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Roman Catholic Church

Ascension of the Lord

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord • May 12, 2024

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OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:

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Sunday Mass Schedule

**Saturday** — 5:30pm  
**Sunday** — 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

Daily Mass Schedule

**Mon.— Friday** — 7:00am & 8:30am  
**Saturday** — 8:30am

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Contact Us

Office Hours:  
Monday–Thursday: 9:00am–3:00pm

Phone & Email

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Religious Education Office

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**SJA CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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**PRINCIPAL**

Dr. Deborah Egan



Spotlight on the Gospel

Mk. 16:15-20

The Acts of the Apostles begins with the Ascension of the Lord. Jesus tells the apostles: But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. At the end of the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells the apostles: Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. This is called the great commission. Jesus commissioned the apostles and us as well, to be a living witness of the His love lived out in our lives – wherever we are – at home, work, school, in the neighborhood etc. Each one of us may be called to do this in a different way. We witness to Jesus Christ by responding to the needs of the least of our brothers and sisters in Christ, by not holding grudges and forgiving, by not complaining and being patient, by enduring with trust in Jesus the many sacrifices we are called to make as a parent, husband or wife, care provider etc., by not allowing fear, anxiety or worry to dominate us, but remembering Jesus’s promise that He is with us always. The Ascension is about taking seriously Jesus’s great commission, which He entrusted to us at the time of our Baptism.

For the Lord, the Most High, the awesome, is the great king over the earth....For king of all the earth is God; sing hymns of praise. God reigns over the nations. We are to live for and in Jesus Christ. This is what it means to make Him our king. Jesus Christ sits at the right hand of the Father... far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. Our call is to share in His glory. Let us hold fast to our call, persevering in the mission given to us by Jesus Christ - to witness to His love. Come Holy Spirit!





# MilAve

## Devotion

Msgr. McGuinness Center

11am 5/18/24



Social Concerns Sandwich drive

Please have sandwiches  
by the garage doors  
by

9:00 a.m. on 5/24/24

Thank you for your kindness



The Archdiocese excited to announce that we are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of valid marriage in 2024

Anniversary masses will be celebrated by Cardinal Tobin at the 12 noon mass in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart

June 2, 2024 12:00pm 50 years

May 5, 2024 12:00pm 5 years & 25 years



Contact the Rectory to register with the Family Life office



**ST JOHN THE APOSTLE**

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**MOTHER'S DAY  
50/50 RAFFLE**

TICKET PRICE \$100

**ONE GRAND  
PRIZE WINNER  
50% OF GROSS PROCEEDS**

DRAWING TO BE HELD AT 1 P.M.  
SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024  
IN THE SISTER DONNA MARIE O'BRIEN  
AUDITORIUM  
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE  
BACK OF THE CHURCH  
AND AT THE RECTORY.**

PLEASE RETURN TICKET STUBS, MONEY, AND  
ANY UNUSED TICKETS BY MAY 6, 2024.

NET PROCEEDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ST. JOHN  
THE APOSTLE PARISH COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

I.D. 255-01-00062

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# Supporting Our Parish

Stewardship of Treasure  
May 5, 2024

Tithing	\$ 8,479.00
Weekly Online Giving	\$ 2,455.00
Total	\$10,934.00

*Thank you for your constant generosity*

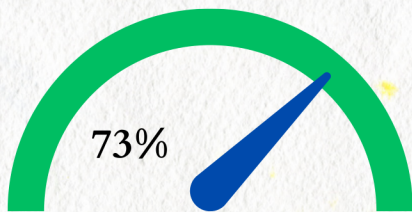
## Online Giving

Your generosity helps us to continue the mission here at St. John's and to provide opportunities to pray, learn, serve and grow as a community of faith. Our online platform allows you to give online with just the touch of a button on your smartphone or on your computer.



Electronic giving will help you get accurate statements sooner and save the parish money in envelopes and postage. It is easy to start giving online, simply scan the QR code above and sign up today.

## ANNUAL <sup>2024</sup> APPEAL



So far we have collected,  
\$47,700 or 71% of our  
\$66,472 goal.



## PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL



“In the Mass and in Eucharistic Adoration we meet the merciful love of God that passes through the Heart of Jesus Christ.” — Pope John Paul II

Sign up to be an Adorer today  
Email: [Adoration@sjanj.net](mailto:Adoration@sjanj.net)  
<http://www.sjanj.net/pea/>  
Call the Rectory (908) 486-6363





# PRAYER INTENTIONS AND SACRAMENTS

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024

5:30 pm Ernesto Bayuga

### SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024

8:00 am People of the Parish

10:00 am People of the Parish

12:00 pm People of the Parish

### MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024

7:00 am George Vera

8:30 am Tecla A. Barcas

### TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024

7:00 am Genevieve & Marion Malik

8:30 am Marguerite & Richard Canavan

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024

7:00 am Tom Potenza

8:30 am Egan/Murzenski families

### THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024

7:00 am Pat & Joe Moore

8:30 am Angelo DiMaria

### FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024

7:00 am Emmanuel Francisco Racelis

8:30 am Jane Marino

### SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024

8:30 am Intentions of Jon Schnur

Noelia Pagan

Juan Velez

Marie Mullery

Madeline Urbanovich

5:30 pm John & Joan Bernacki

### SUNDAY MAY 19, 2024

8:00 am Anna Spisak&Elizabeth Milochik

10:00 am Jerry Derillo

12:00 pm People of the Parish

## ALTAR CANDLES

Theresa Archer

## TABERNACLE CANDLES

Robert Wilson

## BREAD AND WINE

Intentions of Elisa & Keith

## SANCTUARY

Helen Bast

**FLOWERS** Irene Desiderio

## ADORATION CANDLES ONE SET-

Mary & Andrew Lipstock

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Helen Angelo, Willys J. Arbelo, Ricardo Bravo, Timothy Carroll, James Desiderio, Josephine DiMaria, June Fellmann, Hailey Galvez, Louise Helder, William Heyder, Laura Hudak, Cynthia Ingman, Karen Kaspersn, Francis Kuczynski, Charles Le Poidevin, Emma Makowski, John McGuire, Leonarda Merlo, Karen Miller, Thomas Moore, Helen Mullady, Joe Patton, Judith Pond, Joyce Rawlinson, Rudy Rohlik, Anne Svonavic, Daniele Wludyka

### Please Note:

For privacy reasons and HIPAA regulations, names may only be added by **members of the immediate family** after they have received permission of the one who is sick.

In the event of serious illness or hospitalization, the rectory should be notified. Visits to the sick and shut-ins are made by the priests, deacons and ministers of the Eucharist. It is not necessary for someone to be "gravely ill" to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

## BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the last Sunday of every month, to register please call the rectory go to our website, or scan the QR code.



## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturday, 1:00-2:00pm

Feel free to approach a priest after any mass or make an appointment by calling the rectory (908) 486-6363

## MARRIAGE

Please reach out to the rectory as soon as the engagement is announced and we will help to begin the preparation. We look forward to accompanying you in this exciting time.

## HOMEBOUND COMMUNION CALLS

If you or someone you know is homebound or unable to attend Mass in person and would like to have a Eucharistic minister bring Communion at home, please reach out to Deacon Michael York at myork@sjanj.net. We will make arrangements for Communion visits.

## BEREAVEMENT GROUP

There will be a support group for those grieving the death of a loved one to be held at St. John the Apostle. The group will provide a Christ-centered experience to those grieving the loss of a loved one. The group will offer a caring, compassionate, confidential atmosphere for the sharing of experiences. If you are interested in joining us, or if you would like more information about the group contact: Deacon Mike at (732) 388-1253 or myork@sjanj.net. All calls are confidential. Pre-registration is required.

## BECOMING A FULLY INITIATED CATHOLIC

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) introduces adults to the Catholic faith and tradition, as well as prepares adults for receiving the Sacraments. The RCIA process is one of study, exploration, faith sharing and faith formation. The RCIA Process is for adults who seek full initiation in the Catholic Church, including those who have never been baptized, and those who have not yet received all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Learn more on our website:

[www.sjanj.net/religious-education/](http://www.sjanj.net/religious-education/)