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Welcome to St. John's Church

Mass Schedule

Sundays:

5:00pm (Saturday Vigil) 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm 12:30pm (Spanish)

Weekdays:

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Monday-Friday: Noon Wednesday: 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sacraments

Confession:

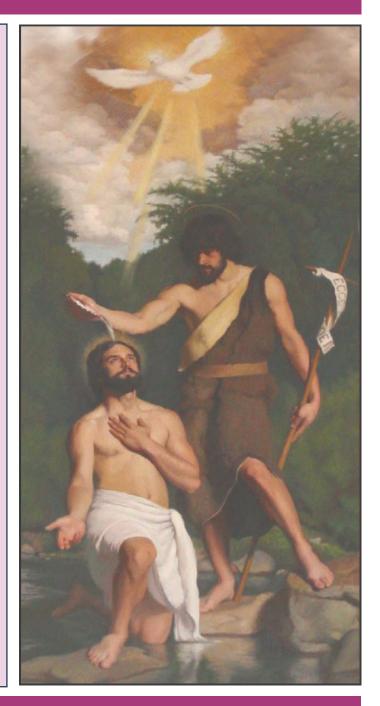
Monday-Friday, 8:30am Monday-Friday, 6:30pm Saturday, 8:30am & 4:00pm

Baptism:

Saturdays at 10:00am
Parish membership is required and an instructional class is required for parents.

Marriage:

Arrangements must be made at least six (6) months in advance. Parish membership is required.



MASS INTENTIONS July 3 - 9, 2023

MONDAY JULY 3

Saint Thomas, Apostle 8:30am Michelle Reuwer 12:00pm Zeigler Family

TUESDAY JULY 4

Weekday / Independence Day 8:30am Patrick & Rachel Reuwer 12:00pm Stephen Reuwer

WEDNESDAY JULY 5

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal 8:30am Regina Keller 12:00pm +Joan Middleton 7:00pm Special Intention

THURSDAY JULY 6

Weekday / Saint Maria Goretti 8:30am + Desiderio & Sargis Families 12:00pm Leedom Family

FRIDAY JULY 7

Weekday

8:30am +Scott Cooper 12:00pm +Phyllis Hibl

SATURDAY JULY 8

Weekday

8:30am +Carl, Anna & Connie Hibl

SATURDAY VIGIL

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00pm Rev Neil Herlihy

SUNDAY JULY 9

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am Patrick Reuwer 8:30am +Mitchell Cizler 10:30am Parish Family 12:30pm +Margaret Shagre

12:30pm +Margaret Shagrew 5:00pm John & Meaghan Hilger

CONFESSION TIMES

Monday - Friday: 8:30am and 6:30pm

Saturday: 8:30am & 4:00pm

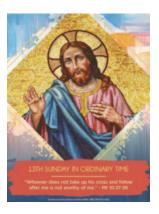
JULY 2, 2023 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week:

Parish Office Closed on Tuesday July 4th

Sign up for VBS!

Sign up for your Directory photo!



Thank you to the many volunteers who helped make the 25th Anniversary Parish Picnic a success!

St John the Baptist, Pray for Us!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Tuesday: Gn19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27 Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34 Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4,19;24:1-8,62-67/Ps106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17 Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/

Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Keep in Touch

Sign up to receive St John's email updates by going to http://eepurl.com/djz4OT to subscribe. www.sjtb.org

Second Collection
The Second Collection on July 8/9
will be for the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for Africa.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE FOR JULY 8/9	
5:00pm	Aidan, John & Louis Barragan
7:00am	Elijah McMahon, Kyle Foltz
8:30am	Mark & John Bockrath, Jerome Butler, Isaac Dennehy, Michael Fisher, Simon Hepler
10:30am	Benedict Keough, James Chapman, Xavier & Levi Uhlenkott, Desmond & Duncan Stewart, Nate Hibl
12:30pm	Erik Reyes, Juan Aviles-Reyes, Jose Ramirez
5:00pm	Finn Sweeney, Brendan Purciel

Call the parish office if you'd like to volunteer as an altar server (age 10+), lector or usher. Thank you!



Month of the Precious Blood

July is the month we honor the Precious Blood of Jesus. Falling right between June's devotion to the Sacred Heart and August's devotion to the Immaculate Heart, July is an ideal time to connect our devotion to Jesus and Mary into deeper gratitude for the bond they share as well as to heighten our connection to the blood of the Lamb of God. ~Aleteia



New Parish Directory Photo Sessions in July: Additional Photography Day Added!



Since we filled almost ALL of our photo session time slots, one more day has been added. If you have not yet signed up to have your photo taken for our new Parish Directory, now is your chance! Tuesday, July 12 has been added to the schedule and there should be sev-

eral openings between 2:00 - 8:30pm. We'd love to have as many parishioners as possible included in our Directory. Go to Saint John's website www.sjtb.org and click on the link to secure your 10 minute time slot. *Please Note: if you have more than 7 members in your family, you must sign up for 2 adjacent time slots* (leave email blank on second slot form). By having your photo taken you will receive a free 8x10 photo and a parish directory. Thank you!

Contact Information in New Directory

The 2023 Directory will include a roster of all parishioner addresses and phone numbers. If you do not want your contact information printed in the Directory, or prefer only part of the information printed, please contact the parish office. If you need to update your current contact information, please do so. If you are having your photo taken, you will have an opportunity to take care of this at that time.

Dinner Together

St. John's monthly dinner offered for the less fortunate in the community is this Thursday, July 6th. We'll have a 4th of July picnic style dinner. See how you can help by going to the sign up genius: www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054caba622a7fb6-community4#/

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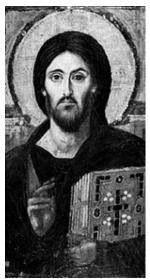
Welcome! Registration forms are available on the pamphlet rack in the Church. Please notify the office when you are moving outside or within the parish and if your contact information is changing.

Hospitalized & Homebound Parishioners

Please notify the office if a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound that they may receive the pastoral care of the Church.

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday of the previous week at 10:00am. All announcements must be in writing or sent via email.



From the Office of Religious Education

David M Wallace, *Director* | dwallace@sjtb.org | (540) 635-3780 ext 202 Darryl & Susan Adams, *RE Assistants*

Our **2023 "SONRISE National Park VBS"** will be held Monday through Friday, **July 17-21** for children in grades rising-5K to rising-5th. To register, simply email dwallace@sjtb.org with name, age/grade, and emergency contact info. **Cost**: \$25 for one child. \$40 for two children. \$60 for three children. \$80 for four children. Make checks payable to St John the Baptist Church or use FaithDirect (parish code: VA922) for a one-time gift. VBS registration closes Friday, July 7.

ADULT VBS HELP IS NEEDED! To volunteer, please contact Susan Adams: (540) 631-5894.

Save the date! Bishop Burbidge will visit us on Saturday, September 23, at 10:00am, to celebrate Holy Mass and confirm our parish's confirmation candidates.

Prayer for Our Nation

God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people. Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will. Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death." Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



VOCATIONS

So let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. Mt 5:16

God's graciousness is offered to us for healing and reconciliation through the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, "put to death for our transgressions and raised for our justification" (Rom. 4:25), we are all called to pass from the alienation and oppression of sin to freedom and fellowship with God in the Holy Spirit. It is not through our own initiative that we respond to this call, but only through an undeserved gift which is granted and made known in faith, and which comes to fruition in our love of God and neighbor, as we are led by the Spirit in faith to bear witness to the divine gift in our vocations. This faith gives us hope for ourselves and for all humanity and gives us confidence that salvation in Christ will always be proclaimed as the gospel, the good news for which the world is searching.

See also: https://www.catholiceducation.org/en/religion-and-philosophy/apologetics/justification-by-faith.html

Justification by Faith, 1983

If you are discerning your vocation, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

Stay Informed About Local Cultural & Political Matters

The Front Royal Catholics Civic Education Group is the parish's premiere resource for staying informed about issues affecting your community! Join the mailing list to receive non-partisan important information from a Catholic perspective about local cultural and political issues. This is your Church and your community - Get active, informed, and involved!

To join the mailing list scan the code or go to:

frontroyalcatholics.myfreesites.net/



Activities & Events

"Catholic Night" at Bing Crosby Stadium

Attention parish baseball fans! The next date of the 'Catholic Night" baseball game at Bing Crosby Stadium is Friday,

July 21st, against the Strasburg Express. Game starts at 7pm. A flyer from the church bulletin - distributed the weekend before the game - gets the entire family into the game FREE. Sponsors of the summer games are a) the Knights of Columbus, b) Christendom College, and c) the Lloyd/Lemmon Law Firm. Catholic Night is a fun evening for the entire family. Highlights include parishioners throwing out the first pitch, a parish group singing the National Anthem before the start of the game and "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" during the 7th inning stretch, and kids running the bases after the game. See everyone on Friday, July 21st!

Encounter School of Ministry Summer Intensive Course

July 31 - Aug 3, 6 PM The Encounter School DC Campus in Gaithersburg, a two-year prayer ministry program approved by the Archdiocese of Washington, is holding a Summer Intensive Course from July 31-August 3 that will present inspirational talks from the first four quarters of the two-year program. Talks will include presentations about our Identity and Transformation in Christ, Hearing God's Voice & the Prophetic Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Power & Healing, and Inner Healing & Freedom. All who are interested in encountering Christ in a deeper way - and learning to help others do the same - are encouraged to attend! Summer Intensive will be held at the Mother of God Community 20501 Goshen Rd. Gaithersburg, MD. For more information see encounterschooldc.org or visit https://encounterdc.regfox.com/ encounter-dc-summer-intensive-2023

Longest Married Couple Project.

Do you know a couple who's relationship has stood the test of time? Why not nominate them for Virginia or the country's longest married couple! They do not need to be Catholic to be considered. Make your nomination today at: https://wwme.org/community/sponsored-events/longest-married-couple/. Nominations open through

Diocesan Kings Dominion Day

September 15th.

Join hundreds from across the Diocese of Arlington for a day of faith and fun on Wednesday, July 26! We will begin the day with Bishop Burbidge celebrating a 9am Mass at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Fredericksburg. Then we'll head to Kings Dominion! This event is open to anyone in the Diocese of Arlington. All tickets, at a reduced rate, also include Soak City. Please note: The deadline for families to mail in a check and ticket order form is Friday, July 7. Tickets are distributed exclusively online, please plan accordingly. Please also take note of the updated Kings Dominion Code of Conduct.

Ongoing Activities

SJTB Seniors Group

Meets every third Saturday in Padre Pio Hall from 9:30-11:00am. For more information contact DeWayne Coats at 540-660-5776 or dewaynecoats20@gmail.com.

The Women of Saint John's

Monthly activities for women parishioners aged 18 and up. Email thewomenofstjohn@gmail.com

Young Adults of St. John's

In your 20's or 30's?
Follow event info on FB
@youngadultsofstjohnthebaptist,
IG@st_johns_young_adults_va
or to join the e-news-letter email
youngadultsofstjohnthebaptist@
gmail.com

The Divine Office (Lauds)

Mon-Sat at 8:10am in main church

Legion of Mary

Tuesdays 6:30pm – PPH **Junior Legion of Mary** Thursdays 4:30-6:30pm – PPH

Scripture Study

Thursdays at 10am in Padre Pio Hall with Deacon Goldsmith

Children's Holy Hour

Thursdays 3:00-4:00pm

RCIA classes

Returning in the Fall

Little Flowers

Monthly meeting for girls Returning in the Fall

Single Mom Gathering

Calling all single moms both young and those who are older too to join us for a social on July 8th from 1pm - 3pm. It's a small intimate group, and children are welcome to attend. It's a safe place to meet others walking this same path to get support and make friends. Contact outreach@sjtb.org for details on location.

Knights of Columbus John Carrell Jenkins Council #7771 www.kofc7771.org

Contact us

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Front Royal Pregnancy Center (540) 635-6181 frontroyalpregnancy.org *Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline* (877)558-0333 abortionpillreversal.com *Project Rachel* helpafterabortion.org

Day of Prayer and Healing After Abortion Care for Women

After Abortion Retreats: A Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be on Saturday, July 29 and Saturday, September 30, 2023. For confidential inquiries, please contact Project Rachel Ministry: (703) 841-2504 or info@helpafterabortion.org.



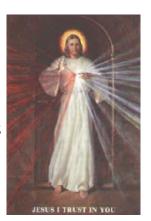
is seeking parishioners particularly from the South River District of Warren County to subscribe to its email list that provides nonpartisan voter education. South River District begins on the south side of E. Main Street and extends to Browntown and Bentonville. A School Board election in the South River District is of enormous importance to Catholic interests. To subscribe: Frontroyalcatholics.com.

Sundays with the Sisters

Witness the joy of our religious sisters during the Sundays with the Sisters Rejoice Tour 2023! The tour showcases the religious women of our diocese who, like Mary, rejoice in the Lord by their daily surrender. The next stop on the tour is with the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph (Spanish, July 23), the Poor Clares (September 24), and the Adorers of the Holy Cross (English and Vietnamese, October 22). For single women ages 18-50. RSVP by the Monday before each event to vocations@arlingtondiocese.org. More info at ArlingtonDiocese.org/RejoiceTour.



"My will has not yet been fully accomplished in you; you will still remain on earth, but not for long. I am well pleased



with your trust but your love should be more ardent. Pure love gives the soul strength at the very moment of dying. When I was dying on the cross, I was not thinking about Myself, but about poor sinners, and I prayed for them to My Father. I want your last moments to be completely similar to Mine on the cross. There is but one price at which souls are bought, and that is suffering united to My suffering on the cross. Pure love understands these words; carnal love will never understand them." (St. Faustina Diary, 324)

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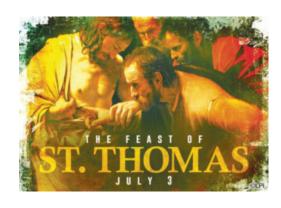
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This Week's Saints...







PRAYER LIST

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Please pray for all homebound members of our Parish.

Pope's Prayer Intention for June 2023

For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of TERESA TAPIA SANCHEZ ALICE FERNANDEZ MARIA FAVIAN

Active Military Prayer List

Esther Alger Brady Anderson Jeffrey Bayne Mark Belton David Berry Stephen Bill Heather Bill-Blanchard John Bowes Shannon Brugh Ben Cabreva Christian Carino Hannah N. Christman Nathan T. Christman Sean Conrov Robert Cooke Kevin Corella Rory Crooks Vince E. Cruz Trey Dusseault Matthew Farrall Parker Feiring Zachary Francis

Jasmine Frank Kristina Grdina Steven Gregg Benjamin Gregory Jonathan Hamilton Steven Held, Jr. Daniel Heywood Peter Hickson Erik Hickson David Kelleher David Larsen Glen Lash Joseph Marsch Christine Marsch Emma Morgan Clement M. O'Reilly Daniel Nejia David Parnes Justice M. Parrott Jason Pettingill John C. Price Jason Pugh Chris Reinhard

Michael Reuwer Anthony Reyes Jose Reyes Lxex Robles David Rogers Alex Rojas Bobby Saxon Truman Sayre, Jr. **David Schmitt** Forest Selby Paul Shannon Andrew Shorter Richard Skelton, Sr. Devon Smith **Timothy Smith** Sean Smith Keegan J. Thomas Brian Tillev Jamie Troutman Manuel A. Vicente Kieran Vieira Michael Wood

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