious Education - Dir. de Educación Religiosa... Paulita Matheny... pmatheny@stjohnscatholicchurch.org

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY
4:30PM
5:30PMJuly 16, 2022
Reconciliation
Mass all parishioners St John, St. Peter &
St. PatrickSUNDAY
9:00 AM
12:30 PMJuly 17, 2022
Misa soul of John Kolakoski
Misa soul Roxana Justiniano &
Ramon Pelayo

- WEDNESDAY
12:00 NoonJuly 20,2022
Mass soul of Tom Di Leonardo
- THURSDAY
8:30 AMJuly 21, 2022
Mass
- SATURDAYJuly 23, 20224:30 PMReconciliation5:30 PMMass soul of John Kolakoski

SUNDAY July 24, 2022

9:00 AM Mass 12:30 PM Misa Serrano Family

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON

ADORATION

ST. JOHN 1ST WEDNESDAY - 6PM ST. PATRICK 3RD SUNDAY AFTER MASS ST. PETER 1ST FRIDAY AFTER MASS

Readings for the week of July 17, 2022

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/ Lk 10:38-42 Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/ Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8// Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/ Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/ Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/ Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/ Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/ Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-1

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Helen Rice, John & Jolene White, Junie Kirby, Maxine DiMarino, Wayne Ewing, Jeff Konschack, 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 Mosely, Joan Purcell, Paul Evans, Frank & Kathy McCollum, Sonny Scott and Rudy Anthony Calooy, Sr.

DONATION FOR FISH

REQUEST FOR THE MONTH OF JULY VINYL 2 POCKET FOLDERS

DONACIONES PARA FISH ESTE MES DE JULIO Folder plásticos de Vinil

WEEKLY COLLECTION July 9 & 10, 2022		
	Weekly	Year to date
	Actual	Budget
	\$4,695.00	\$9,581.00
	\$4,714.00	\$9,428.00
	(\$19.00)	\$153.00
All totals include weekly collection and e-giving		
MASS ATTENDENCE		
5:30	9:00	12:30
45	115	197

July 17, 2022 — Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 17 de julio de 2022 — Decimo Sexto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

As I celebrate my Silver Jubilee (25 years) in the priestly ministry on Tuesday 19th July, I would like to share with you how I was inspired and responded to the call of the Lord to work in his vineyard, and how it unfolded.

I remember at a tender age of 10 yrs, one day I was having dinner with my Father and siblings (6) when he asked each of us our future carrier. When it came to my turn, I just said: "I will become a priest." he then said to me "don't you want to become a Doctor or Engineer or a Pharmacist or a Lawyer," and I replied, "even if I become any of those, I will still become a priest." Since then I discerned to achieve my aim, by entering the seminary for philosophical studies13 years after completing college. Then I had the theological studies at a Pontifical University in Rome, where I obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Sacred Theology.

Returning to my diocese (Obuasi in Ghana), I was ordained a priest by the bishop in 1997 at the age of 30 yrs. Five years later, I was sent to Rome again to pursue a specialization in Moral Theology in the same University, after which on coming back, I lectured in one of the Provincial Seminaries home for 7years.

In my 25yrs as a priest, I have ministered in various capacities in my diocese as Vocations Promoter, Chaplain for the youth, Pastor in 3 different parishes, Parochial Vicar and Rector of the Cathedral, and finally Vicar General (assisting the Bishop) & Moderator of the Diocesan Curia. With all these experiences at home, I requested for an exposure in the Pastoral ministry in a different environment outside my diocese for sometime, which was granted by my bishop to send me as "**fidei donum**" to the Richmond diocese, and now I find myself as the Pastor for this Cluster of churches. I am grateful to you all for accepting me and celebrating with me this memorable Milestone in my life. God richly bless you.

Looking at how far the Lord has brought me, 25 years in his Vineyard, what shall I say unto Him? all I have to say is **"Thank you Lord**," as I lift up the cup of salvation and call on His powerful name. (Ps. 116:13). Obedience, Humility and Self-sacrifice have ever been my watch words in the ministry.

The happiest moment in my priesthood is when my mother converted from the Episcopal Church to the Catholic Church, and remained an active catholic till she was called to eternity 13 years ago. May her gentle soul rest in perfect peace.

Fr. Maxwell

"INTRODUCING ST JOHN'S Q+A"

Do you have a question about the Catholic Faith? Get an answer! **St. John's Q+A** is a new, weekly question and answer session held right after 9:00 mass. If there's something you'd like to know about your Catholic faith, simply submit an (anonymous) question in the box at the back of the church (you can also email questions to <u>b.scott.seal@gmail.com</u>). Each week, questions will be selected and answers will be given in a brief, 10-15 minute format. It's quick, it's easy, and it will help you understand and strengthen your Catholic faith. Stick around after mass and give it a try! This week we will addressing why the Church sometimes sets requirements for receiving the sacraments (religious ed, RCIA,) etc.)

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DON'T FORGET Fr. Max's Anniversary

July 19th | 25th Ordination Anniversary

TUESDAY JULY 19TH, 2022 Mass of Thanksgiving at 6:00 pm Reception immediately after Mass in the Social hall.

A box for Notes and Cards for Fr. Max's 25th Anniversary of his Ordination

Let's show how much we love Fr. Maxwell and how much we appreciate all the work he does for our parish and the community! Drop off your notes and cards in the box in the Commons.