



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 7:00 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday:

Vigil: 5:00 pm

Tagalog Mass: 7:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

10:00 (Livestream)

12:00 pm

4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

7:00 pm

Wednesday:

Devotion to Mother of Perpetual Help

6:00 PM Rosary,

6:30 Novena Mass

First Friday:

7:00 PM (Livestream)

Holy Day Schedule

Eve of Holy Day: 7:00 PM

Holy Day 7:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:00 PM

Or by appointment by calling the Parish Office

DAILY DEVOTION

6:30 am – Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hours with your personal access code.

PARISH PRIESTS

Rev. Msgr. Wilfredo S. Manrique, Pastor

Rev. Edgar Elamparo I, Associate Pastor



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PARISH VISION & MISSION

Vision

We are called to active discipleship to live the values taught by our Lord Jesus Christ through acts of faith, hope, and charity. As active disciples, we engage in a "mission" mode of evangelization, forming disciples and inspiring others to do the same.

Strategic Vision

We are a thriving community of disciples who see their role in the life and evangelizing mission of the Church, sustaining a parish school that continuously grows and increases its enrollment every year, and supporting a facility that architecturally highlights the beauty and spirituality of its broader community.

Mission

- We seek to be a community of active disciples who:
- Are diverse, inclusive, and collaborative (Welcoming)
- Continuously grow and share their faith with all generation of spiritual seekers (Word)
- Are involved in a creative, vibrant liturgy (Worship)
- Are involved in areas of service that impact its broader community and the world (Witness)
- Have a strong sense of stewardship, evident in the parish's healthy finances, committed organization, and self sustained ministries (Strengthening)
- Are unafraid to grow by remembering the past, celebrating the present, and believing in the future

CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENT

Baptism are being celebrated every **Saturday at 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 2:00 pm**. Please make an appointment with the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism interview and to register for the required preparation class. The preparation class is being held every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30PM.

FIRST EUCHARIST: We accept children who are at least in first grade and seven years old. We have two classes: one is every Thursday from 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm and the other is every Saturday from 9:15 am to 10:30 am. Registration starts in late July or early August.

CONFIRMATION: It is a two-year program. First Year Confirmandi meet every first and third Friday while Second Year Confirmandi meet every second and fourth Friday. Both will have a mandatory Confirmation Retreat. Regular Class time is 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm. We accept children who are at least in seventh grade and up to Junior High (eleventh grade). Registration starts in late July or early August.

Marriage: Before planning your wedding, please make an appointment with one of our priest. Marriage preparation usually takes at **least six months** period to complete.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist make pastoral visit to parishioners who are sick either confined in the hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, care homes, or at the convenient of their own home. Also, it is for parishioners who are homebound, i.e. their health or medical conditions could be compromised when they leave home. Pastoral visit comprise of the respectful distribution of the Holy Eucharist to the sick; and as well, as giving them emotional, social, and spiritual support through profound and thoughtful prayers.

Anointing of the Sick: In this Church's Sacrament, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness or frailty of old age is sufficient. To request, please call the parish office. Outside office hours, kindly **call (408) 966-4612**. In addition, the Sacrament is also conferred during the communal celebration at the morning Mass every first Saturday of the month.

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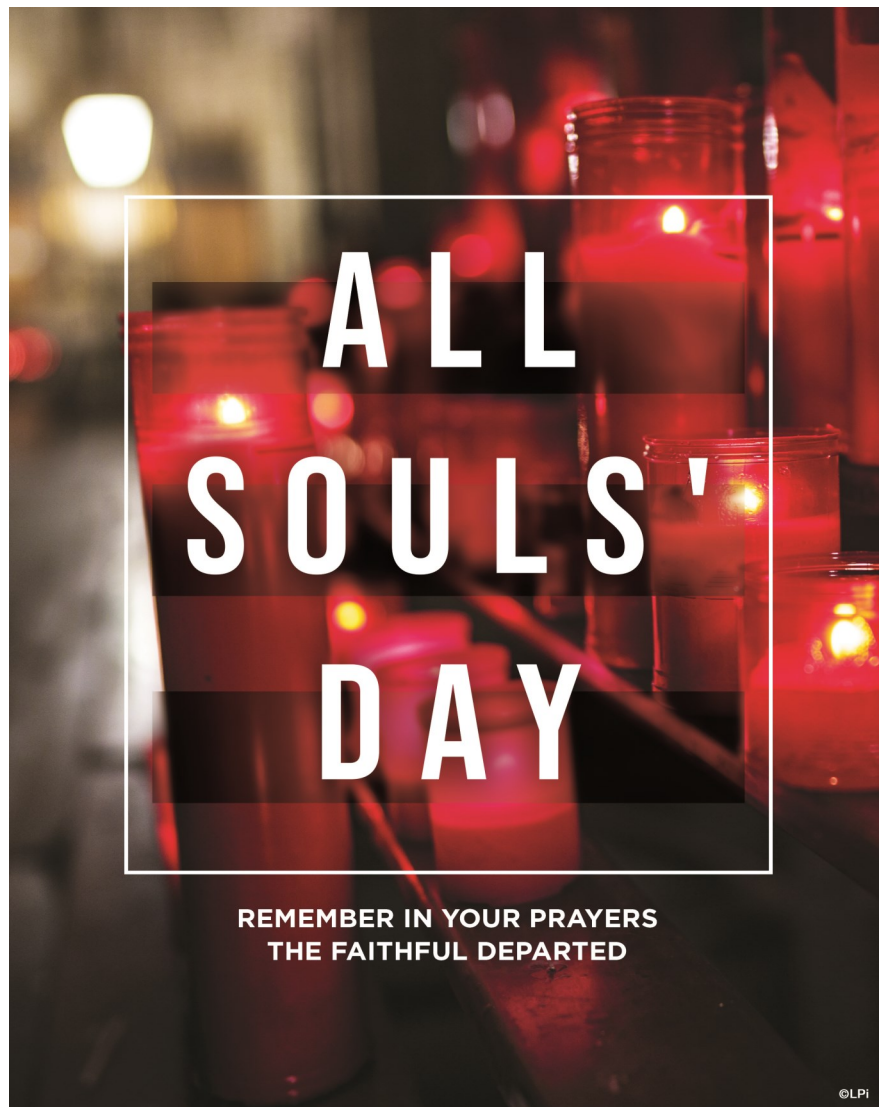
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Prayer for Our Deceased

Dear Lord,
Comfort us in our grief as we mourn
those no longer with us on earth.
Free those in purgatory quickly,
and guide us in Your will,
so that one day we may all be united
with You, for eternity.
Amen.

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

How can we pray for the dead throughout the year?

Answer:

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2nd each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are!

LITURGY & WORSHIP

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 3, 2024

First Reading:

"Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God,
with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your strength." (Dt 6:5)

Psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength. (Ps 18)

Second Reading:

But Jesus, because he remains forever,
has a priesthood that does not pass away.
(Heb 7:24)

Gospel:

"The second is this:

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no other commandment greater than
[this]." (Mk 12:31)

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Observances for the week of November 3, 2024

Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Daylight Saving Time Ends; National Vocation
Awareness Week

Monday: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Tuesday: Election Day

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday: The Dedication of the Lateran
Basilica

Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Readings for the week of November 3, 2024

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
(2)/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk
14:12-14

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab,
30c, 31-32//Lk 14:15-24

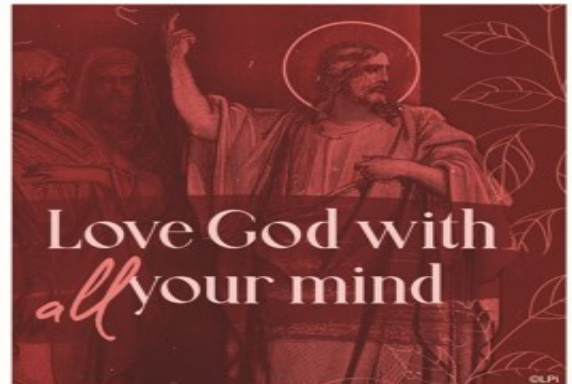
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk
14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/
Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab,
4cd-5/Lk 16:1-

Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6,
8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-
10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44



GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Today's Gospel presents Jesus' teachings on the two greatest commandments. Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. And love your neighbor as yourself. Let's consider these "greatest commandments" as they relate to three aspects of a Christian steward's daily life — the giving of our time, talent, and treasure.

The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord — in other words, our prayer life. Since time is a gift to me from God, I show my love for Him and my gratitude for this gift by giving Him the best portion of my time. Of course, it is vital to talk to God throughout the day, but if I really want to love Him with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength, shouldn't I make time for God "first" on my agenda each day? Not as an afterthought, but as a time I have intentionally chosen to spend only with Him.

The use of talents refers to the way I offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. Doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbor as myself." At the same time, it is also a way to love the Lord with all that I am and have, since He has told us that whatever we do for others we are also doing for Him.

The use material gifts — or treasure — likewise demonstrates both love of God and of neighbor. When I trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection, I am showing Him in a very tangible way that He comes before all else in my life and I am putting my material resources at the service of my neighbor in the parish community and beyond.

When we live for God and others, we are living a stewardship way of life. And like the wise scribe in today's Gospel, we are moving closer to the kingdom of God, our ultimate destination.

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For the readings, click on the day of the week or visit

www.bible.usccb.org.

To learn more about saints, click on the name above or visit www.franciscanmedia.org and search for a specific saint's name or day.



Vocations Awareness Week Nov. 3 to 9

Vocations Awareness Week is celebrated the first full week in November. This year, it is Nov. 3 to 9. It is a special time dedicated to fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of all vocations within the Church - priesthood, religious life, marriage, and consecrated single life. It is an opportunity for parishes and individuals to reflect on God's call and how He invites each person to live out their unique vocation in a way that glorifies Him and serves the community.

During this week, the Church encourages prayer, education and discernment, helping both young people and adults to consider their own calling. Vocations Awareness Week emphasizes the importance of supporting those who feel called to the priesthood or religious life. It also recognizes the vital roles that married couples, families, and single laypersons play in building up the Church.

Vocations Prayer

Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our parish to hear the call to serve. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence. Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel, dedicated priests, sisters, brothers and deacons who will spend themselves for your people and their needs. Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many are inspired by their example and faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" "Here I am," I said; "send me!" ~Isaiah 6:8



You may start submitting pictures of your deceased for our Altar of Repose, which will be set up this week. Please drop off a picture of your deceased loved one at the Parish Office – NO bigger than 5" x 7", framed, and labeled with the name and phone number of contact person on the back.



Because November 2 is a Saturday and we regularly have our anticipated Masses for Saturday evenings, our traditional Mass of Consolation for those who passed away in the last 12 months and is usually held on November 2nd **will instead be held on November 4, Monday.**

STEWARDSHIP

Elevate Your Faith and Support Your Community with #SupportSJBParish

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- Contribute to essential church renovations and upgrades
- Help maintain the beauty and functionality of your parish home
- Support the mission of making Christ known and loved



When you give to #SupportSJBParish, you're not just making a donation - you're investing in the spiritual and physical wellbeing of your faith community. St. John the Baptist Parish is embarking on an important stewardship initiative to fund vital renovations and improvements. By participating, you'll play a direct role in enhancing the church's ability to serve parishioners and spread the Gospel. Whether it's updating the altar, installing a new marble floor, or acquiring a beautiful new tabernacle, your contribution will directly improve the sacred space where you worship. But more importantly, you'll be supporting the ongoing work of making Jesus Christ known and loved in your local community. As a faithful steward, you'll experience the joy of generously sharing the gifts God has entrusted to you.

How can I help SJB?

Are you looking for ways to make a positive impact in our community? Look no further, because Saint John the Baptist Parish is seeking volunteers to share their time, talents, and treasures leading to meaningful change, transforming lives and strengthening our community. Together, we can create a positive impact. By filling out our volunteer forms, you can use your skills and resources to make a difference in the lives of those around us. Join us in building a stronger, more connected and God-faithful community. Let's make a difference together!"

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION



BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Attention All Parishioners,
We're reaching out to ask for your support. Our church bulletin sponsorships play a vital role in keeping our parish connected. When businesses advertise in our bulletin and on our parish website, they provide essential financial support for printing and web hosting. Let's come together to keep our communication strong and vibrant!

For advertising inquiries, please reach out to Raluca Tutulesco at 800-477-4574 x 6222 or email at rtutulesco@4lpi.com.

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THE R.C.I.A CORNER

The RCIA process will be changing its name in December 2024. We will be known as the "OCIA" (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), the Catholic Church is updating the Rites that are used in the Initiation Process and releasing a new translation of the RCIA. No major changes just trying to get back to a closer intent of the Initiation Process.

On Sunday 3 Nov 2024 we will be discussing the Sacrament of Baptism. This is the First of all the Sacraments that we receive, come join us to see why it is so important that we may even recognize other Christian Faiths Baptism.

On 10 Nov 2024, our Topic will be the Sacrament of Confirmation. Join us as we discuss how this Sacrament is the completion of the Gifts and Strength of the Holy Spirit.

If you see a topic that interests you, come join us! We will meet in Pavalkis Hall after the 10 am Mass in room 2A. This is free to anyone in the parish that wants to join in the discussion.

For more information either contact the Parish Office at 408-262-2546 or talk with Dave Meszaros 408-892-0510 or Email mailman6019@yahoo.com.

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PARISH AND COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS



CHRISTMAS IN NOVEMBER BOUTIQUE AND VARIETY SHOW

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NOVEMBER 17, 2024
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

For more information and to reserve a table contact:

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Make check payable to: SAINT JOHN LADIES GUILD
Mail to: Saint John Ladies Guild c/o MariCris Benitez
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Knights News Knights of Columbus Saint John's Council No. 5796

Our next Contest is now open to all children of the parish K – Eighth grade. The Contest is a Christmas Poster titled "Keep Christ in Christmas." Judging will consider: Slogan on the poster, Visual content, and Overall Impact. The contest will close on 12 Nov 2024. We will try and have the judging **done** on 19 Nov 2024. We hope to announce the winners at our Thanksgiving Dinner in Pavalkis Hall on 28 Nov 2024. The Judging will be grades K, 1st & 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th, 7th & 8th grades. We will have prizes for the winners! The Poster size is suggested to be 11 X 17 inches and there must be an entry form (#5025) with each entry. For more info contact **Joe Ruggiero at 408-890-1729 or josruggiero@comcast.net**.

Sunday Breakfast has returned TODAY! 3 November 2024, after the 8 and 10 am Masses. Weather permitting, we will be serving Breakfast in the Grotto Area. The Menu will be Bacon, Fried Eggs, Fries Rice and Longanisa. And of course, Coffee, Tea, and water, the suggested donation is \$10. We will also have Arrozcaldo offered for \$3. Donation. Come enjoy Breakfast and fellowship with the members of the Community. This is a fund-raising event to help support our Thanksgiving Dinner and other Community Projects.

Our Annual Veterans Clothing Drive continues 2 & 3 Nov 2024. We have donation barrels at the front of the Church during all the Masses. The VA is asking for items (New or used) of Jackets, Jeans, colored t-shirts, and polo shirts. They also have a need for Body Wash, Shampoo and Deodorant. They have sessions where the veterans gather and they ask for individual size snacks (Chips, cookies, cheese and crackers, etc.) that they can serve at their meetings. Thank You for your support for those who have served and protected our country!

"BRING YOUR TURKEY TO MASS CAMPAIGN"

Once again we are asking those that would like to donate a turkey to be used at our annual Thanksgiving Dinner, to bring them to Mass and place them in the barrels provided at the entrance to the Church. The Ushers will make sure they are moved to the Knights freezers during each Mass. Our Campaign will be the weekends of 9, 10, 16 and 17 November 2024. This will allow us time to defrost and cook the turkeys before Thanksgiving. Thank You to all who have donated in

the years past.



TURKEY DROP-OFF
Bring Your Turkey To Mass Campaign!

Please donate a frozen turkey for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner.
You can place your donation in the barrels outside the church entrance.

Thank you!

Nov. 9, 10, 16, & 17

HAPPY Thanksgiving!

We are continuing our Family of the Month recognition. If you know a family that is deserving of being recognized let our Committee know! The Committee Chairman is Ray Maglalong at 408-506-8626. The committee is not looking for the Perfect Family but a family that live Traditional Christian Family values.

If you like the service projects that the Knights are supporting, consider becoming a Knight! The Knights of Columbus have a great Insurance program rated as one of the top ten in the United States. And any profits go back into the support of the Catholic Church! What are the requirements to become a Knight? You must be at least 18 years of age and be a practicing Catholic Gentleman. **Simply scan the QR code with this article or contact the Grand Knight whose info is listed below! Be sure to enter Council number 5796, that you want to join.**

Join us on our NEW WEBSITE: KOFMilpitas.org. See the latest pictures of what we have been doing.

Want more info about becoming a Knight or what we do, contact **Grand Knight Manny Q. Managbanag at 669-225-0613 or email MANAGBANAGMANNY@yahoo.com**.