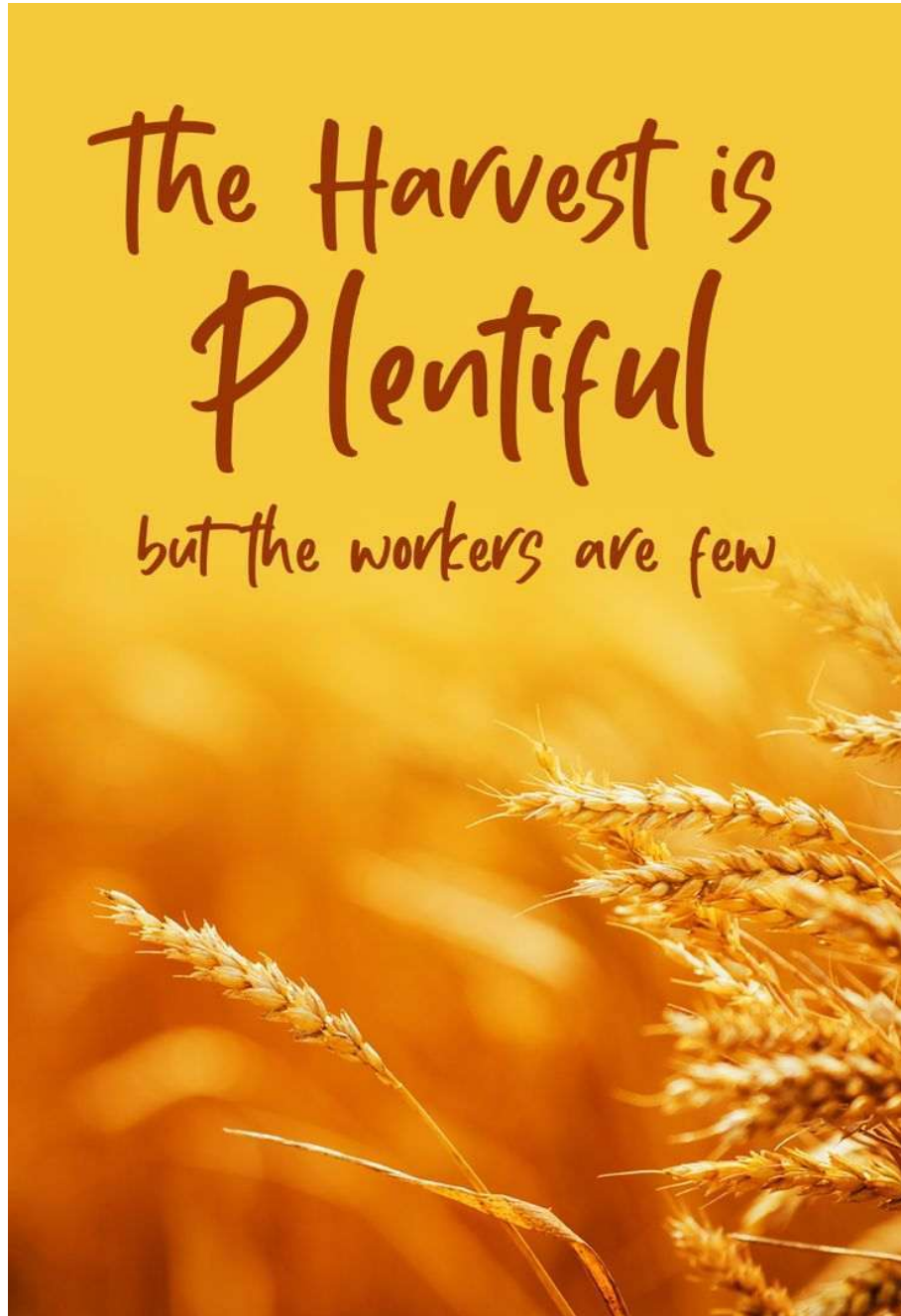


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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am  
Mon- Fri: 9:00am (Thursday at old St. John’s Church)  
Holy Days: 9:00am & 7:00pm  
CONFESSION: Saturdays 4:15pm - 4:45pm or by appt.

Register in the Parish Please contact the Parish Office to register when you move into our parish.

Certificates of Eligibility to act as Godparent or Sponsor may be issued only to registered parishioners who have been registered here at St. John the Baptist Parish at least six months, are 16 yrs. and older, have received all their Sacraments of Initiation, and are actively practicing their faith in our parish. If married, your marriage must have been witnessed and blessed by a Catholic Priest or have special permission approved by the Archbishop. A person who has left the Catholic Faith for any reason is not eligible to be a sponsor and, therefore, we cannot issue a Certificate of Eligibility.

BAPTISMS: The Sacrament of Baptism may be scheduled to take place on a Saturday at 10am or 11am; or on a Sunday at 11:45am (immediately following the 10:30am Mass). Parents and at least one Godparent are to attend our Enrichment class prior to the Baptism. You will need to call the Parish Office to register for this class. Godparents must be committed, practicing Catholics, over the age of 16, and if from another parish, must provide a Certificate of Eligibility from their pastor. A Christian of another denomination may serve as a Christian Witness alongside a Catholic Godparent.

MARRIAGE: The Sacrament of Matrimony Mass may be celebrated no later than 1pm on Saturdays. Couples planning marriage are to contact the Parish Office & schedule a meeting with our Pastor no later than 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date. Couples are to attend a Pre-Cana program approved by our Diocese.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office at any time to request a visit from our Pastor for Anointing of the Sick. Communion will be brought to the sick and homebound by our Pastor or one of our Communion Ministers upon request.  
We celebrate a Communal Anointing of the Sick in June, near the Feast of St. John the Baptist.



Mass Intentions  
Week of July 7<sup>th</sup> - July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Monday: Intentions of Sharon Glick (Jim & Joan Black)  
Tuesday: † Lorraine Paquette (Tony & Janet Souza)  
Wednesday: † The Souls in Purgatory (Jim & Joan Black)  
Thursday: † Marie Louzon (Georgina Puente)  
Friday: Intentions of Kathy Angello (Donna Sciacca)

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5pm: Parishioners’ Intentions  
Sunday 8am: † Betty Wismer (Husband Ed)  
Sunday 10:30am: † John Zdanowicz (Chris Zdanowicz)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Mon–Fri 9am–5pm

To plan a Baptism, Wedding, Funeral, private Confession, please contact our Pastor, Fr. Selvaraj Lucas, through the Parish Office.

WEEKLY MASS COLLECTIONS

June 29<sup>th</sup> - Envelopes & E-Giving not available due to early bulletin submission.

WEEKLY MINISTRY MEETINGS

Wed. Jul 09: Flame of Love - Chapel - 8am  
Wed. Jul 09: Prayers of Petition\* - Chapel & Zoom - 6:30pm  
\* EMAIL LAURA AT sibevangel@stjohnsottsville.org TO JOIN IN PRAYER, OR TO SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS.

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

O Jesus! My Lord and My God!  
I trust in you, O Prince of Peace!  
I pray that you will help all people of this world to be united as one with You as Our Lord and Savior!  
Jesus, I trust in You!



GOD’S BLESSINGS ON THE BAPTISM OF Jack Arlo Ho  
Baptized on June 21, 2025

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Nearly 38 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.

## From Your Pastor

Today, the Church provides us with the Word that richly inspires us. All three readings are knit together to make us aware that we, all people, are very much loved and cared for by God, and have been endowed with an everlasting treasure of love, peace, joy and brotherhood.

Today we are called to become special agents of God with a particular mission; that is to bring reign of God into the world. It implies establishing peace, joy, and love in all walks of our life and relationships: namely in personal life, in other's life and in the environment.

Every one of us is gifted with love, peace, and joy from our birth. Our original nature is to love and to be loved, to be peaceful and to make peace, be joyous and bring joy to others. We are here primarily to care and to share our love with all people and with nature. But, in the course of life, we forget them and go after futile things; and make life unhappy, peace-less, and sorrowful. Today we are all called to realize this powerful gift we have within each one of us. If we realize them, nothing from the futile world can prevent us from bringing the reign of God.

We are only a few who have realized it. So 'harvest is plenty, but laborers are few.' Today is the time, right here and now, to open the treasure of love, peace and joy and share it generously with others, and with the environment.

Lord! Help us to become the channel of peace, joy and love for ourselves, others, and the environment.

**Yours in Jesus Christ,**

**Rev. S. Lucas MSC**

**Pastor, St. John the Baptist Parish**



### PRAYERS TO ST. PEREGRINE

Every Tuesday morning, following the 9am Mass, we will be praying to St. Peregrine for those who are suffering from cancer and other diseases.

*Please join us in praying for all who are suffering.*

### Holy Communion for the Sick & Homebound



**Are you or a family member unable to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion? If you'd like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Parish Office at 610-847-5521.**

**We will make arrangements to bring the Lord to you.**



**Please consider a leaving a legacy to St. John the Baptist Parish. A gift to SJB in your will enables you to support the Church and makes a difference in the lives of future generations.**

*Thank you. God bless.*



We will be having **Christmas in July** for 2 weekends:

**July 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>.**

Homemade or re-gifted items are needed. All proceeds will be used for the maintenance of our Parish. Thank you!

**Please contact Kim Zampirri @ 215-260-7592**



**Join the  
Cleaning Team!**

**Wk. of July 6<sup>th</sup>  
TEAM 3**

*This is a once per month commitment.*

### NEXT WEEKEND - PLEASE STOP BY! PARISH SOCIAL AFTER MASS



Next weekend we will have a Parish Social after each Mass. All are welcome to stay, enjoy hospitality & get to know your church family.

We will be selling and taking orders for gift cards after all the Masses next weekend, July 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. Please visit us in the Narthex to get your order form and sign-up for program benefits!



## Dear Friends of The Lord's Pantry-



With summer vacation upon us, would you please consider donating snacks children will enjoy such as:

**Granola Bars**  
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**God bless, The Lord's Pantry Volunteers**



**Calling all Walkers, Runners, Hikers, Bikers, Athletes, Fitness Buffs, and anyone needing exercise, for a fun morning and a worthwhile cause!!!**

### REACH OUT TO SERVE SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING!

Sign up in the Narthex to join the SJB TEAM that is meeting -

**WHEN:** Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM!

**WHERE:** Nockamixon State Park Marina at the Bike/Walking Path

**WHAT:** Hike or Bike your choice of 1.5 miles (to the boat rental) or 3 miles (to the waterfall).

**WHY:** To log your distance that will unlock funds from sponsors of WORTHWHILE.\* The more people who participate, the more miles logged, and more funds donated. So, sign up family and friends!!!

\*WORTHWHILE = a local, restorative program for survivors of human trafficking. WORTHWHILE offers a comprehensive response to healing through:

- 1) The "Worth It" Program - an educational and empowerment program for women who have experienced sexual trauma from exploitation, trafficking, or prostitution.
- 2) The Well - a restorative safe house located in Upper Bucks County offering counseling, life skills training, community, and much more.
- 3) Worthwhile Thrift Stores - places for vocational training of survivors, as well as financial support for programs.

For more information, to donate, or to volunteer, visit [Worthwhile.org](https://www.worthwhile.org).

## Event: Paint & Sip Night for Single Catholic Women

**Saturday, July 19, 2025 - 6pm**

Join Blessed Emilina for a night of fellowship, prayer, and fun! Local Catholic artist Cydney Bittner will be leading us through a night of painting sacred art and connecting with like-minded Catholic women. This event is BYO food and drinks, so bring your faves, bring your friends, and come have a good time!

**Location:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel 235 E State St, Doylestown, PA 18901

**RSVP:** <https://forms.gle/22yqZh3S5rbHX4X99>

**More info:** Email Aurora Pomales at [blessedemilina@gmail.com](mailto:blessedemilina@gmail.com)



## PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**2025 – 2026 Registration is Open for PREP**  
**Classes Begin Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Class time: 6:15 – 7:30pm Monday in the school**

Registration Forms for Returning Students for 2025-26 have been mailed. Parents of New Students of any grade level for 2025-26 should contact the Parish Office: [prep@stjohnsottsville.org](mailto:prep@stjohnsottsville.org) OR 610-847-5521.

Parents/Guardians of 7<sup>th</sup> grade students, who are parishioners of St. John the Baptist Church who are attending Catholic School and who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. John the Baptist Church in 2026, should contact the Director of Religious Education at [prep@stjohnsottsville.org](mailto:prep@stjohnsottsville.org) by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

### SACRAMENT DATES 2025-26:

FIRST PENANCE – Saturday, December 6, 2025  
at 10:30 A.M.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Saturday, April 25, 2026  
at 10:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION – Saturday, May 2, 2026  
at 5:00 P.M. Mass  
Bishop John J. Mc Intyre

## Mental Health Minute

Depression is the leading cause of disability worldwide.

"Anxiety and depression weigh heavily on the lives of many people.... There is hope, though. I speak from experience. I have been on my own mental health journey that has taken me to the depths of darkness and then back to a life in which I once again experience joy and an even deeper love for our Lord." - A Future with Hope, Bishop James D. Conley, Diocese of Lincoln


**87.9% of adolescents and adults reported difficulty with work, home, or social activities due to their depression symptoms**

[https://www.adaa.org/understanding-anxiety/depression/facts-statistics/crises/www.eidc.gov/ncba/pressroom/ncba\\_press\\_releases/2023/20230410.htm](https://www.adaa.org/understanding-anxiety/depression/facts-statistics/crises/www.eidc.gov/ncba/pressroom/ncba_press_releases/2023/20230410.htm)

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**Saturday, October 18, 2025, 9am-4:00pm**

At this year's conference, we will explore the beauty of our feminine genius and the unique position of Catholic women, transformed by Christ, to bring the light of the Gospel to a society that no longer knows it needs Him.





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OUR SICK:

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If you would like a prayer shawl for yourself or for someone you know,  
please call the Parish Office at 610-847-5521 or email [tojo@epix.net](mailto:tojo@epix.net).

If someone no longer needs prayers, please advise the Parish Office so that we may keep the list up to date.

OUR TROOPS:



May God protect and watch over our troops



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A Prayer for OUR FIRST RESPONDERS:

Lord, please watch over all the men & women who work as first responders. We pray for their safety and that they return to their families at the end of each shift. We give thanks for their selfless service, compassion and care for everyone. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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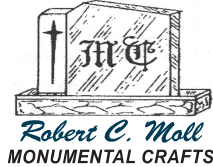
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