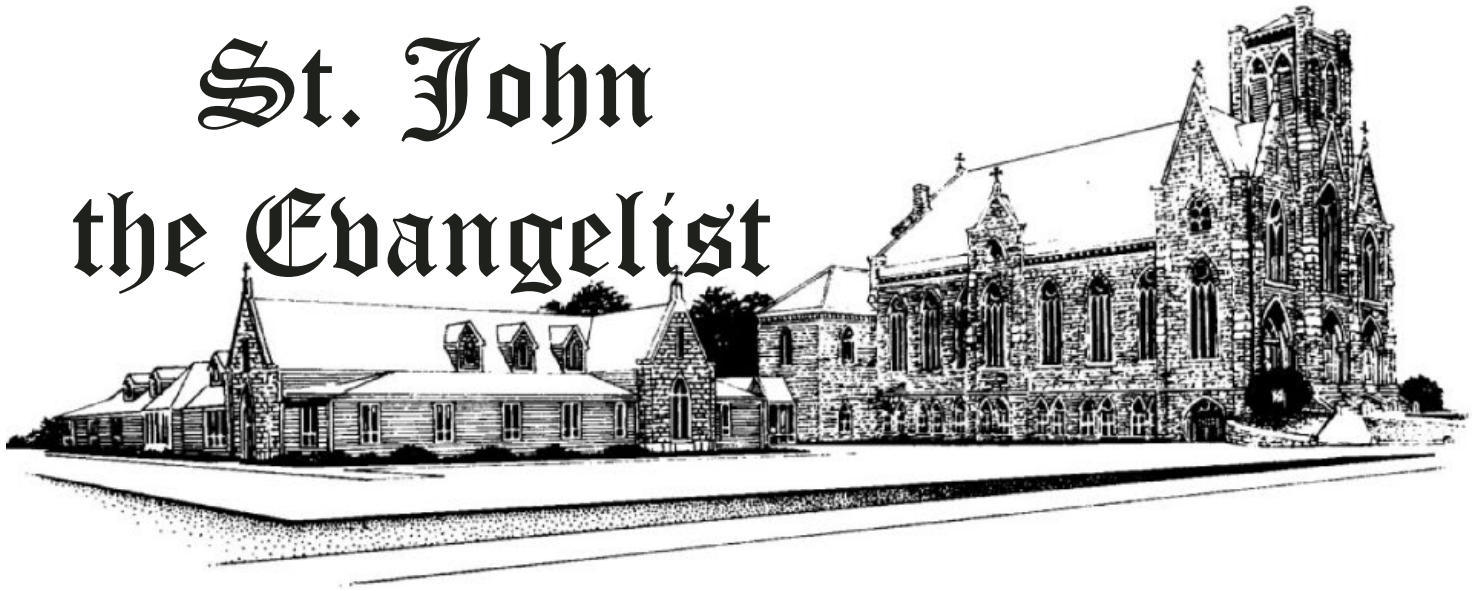


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Please introduce yourselves. We hope to know and serve you. We hope you become an active part of our Parish Community.

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM
Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 8:30-9:15 AM in the lower chapel

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11:30 AM
Please call for information

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

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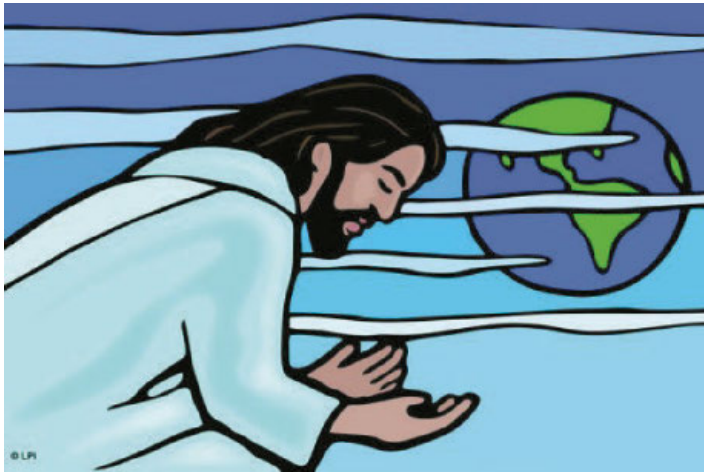
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PARISH "NEWS" DEADLINE

All copy must be submitted in writing no later than Monday noon. (Holiday weeks may require a longer lead time.)

ST. JOHN'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those that need a little help,
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“But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
- Mk 10:43-45

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, October 20, 2024:
Jer 31:7-9/ Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/
Heb 5:1-6/ Mk 10:46-52

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 250 in the pew missal.

MASST INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

4:00 PM Erica Richards

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:00 AM Thomas Brock

10:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

6:30 PM Celeste Morningstar

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

9:00 AM George R. Carlino

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00 AM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

9:00 AM Special Intention

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

9:00 AM Tina Banson

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:00 AM Anne Doucette

4:00 PM John McBride

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM Peter Nute

6:30 PM For our confirmation candidates

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 9AM Mass in the lower church every Tuesday and Friday, beginning with the Litany to our Blessed Mother. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited at 11:45AM followed by Benediction. Please feel free to drop in for a visit.

Join Us For Coffee, Donuts and Conversation COFFEE HOUR

St. John's parish family invites you to join us for coffee and conversation in the parish center following the 10AM Mass this Sunday.

2nd collection **THIS** weekend
Parish Upkeep & Maintenance

2nd collection **NEXT** weekend
World Mission Sunday

Altar Server Training

All young people, in 4th grade and older, who would like to be altar servers, are invited to attend an instruction **THIS Sunday, October 13**, after the 10AM Mass, at **11:15AM** in the upper church. The instruction will last about 1 hour.

Knights of Columbus, Bishop Rice Council #4822 Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus is holding its annual Tootsie Roll Drive to raise money to help intellectually challenged individuals worldwide. The Knights will be outside after all Masses **THIS WEEKEND** collecting spare change to support this worthy cause. Please consider sparing what you can to support their mission. Thank you in advance for your donations which will help us serve those with intellectual & physical disabilities. For information on joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Grand Knight Joe Altman (joealtman@verizon.net) or 508-380-0163) or visit www.bishopricekoc.org/join.

Looking for a Christmas Gift?

Fleece jackets with the St. John's emblem will be available to order for the next two weeks only. Full-zip jackets are \$50 and half-zip jackets are \$35. They must be paid for when you place your order (check or cash). Place an order after Mass **THIS weekend or NEXT weekend**.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

There will be a holy hour of Divine Mercy **every Monday from 6:30-7:30PM in the lower church**. All are welcome.

Third Thursday Holy Hour for Priests

Thursday, October 17

7PM, lower chapel

For many holy priests, and in reparation for the sins of the clergy
Exposition, Rosary, short meditation, silent prayer, petitions, chaplet for priests, Benediction

Holy Hour for Life

7PM Friday, October 25

Please join us in prayer for the most vulnerable!

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated **8:30-9:15AM in the lower church THIS Saturday, October 19.**



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish, please introduce yourself. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will support your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents. Please call the Parish Office (435-3313x203) to register.



Please Remember in Prayer

All confined, all in need of healing...Please pray for all deceased and their families...Our servicemen and women, and their families, and all who suffer in embattled countries.

JOIN ST. JOHN'S CHOIR

Come sing with the choir for Christmas and all the events leading up to it. No experience or prior knowledge is necessary. We are looking for people who love to sing and are willing to lift their voices to the glory of God. We will be learning some traditional choral anthems and hymns of the church. **Rehearsals take place in the choir loft on Sundays from 9:05AM to 9:45AM.** We would love to have you join us! If you have any questions, please contact Berni Nadeau at momandberni@gmail.com.

Monday Zoom Rosary

Monday evenings at 7PM. This 30 minutes once a week provides a quiet and reflective time. You also pray in the comfort of your home but with a community of faith praying with you. Try it out. All are welcome! Contact Deacon Guy (deaconguy@verizon.net) for more information and Zoom link.

St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative Are Pro-life State Laws Preventing Pregnant Women from Receiving Emergency Care?

"A flurry of news articles and reports from pro-abortion medical organizations highlighting poor quality medical care in pro-life states have raised concerns that state laws may be preventing pregnant women from obtaining necessary care in medical emergencies...While it is not always easy to determine from a news article whether medical malpractice occurred, pro-life state laws are clear: doctors can intervene in medical emergencies."

- "All pro-life state laws allow doctors to exercise their medical judgment to treat women with pregnancy emergencies.
- Every state with a strong pro-life law permits doctors to treat women suffering from spontaneous miscarriages or ectopic pregnancies, and the treatment of these conditions is not considered an abortion under any law.
- Doctors and hospitals who fail to provide patients with necessary treatment in emergency circumstances may be committing malpractice."

https://lozierinstitute.org/fact-sheet-are-pro-life-state-laws-preventing-pregnant-women-from-receiving-emergency-care/?utm_campaign=CLI_Monthly



Religious Education Classes

Religious Education Classes will begin after Columbus Day. **All grades will begin the week of October 20.**

Sunday classes for grades 1-6 will begin on October 20 from 8:45AM-9:45AM;

Monday classes for grade 6 will begin on October 21 from 2:45PM-3:45PM;

Monday classes for grades 1-4 will begin on October 21 from 4:30PM-5:30PM;

Tuesday classes for Grade 2 will begin on October 22 from 4:30PM-5:30PM;

Grade 2 parent meetings will take place during the first class on opening week;

Grade 10 will begin on Sunday, October 20, with students only from 5:15PM-6:20PM followed by Mass at 6:30PM;

Grade 9 will begin on Monday, October 21, with a parent and student meeting from 7-8PM;

Grades 7 & 8 will begin on Tuesday, October 22, with students only from 6:30PM-7:30PM.

Emails have gone out to parents with lots of information for all grades (Grades 1-10) so please check your emails.

If you signed up to home-school your own child, Grades 1 & 3-8, you may pick up your book on any of the following days/times: Sunday, November 3, 9AM-11:30AM; Monday, November 4, 9:30AM-4PM; Tuesday, November 5, 9:30AM-2PM; Wednesday, November 6, 9:30AM-4 PM

We will send a reminder via email to those that signed up to home-school. Tuition can be paid by going to the parish website and clicking on online giving, scroll down to Events, click on Religious Education. Please note: tuition should be paid upon attending class or picking up home school books. If there is a financial situation, please contact the Religious Education Office at dlysikstjn@verizon.net.

PLEASE NOTE: Parishioners are reminded that parents or caregivers need to accompany small children to the restroom to ensure their safety and hygiene. Their reassuring presence provides support and supervision to address any issues that may arise while the child is alone.

FORMED Subscription

As of November 12, St. John's will no longer have a parish subscription to FORMED. If you would like to sign up for an individual subscription, visit Formed.org.

SPARHAWK ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

October 19th 1PM-3PM

Sparhawk Academy is a Catholic liberal arts school for boys in grades 3-8. Set on 60 acres in Millis, a Sparhawk education prioritizes hands-on learning and a deep appreciation of the natural world. Through our mentoring, craftsmanship, and entrepreneurship programs, Sparhawk Academy prepares young men to serve as leaders in our society with their strength of mind, heart, and imagination.

OCTOBER 13, 2024

CROSS ROADS

By Deacon Tony

Wisdom 7: 7-11; Psalm 90: 12-17;

Hebrews 4: 12-13; Mark 10: 17-30

In today's reading from the Book of Wisdom, and in today's psalm, wisdom of heart and prudence were more important to Solomon than material possessions and riches like gold and silver. All such material riches are subject to corruption. Building treasure in heaven through our faith and good works are what we really need. In Paul's letter to the Hebrews, we learn that the word of God is "living and effective." and it can penetrate spirit and soul. Thus, the LORD knows us better than we know ourselves. We can run but we cannot hide. Wisdom and discernment help us to better understand the word of God, not just to make good decisions, but to discern, which is to understand what the LORD wants each of us to do.

In today's gospel, a well-meaning young man wants to know what he can do to inherit eternal life. Jesus reminded him of the commandments. The young man told Jesus that he has observed the commandments from his youth. Jesus then told the young man that what he should do now is to sell what he has and give to the poor to have treasure in heaven. As well-meaning as he was, contrary to what Solomon decided, the young man walked away sad because he had many possessions. Jesus responded and astonished his disciples by telling them how hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God. But he added that nothing was impossible with God: a ray of hope.

It is not the riches that make it so difficult, it is the selfish attachment to material riches and possessions, and failure to share when one can that can cause the difficulty. But let us remember that riches are not limited to material wealth. God given talents are riches meant to be shared, as so many of you already do: such as music and art which enhance our experience of worship and can inspire and bestow peace. Knowledge of the faith can be used to help with religious education. Empathy can be used to help with what other people are suffering. Time and leadership can be used to protect life and can help with providing for the poor and the hungry. Acknowledging and encouraging other people in their efforts can help to bestow hope and confidence. In other words, seek the riches that are bestowed from above and share them with other people. And beware of being too interested in, and holding on too tightly to the material possessions offered by this world. Finally, I am reminded of something an old priest friend of mine used to say: "Live more simply so that others can simply live."





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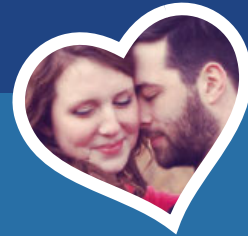


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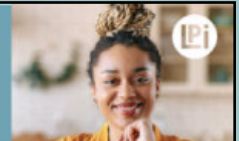
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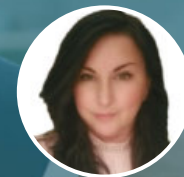
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