

# Saint John Catholic Church

## Iglesia Católica San Juan

June 13, 2021—Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
13 junio de 2021 – Décimo Primer Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario



### 11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.” - Mk 4:30-32b

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#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday .....5:30 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Daily Masses: ..Thursday ..... 8:30 a.m.  
                  .. Friday ..... .. 12 noon  
CONFESSIONS (Saturday)..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

#### HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo.....12:15 p.m (Español)  
Misa Diaria: ..Jueves ..... 8:30 a.m (Ingles)  
                  .Viernes ..... 12:00 del medio día  
CONFESSIONES (Sábado) ..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

#### HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.  
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday — Thursday: 9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m. — 12 NOON

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## St John Parish Calendar

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>SATURDAY</b><br>4:30 PM<br>5:30 PM | <b>June 12, 2021</b><br>Reconciliation<br>Mass for soul of Ann White                         |
| <b>SUNDAY</b><br>9:00 AM<br>12:15 PM  | <b>June 13, 2021</b><br>Mass for all graduates<br>Misa por                                   |
| <b>THURSDAY</b><br>8:30 AM            | <b>June 17, 2021</b><br>NO MASS  |
| <b>FRIDAY</b><br>12:00 Noon           | <b>June 18, 2021</b><br>NO MASS  |
| <b>SATURDAY</b><br>5:30 PM            | <b>June 19, 2021</b><br>Mass for All Fathers   |
| <b>SUNDAY</b><br>9:00 AM<br>12:15 PM  | <b>June 20, 2021</b><br>Mass for all fathers<br>Misa Jose Alexander Sipac y Edgar Rene Sipac |

**ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON**



### Readings for the week of June 13, 2021

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [cf. 18b]/Mt 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/Mt 6:24-34

Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-4

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Helen Rice, John & Jolene White, Junie Kirby, Maxine DiMarino, Arthur Miskimon, Wayne Ewing, Jeff Konschack, Mary Higgins, Maryalice Evans, Austin Austin-Okoli, Elena Chavez. John & Peggy White, Joan Taylor and Stanhope Flournoy

### DONATION REQUEST FOR THE MONTH OF

**JUNE FOR FISH IS  
Breakfast Bars**

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## Pastor Message

Dear all,

I pray you are well.

Three important announcements this week.

First, as you may recall, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass was lifted during the pandemic. Now that things are going back to normal, the obligation to attend Mass is being reimposed. Therefore, beginning the weekend of June 26/27, all Catholics will once again be obliged, under penalty of sin, to attend Mass on Sunday (unless you are ill).

We know that, while it is an obligation, it is a gift and should not be primarily seen as an obligation. We should want to go to Mass on Sunday. If we do not want to go to Mass on Sunday, that is an indication of our need for further maturing in the Christian faith and in our love for God. The "obligation" is there to make us pick ourselves up by our bootstraps and make us go in those times when we don't feel like it. We are human after all, and cannot control our feelings all the time...but we can overcome our feelings by doing the right thing even when we do not feel like it. In fact, that is what separates Christians from those who live by the dictates of whim, feeling, emotion, or passion.

Second, in conjunction with this change, we will be ending the livestreaming of Mass the weekend beforehand. The last weekend where Mass will be livestreamed is June 19/20.

There is no substitute for attending Mass in person. While we made concessions during the pandemic because of extraordinary circumstances, it was an abnormality. All the Sacraments necessitate being present for them to work. We cannot go to confession over the phone. We cannot get married to someone else over zoom. We cannot properly attend Mass by watching at home. We need to come to Mass and actually receive the Eucharist.

Finally, the desire to have a going away party for the three priests was brought up. Therefore, we are going to have one big party, on Sunday afternoon on June 27th at 2pm, at St John (813 W Nine Mile Road). This location was decided because they have the largest parking lot and the largest social hall. We hope and encourage parishioners from St Patrick, St Peter, and St John to attend. We priests have been very blessed to have gotten to know many of you over these last number of years. And we will miss the fellowship we enjoy with you. Hopefully many are able to attend.

Please pray for your priests during this time of change. We are praying for you. God has bright plans for our parishes, there is no doubt about that.

Fr Rossi

The Knights of Columbus Council 6936 which covers the St Patrick and St. John parishes will be making and selling Brunswick Stew on Saturday June 19. The cost is \$8.00/quart. Since many have asked, it comes in a plastic freezable container and our Brunswick Stew is freezable and if anything it actually tastes better after freezing. Due to COVID restrictions it is being prepared with all necessary precautions. Additionally we will not be selling it on a speculative basis. Rather the stew is only being sold on a reservation basis. That means that if you want a quart or multiple quarts you must reserve it before hand. We will not be making extra in the hope of selling it. Since making stew is not precise science a batch may yield a couple of extra quarts which might be available for sale, but please do not count on this. If you would like a quart(s) please reserve it by either signing the sign up sheet at the back of St. John or St Patrick or by emailing, calling or texting me at 804-614-5623 [danielrماغ-es@yahoo.com](mailto:danielrماغ-es@yahoo.com)

For those who are getting this and who have already signed up, we thank you. Also should you at any time wish to increase, decrease or cancel your order/reservation, please let me know as well. Payment is due when you receive your Brunswick Stew. Thanks, Dan

**SAVE THE DATE  
FOR THE FAREWELL PARTY SUNDAY  
JUNE 27 2:00 PM  
RSVP BY JUNE 19**

**People have been asking how to send a gift or a card to our priests if they can't attend the reception.**

**We are going to have three boxes available in the commons at the end of each mass, for you to drop your cards or notes that show the love and gratitude we have for our beloved priests.**

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