SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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)

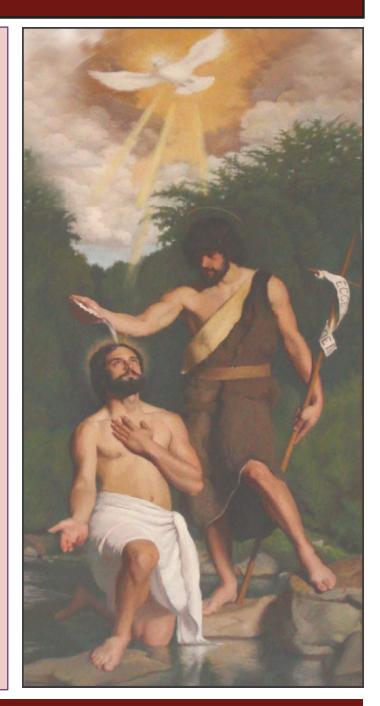
Weekdays: Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Monday - Friday: Noon Wednesday: 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sacraments

Confession: Monday-Friday, 8:30am Monday-Friday, 6:30pm Saturday, 8:30am & 3:30pm

Baptism: Contact Parish Office

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



AUGUST 18, 2024 ~ TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS August 19 - 25, 2024

MONDAY AUG 19

Weekday / St John Eudes 8:30am +Joshua Lillard 12:00pm Catie Fedoryka

TUESDAY AUG 20

St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor 8:30am +Carol Hirsch-Butler 12:00pm Carmela Rao

WEDNESDAY AUG 21

St Pius X, Pope8:30amThanksgiving12:00pm+Clara Joan Clement7:00pm+Wilford Mora

THURSDAY AUG 22

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary8:30am12:00pm+Julia Biondo

FRIDAY AUG 23

Weekday / St Rose of Lima 8:30am +Sean O'Reilly 12:00pm +Lidia DiGioia

SATURDAY AUG 24

St Bartholomew, Apostle 8:30am +Rev William Ruehl

SATURDAY VIGIL

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00pm Matt Sonak

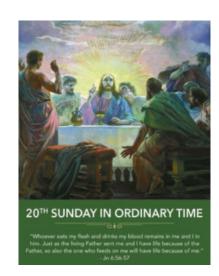
SUNDAY AUG 25

21st Sunday	in Ordinary Time
7:00am	John Bodoh
8:30am	+M/M Robert Hudgins
10:30am	Parish Family
12:30pm	Ashley Paola Lopez
1	Rosario
5:00pm	Sarah & Michael Gannon
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CONFESSION TIMES

Monday - Friday: 8:30am and 6:30pm Saturday: 8:30am & 3:30pm

August 18, 2024 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



This Week

Coffee & Donuts

Welcome! Please join us for coffee & donuts after Sunday morning Mass and introduce yourself.

Sat Aug 24

Ladies Tea 2pm Benefitting FRPC Details on Page 9

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 19:16-22 Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/ Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16 Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mt 22:1-14 Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40 Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51 Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Keep in Touch:

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

Second Collection on August 24/25 will be for Social Outreach

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE FOR AUG 24-25		
5:00pm	Jason Kasevich, Cedric Schmiedicke, Owen Miller	
7:00am	Greg Bauer, Elijah & Jeremiah Hambric	
8:30am	Brooks Reuwer, Simon Helpler, Benedict Schmiedicke, Chris & Sammy Uhlenkott, Augie Hillaert	
10:30am	Edmund & Thomas Brugger, Matty & Jack Akers, Benedict Keough, Alexander & Christopher Whiting, Nate Hibl	
12:30pm	Leobardo Reyes, Juan Aviles, Geovanni Miramontes	
5:00pm	Brendan Purciel, Finn Sweeney	

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



The Queenship of Mary: August 22 Catholics celebrate the Queenship of Mary because her Divine Son is King. Pope Pius XII, having declared the dogma of the Assumption, that "the Immaculate Mother of God . . . was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory," then established the feast of her Queenship. He set the



date for the octave (8th day) after the Solemnity of the Assumption, that is, August 22nd each year. In his encyclical Ad Caeli Reginam, the Pope proclaimed,

We are instituting a feast so that all may recognize more clearly and venerate more devoutly the merciful and maternal sway of the Mother of God. We are convinced that this feast will help to preserve, strengthen and prolong that peace among nations which daily is almost destroyed by recurring crises. Is she not a rainbow in the clouds reaching towards God, the pledge of a covenant of peace?

Sacred Music at St. John's

The Sacred Music program will begin rehearsals again in September. See page 8 for more details about the St. John's Singers, scholas and children's choirs.

Thank You

Thank you to all who generously sent many blessings my way by offering Masses, rosaries, holy hours, cards and gifts. I was sincerely touched by your kindness. As I go through this next chapter in life, I will fondly remember my wonderful years at St. John's, the friends who have come into my life and especially the pastors who have made me the person I am today. Special thanks to Fr. William Ruehl, Fr. Edward Hathaway, Fr. Jerome Fasano and Fr. Daniel Gee. I send my prayers to you all and ask that you keep me in yours.

With gratefulness to God for the opportunity, Patty



Eucharistic Revival Year 3: Mission

Jesus in the Eucharist is the answer to every rest-

less longing of the human heart. If we truly believe this, then that living faith will compel us to share this joy with our brothers and sisters! That's what the third year of the Revival - the Year of Mission - is all about. www.eucharisticrevival.org/year-of-mission

ST JOHN'S STAFF

Rev. Daniel Gee Pastor, fathergee@gmail.com **Rev. Tom Shepanzyk** Parochial Vicar frtom@sitb.org **Rev. Michael Duesterhaus** Parochial Vicar, frmrd@sjtb.org **Deacon Mark Jerge** Permanent Deacon **Deacon Gerald Solitario** Permanent Deacon Gerry.solitario@arlingtondiocese.org Sheri VanCuren Parish Secretary Tina Furtado/Michelle Bodoh Parish Secretaries **Karen Pondo** Inventory Manager **Phil Rexrode** Facilities Manager Dr. Jeffrey M. Alban Director of Music & Organist **David Wallace** DRE/Business Manager dwallace@sitb.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00am-Noon & 1:00pm-4:00pm 540-635-3780 (phone) 540-635-2683 (fax) stjohns@sjtb.org (email)

Parish Membership

Welcome! Registration forms are available on the bulletin board in the Church or on the parish website. 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.

Opportunities ——

St Columba's Place

A private library is being organized just a few minutes from Saint John's. To get it up and running by the start of the school year, help is needed: a few volunteers are needed to be part of the steering committee and to help get the books ready for lending. Money for supplies is also needed. A donated laptop would be very helpful. The library currently has about 1400 books in all subjects and at all reading levels. More donations of books in good condition are also welcome. Please contact parishioner Lara Purciel at stcolumbasplace@gmail.com if you can volunteer time or money.



Position Open at Dan Damiano

Are you looking for a way to serve others for the Glory of God? The Arlington Diocese's Retreat Center, San Damiano, is seeking people to work in the Food Services department at our facility in White Post, VA. Fulltime and part-time positions are available. Duties include preparing meals for the groups and individuals on retreat. Must be able to work evenings and weekends. Experience in the catering/restaurant industry required for full-time positions and preferred for part-time positions. Please email Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondionce.org or call at 540-868-9220 for more information.

American Heritage Girls The Christ-centered, all-female environment of an AHG Troop provides a safe place for girls ages 5-18 to discover their gifts and learn who they are and whose they are in Christ—all while learning new things, developing leadership skills and experiencing outdoor adventure. Join AHG at Sacred Heart online: https://americanheritagegirls.org/find-a-troop/, by emailing our registrar valerie.roth@ymail. com or by attending our parent information night on 9/9 at 5:30pm.

Vocation Awareness

Give your hearts to your admirable Queen, imploring her to offer them to her beloved son with the prayer that He may kindle in them the fire He came to spread on earth; the fire He so greatly desires should be lighted. On your part, correspond by removing every obstacle from your hearts, and if this sacred flame is already burning there, make every effort to increase it more and more by the practice of Christian virtues, the meditation of the gospel and especially the exercise of divine love and charity.

Be not satisfied with doing simply this. Seek to share actively in the ardent desire of the Son of God that the entire world should be illuminated with heavenly fire and to cooperate with him in spreading it everywhere. Nothing could be more agreeable to His divine majesty. All Christians who would please God should exert themselves toward this end but more especially should those whom He has chosen to be His cooperators in the salvation of souls. Take, then, a torch in your hand and, if possible, set the entire world afire with love.

- Saint John Eudes, The Admirable Heart of Mary

St. John's Food Pantry

Open Wednesdays 5 - 7pm Location: basement of Padre Pio Hall (back door) — If you or someone you know is



in need of food assistance, please stop by during open hours. If you would like to volunteer please contact outreach@sjtb.org

RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS Arlington Diocese

"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord." Could God be calling you to spread his goodness as a priest or religious sister or brother? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514 or michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org

Without priests there would be no Eucharist!

Use QR code to sign up to have the Vocations Crucifix in your home for 1 week:



Activities & Events

LITTLE FLOWERS

ONLINE REGISTRATION OPEN NOW UNTIL AUGUST 31 All girls Grade 1-6 are encouraged to join. Classes begin Sept. 10th and are every 2nd Tuesday of the month through May, meeting in Fr. Ruehl Hall from 4-5:45 pm. Copy registration online at sjtb.org and mail or drop off with the fee to the parish office if you prefer by 8/30. Mom's Only Meeting Night Sept. 5th 7:30-8:30. If you have questions, email littleflowersofsjtb@gmail.com



Save the Date

Our Lady of America Procession Monday, Sept. 2, after the 8:30am Mass. Talk given by Deacon Jerge.

Father Capodanno Memorial Mass

The Memorial Mass for Father Vincent R. Capodanno, MM, will

take place at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4, in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 400 Michigan Avenue, Northeast, Washington, D.C. His Excellency, the Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D., Archbishop for the Military Services, USA, will be the principal celebrant. This annual Mass is celebrated in memory of Father Capodanno, killed in Vietnam on September 4, 1967, as he ministered to embattled Marines.

For more information, visit www.CapodannoGuild.org. All are invited to attend the Memorial Mass on the 57th anniversary of his death. There will be open seating, so please plan to arrive early. Military members are encouraged to wear uniform of the day, and business attire is appropriate for





Ongoing Activities

SJTB Seniors Group Meets every third Saturday in Padre Pio Hall from 9:30-11:00am.

The Women of Saint John's Monthly activities for women parishioners aged 18 and up. Email thewomenofstjohn@gmail.com

That Man Is You Seasonally Saturdays 6:30am FRH Viviano Rodriguez, 559-347-4585

RCIA classes September - April Mondays 6pm Frassati Hall

Little Flowers Monthly meeting for registered girls in grades 1-6 4-5:45 FRH Sept-May **The Divine Office (Lauds)** Mon-Sat at 8:10am in main church

Vespers (Evening Prayer) 1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays of the month, 3:30pm in main church

Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayed after 8:30am Mass M-Sat.

Legion of Mary Tuesdays 6:30pm – PPH

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

Children's Holy Hour Thursdays 3:00-4:00pm

Flame of Love Rosary Mondays after the noon Mass

Ladies Tea Fundraiser for the Pregnancy Center

Please join the Women of St. John's for a Ladies Tea in support of the Front Royal Pregnancy Center. August 24th at 2:00pm at 373 Mineral Springs Drive, Front Royal. Come and slow down with friends and a cup of tea for a good cause!

CHRISTENDOM COLLEGE

VISIT DAYS: Come out to Front Royal, VA, and see an authentically Catholic college right here in the Arlington Diocese on one of our visit days! We will offer two open houses on September 21 and November 23 and a homeschool visit day on October 12, where prospective families will tour our beautiful campus, experience class with one of our distinguished professors, and learn about our academic program, Catholic culture, financial aid, and countless leadership opportunities! Register in advance at www.christendom.edu/visit.

Catholic Biblical School -Registration Open!

Visit catholicbiblicalschoolva .org to learn more and register for classes. Come to any Information Session to learn more about this phenomenal program and meet Dr. Nick Lebish. Information Sessions will be offered in Muldowney Hall at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Winchester every Tuesday in August, as well as the first Tuesday of September at 9:30am, 1:00pm & 6:30pm. August 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, & September 3rd

Eucharistic Adoration

To commit to a weekly holy hour with Jesus in our Adoration Chapel, please call, text or email adoration coordinator, Catherine Briggs 540-551-0710 adoration@sjtb.org

Knights Corner John Carrell Jenkins Council #7771 www.kofc7771.org



Congratulations to our New Officers: The installation of officers for the John Carrell Jenkins Council 7771

took place on Saturday, August 17. Congratulations to the newly elected officers for the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year: Grand Knight John Steib; Deputy Grand Knight Michael Reilly; Chancellor Jonathan Lash; Recorder George Kopcsak; Treasurer Jerry Szwaya; Advocate Leo Carling; Warden Patrick Patton; Outside Guard Chris Kearns; Inside Guard Eric Bartok; and Trustees Tom Balint; Bill Catellan and Michael Turner. Delegates representing the Council at State Events are John Stieb, Michael Reilly, Darryl Adams and Jonathan Lash.

- **Firewood Project Volunteers and Sources Needed:** It's hot now but winter's coming! The Council helps parishioners who rely on firewood to heat their homes. We need volunteers who are willing to support the effort throughout the year. Please contact Leo Carling (540-631-7555) if you'd like to be notified of upcoming events or know of a source of free hardwood (oak, walnut, cherry, etc.) trunks.
- Join the Knights! The Knights of Columbus John Carrell Jenkins Council 7771 here at St. John The Baptist is more than 200 members strong. Our common bond is our devotion to the Catholic Faith and our brotherhood in Christ. We have joined together to help one another become better Catholics, better husbands, better fathers, better providers for the financial protection of our families and better citizens here in Front Royal. Contact Grand Knight John Stieb at 703-755-5345, or Council Membership Chairman Leo Carling at 540-631-7555 for more information.

Save These Dates:.

Weekend of September 28-29: Annual KOVAR collection at all weekend Masses. KOVAR is the Virginia Knights' special fund to provide financial assistance through grants and loans to taxexempt community-service organizations.

Sunday, September 29: Fifth Sunday Rosary, 4:30 p.m., immediately preceding the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Contact us: Grand Knight John Stieb, 703-755-5345, or gknightjs@gmail.com. Field Agent Cory Cook, 703-665-1388, or cory.cook@kofc.org.

DIVINE MERCY SAID: "My daughter, i this medita

"My daughter, in this meditation, consider the love of neighbor. Is your love for your neighbor



guided by My love? Do you pray for your enemies? Do you wish well to those who have, in one way or another caused you sorrow or offended you? Know that whatever good you do to any soul, I accept it as if you had done it to Me."

(St. Faustina Diary, 1768) "Used with permission of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M."



Alcoholic Anonymous	PPH Friday 8-9pm	Music & Choirs	Jeffrey Alban, 635-3780
Altar Guild	Marlene Lundberg, 635-0541	Outreach Committee	outreach@sjtb.org
Church Flowers & Decor	julie.thedaughter@protonmail.com	Parents' Support Group	Winnie Ehlinger, 636-1688
		Children w/Special Needs	Laurie Adams, 540-683-1767
Divine Mercy for the Dying	mbodoh@sjtb.org	Prayer Chain	Marlicia Fernandez, 622-2637
			setonmom@gmail.com
Dominicans Third Order	Martha Smith 540-222-5869	Prison Ministry	Chris Manion, 540-635-9166
Eucharistic Adoration	Catherine Briggs 540-551-0710	Religious Education	David Wallace, 540-635-3780
	adoration@sjtb.org		
Fasting Brothers	tracy.terwilliger@comcast.net	RCIA	Parish Office, 635-3780
Flame of Love	Boots Sargis	Seven Sisters	tracy.terwilliger@comcast.net
	bootssargis@yahoo.com.		
Lectors	Mary Kay Moose, 540-671-6856	Saint Johns Athletics	www.saintjohnsathletics.com
Legion of Mary/Adults	Andrew Armstrong, 540-631-4620	That Man is You!	Viviano Rodriguez, 559-347-4585
Legion of Mary (Juniors)	Viviano Rodriguez, 559-347-4585	Vocations Liaison	Cindy Rhodes, 443-440-0121
			sjtbvocations@gmail.com
Little Flowers (Gr. 1-6)	littleflowersofsjtb@gmail.com	Youth Drama Club	www.stjohnsdrama.org
Meals for New Moms /	sjtbmomsgroup@gmail.com	Front Royal Pregnancy Center	(540) 635-6181
Postpartum Support	J 6 1 8		frontroyalpregnancy.org
Mom's Group	sjtbmomsgroup@gmail.com		abortionpillreversal.com

For full list of ministries, go to www.sjtb.org or call the parish office for specific inquiries.

PRAYER LIST

Gabby Abril Nellie Adkins John Alsberry Allison Andrews Brenda Bailey Rozie Baker Rose Britain Elijah Carino Joseph Centrella Jorge Daniel Chang Erik Jurek Laura Hibl Clark Josh Conlon Dominique DeClue Linda Donahue Clara Anne Duda Al Dudeck Kelly Duvall James Eiselstein Ignatius Ehlinger Kathy Elar Ned Farinholt Mike Ferris Tahlia Fernandez Mary Fioravanti Laura Fusto Gary Garcia

Paul Gerrick Michael Greco Marilyn Gutekenst Christian Harris Eileen Hawkins Cecilia Hawkins Billy Hooten John Janaro Stephen Jerome Donald Kerns Susan Kirby Tom Kosten Peggy Leonardi Maureen Lewis Christopher Martin Manuel Reves Martinez Deby Stears Carol B. May Laura McMahon Anthony Meador, Jr Edward Meinsen Merridee Michelsen Marie Miller Peter Monfasani Barbara Ann Orozco Carmela Rao Judy Ratigan

Manuel Reyes Avila Shoana Riccio John William Rice Mary Alice Rice Maggie Roberts Gabbi Rodgers Elaine Ryan Judy Samborsky Truman Sayre, Jr. Dan Schneible Jan Scott Mary Shaffer Sophie Shannon Sophie Sheppard Robin Spencer Anee Stanford Colleen Stivers Mary Ellen Sullivan Judith Thompson Suzanne Traeger Karen Waldron Nancy Wing Kathy Winkle John Yarborough Geneve Yarborough

Pope's Prayer Intention for August 2024 For Political Leaders We pray that political leaders be at the service of their

own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Please pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Active Military Prayer List

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

Zachary Francis Jasmine Frank Dustin Goard Kristina Grdina Steven Gregg Benjamin Gregory Jonathan Hamilton Steven Held, Jr. Daniel Heywood Peter Hickson Erik Hickson David Kelleher David Larsen Glen Lash Timothy Marra Joseph Marsch Christine Marsch Clement M. O'Reilly Daniel Nejia David Parnes Justice M. Parrott Jason Pettingill John C. Price

Jason Pugh Chris Reinhard Michael Reuwer Anthony Reves Jose Reyes Lxex Robles David Rogers Alex Rojas Bobby Saxon David Schmitt Forest Selby Paul Shannon Andrew Shorter Richard Skelton, Sr. Devon Smith Timothy Smith Sean Smith Keegan J. Thomas Brian Tilley Jamie Troutman Manuel A. Vicente Kieran Vieira Samatha Wilkinson Michael Wood Mark Zepeda

Dominican ROSARY Pilgrimage

September 28, 2024

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC

Visit rosarypilgrimage.org and follow us @dominicanrosary



Learn more and sign up!

Join the Dominican Friars and thousands of Catholics from across the country on pilgrimage to honor Our Lady and her Rosary!

Hear great preaching by Dominican Friars, spend time in Eucharistic Adoration, make a good confession, pray the Rosary, and end the day with Vigil Mass. Pick up your Rosary and join us for the second annual Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage on September 28, 2024 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC.

Sacred Music

at Saint John the Baptist

ORDINARY FORM MASSES

St. John the Baptist Church

Saint John's Singers

Mixed SATB—varied repertoire
Men of the choir sing the Gregorian Chant propers each Sunday

sings 10:30am Mass
ages 14 & up

rehearsals on Thursdays, 7:00-9:30pm

rehearsals begin September 19

• first choir Sunday is October 6

Saint John's Children's Choir

ages 8-13
sing selected 8:30am Masses (once/month)
learn to read/sing Gregorian Chant
develop proper vocal technique
understand music fundamentals
singing in unison and in parts
rehearsals on Thursdays, 4:30-5:30pm
rehearsals begin September 19

 Mrs. Christine Gbaba, director c.gbaba@sjtb.org TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

St. Thomas More Chapel at Chelsea Academy

Schola

Men's voices, ages 14 & up
Gregorian proper and ordinary chants
rehearsals on Sunday morning 30 minutes before Mass; additional rehearsals on selected Wednesdays as needed from 7:00-8:15pm

There will be a schola for each Mass on Sundays. The 8:00am Mass schola will be led by Dr. Alban; the 10:00am Mass schola will be led by Andrew Hill.

Children's Choir

- ages 8-18, treble voices
- sing selected 10:00am Masses
- learn to read/sing Gregorian Chant
 develop proper vocal technique
- understand music fundamentals
- singing in unison and in parts
- rehearsals on Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30pm
 - rehearsals begin September 18
 - Mrs. Rosie Hill, director
 - rosiehill425@gmail.com



ALL REHEARSALS TAKE PLACE IN FR. RUEHL HALL AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH. For more information, contact Dr. Jeffrey Alban, Director of Music & Organist: music@sjtb.org —OR— 540-635-3780 ext. 201

Women of Gt. John's

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A LADIES TEA

In support of the

Front Royal Pregnancy Center

AUGUST 24TH @2PM 373 MINERAL SPRINGS DR, FRONT ROYAL

Come and slow down with friends and a cup of tea for a good cause! Please visit QR code below for current needs. (Monetary donations welcome)





The Atrium is a place where a child can fall in love with God.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 Monthly Formation Course

At John XXIII Montessori Center, 1401 Linden St., Front Royal, VA



The Level I (3-6 years old) Atrium lays the foundation for the child's encounter with the Catholic community of faith. Held in a retreat-like format, this course for adults includes presentations, adult reflections, practice time, material making, and Montessori theory.

2024 dates: Sept 28-29, Oct 26-27, Nov 6-17, Dec 7-8



2025 dates: Jan 18-19, Feb 8-9, Mar 1-2, Apr 5-6, May 10, May 31-June 1 Saturdays: 9:30 am-4:30 pm, Sundays: 1:00-4:30 pm

Here's what participants in past courses have said:

"The Formation Leaders shared their reverence for God, respect for

children, and their knowledge and experience of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd."

"Loved everything. Life-changing. I so appreciated the calm, realistic, patient teaching."

"I have gained several insights into child development that help my husband and me to be better parents."



To register: <u>www.john23mcc.org/cgs-courses</u> Course questions: <u>laura@john23mcc.org</u> Sponsorships for St. John's parishioners available; contact David Wallace for more information: <u>dwallace@sitb.org</u>





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