



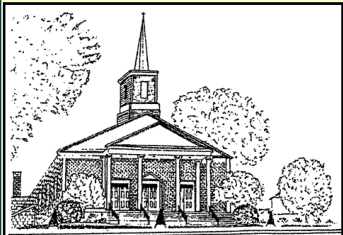
Saint John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church

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The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord Corpus Christi





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June 14, 2020

Holy Mass Schedule

Following the directives issued by the Diocese of Trenton, Public Masses in the Church with limited attendance begin on Sunday, June 14, 2020.

Sacrament of Confession

The Sacrament is available by request and as announced on our webpage. You are also invited to contact Fr. Wallack by email at any time at FrMikeWallack@gmail.com

Contact Information

The Parish Office is currently closed to visitors but our staff will be happy to respond to your messages by phone or email.

Kindly contact us as indicated below:

Office Email: stjohallentown@optonline.net

Office Phone: 609-259-3391 Fax: 609-508-1407

For an emergency requiring a priest, please call (609) 538-4126

Clergy and Parish Staff

Reverend Michael Wallack, Pastor
Email: FrMikeWallack@gmail.com

Mr. Joseph Hepp, Deacon
Email: jjhepp@yahoo.com

Mr. Michael Scannella, Deacon
Email: sfsdeacon@gmail.com

Deacon Assisting at the Extraordinary Form of the Mass
Mr. Guido Mattozzi

Mrs. Dorothy Conway, Business Manager
Email: sjbbusiness@optimum.net

Mrs. Lauren Walters, Coordinator of Religious Education
Email: sjbRelEd@optimum.net
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Mr. Peter Carter, Director of Music
Email: sjbmusicdirector@gmail.com

Mrs. Jo-Anne Ruff, Bookkeeper/Cemetery Coordinator
Email: sjbbookkeeper@optimum.net
Phone: (609)508-1715

Holy Mass Intentions (these intentions will be honored, whether in a public or private Mass)

Saturday, June 13	8:00 AM 5:15 PM	Nevenka Ilijasic, requested by Johnny Lee Lugossy, requested by Marie Luberto
Sunday, June 14 Feast of Corpus Christi	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM	Briella Bobal, requested by Frank & Sharon Cooper and Dennis & Michele Jones Richard Cichetti, requested by Mom and Dad The Maidens of the Miraculous Medal, requested by Catherine Taraba
Monday, June 15	7:00 PM	Olive Doreen O'Hare, requested by Robert O'Hare
Tuesday, June 16	8:00 AM	Eric Kinkle, requested by John and Sheila Doyle
Wednesday, June 17	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
Thursday, June 18	8:00 AM	Richard Gervasoni, requested by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gervasoni
Friday, June 19	8:00 AM	John and Suzanne Welborn (l), requested by Michael and Aixa Welborn
Saturday, June 20	8:00 AM 5:15 PM	Johnny Landers, requested by John and Sheila Doyle Mildred Romano, requested by John and Beverly Fiore
Sunday, June 21	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM	Paul, Felicita and John Robb, requested by Raymond and Doris Robb Anna Grasso, requested by Rita Kocher Edward Izbicki, requested by the Loria Family

Temporary Church and Public Mass Schedule

The Public Masses listed below have limitations on attendance, following the detailed directives posted on our website and issued by the Diocese of Trenton.

Sunday, June 14

10:00am Public Mass (Ordinary Form)
12:30pm Public Mass (Extraordinary Form)

Monday, June 15

7:00pm Public Mass (Ordinary Form)

The Church is open for prayer from Noon until 5:00pm.

Tuesday, June 16

No Public Mass.

The Church is open for prayer from Noon until 5:00pm.

Wednesday, June 17

8:00am Public Mass (Ordinary Form)

The Church is open for prayer from Noon until 5:00pm.

Thursday, June 18

No Public Mass.

The Church is open for prayer from Noon until 5:00pm.

Friday, June 19

8:00am Public Mass (Extraordinary Form)

The Church is open for prayer from Noon until 5:00pm.

Saturday, June 20

No Public Mass.

The Church is open for prayer from Noon until 5:00pm.

The 5:15pm Mass will be live-streamed.

Please visit our website for the live-stream link.

Saint John the Baptist Church

Sanctuary Lamp

Offerings for your intentions are available on a weekly basis for the Sanctuary Lamp, which burns night and day before Our Lord, truly present in the Tabernacle.

*The Sanctuary Lamp is offered this week
for the intentions of Jim Christenson and John Fiore
requested by the Parish Office Staff*

Weekly Collection

We are sincerely grateful for all of the donations that we have received at the outdoor/car Masses, electronically through Online Giving, through the postal mail and through direct drop-off to both of our campus mailboxes as of Saturday, June 13 at 6:00pm:

Easter: \$24,272.61

Sunday, June 7, 2020: \$ 8,079.00

Donations can be placed in the baskets during the Sunday Masses, mailed or dropped off in the secure black mailbox in front of the Religious Education building. The **Online Giving** option is popular as well, which allows a donation using your debit card, credit card or bank account. Please see our website, StJohnRomanCatholic.org for information.

A Note From Our Pastor



My Dear Parishioners,

I thank you for your continued patience as we move forward towards opening fully. However, we are not there yet. You will notice we have a temporary schedule of Masses so that we can assure the safety of all and adhere to the directives as handed down from the Diocese. If you are concerned or nervous please know that Bishop has extended the dispensation from our Sunday Obligation until September 7, so I would recommend staying home.

I am happy that the weekend we are opening is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi! I am sure returning to the sacraments will be source of great consolation for us all and I so miss having public Masses in our beautiful Church. A special thanks to our team of cleaners who have been and will continue working hard to sanitize and clean our Church.

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is a time for us to focus on the fact that Jesus is in fact present until the end of time. The Eucharist means Christ's presence amongst us. The resurrected and glorious Christ dwells with us, in a mysterious but real way, in the Eucharist. This presence implies on our side a worship attitude and an attitude of personal communion with Him. His Eucharistic Presence guarantees that He remains with us and is working on His salvation plan for us. The Eucharist is a mystery of faith. It is the Church's centre and key of life. It is the source and the deeper roots of the Christian existence.

We know the pain of being asked to fast from the Sacraments but we pray that we will never lose hope. Think of how we were consoled by the fact that Masses were still being celebrated in our Churches because we know the Eucharist is at the heart of what we do and believe. Hopefully, we will not be asked to do this again but that we know the presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ on our Altars and in our souls is essential for our spiritual well-being and to assist us on the path to unity as a Church and a nation.

I would like to share a beautiful quote from a wonderful Catholic Blessed:

“The Blessed Sacrament is indeed the stimulus for us all, for me as it should be for you, to forsake all worldly ambitions. Without the constant presence of our Divine Master upon the altar in my poor chapels, I never could have persevered casting my lot with the lepers of Molokai; the foreseen consequence of which begins now to appear on my skin, and is felt throughout the body. Holy Communion being the daily bread of a priest, I feel myself happy, well pleased, and resigned in the rather exceptional circumstances in which it has pleased Divine Providence to put me.”

– Blessed Fr. Damien, Apostle of the Lepers

Peace,
Fr. Mike



**Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church
Knights of Columbus Council 7333**

Email: AllentownKnights@gmail.com

Monthly Business Meetings

The Knights of Columbus Business Meetings are continuing in a virtual fashion (until further notice).



SAVE THE DATE!
**Msgr. Toomey 16th Annual
Charity Golf Outing
Monday, September 28, 2020**

The Knights of Columbus Council #7333 is sponsoring our annual golf outing! Please join us at the Old York Country Club, a Gary Player designed signature course in Chesterfield, NJ! Player limit of 120 golfers. More details will follow.

Knights of Columbus - Lead with Faith

We are Catholic men, sons, fathers, husbands, and grandfathers, informed by Faith and serving those in need. Men with purpose and meaning called to lead, to protect, to serve and defend. Becoming a Knight does not require a major commitment of time, but a desire to discover the man God called you to be. Throughout the year the Knights host events that benefit our local community, any contribution of your time at any of these events makes a difference. If you are interested in the Knights of Columbus, please contact me, or scan the QR code below.

Eugene Stabulis, Grand Knight



SCAN CODE AND JOIN NOW!
Specify Council 7333
www.kofc.org/joinus

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2020

We are grateful to all who have contributed to the 2020 Diocese of Trenton Annual Catholic Appeal. As of Monday, June 8, 2020, the parishioners of Saint John the Baptist have contributed \$22,462 to the Appeal, which represents 56% of our Parish goal of \$40,000. God bless you for your generosity!

**2020 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN EXTENDED !**

Please Note:

Due to the COVID -19 pandemic, St. John's Council 7333 will be awarding academic scholarships to the Class of 2020 in November. **The deadline for applications has also been extended to November 1, 2020.** If you have any questions please contact Jerry Iacona at 609-581-3744 or Bob Diszler at 609-259-9330.

Saint John's Council 7333 will be awarding academic scholarships. These awards are sponsored by Council 7333, St. John's Church and families who have dedicated a scholarship to the memory of a loved one. These include Mrs. Salvatore J. Damiano Jr., Mrs. Nicholas Ilijic, Mrs. Frank J. Longto and Mr. William Kristoff.

High school seniors who are registered members of Saint John's Parish are eligible to apply. Scholarship applications are available on our website (StJohnRomanCatholic.org) and can also be mailed to you from the Parish Office (please call 609-259-3391 and leave message with your name and address).

Completed applications should be sent to Jerry Iacona, 29 Krueger Lane, Hamilton, NJ 0820-2410. If you have any questions or would like to donate a scholarship, please contact Jerry Iacona at 609-581-3744 or Bob Diszler at 609-259-9330.



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
Saint John the Baptist Conference
president1svdp@gmail.com

Regular meetings are temporarily suspended.
Emergency case meetings will be coordinated as needed.
Home visits are suspended as well.
Neighbor visits will be conducted at a site to be announced, where controls can be put in place.

Appeals for assistance should continue as always, through the Parish Office phone at 609-259-3391 and also through the SVDP email (president1svdp@gmail.com).

Your gift to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor. We are a 501c3 non-profit organization and gifts are tax deductible. Anyone needing the support of the Society or anyone wishing to donate, please call the Parish Office at 609-259-3391.



**Help the St. Vincent de Paul Society!
Help the Poor! No Cost Perpetual Fundraiser!**

Gift cards are also for sale by calling the Parish Office. You can also pre-order at: president1svdp@gmail.com



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Backpack Project 2020

Dear Parishioners:

It is our hope that we will again be able to continue the wonderful backpack project that has helped to provide essential school supplies to so many children in need over the past 22 years! We look forward to providing backpacks with school supplies for the fall to clients of Catholic Charities in the Trenton area as well as in our immediate area. Over these many years, our Parish has provided the empty backpacks and parishioners were invited to take an empty backpack home and return it with school supplies needed by the children. These backpacks were then distributed to needy families.

Due to present COVID-19 restrictions, we are currently unable to schedule the distribution or collection of the backpacks. However, we would like to present the yearly list of items that are always needed by the children, so that these items can be purchased by parishioners as they are available. We are currently in the process of determining the timing for this year's backpack project, and we are tentatively targeting the month of August for the distribution (and collection) of the backpacks. Much will depend on the schedule of the reopening of the Church and the regulations on public gatherings.

If you would like to help with our 2020 Backpack Project, the list of supplies is noted below. **Please continue to check the bulletin and our website for the most current status of this wonderful effort!**

Elementary School Supplies

- 6 pencils with erasers
- 2 ball point pens
- 3 erasers
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 3 pocket folders
- 1 ruler- metric and standard
- 8 washable markers
- 1 box 24 crayons
- 1 box colored pencils
- 1 safety scissors
- 1 pencil case
- 1 glue stick

Middle School Supplies

- 6 pencils with erasers
- 6 ball point pens
- 1 large eraser
- 6 spiral notebooks
- 6 pocket folders
- 3 red pens
- 3 highlighters
- 2 3-ring binders (1")
- 1 pack 3 hole loose leaf paper
- 1 pencil case

(All items gender neutral please!)

Our 2021 Saint John the Baptist Parish Mass Book opened on April 22, 2020.

Although our Parish Office remains closed during the state of emergency, we will be able to accept 2021 Mass intention requests **BY MAIL**. We are not able to accept requests by phone or email at the present time. Please note the following:

1. Requests at this time are limited to **ONE REQUEST FORM PER FAMILY PER MONTH**.
2. Families can request up to three 2021 Masses per Form. The suggested Mass stipend is \$10 per Mass.
3. The specific date and Mass time requests are available on a first come-first serve basis. Our Office Staff will contact you by phone if the date(s) you have requested is/are not available, and will work with you to choose another date. **Kindly advise for each Mass below if you would like us to mail you a Mass card or just a written confirmation that the Mass was reserved.**

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH 2021 MASS REQUEST FORM

Name of Person requesting the Mass(es): _____

Address of person requesting the Mass(es): _____

Best contact telephone number: _____

Number of Masses requested (limit 3): 1 2 3 (circle choice)

Mass #1: 2021 Date Requested: _____ Mass time _____

Mass intention is for: Deceased Living (circle choice)

Do you need a Mass card? Yes No (circle choice)

Name(s) for Mass intention: _____

Mass #2: 2021 Date Requested: _____ Mass time _____

Mass intention is for: Deceased Living (circle choice)

Do you need a Mass card? Yes No (circle choice)

Name(s) for Mass intention: _____

Mass #3: 2021 Date Requested: _____ Mass time _____

Mass intention is for: Deceased Living (circle choice)

Do you need a Mass card? Yes No (circle choice)

Name(s) for Mass intention: _____

Please print and complete this form, enclose the Mass stipend (checks made payable to St. John's Church) and mail to:

St. John's Church: 2021 Mass Request
1282 Yardville-Allentown Road
Allentown, NJ 08501

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Bishop O'Connell has invited all of the Catholic faithful to join with him in prayer to our Blessed Mother during this time of pandemic:



O Mary, loving Mother, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, who at the Cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Be present to all those suffering from coronavirus and to those who care for them: families, friends, neighbors, doctors, nurses, staff, government officials, pastors, priests and all who seek to do God's will. Bring comfort and calm to the elderly, to those at risk and to all who are afraid. Be for us all a beacon of hope, lighting our path once more to the heart of your beloved Son, the Divine Healer and Health of the Sick.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.