

13th Sunday

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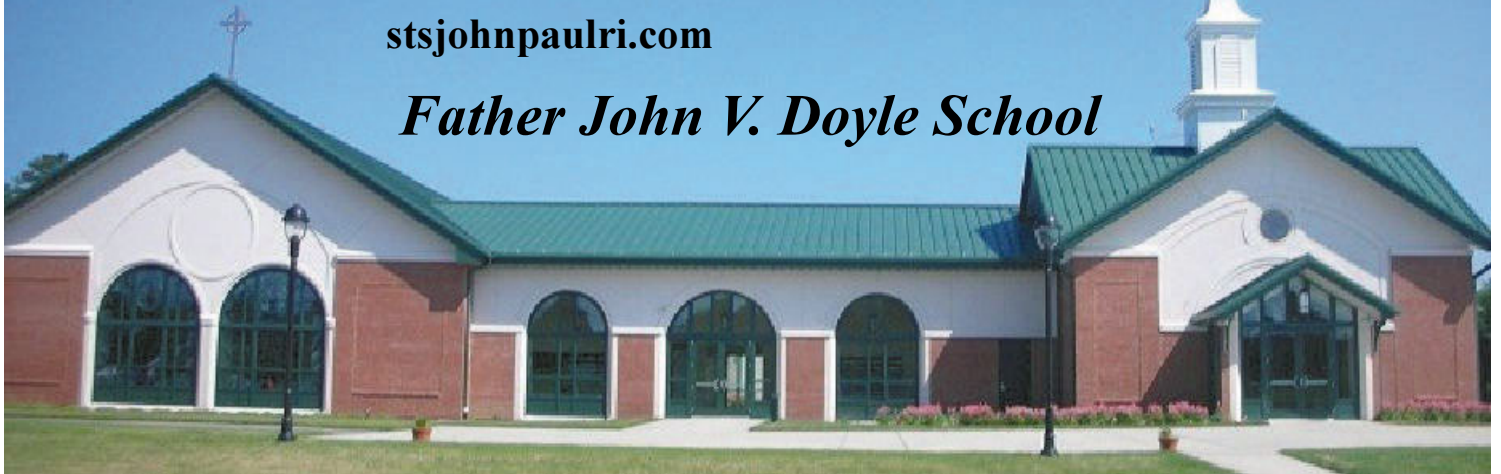
[Jesus] answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:60

SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

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Father John V. Doyle School



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Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

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in the Rectory Chapel (except Holy Days and during Lent)
Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

2nd Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Church, by appointment only. **Instructions** are held every month on Thursday evenings. Dates will be given when registering. Sponsor certificates are required for godparents. Please call the rectory to register.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

We would like to help engaged couples to prepare for their Marriage well in advance. Please call the rectory to make an appointment at least six months before the proposed date.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK:

Please notify the rectory of hospitalization or serious illness, or of someone who is unable to get to church but would like to receive Communion.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

New Families (**including newly married**) should register by calling the rectory. **Also, please notify us of any change of address.**

SPONSORSHIP:

Certificates of sponsorship for godparents and confirmation sponsors are required by most parishes. These will be issued only to those who are confirmed Catholics, registered in the parish, weekly participants at Mass, validly married in the Church (if applicable) and providing for the religious education of their own children (if applicable).

SAINT JOHN & PAUL CHURCH



WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2022

Saturday	June 25	5:00 PM	Maurice Hainse, Matthew & Philomena Castriotta, Jessica Robitaille / ILM
Sunday	June 26	7:30 AM	Marco Thomas / In Loving Memory / Mom & Dad
		9:30 AM	Leo Verrier / 56th Wedding Anniversary Remembrance / Wife Christine
		11:30 AM	Daniel Danis / 1st Anniversary / Wife & Family
Monday	June 27	9:00 AM	Raphael Cifentes & Israel Laverde / In Loving Memory / Family
Tuesday	June 28	9:00 AM	Penny Lawrence / Birthday Remembrance / Husband
Wednesday	June 29	9:00 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Thursday	June 30	9:00 AM	Maria Harfold / In Loving Memory / Daughter Theresia & Family
Friday	July 1	9:00 AM	Blessings on the Araujo Family (Living)
Saturday	July 2	5:00 PM	Ralph Pennie / In Loving Memory / Family
Sunday	July 3	7:30 AM	Charles M. Sr. & Esther N. Vacca / 70th Anniversary Remembrance / Son
		9:30 AM	Beverly Crehan / In Loving Memory / Del Driscoll
		11:30 AM	Carole Fico & Andrea Liston / In Loving Memory / Ken Fico

Adoration every Thursday from 9:30AM to 3:00PM in the CHURCH.



2022 Budget Collection Week of 6/12/22

Envelopes	\$ 9,523.50
E-Giving	<u>\$ 3,456.00</u>
	\$12,979.50

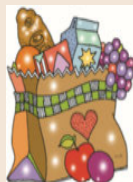
2021 Budget Collection Week of 6/13/21

Envelopes	\$ 9,128.60
E-Giving	<u>\$ 4,232.00</u>
	\$13,360.60

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Coventry Food Bank

The food bank currently needs *soup, tomato sauce, and laundry detergent*. Please place your donations in the containers located at the doors of the Church. The weekly generosity of parishioners of Saints John and Paul to the Coventry Food Bank is a blessing and is appreciated greatly by the less fortunate of our community.



For the week of June 26, 2022
the Altar Candles burn
in Loving Memory of
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For the week of June 26, 2022
the Sanctuary Lamps burn
in Loving Memory of
Alice Kane



**In Loving Memory of
Fran "The Cookie Lady" Salvas**

On behalf of our parish community, we extend our sincerest gratitude to the family of Frances Salvas for the generous kindness they showed in asking that, "in lieu of flowers," contributions to *SS. John & Paul Church* be made in memory of their loved one. At this difficult time of loss, we are very touched by your thoughtfulness and we assure you of our prayers.

From the Pastor

Below is what I said at all the Masses last weekend, for those who didn't hear it, as well as an update on Fr. Doan.. Please pray for Fr. Doan, for Jan, and for a new music director! God bless, Fr. Woolley

I have two very important announcements to make.

The first is that this past week, Jan McMahon informed me that, after much prayer and consideration, she will be stepping down from her position as Music Director and Organist at the end of the month, after 26 years of employment at our parish.

As many of you know, Jan retired from her other job as a Phys. Ed Teacher at the Middle School a year ago, and recently moved to Connecticut, about an hour away from the parish.

Jan's retirement will certainly be a big change for our parish; as I told Jan, after getting a new Pastor, the biggest change for a parish is probably getting a new Music Director!

Jan's last weekend here will be Fourth of July Weekend — she says she wants to go out with a Bang! — and after the 9:30am Mass with the choir, we're most probably going to have a little party for her in the hall, no fireworks however! But after that weekend, I'm sure we'll be seeing her here and there filling in at Masses or doing funerals, she's certainly always welcome back at our parish.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Jan for the many years of service to our parish — she actually played at my first Mass here, the day after I was ordained, 23 years ago next Monday — and especially for these past four years while I've been pastor;

Jan has always been very easy to work with, and it's clear to everyone that this isn't just a job for you, but a ministry, so thank you for everything, and may the Lord bless you in your retirement!

So please pray for Jan as she begins this new chapter of her life, and please pray for our parish as we begin a new chapter as well, that St. Cecelia, patron saint of musicians, might get us a good new music director!

So that's the first bit of news, the second is going to need your prayers just as much if not more.

As you know, Father Doan has been on vacation for the past month, visiting his family in Vietnam.

He's scheduled to return this Thursday, but unfortunately, Father Doan was denied a new Visa by the U.S. Consulate in Vietnam.

Father Doan has gone for three interviews, and all three times the Consulate denied him. The Diocesan Immigration Office can't understand why he was denied, as Father Doan has an R-1 Work Visa which is valid until May 2023. Furthermore, Father Hiep the other the Vietnamese priest had no problem renewing his Visa at the same Consulate, when he went to Vietnam back in February.

The diocese and our parish have sent to the consulate documents to prove that Father Doan is employed here, and we even contacted Senator Jack Reed's office to ask for his assistance, as this has worked in the past, but none of this has helped.

According to Father Doan, they are saying he needs to be a priest for 2 years before they will approve his Visa, which according to our immigration expert makes no sense.

So what all this means is, Father Doan is stuck in Vietnam, and barring a miracle, it doesn't look like he'll be back anytime soon.

I'm meeting with the Bishop this coming week to see if we can if the diocese can give us another priest, but the problem is, there's not a lot of priests to go around.

So please pray for Father Doan, that he might be able to come back soon to the United States, and continue to minister in our diocese, and pray also that, in the meantime, the diocese would send us a priest to live here and help out at Saints John and Paul.

And please pray for me; three years ago, we had three full time priests in this parish; right now, I'm it! This coming week we have 4 funerals, and we get emergency calls for last rites almost every other day; I barely have any time to audition any new organists!

Lastly, on a personal note, when I first heard about Father Doan, one of my biggest concerns after Fr. Doan's well being was my upcoming vacation in July, which I had all planned to go on with four other priests. If I'm going to be all alone running this place, I better get a good vacation in this summer!

Thankfully, I managed to get coverage for all the daily and weekend Masses, and even for any funerals that might come in, while I'm away for 10 days in July.

Well, they say things happen in threes, and while Jan was in my office early this past week, giving me the news about her retirement, my secretary called on the intercom, and said the person who's house I'm renting — in Montana — was on the phone, telling me that all the roads in the town are flooded, all the bridges washed out, they've evacuated everybody in the town I'm going to, which is 25 miles from Yellowstone.

So first Fr. Doan, then Jan, and now there goes my vacation!

But thankfully, my friends and I managed to rent another house in a different part of the country, that isn't under a disaster declaration, so my vacation is still a go!

And I'm sure that, just as the Lord got me through my mini vacation crisis, he's going to get our Parish and Fr. Doan through this crisis of his being stuck in Vietnam, and I'm sure the Lord is also going to provide our parish with a good new music director, and be with Jan as she starts a new chapter in her life.

Update on Fr. Doan's situation: *The Diocese has reached out to Representative James Langevin to see if he can help (as this bulletin goes to press on Tuesday, we are still awaiting word from his office), and the Diocese is also looking into hiring an immigration lawyer as well. In the meantime, I (Fr. Woolley) met with Bishop Evans, who stated that if it appears that Fr. Doan will be in Vietnam long term before he is able to return, then the Diocese will assign us another associate pastor in the interim. We may also be getting a senior priest of the Diocese, who will be living at the Rectory and ministering in our parish. More info to come!*



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With our Music Director of 26 years, Jan McMahon, stepping down on July 3, Ss. John and Paul Parish, Coventry RI, is seeking a new Music Director, to sing and play the organ/keyboard at all Sunday and Holy Day Masses as well as at weddings and funerals (if available), to direct the choir, and to conduct weekly choir rehearsals. We are one of the largest parishes in the Diocese, with over 4000 registered families, four weekend Masses, and over 75 funerals a year. The Church has a Rogers Trillium 837 Organ and a Roland Keyboard. Those interested, please email resume to our parish secretary Jeanne DiMasi at jeanne.stjp@gmail.com.

Dear Parishioners of SS. John and Paul,

The time has come for me to say goodbye. I started my music ministry as a young child singing in church with my dad. By the time I was 12, I played my first Mass. That was 49 years ago! My ministry has carried me from Our Lady of Grace to St. Robert Bellarmine and then here. Fr. Henry loved my 'new sound' and gave me the opportunity to bring my music to Coventry, which was also my new home parish. How could I have known that this parish would become such a big part of my family? My children received their sacraments here and attended Fr. John V Doyle school. When I was diagnosed with cancer, parishioners made sure my family was fed when I was going through treatments. My choir members and cantors became lifelong friends. The words thank you don't seem to be enough.

I'd like to acknowledge my choir members and cantors, present and past. Many are here every weekend not just for one Mass, but two and sometimes three Masses! They have been there for me without hesitation. I'd like to mention specifically Kathy Chapdelaine, Jeanne Mullaney and Bernie Saccoccia who have been with me from the start! As well as Carolyn Gazerro who actually sang with my dad and myself when I was just a child! All of the choir members work endlessly and selflessly to serve this music ministry and to add such a beautiful part to the liturgy each weekend. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

Thank you to Fr. Henry, Fr. Grenon and Fr. Woolley. Each very different from the other but all wonderful to work with. I'd also like to thank all the associate pastors that have come through our parish. Dozens and dozens over the years! I never got used to all the goodbyes. And now it's my turn to say farewell.

Thank you my friends for being part of my family for so many years. You will truly be missed and will always hold a special place in my heart. Please keep my family and me in your prayers as we begin the next chapter of our lives.

God bless!

Jan McMahon

Music Director, SS. John and Paul Church

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2022

- Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62
- Monday:** Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22
- Tuesday:** Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday:** *Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
- Thursday:** Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8
- Friday:** Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13
- Saturday:** Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17
- Next Sunday:** Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/
Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Snowflake Bazaar News

We're already preparing for our annual Bazaar and in need of gift cards for the event. Our wishlist boards are posted at the doors of the church. Please consider taking a tag and returning the corresponding gift card to help support the Bazaar. Thank you!

Please take note:

The bins located on the property are for clothing and shoes only, please **do not** bring anything other than shoes and clothing. If the bins are full please **do not leave** anything outside of the bins. **Please try again** another time after they have been emptied.

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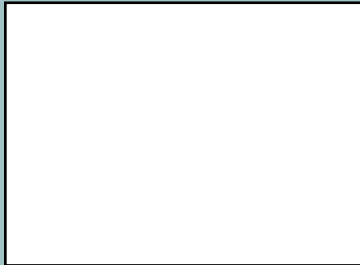

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