



## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

“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.” - Mt 28:19-20



*SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023*

# *Saints John and Paul Church*

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Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
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**RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTIONS:**  
(All Religious Instruction programs meet in our parish school)

**Elementary Program (Grades 1-6)**  
**4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday:** Hopkins Hill & West Greenwich

**Wednesday:** Blackrock, Western & Tiogue

First Penance and First Eucharist are celebrated in Grade 2, providing the child has previously completed the Grade 1 program.

**Junior High (Grades 7 & 8) Summer & Fall Sessions**

**Confirmation Program (Grades 9 & 10)**  
Confirmation: Monday 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

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**Principal:** Mr. Kevin Peloquin

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday evening Mass: 5:00 p.m.

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

### **DAILY MASSES**

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).



WEEK OF MAY 21, 2023

Saturday	May 20	5:00 PM	25th Anniversary of Consecration for Sr. Grace Caffey & Sr. Anne Eden
Sunday	May 21	7:30 AM	Officer Ryan Bourque / 7th Anniversary / Gary & Lee Bourque
		9:30 AM	Kendall Pelletier / In Loving Memory / Daughters Haley & Ava
		11:30 AM	Kelly Ann & William Nester / Birthday Remembrance / Family
Monday	May 22	9:00 AM	Thomas Lawrence / In Loving Memory / Ron & Betty Dockray
Tuesday	May 23	9:00 AM	All Souls of Purgatory / Elaine Morin
Wednesday	May 24	9:00 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Thursday	May 25	9:00 AM	Gloria Coyle / 1st Anniversary / Family
Friday	May 26	9:00 AM	
Saturday	May 27	5:00 PM	Joyce Criscione / In Loving Memory / Friends
Sunday	May 28	7:30 AM	Valerie Souza Rice / In Loving Memory / Souza Family
		9:30 AM	Kathy Brusic / In Loving Memory / Ted Emmott
		11:30 AM	James & Anne Sharon / In Loving Memory / Family

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



2023 Budget Collection Week of 5/7/23

Envelopes	\$12,876.22
E-Giving	<u>\$ 3,222.00</u>
	\$16,098.22

2022 Budget Collection Week of 5/8/22

Envelopes	\$13,141.58
E-Giving	<u>\$ 2,636.00</u>
	\$15,777.58

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*



For the week of May 21, 2023  
the Altar Candles burn  
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***Officer Ryan Bourque***

**Thank you** for your continued support of the **Our Daily Bread** program. Your support helps to feed the less fortunate of our community. Donations from the poor boxes go to fund this ministry. Last week we collected \$299.00.



**Patrick Ryan's Ordination and First Mass of Thanksgiving, 2pm June 25 at SSJP**

Ss. John and Paul Parishioner, Deacon Patrick Ryan, will be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Providence Saturday June 24, 2023 at the Cathedral of Ss. Peter and Paul in Providence. His First Mass of Thanksgiving as a priest will be here at his home parish of Ss. John and Paul on Sunday June 25 at **2pm**. All are welcomed to attend! Also, immediately after the Mass, our Parish will be having a reception in the Parish Hall for Fr. Patrick, his family, and all parishioners and others who attend his First Mass. **We are also planning on purchasing a Mass Vestment for Fr. Patrick as a gift from the Parish. If you would like to donate towards this gift for Fr. Patrick, as well as towards the First Mass Reception we are putting on for him afterwards in the Parish Hall, please make your donations out to Ss. John and Paul Parish, and write "Patrick Ryan Priesthood Ordination" on the memo.**



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Introducing this Year's Summer Seminarians!



Noah DaSilva



Michael Santos

We will be again blessed to have this summer not one, but two seminarians who will be living at the Rectory and doing ministry in our parish: Noah DaSilva, who is from St. Philip's Parish in Greenville, and is finishing up his Third Year of Theology at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, and will be ordained a transitional Deacon in Rome this coming Fall; and Michael Santos, who is from Holy Ghost Parish in Tiverton, and is finishing up his First Year of Theology at St. John Seminary in Boston. Michael will probably be moving in some time in mid to late May, and Noah in mid to late June (due to classes in Rome getting out later). Please keep Noah and Michael in your prayers as they finish up their classes for the semester, and prepare to come to our parish!

Michael Santos will begin his summer assignment here at SSJP this weekend.



**Appreciation Brunch for Volunteers**

**June 4th**

Anyone who volunteers in our parish (for example, as a counter, committee or choir member, CCD teacher, usher, lector, extraordinary minister, Our Daily Bread, etc.) is invited to a special **Volunteer Appreciation Brunch** immediately after the 11:30 a.m. Mass, **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>** in the Parish Hall.

*Family or friends of volunteers are also welcomed to attend the brunch at a cost of \$15 per person/ \$5 children 12 and under, payable in advance on or by Monday, May 22 (volunteers however attend for free).*



**Knights of Columbus  
Msgr. Peter E. Blessing  
Council #5273**

**“Campaign for People  
with Disabilities”**

**After all Masses June 3-4, 2023**

The Knights of the Msgr. Peter E. Blessing Council will be conducting their annual Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive at Saints John and Paul Church after each of the Masses on the weekend of June 3-4, 2023. Knights will be collecting donations outside the entrances after each the Masses. In appreciation, the donor will be given a Tootsie Roll.

All moneys collected go straight to local programs that benefit people with intellectual disabilities:

- Coventry HS Transitions to Success
- West Bay RI
- Meeting Street School



*Your support will be greatly appreciated!*

Brunch menu is Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Bacon and Sausage, Home Fries, Fruit Platter, Danish, Coffee and Juice, and will be catered by Meal Works.

If you wish to attend the brunch, please fill out the RSVP below and put in the collection basket or rectory mail slot on or before Monday, May 22.

I will be attending the Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> after the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I volunteer at SS. John and Paul as a \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Adult Guests x \$15.00

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***Please RSVP on or before Monday May 22***



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## Join us for breakfast!

The Saints John & Paul parish Respect Life committee is holding a breakfast in the parish hall on Sunday, June 11 after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM masses. All are welcome to come and enjoy a delicious and hearty breakfast. Our amazing chef will be preparing scrambled eggs, sausages, home fries, toast, English muffins, fruit cup, coffees, milk, and juices (and maybe even some desserts). The proceeds

from this event are for the benefit of Saint Gabriel's Call. Tickets will be available after weekend masses. The cutoff to purchase tickets is June 4. No tickets will be available at the time of the breakfast. They are \$12.00/adult; \$5.00/child 6-12; children under 6 eat free.



## An Invitation to Prayer from Bishop Richard G. Henning



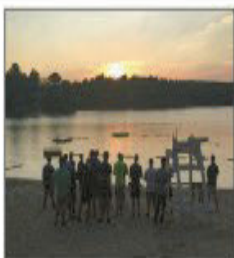
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you may already be aware, bills are moving forward in our state on the issue of taxpayer-funded abortion. I invite the Catholics of Rhode Island and all people of good will to remember the foundational importance of the God-given right to life and our sacred duty to protect and nurture the young, the most vulnerable among us.

Let us pray that our elected representatives will seek to defend all human life, and to protect the conscience rights of Rhode Islanders who believe in the sanctity of each and every human person. Let us also pray for God's mercy upon us; may the Lord Jesus Christ give our hearts an ever-wider sense of compassion.

St. John Paul II, defender of the sanctity and beauty of life, pray for us. Amen.

Quo Vadis Days is a camp for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade boys (including recent graduates). It seeks to empower young men through friendship, faith, and vocational discernment. This year's theme "...I will show you the way to Heaven" comes from St. Jean Vianney's promise to a young boy who showed him the way to his parish in Ars, France. St. Jean Vianney is the model for all men of all vocations, as a man who took seriously the role of a father, whether physical or spiritual, to lead those in his care to Heaven.



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[rev.brian.morris@gmail.com](mailto:rev.brian.morris@gmail.com)  
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*"St. John Vianney reproduced the true image of the good shepherd in himself as he dealt with the flock entrusted to his care, for he knew his sheep, protected them from dangers, and gently but firmly looked after them."*  
- Pope St. John Paul II



"Quo Vadis" is Latin for, "Where are you going?" Legend tells us that St. Peter asked Jesus this question on the outskirts of Rome. We know where Jesus went in response to His Father's will. Where is God calling you to go? How will you respond?

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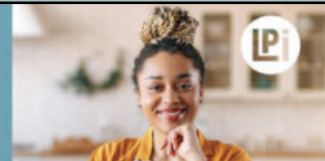


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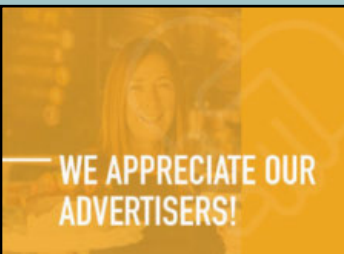
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