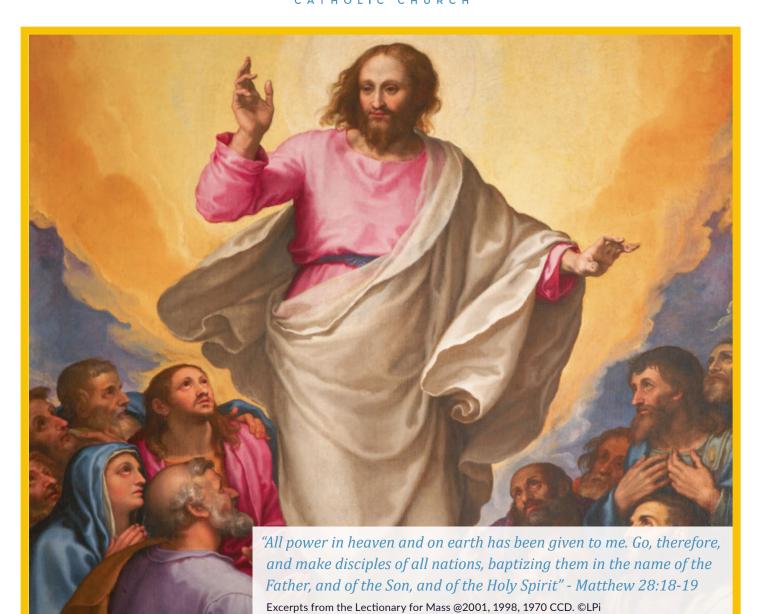
Sunday, May 21, 2023



Ascension of Our Lord



OFFICE HOURS

Monday CLOSED

Tuesday – Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm Closed for lunch 12:00pm – 1:00pm

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Prayer & Worship

ARISE AND BUILD

PURPOSE

"Love one another as I have loved you." - John 13:34 "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." - Matthew 28:19

As Catholics, we are rooted in our identity as children of God with the purpose of loving and caring for one another and sharing the Good News as Jesus commands us. Within this context we must then extend ourselves to engage with one another, in suffering and in celebration. Church provides the instrument for us to live our faith, to participate in the mysteries of Jesus' death and Resurrection, and to manifest His love through our service of each other.

BUILDERS

"Church architecture describes visually the idea of the sacred, which is a fundamental need of man." – Mario Botta, Swiss Architect

From deep in our souls we long for sacred spaces; to experience a sense of peace, consolation, and God's love. Through the expression of architecture, tying in our St. Augustine heritage, our campus will surround people in the Transcendentals of Truth, Beauty, and Goodness, from the cruciform church to a bell tower to the inclusion of water features throughout the campus.



THE WORLD NEEDS BUILDERS

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

After exploring the impacts that affect our community and hearing testimonials from parishioners, we have a deeper understanding of the significant role that Church plays as the center of the community. The programming that will occur in the structures throughout the campus will address these needs and poverties through the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

Now is the time to make our commitment to the Light to the Nations capital campaign in earnest. Next weekend as we celebrate Pentecost, we will complete our in-pew commitment cards and take another milestone step towards the rebirth of the Church.

Let us pray through the intercession of St. Joseph, that God may guide our hearts to respond to the needs of our community. **Our goal is 100% participation from our parish community.** If each of us sacrifices and gives to our fullest capacity, not only will we exceed our goals and realize our vision, but we will honor God. I ask you to make your Commitment Today as One Family in Christ.

LIGHT ME NATIONS



O Lord Jesus, I adore you, Son of Mary, my Saviour and my Brother, for You are God. I follow You in my thoughts, O first-fruits of our race, as I hope one day by Your grace to follow You in my person into heavenly glory. Until then, do not let me neglect the earthly task which You have given me. Let me labor diligently all my life with a greater appreciation for the present. Let me realize that only by accomplishing true human fulfillment can I attain Divine fulfillment and ascend to You at the completion of my work. Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS

OUR SICK & INFIRM — ESPECIALLY

Javier-Maria Alonso, Kathe Anhalt, Kazimierz Banas, Jim Barber, James Boling, Joyce Bors, Viola Cldeo Bradshaw, Alan Damascus, John Deesburg, Deepak Dey, Diane Duffy, Tim Dunn, John Egolf, Robert Engl, Sharon Escamilla, Levi Fisher, Sergio Garcia Jr., Ian Hall, Gary Hampton, Raymond Husveth, Fr. Bart Hutcherson, Alex James, Jim, Joe, Kathy, Dillon Kind, Ronald Klemkowski, Kyle Lindholm, Antonia Lima de Sousa, Francisca Lima de Sousa, Vicente Lima de Sousa, Limbaugh Family, Magdalena Lovejoy, Maria, Derek Martin, Pat Mayhew, Nancy McTighe, Karen Milligan, Michael N., Roger O'Bryan, Jenifer Owens, Brenda Phillips, Paula Phillips, Jay Rudometkin, Anne Speed, William Sandel, Roseanbe Scruggs, John (Jack) Slater, Maria Smith, Greg Somers, Linda Teubner, David V. Townsend, Kent Vanderkolk, Victor, Melissa Wadely, Gail Wood, Larry Wood, Mary Ann Yaeger

OUR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Sarah Martin, Dr. Jacqueline (Deporre) O'Donoghue, Laura Oring, Katie Strange, Megan Varnadore, Emily Vogt, Kelly Wayland

OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY

LCDR Alex Alonso, Captain Connor G. Byrne, USA; 2Lt. Aidan Byrnes USA, 2Lt. Matthew Mahlmeister, USA; SGT Daniel O'Conner; LT COL Michael Opresko, USAF; Cadet 2/C Erin Sass, USCG; AT2 Kyle Swanson, USN

If you wish to add an individual's name to the prayer list, please send a request: *nocateecatholic.com/prayer-request*. In addition to prayers, if you would like a blessed Prayer Shawl, please contact: **Mary Therese Capone:** *prayershawl@ nocateecatholic.com*; text **631 413-7267** or **Marcia Garrett: 904 373-0786**

LOCAL CONFESSION TIMES

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA Wednesday: 5:30pm - 6:30pm Friday: 9:00am - 9:45am Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

OUR LADY OF LA LECHE NATIONAL SHRINE Monday - Saturday: 11:00am - 11:55am (Available in English & Spanish)

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday: 8:40am - 9:00am 10:10am - 10:30am (Historic Church; In Spanish) Monday - Saturday: 7:30am - 7:55am (Historic Church; Offered before Daily Mass) Thursday: 5:30pm - 6:00pm (Historic Church; In Spanish) Saturday: 4:30pm - 5:30pm (Main Church - Marian Center)

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday 8:30am Saturday Vigil 4:00pm & 6:00pm Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm Confessions Saturday 2:30 – 3:45pm Holy Days of Obligation Vigil Mass 7:00pm Holy Day Masses 8:30am, 12:00pm

PRAYER & ADORATION WEDNESDAYS

Morning Prayer 8:00am Daily Mass 8:30am60th Adoration 9:00am – 4:00pm Evening Prayer & Benediction 4:00pm

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, May 204:00pm † Mary Nerney6:00pm † Jason Michael Armstrong

SUNDAY, May 21 8:00am † Jim Allegra 10:00am † Myra Schwebel 12:00pm People of the Parish

MONDAY, May 22 8:30am † Bobbi Lampa

TUESDAY, May 23 8:30am † Sheila Suhr

WEDNESDAY, May 24 8:30am † Thomas Golden

THURSDAY, May 25 8:30am † Nicki LaPorte

FRIDAY, May 26 8:30am Kim Gibbens

Mass intentions through August, 2023 have been filled. Intentions can be reserved through September, 2023 at this time.



BEACON OF LIGHT GALA

SAVE THE DATE!

The Third Annual Beacon of Light Gala Friday, October 6th Sawgrass Marriott 6 o'clock in the evening

Tickets will go on sale in **May**! You do not want to miss out on year three of the Beacon of Light Gala. This event will sell out, so get it on your calendars now! It is a wonderful night benefiting the Light to the Nations Capital Campaign.

If you would like to be on a Gala planning committee, please email *assistant@nocateecatholic.com*. For any live or silent auction item donations, please email *reception@nocateecatholic.com*.







ADORATION

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the 24 hours of ADORATION on May 5th & 6th! It was a very blessed time of prayer, individually and communally. It was an inspiration to witness the love of our parishioners for Jesus, truly Present in the Blessed Sacrament!

In addition to Adoration every Wednesday 9am-4pm, on June 2nd & 3rd, there will be another 24-hour opportunity for a HOLY HOUR with Our Lord! You can sign up at the following link: https://nocateecatholic.flocknote. com/signup/122970 Any questions can be directed to: sjp2perpetualadoration@gmail.com



"The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it, but also by praying before it outside of Mass, we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace." - **St. John Paul II**



SAINT JOHN PAUL II KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FOOD DRIVE

All Masses June 3 & 4

Please support Catholic Charities Food Bank in St Augustine and help those



families, individuals, and seniors in need. This food drive continues to be very important as St. Augustine Catholic Charities Food Bank strives to meet the increased needs of our community. Your generous support by donating food this weekend at all Masses will help the hungry and undernourished in our community and St Johns County.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

This month's Knights of Columbus Family of the Month is **Andy and Laura Van Ohlen**.

Andy can always be found in and around the church, doing a number of jobs and helping out in whatever way is needed. Andy is a Lead Sacristan, a member of the Liturgical Planning Committee, and Director of Ground Operations for the Spring Golf Event. Andy often assists in set up and tear down of numerous church events, is a willing driver and cargo handler for the SJPII pickup truck fleet, and always helps our Council deliver during the Lenten Fish Fries.

Laura is an usher, a teacher and mentor for the Blaze Program, Registration Coordinator for the Faith Formation Program, a member of the Joe Patty planning and execution committee, a volunteer for the Spring golf outing, she was a member of the Planning committee member for the 2022 Capital Campaign Gala and she helps develop the annual faith formation budget for the Church.

Andy and Laura's dedication to the church and their many, many efforts to help in any way possible make them great examples of service and devotion to Church and Community.





HELP KEEP US COOL!

As the warmer months arrive and the air becomes sultry, please help us keep cool! Please keep the doors between the church hall and the gathering area closed so that the cool air stays in and the hot, humid air stays out. If you notice the ushers are not opening and holding doors, please know that they are not ignoring their duties, they are helping us keep cool. Please do not prop open the main church doors or hold them open for an extended time. A kind smile and a reminder to each other to keep our doors closed will help us enjoy a cooler Mass environment throughout the warmer months.

Thank you for helping to keep us cool!

Ministry Activities

RUNNING WITH THE ROSARY MINISTRY OBJECTIVE

My aspiration for this ministry is we would say the rosary and run early in the morning. Give thanks to God for the opportunity to run and to run in his Creation and be able to see his beauty along the run.

"Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it!" "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable one" - **1 Cor 9: 24-25**



Saint John Paul 2 preached during the year of Jubilee on, "Jubilee of Sports People," in this homily he talked about how sports are important because it encourages loyalty, perseverance, friendship, and being in communion with one another. Meet on **Fridays at 6:30am**. Bring water bottles and rosary.

YOUNG ADULTS MEETING

All Young Adults are invited to join our first SJPII Young Adults meeting! Our goal is to set up regular meetings for young adults, so that we may deepen our faith and build fellowship. Our first meeting will be a bonfire social on **Tuesday June 6**, beginning at **7:30pm** at SJPII. We will have snacks, music, drinks, & more!



HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Please let our Ministry to the Sick volunteers bring you the Eucharist and pray with you. Only a commissioned minister should bring the Eucharist outside of church.

Send an email to *ministry@nocateecatholic.com* or contact the parish office at **904-330-0153** to schedule a visit.



MOMS MINISTRY

OUR MISSION:

Journeying with Catholic women in their vocation of motherhood to grow closer to Jesus through prayer, service, and fellowship.

Contact momsministry@nocateecatholic.com or visit our website at *sjp2mom.com* for more information.

Join us on Flocknote for regular ministry updates: nocateecatholic.flocknote.com/SJP2mom





BIBLE STUDY GOSPEL OF MATTHEW, PART 2

Dates: April 27 - June 8 Thursdays, 9:30am - 11:30am

Study Guides are available for purchase at the Church Office: **\$12.00 each No registration is necessary.**

GRACE & RECOVERY MEETING

A ministry for those seeking healing from the effects of addiction. All are welcome - those recovering from addiction and all family members who love someone with an addiction. Every third Friday of the month at **5:30pm** at St. John Paul II Church. Please visit www.graceandrecovery.org or call **732-425-7949** for more information.

WEDNESDAY ROSARY

Join the Moms Ministry for fellowship & prayer with a Rosary on Wednesday evenings! There's so much beauty & power in praying a group Rosary. Whether it's your first time or you've been praying the Rosary your whole life – come pray with us! We are meeting at 7pm on Wednesdays this summer in the Chapel at St. John Paul II Catholic Church beginning May 31.

"When people love and recite the Rosary, they find it makes them better." - St. Anthony Mary Claret

RACHEL'S VINEYARD MINISTRIES

YOU ARE NOT ALONE...

There is no need to feel alone when real help is available during an unplanned pregnancy. Caring Choices at **866-901-9647** offers help



through counseling, support, education, resources and referrals. This is one decision not to face alone!

If you are struggling with emotional or spiritual pain following an abortion there are 2 healing ministries available, both are post abortion healing ministries that will lovingly help to transform your pain to hope and through reconciliation give peace.

Project Rachel - 904-923-9203 with professional counselors and individual priests **Rachel's Vineyard - 904-221-3232** group weekend retreat





FORMED PICKS OF THE WEEK: MAY 21

Next Sunday we celebrate Pentecost, the feast of the Church's birth. Prepare for this great event by watching "Pentecost Sunday – Year A" on FORMED.org this week. With a roaring of the heavens and in tongues of fire, the Holy Spirit comes and enlightens the Apostles. Peter begins to preach with boldness and authority what Christ's life and Death truly means. From that moment, the great mission of our Church begins.

Don't miss this event! To celebrate Year 2 of the Three-Year Eucharistic Revival The FORMED ministry at SJPII will give a presentation on the Eucharist on **May 30 at 7:00pm** in the church. Focusing on the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we will utilize content primarily sourced from FORMED to address any doubts and reflect on this mystery. We will also address the common objections to the real presence from a variety of sources.

To set up your free account visit *formed.org/signup* and insert the SJPII zip code (32081).

Be inFORMED, be transFORMED, with FORMED.org

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT WEEK

In 1962 President John F. Kennedy proclaimed May to honor of fallen law enforcement officers. May 14 - 20 is "National Law Enforcement Week." During the year of 2022, 403 law enforcement officers in the U.S. died or were killed while on duty. Since the beginning of January 2023, an additional 33 law enforcement officers in the U.S. have either died or killed while on duty. Please remember the sacrifices they made to keep our communities safe, and remember their families.

Patriotic Knights of Columbus honor all first responders for their service.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities is partnering with the Jumbo Shrimp to participate in what they call, "Good is Everywhere Wednesdays". This event is to raise awareness about Catholic Charities and what we do. Come and support Catholic Charities by attending the game on Wednesday, June 28 at 7:05pm.

For purchasing tickets go to *ccbjax.ejoinme.org* For general information, please send an email to *development@ccbjax.org*.

CHARITIES

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three Portuguese children, Francisco, Jacinta, and Lucia, received apparitions of Our Lady near Fatima, a city 110 miles north of Lisbon. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners and for the conversion of Russia.

Mary gave the children three secrets. Since Francisco died in 1919 and Jacinta the following year, Lucia, who later became a Carmelite nun, revealed the first secret in 1927, concerning devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The second secret was a vision of hell.

Pope John Paul II directed the Holy See's Secretary of State to reveal the third secret in 2000; it spoke of a 'bishop in white' who was shot by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows into him. Many people linked this to the assassination attempt against Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981.

The feast of Our Lady of Fatima was approved by the local bishop in 1930; it was added to the Church's worldwide calendar in 2002. Sister Lucia died in 2005 at the age of 97.



OUR LADY OF FATIMA **MAY 13**



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Sau the Rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and the end of the war."

> Words spoken by our Blessed Mother Mary at Fatima

THE FATIMA PRAYER

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.

Tradition states that the three shepherd children at Fatima, Francisco, Jacinta, and Lucia, were asked to recite this prayer at the end of each decade of the rosary. It was approved for public use in 1930, and has since become a common (though optional) part of the Rosary.

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To Report Abuse Call:

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at

1-800-775-4659. ext. 129

Department of Children and Families at

1-800-96Abuse or 1-800-962-2873.

SJPII MINISTRY DIRECTORY

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IMPORTANT

If you receive an email or text message that appears to be from Father Pagano requesting help, money, or donations, please be aware this is a phishing scam. If the email is not from *pastorsoffice@nocateecatholic.com*, please ignore, block, and delete the email. Block and delete text messages of this sort.

PARISH REGISTRATION

BECOME A REGISTERED PARISHIONER AT ST JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC CHURCH

Please complete a registration form, which can be found in the Gathering Area of the church, and return it to the office. Or register online at *nocateecatholic.com*.

NEVER MISS A BULLETIN

Sign up to have our weekly parish bulletin emailed to you at *www.parishesonline.com*. You also can find the bulletin on our website at *www.nocateecatholic.com*.

Submit communications requests using the form on our website, *nocateecatholic.com/communications-request*. Requests must be received by **5:00pm on Tuesdays; twelve days prior to the Sunday bulletin publication date**.

ONLINE GIVING

Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will enable the church to minister to our community.



STAY CONNECTED WITH ST. JOHN PAUL II

Visit our website: www.nocateecatholic.com

Text **GOTJESUS** to **84576** to receive spiritual quotes, information and messages from SJPII.

Download the **WeConnect Parish** app for access to the bulletins, church calendar and important parish notifications. Text **ParishApp1** to **555888** for iPhone Users; or Text **ParishApp2** to **555888** for Android Users. Parishioners can visit *parishesonline.com*, locate your parish with the search tool, and sign-up to automatically get an email when a new publication becomes available.

GUIDELINE FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers may be sponsored on a weekly basis in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion,



such as an anniversary, wedding or birth. Donation is \$120 for the center altar flowers. Due to certain holidays and feast days some weeks may not be available. Please call the Parish Office at 904-330-0153 for availability. **Donations may be made online by** scanning the QR code above or at the parish office.

GUIDELINE FOR MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions may be made for a living or deceased loved one. Only one Mass Intention per Mass is permitted. Mass Intentions will be limited to 6 per person requesting the intentions per year and may be made up to 6 months in advance.





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