

June 30th, 2024 – 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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: May be issued only to registered parishioners who currently reside within our parish boundaries, who have been registered parishioners at least six months, are 16 yrs. and older, who have received all of their Sacraments of Initiation, and are actively practicing their faith in our parish.

BAPTISMS: The Sacrament of Baptism may be scheduled to take place on a Saturday at 10am or 11am; or on a Sunday



following at 11:45am. 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 1st – July 7th, 2024

Monday: + Camille Burig (*Mike & Mary Kosmin*)
Tuesday: + George Reber (*Lisa Simkanin*)
Wednesday: + Charles E. Fees (*His Children*)
Thursday: **INDEPENDENCE DAY**
Parishioners' Intentions & + Bill Saxton
Friday: + Bill Saxton (*His Loving Wife Lisa*)

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5pm: + Marie Louzon (*Georgina Puente*)
Sunday 8am: + Bill Saxton (*A Friend*)
Sunday 10:30am: Parishioners' Intentions

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Mon–Fri 9am–5pm
THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, JULY 4TH IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

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

WEEKLY MASS COLLECTIONS

June 23rd Envelopes \$3,482 * E-Giving \$1,551
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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEETINGS

Wed. July 03: Intercessory Prayer – Chapel - 6:30pm

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!



1st Friday Adoration

Begins July 5th after the 9am Mass and concludes Saturday morning at 9:00am Benediction & Mass



GOD'S BLESSINGS ON THE BAPTISMS OF

Oliver Michael Mazza
and
Michael Joseph Soder, III

FROM YOUR PASTOR

**I BELIEVE IF YOU KEEP YOUR FAITH,
YOU KEEP YOUR TRUST, YOU KEEP
THE RIGHT ATTITUDE; IF YOU'RE
GRATEFUL, YOU'LL SEE GOD OPEN UP
NEW DOORS - Joel Osteen.**

The Gospel tells us that faith in God is the basis of miracles, which we see in the healings of a woman and Jairus' daughter. The woman, who suffered from hemorrhage, approached secretly believing that Jesus would heal her if only she touched His clothes. She knew Jesus was the Son of God. Jesus could feel the touch of faith as the power had gone out of Him. When Jesus turned around and asked who touched His clothes, she apparently understood His intense look that He knew everything.

In another scene, people had lost hope as Jairus' daughter had passed away before Jesus could reach their house. Yet it was through Jairus' faith that the child was saved. Where there is life, there is hope. But with God, we must also believe that where there is death, there is hope as well.

We must trust God like a little baby, who laughs when tossed in the air by her daddy knowing that he will catch her. People, who have deep faith in God experience healing and see marvelous things in every day of life. In whatever situation we are, we believe God heals us. The Good News is that we can believe in Jesus, who is always walking with us. Even if we can't touch His clothes, we can believe in the presence of Jesus in our life.

Sincerely in Our Lord

REV. S. LUCAS MSC

Pastor, St. John the Baptist Parish

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen.

PRAYERS TO ST. PEREGRINE



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

Please join us in praying for all who are suffering.

Holy Communion for the Sick & Homebound



Are you or your family member(s) unable to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion? If you would 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.



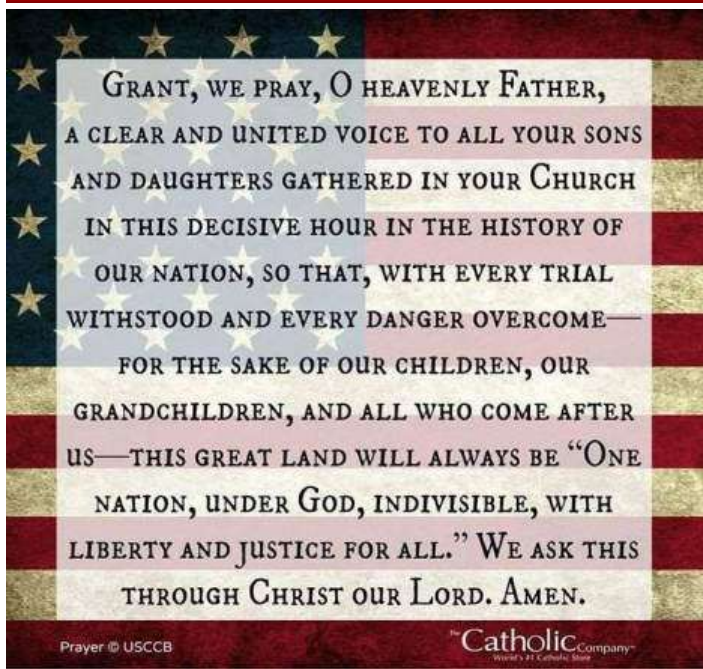
PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

for children who attend public school, private non-Catholic school, or at-home secular learning experiences, is provided at St. John the Baptist on Monday evenings from September through May.

Any family not yet registered should contact the Director of Religious Education at 610-847-5521 or prep@stjohnsottsville.org

The SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be celebrated at St. John the Baptist Church on Saturday, March 15th, 2025, during the Vigil Mass.

Adults and Youth 7th grade or older, who are baptized practicing Catholics, who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2025, and who are not presently enrolled in P.R.E.P., are asked to call the Parish Office at 610-847-5521 to declare intention to receive the Sacrament by September 1st or email: prep@stjohnsottsville.org



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Our Father Stommel Council #4545 meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays at 7:30pm. For information or to join, contact Grand Knight Frank Balbirer or email KofC4545@aol.com



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**Saturday, October 19, 2024
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

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THIS CONFERENCE IS EXPECTED TO SELL OUT IN LATE SEPTEMBER.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

To receive a group discount, please register in the narthex **NO LATER THAN Monday August 19, 2024.** Payment must be received in advance in order to be registered.

PLEASE DIRECT QUESTIONS TO LAURA AT SJBEVANGEL@STJOHNSOTTVILLE.ORG

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3:10pm conclusion

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see stpaulcenter.com/lansdale2024

**SPIRIT OF PHILADELPHIA
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Friday, September 6th, 2024



The bus departs Senior Center at 9:45 AM.

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JULY 6TH & 7TH, 2024

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	Communion Minister	Lector	Altar Server	Music Ministry
SATURDAY 5PM	Weez Roney Dave Slifer	Anne Slifer	Martin & Rita Elsner Brady Mattle	Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 8AM	Jackie Butler Bea Romaszewski	Marie Burke	Alaina Butler Need 2 Volunteers	Needed
SUNDAY 10:30AM	Joan Black Anne Luna	Tony Luna	Melissa & Khloe Demusz Fatu Logaivau	Echoes of Christ



PLEASE PRAY FOR...



OUR SICK:

Baby Conner & his Parents, Roger Bahnck Sr., John Becker, Wanda Bickel, Loretta Bodisch, Lillian Buckley, Katie Carty, Steve & Patty Combs, Lou Cooper, Barbara Docs, Marvin Eichlin, Joe Fekete, Melanie Fioretta, Betty Fleck, Ron Freeland, Gabriella Froehlich, Jean Furmaniak, Marie & Rosalyn Giardullo, Peg Glancey, Kathy & Mark Hancharik, Maryann Hauber, Stephen Holznagel, Sylvia Holznagel, Sheila Haney Kaisen, John Klinges, Pat Kreschollek, Chris Leahy, Mark Leidtke, Nate Leidtke, Ray Malachowski, Roseann McCarty, Xavier McDonald, Bridget McHugh, Joyce Melchiore, Michael Moreni, Kay Mule, Nancy Moreno, Helene Nastro, Jimmy O’Hanlon, Jeff Olimpo, Robert Parash, Erin Rogers Pickering, Janet Reidler, Barbara Sabath, Adriana Salvucci, Thomas Shepherd, Bella Sosa, Tony Souza, Don Stahley, Simon Tirpok, Fr. Joseph Tobias, MSC, Bambina Ventresca, Helen Wall, Ed Wismer

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

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May God protect and watch over our troops.



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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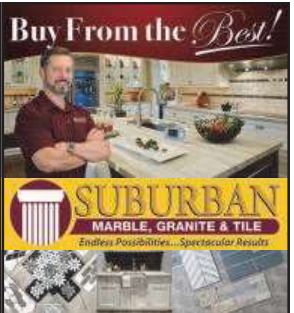
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