

# Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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OCTOBER 2024

## PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor.....	Rev. Justin Golna, J.C.L.
Bookkeeper.....	Steph Russell
Parish Secretary.....	Amanda Manner
Dir. Of Music/ Organist.....	Zac Gordon
Dir. of Religious Education.....	Monica Biery
Housekeeping .....	Jessica Murray
Parish Council.....	John Alvarez
Finance Council.....	Bill Garvey

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** For Infants: Parents make arrangements with the pastor/office. For Adults: Baptism will be given on Easter Vigil after completing the RCIA program. For details, please contact Parish Office.

**MARRIAGE:** Please make arrangements with the pastor. Six months minimum notice is required for the celebration of marriage.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Please contact the Parish office for arrangements.

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
**Mon, Tuesday and Thursday:** 8:30 a.m.  
**Wednesday and Friday:** 5:30 p.m.

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
**Monday, Tuesday & Thursday:** 8:00 - 8:25 a.m.  
**Wednesday and Friday:** 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

## ADORATION

**Wednesday:** 9 a.m.—5 p.m.

## MISSION STATEMENT

We the family of St. John the Evangelist Parish commit ourselves to the call of Baptism: To Listen, To Learn, To Live and To Share the Word of God through our lives.

## Pastor's Perusings—Greetings and Penitence

Continuing our journey through the most important reality that we are privileged to experience, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we have immersed ourselves in the life and love of the Trinity and the act of redemption which was given to us by Christ on the Cross. Following this immersion into the divine life, the priest greets the People of God with that familiar phrase: The Lord be with you. This greeting finds its root in the Book of Ruth (2:4), as a prayer given by King David for his son, Solomon, in 1 Chronicles 22:16, and finally at the Annunciation when the Archangel Gabriel announces to Mary "The Lord is with you" (Luke 1:28). This greeting which occurs at the beginning of every Mass thus immerses the People of God in the greeting of Boaz (Ruth 2:4), the blessing of King David (1 Chr. 22:16), and becomes another annunciation of the Incarnation of our Lord where He becomes present to us in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Every time we come to Mass, we bring our joys and hopes, our trials and tribulations, and we are greeted with the reality that we are not alone and abandoned, but in the midst of all that is going on in our lives the Lord is truly with us.

The response given to this greeting, "And with your spirit", can sound quite strange to our modern ears. Yet it is a most ancient liturgical greeting used only among Christians. A number of ancient Christian writers explained this greeting of the people to the priest. Among these explanations, a homily attributed to Narsi of Nisibis wrote: "The people answer the priest lovingly and say: 'With you, O priest, and with that priestly spirit of yours.' They call 'spirit' not that soul which is in the priest, but the spirit which the priest has received by the laying on of hands. By the laying on of hands the priest receives the power of the Spirit so that he may be able to perform the divine mysteries. That grace the people call the spirit of the priest and they pray that he may attain peace with it and it with him".

Following this greeting, we move to the Penitential Act. While Holy Mother Church is holy, we know all too well how she is made up of a community of sinners in need of repentance and forgiveness. In the *Didache*, also known as *The Teaching of the Lord to the Gentiles by the Twelve Apostles*, an ancient Christian document from the end of the first century, taught the early Christians: "But every Lord's day gather yourselves together, and break bread, and give thanksgiving after having confessed your transgressions, that your sacrifice may be pure. But let no one that is at variance with his fellow come together with you, until they be reconciled, that your sacrifice may not be profaned. For this is that which was spoken by the Lord: In every place and time offer to me a pure sacrifice; for I am a great King, says the Lord, and my name is wonderful among the nations."

In order for us to be able to truly worship God in a way that is pleasing to Him, we have to first place ourselves back in right relationship with Him. Through the course of the week, there are many different ways in which we allow our lives to become disordered by focusing on our wants, desires, and will instead of what God wants, desires, and wills for us. In other words, there are numerous ways in which we sin and need to acknowledge that sinfulness, implore God for the grace of repentance and for His mercy, so that we are able to enter into the Holy of Holies and truly worship God. If we never come to understand the reality that we are sinners, then it becomes impossible for us to acknowledge that we are in need of the Savior. But once we acknowledge our sinfulness and our need for repentance, we are able to experience that mercy that only God can give.

Next week, we will delve deeper into the Confiteor. - Fr. Golna



Sat 4:00 pm Margaret Lauck+  
 Sun 8:00 am People of the Parish  
 Sun 10:30 am Frank, Isabella,  
 George, and Janet  
 Todd+  
 Mon 8:30 am Rosemary Kyanko +  
 Tue 8:30 am Terry Cox +  
 Wed 5:30 pm Don Huff Sr & Don  
 Huff Jr++  
 Thur 8:30 am Harold DeGarmo +  
 Fri 5:30 pm Ron Ujcich +  
 Sat 4:00 pm Eleanor Evans +  
 Sun 8:00 am People of the  
 Parish  
 Sun 10:30 am Terry Cox +

*Readings*

**Saturday:** JB 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17, PS 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130, MT 11:25, LK 10:17-24,

**Sunday:** Gn 2:18-24, Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6, Heb 2:9-11, 1 Jn 4:12, Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12,

**Monday:** GAL 1:6-12, PS 111:1B-2, 7-8, 9 AND 10C, JN 13:34, LK 10:25-37

**Tuesday:** GAL 1:13-24, PS 139:1B-3, 13-14AB, 14C-15, LK 11:28, LK 10:38-42

**Wednesday:** Gal 2:1-2, 7-14, Ps 117:1bc, 2, Rom 8:15b, Lk 11:1-4

**Thursday:** GAL 3:1-5, LK 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75, ACTS 16:14B, LK 11:5-13

**Friday:** GAL 3:7-14, PS 111:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6, JN 12:31B-32, LK 11:15-26

**Saturday:** GAL 3:22-29, PS 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, LK 11:28, LK 11:27-28

**Next Sunday:** Wis 7:7-11, Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17, Heb 4:12-13, Mt 5:3, Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27



**OCTOBER 05, 4:00 PM**  
 Gre Rob and Marcie Morris  
 Ser Avery & Liam  
 Lec Jim Sperlazza

**OCTOBER 06, 8:00 AM**  
 Gre Anna and JeJe  
 Ser Judith Aracich  
 Lec Maryanne Capp

**OCTOBER 06, 10:30 AM**  
 Gre Susie Mullenbach  
 Ser Will & Stothard  
 Lec Pam Ferguson

USHERS PLEASE COUNT

THE READINGS for this weekend are in the Hymnal at 1007.

The **FOOD PANTRY** will be open on Wednesdays from Noon to 3:00pm to assist Brooke County residents. A valid ID & proof of address required. If you would like to donate any non perishable items please leave them in the red bin located in the vestibule.

Beginning October 1st we will start accepting Mass Intentions for January thru June of 2025. We will also be accepting sanctuary candles for the entire 2025 year.

Starting October 14th—October 22nd Father Golna will be away from the parish attending the CLSA conference. During this time mass and confession will be held by visiting priests. See schedule below.

October 14th, 15th, 16th (evening), and 18th: Father Tony Thurston

October 17th: Father Ron Prechtl

October 18th and 19th: Father Cyprin Osuegbu

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Envelopes	135	\$4758
Votive Candles		\$10
Building & Maintenance		\$0
Elevator		\$
Mission Appeal		\$1409
Catholic Univ of America		\$386
Registered Parishioners/ Budget	249	\$2,900.00



**Sat:** Joanie Newton, Ronald Staffileno

**Sun:** Violet Martino

**Mon:**

**Tues:**

**Wed:** Jeremy Virgin, Chaz Grooms

**Thurs:** Benji Serevicz

**Fri:**

**Sat:**

**Sun:** Cynthia Niven



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE**

is burning in memory of  
*Joe and Margaret Diserio*  
(Celia Ptaszek)  
From September 27th to October 10th.

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AND THEIR INTENTIONS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

DR. SCOTT BENEFIELD AND FAMILY, BOB STUCKEY, PAULA HENDERSON, DOMINIC CIPRIANI, MARY ROSE, DIANE BAYLESS, HILDA TARQUINIO, JOE BIBBO, BEVERLY SCHWERTFEGER, CHERYL BLAND, LISA CHIDO, DONNA SULLIVAN, SANDY, ELEANOR ROCKEY, COLLEEN RUSHING, LLOYD "PEANUT" VAN HORN, JIM AND SHARON PAVLIC, KATHLEEN GODINA, DEBBIE, AND RICK MERCER

Please keep the parish office updated of anyone you have added to the PRAYER LIST every 30 days.



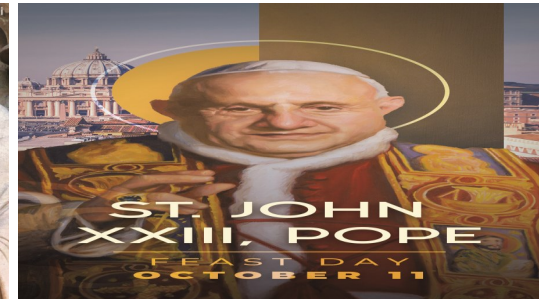
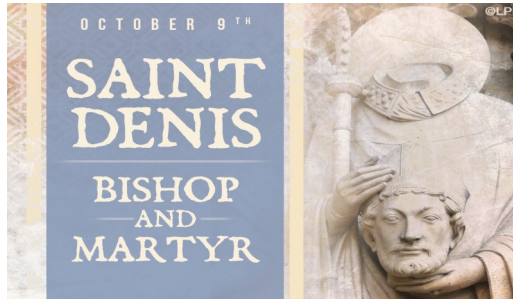
**27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6

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We would like to offer our deepest condolences to the family of Earl McLaughlin III who passed away on September 25, 2024. May he rest in peace.



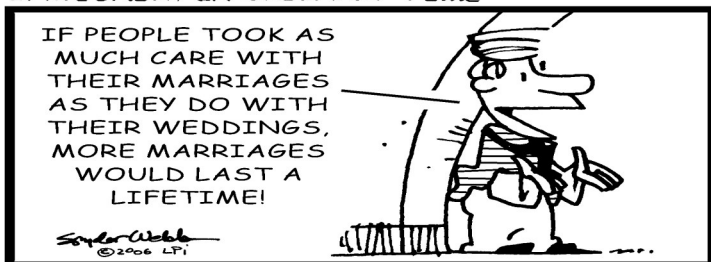
To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 304-233-0880 or 888-434-6237: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Father Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1504. Visit [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for more information.

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Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

		<b>1</b> Coffee & Catechesis 9 a.m.	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Blessing of the Animals 6p.m.	<b>8</b> Coffee & Catechesis 9 a.m.	<b>9</b> Altar & Rosary Soup & Sandwich Sale 12 p.m.	<b>10</b> Pastoral Council Meeting/ Group Pictures 6:30 p.m.	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Rosary Rally 12 p.m.
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Coffee & Catechesis 9 a.m.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Coffee & Catechesis 9 a.m.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Coffee & Catechesis 9 a.m.	<b>30</b> Men's Group 7 p.m.	<b>31</b>		

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Is the Lord calling you? Call Rev. Brian Crenwelge at the VOCATIONS OFFICE, Diocese of Wheeling -Charleston at 304-233-0880, ext. 298

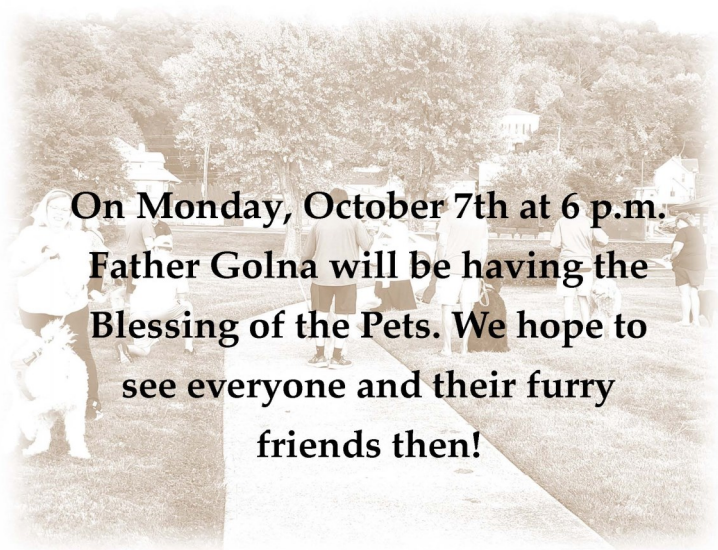
**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Saturday, December 14th: 100th Year Dedication  
Mass/ Holiday Gathering

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

By Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus encourages married couples to throw away the marriage rulebook. Rules are for those with "hardened hearts". Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God's faithful and selfless love...a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.



On Monday, October 7th at 6 p.m.  
 Father Golna will be having the  
 Blessing of the Pets. We hope to  
 see everyone and their furry  
 friends then!

### SCHOOL TIME CAPSULE

We have been informed of the location  
 of the Schools Time Capsule. If anyone  
 is able to assist in removing and replac-  
 ing concrete please let us know!

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On Saturday, October 12th at 12 p.m. the ladies of the Altar & Rosary Society will be hosting a Rosary Rally. All are invited to share this profession of faith for our Blessed Mother.

The ladies of the Altar & Rosary Society will be starting a PRAYER CHAIN. If you would be interested in being a link in our Prayer Chain or if you have a special prayer request please call the office for more information.



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