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July 9, 2023 - Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Altar & Rosary News & Dues

Ladies, an invitation for a great opportunity to serve our parish! **We have two openings for co-presidents.** *PLEASE pray about this faith-based opportunity.* "OH YES", a wonderful quiet space to pray is in OUR ROSARY GARDEN, just outside the chapel.

Mass Music

Saturday 5:00 PM - *Bill & Sean*
Gathering: BB # TBA
"Gloria " # 914
Psalm: BB # 175 "I will praise your name forever."
Gifts: BB # TBA
"Holy, Holy, Holy" #917 "We Proclaim Your Death" #918
"Amen" #921 "Lamb of God" #922
Communion: BB # TBA
Sending Forth: BB # TBA

Sunday 9:00 AM - *St. John's Choir*
Gathering: BB # 421 "All Are Welcome"
"Gloria " # 914
Psalm: BB # 175 "I will praise your name forever."
Gifts: BB # 400 "Be Thou My Vision"
"Holy, Holy, Holy" #917 "We Proclaim Your Death" #918
"Amen" #921 "Lamb of God" #922
Communion: BB # 322 "Look Beyond" BB # 332 "Gift of Finest Wheat"
Sending Forth: BB # 739 "Lead Me, Lord"

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 and 9:00 am

ROSARY
Sunday: 8:40 am

WEEKDAYS
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday: 8:15 am
Thursday: 6:00 pm
Holland Farms Senior Living:
3rd Wednesday of the Month: 10:00 am

HOLY HOUR - ROSARY & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Thursday: 4:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 4:00-4:30 pm or by appointment

This Sunday's Readings

2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16a
Hospitality extended to Elisha will be rewarded.

Psalm 89:2-3,16-19
Sing God's praises forever.

Romans 6:3-4,8-11
Through Christ we are dead to sin but alive in God.

Matthew 10:37-42
Jesus outlines the costs and rewards of discipleship.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Jacki Swanson, friend of Anna Cimino; Anonymous; Don Cain, Taryn Menning, sister of Taylor Schulte; Glenn Soyer; Ron Minard, brother of Clyde Minard; Walter & David Minard, sons of Clyde & Ursula Minard; Shirley Harper, friend of Irene Glade; Lyle Battleson; Alissa & Spencer Phillips, daughter-in-law and new grandson of Jeff & Joanie Phillips; Doug Ballard; Paul King; Breana Duffy, daughter of Amy Paulsen, granddaughter of Joe & Mary Paulsen; Dcn. Kelly Stone; Joe Cimino, brother of Domonick Cimino; Nancy Schnurr; Theresa Yost, sister of Barb Norton; Marilyn Jones & daughter Michelle; Judy Corcoran; Dcn. Dave Miller; Larry Weier;

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Dianne (Woolley) Stebbins, sister of Mary Wadle; Tom Lull, Donella Maher, Ron Krebs, Paula Siemonsma; Mark Burke; Rosalie (Rose) Graham; John Civitate Jr., nephew of Mary Northway; Tom Zimmerman, brother of Bernie Weaver; Joe Widhelm, father of Barb Moser; Jim Harder, father of Mike Harder; Theodore (Theo) Clark; Ann Garvey; Ann Morrissey; Richard Ferguson, son-in-law of Clyde & Ursula Minard; Storm Skyler Carr; David Helmick, father of Amanda Halbur; Marissa Ruffolo, daughter-in-law of Mary Northway;

Prayer requests for the bulletin or parish Prayer Chain can be made in the office. Prayers can also be requested for those wishing to remain anonymous on the Prayer Chain.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 8
5:00 PM ***Bernadine Murphy*** †
Sunday, July 9
7:30 AM ***For the Parishioners***
9:00 AM ***Jerry Hoover*** †

Tuesday, July 11
8:15 AM ***John Comer*** †
Wednesday, July 12
8:15 AM ***Edith Duffy*** †
Thursday, July 13
6:00 PM ***Phyllis Desenberg*** †
Friday, July 14
8:15 AM ***Donella Maher*** †

Saturday, July 15
5:00 PM ***Rose Graham*** †
Sunday, July 16
7:30 AM ***For the Parishioners***
9:00 AM ***Lou Ann Lemmo*** †



We Need You!

Help support our parish by serving as a Mass Minister. We need ushers, greeters, lectors and Eucharistic ministers for all Mass times. Please contact the parish office if you would like to serve.

BAPTISM CLASS
Quarterly, Thursdays - 7:00 PM
(FEB, MAY, AUG, NOV)
Please contact the parish office to register.
Next Class: August 24

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

Second Tuesday - 6:30 PM
New Members Welcome!
Next Meeting: September 12

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

First Monday of the month - 7:00 PM
Next Meeting: August 7

CONNECTION CAFÉ

Meal Prep-July 10, 2:00 PM
Final Prep & Meal Service-July 11, 9:00 AM
If you would like to help with this ministry or have questions, please contact the office.

SOULCORE
Each Monday: 6:30 to 7:30 PM
SoulCore is a movement that pairs core strengthening, stretching, and movement with the prayers of the Rosary combining candlelight, music, scripture, and movement to nourish body, mind, and soul and encourage deeper reflection on the virtues of the Rosary. Bring a towel/mat and join us! *You will be glad you did.*

Balance Class

Rock Valley Physical Therapy is hosting a weekly balance class to improve balance with walking and mobility, along with improving strength for easier performance of daily tasks.

The class is held here on the dance floor **every Tuesday at 9:00 AM** and instructed by Shelley Heckert, Certified Personal Trainer. The cost is $30 per month. Please contact the office to sign up.

Norwalk Food Pantry

Food pantry donations can now be dropped off anytime during business hours at the Norwalk Easter Library or the Norwalk Fareway.

Are you new to St. John the Apostle?

We welcome you to join the parish. Registration forms can be found on the table in the gathering area or on our website. We have had 8 new registrations so far this year!

My dear people,

This coming Friday, July 14th, I celebrated my fifth anniversary as your pastor. It has been a privilege and an honor to serve as your parish priest. I continue to learn every day from all of you and, of course, our awesome parish staff!

We have been through a lot in these past five years: completing phase one of our building plan, dealing with Covid 19, improvements in social media, the opportunity of being a part of seminarian formation, and the successful campaigns that will bless our parish.

I look forward to the graced opportunity to continue to be a part of our parish's spiritual growth in all facets of our parish life. I look forward to working with Melissa Hill, Jessica Pudenz and the Edge team for another awesome year of not only formation for our young people, but for all of us.

In solidarity with the Church in the United States we will dedicate this upcoming year to the Eucharistic revival for both children and adults. What a great opportunity to grow in our love and devotion to the Eucharist. **Our Wednesday nights will be an opportunity for the entire family to be enriched by our love for the Eucharist**.

I look forward to working with our parish staff, and parish and finance councils to continue to help the parish grow in faith, hope, and love! *And, I look forward to every Mass, every confession, and every fun thing we do! Simply put, I look forward to serving as your pastor!*

Fr. Dan

Sunday Morning Rosary

Would you like to lead the Rosary before the 9:00 AM Mass on Sundays? A sign-up sheet is located on the table in the gathering area or you can also call the office. Rosary begins at 8:40 AM.

STEWARDSHIP

Last weekend's amounts were unavailable due to early bulletin printing deadline.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

GOAL: $111,472 PLEDGES: $69,873 62% OF GOAL (98 DONORS)
2022 ADA REFUND: $3,208.00

IGNITE CAMPAIGN

PLEDGED: $601,711 COLLECTED: $275,778 46% OF GOAL

Our parish is grateful for your faithful support.
Please consider giving online on our website.

Hello friends,

One of the things I never get tired of hearing is that God loves us. He doesn't just love us a little bit, or like Fr. Dan says, he showers his love on us. Sometimes when life is hectic and busy, it's good to take a breather and just remember we are sons and daughters of the Creator of all things. And that Creator made us and loves us. Today's gospel is a great reminder of this.

Do you know of anyone who is considering entering the Church? The OCIA program - Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, (formerly RCIA), will be starting in September. Please spread the word and ask anyone who has questions to contact me.

Have a blessed week!

Yours in Christ,
Melissa

Did You Know…

You can still view Fr. Dan's Daily Message, Rosaries and Sunday Mass on our Facebook page or YouTube channel. Fr. Dan is an internet sensation you won't want to miss.

Just go online to Facebook or YouTube and search "*St. John the Apostle Catholic Church*" to view.

A Special Opportunity For Women

WELCOME is an incredible experience that will help you make sense of life, help you develop lasting friendships with other women in the parish, and fill you with newfound energy and purpose. It's held right here at St.John's parish and will be October 14th and 15th, Saturday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Sunday.

If interested, please stop by the table in the gathering area and sign up. If you'd like additional information please contact Lori Celsi at 515-490-7847 or Tracy Webb at 515-975-2565.

"God is more pleased by one work, however small, done secretly, without desire that it be known, than a thousand done with desire that men know of them."

- St. John of the Cross

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