



Saint John The Evangelist Catholic Church
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 21, 2025
1008 Fortune Ave, Panama City, FL 32401
The Angelus, Jean-François Millet, 1857-1859

WHO WE ARE



Rev. Thomas Kennell, Pastor



Dcn. Timothy Warner



Dcn. Earl Mirus



Sr. Grace Ford, Er. Dio - Principal

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil | 4:30pm

Sunday | 8:15am & 10:45am

Daily Mass

Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 8:15am

Tuesday, Thursday | 5:30pm

First Saturdays | 9:00 Latin *Novus Ordo*

Adoration

First Fridays | 9am-5pm

Confession

Tuesdays and Thursdays | 4:30-5:20pm

Saturdays | 3:00-4:15pm

Second Sundays | After Each Mass

To schedule a confession, email confession@saintjohnnpc.org. Emails are confidential and go directly to Fr. Kennell

Flocknote

Text STJ to 84576

Receive text messages or emails for announcements & upcoming events

Register as a Member

Visit the parish office

To register as a parishioner, contact the parish office for a registration card

Parish Staff

Parish Office - 850-763-1821

saintjohnnpc@saintjohnnpc.org

Open Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm

Grace Griffith | Secretary

Lynn Sokoloski | Facilities Manager

Heather Hanna | Event Coordinator

Jera Blanchard-Towns | Family & Children's Catechesis

Dot Wagner | Coordinator of Youth Formation

Nick Labrie | Director of Mission Operations

Me-Gan Vu | Director of Sacred Music

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Submissions are due by noon on Mondays

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Chris Brooks | Finance Council Chair

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SACRAMENTAL QUESTIONS?

Children | Through 5th Grade

Jera Blanchard-Towns | Children's Catechesis

jera.blanchard-towns@saintjohnnpc.org

Contact for questions regarding Baptism, First Communion, First Reconciliation, & Living Liturgically (formation program for grades K-5)

Youth | Grades 6-12

Dot Wagner | Youth Formation

youth@saintjohnnpc.org

Contact for Confirmation and questions regarding Catholic Student Ministries (CSM)

Adults | 18+

Fr. Thomas Kennell | Pastor

catholicism@saintjohnnpc.org

Contact for questions regarding Adult Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion

Visiting the Sick/Homebound - please call the parish office to set up a visit with a priest or lay person to bring communion or check on a homebound person

Anointing of the Sick - call the parish office at any time

Holy Matrimony - contact the parish office six months prior to your anticipated wedding date

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A LETTER FROM FR. KENNELL

Dear Parish Family & Friends,

If you were to walk into the parish office at noon on a weekday, you might notice a slight pause in the day's busyness. Phones are momentarily unanswered, emails left in draft. Why? Because recently the staff has taken up the practice of praying the Angelus together at noon. It's a simple but powerful tradition, and one I'd like to commend to you.

The Angelus is an ancient devotional prayer that recalls the Annunciation, the moment when the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and announced she would bear the Son of God. It's traditionally prayed at three points throughout the day: 6 a.m., noon, and 6 p.m. These brief moments are meant to sanctify the day and draw us back, again and again, to the mystery of the Incarnation: that God became man and dwelt among us. This mystery lies at the heart of our faith, and the Angelus helps keep it there in our daily lives.

You'll notice on the cover of this week's bulletin a well-known painting by Jean-François Millet titled *The Angelus*. It depicts a man and woman pausing from their work. Having heard the bells of the church (note the small, humble church in the background), they stop to pray the evening Angelus. There's no angel in sight, at least not visibly, but their posture and the stillness of the moment point to something beyond the canvas. That's the beauty of the Angelus. It doesn't interrupt life so much as refocus it.

We live in a world always pushing us toward the next task, the next appointment, the next notification. The Angelus is a gentle invitation to stop and remember that everything in our lives is oriented toward a deeper reality: the Word became flesh, and that changes everything. Whether you're able to pray it at the traditional times or simply once a day, I encourage you to consider taking up this practice in your own home, workplace, or school. Perhaps it becomes your prayer of grace before your midday meal.

It only takes a few minutes, but it can reframe your whole day in light of God's presence with us. Let's be people who remember, even in the middle of work, that "the Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary," and everything changed.

Peace,

Fr. Kennell



The Angelus

v. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
r. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

v. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
r. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary, full of grace...

v. And the Word was made flesh.
r. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, full of grace...



v. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
r. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord,
Thy grace into our hearts,
that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son
was made known by the message of an angel,
may by His Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of His Resurrection,
through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

UPCOMING & NOTEWORTHY

Diocesan Second Collection

This Weekend September 20 & 21

A second collection will take place this weekend to support the Catholic Education Appeal. Thank you for your generosity!

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Sundays at 9:30am | Parish Office

Considering becoming Catholic or learning more about the Faith? Contact Deacon Tim Warner at (850) 596-2974 to learn more!

Serve Saturdays

Oct 18, Nov 8, & Dec 13

Bring your teen, kids, or just yourself to help a neighbor. These Saturday morning events are 8-11am in Bay County. They're opportunities to serve and love our neighbors. Got a skill you can share? Email Dot so we can connect your talents to the needs of others: youth@saintjohnnpc.org

Audio-Visual Volunteers Needed!

Serve the Lord at Mass!

Our A/V volunteers display text for participation at Mass. Training is provided, and it is all done through the click of a button. Contact Andy at (850) 241-5131. Opportunity open to teens!

Events this Week

Sunday, September 21

9:30-10:30am - OCIA Class in parish office

Donuts after Mass in the parish hall

Tuesday, September 23

6:15pm - Catholic in Recovery in the parish office

6:15pm - Encounter School in the church

Wednesday, September 24

9:30am - Women's Bible Study in parish office

6:30pm - Men's Bible Study in parish office

Thursday, September 25

6:00-8:00pm - Young Professionals Fellowship

Dinner & Discussion in parish office

Sunday, September 28

9:30-10:30am - OCIA Class in parish office

Donuts after Mass in the parish hall

Discipleship Small Groups

Catholic Student Ministries

Middle & High School small groups are now meeting! Contact Dot at youth@saintjohnnpc.org.

Young Professional Fellowship

Upcoming Events

Sept 25 | Dinner & Discussion: "Courtship, Commitment, & Covenant: God's Plan for Love" 6:00-8:00pm, parish office

WOMEN'S EVENTS

Women's Bible Study Fall 2025

9:30 - 11am Wednesdays | Parish Office

Contemplate the Life of Jesus through our 4-5 week book series on Luke In the Land, followed by Season 5 of the "The Chosen". Contact Kathy Kidd (850) 814-7747 or Martha Cordell (850) 814-4619 for more info!

CCW Seminarian Saturday

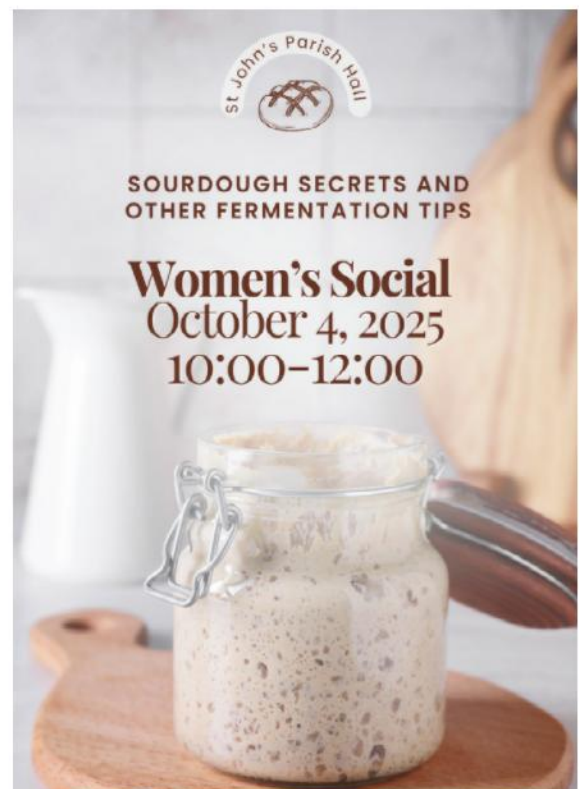
Oct 4 | Sts. Peter & Paul

Join the women of the CCW on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi for a day of reflection. The day will include Mass at 11am and two talks by Seminarian Jose Cortez. Light lunch at 12 pm. No cost - bring a friend!

Council of Catholic Women

New Members Welcome!

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) is a ministry with many opportunities to serve our parish, the wider community, and to support the education of future priests. Contact CCW President Susie Prather at (281) 844-0844 for more information and to get involved!



MEN'S MINISTRIES

Men's Fellowship Dinner

September 26 | St. Dominic
Men's Friday Fellowship, dinner, and Adoration from 6:30-9pm. Scan the QR code to register.



Men's Bible Study Fall 2025

In the Parish Office

Men's Bible Study is starting up again for the Fall. Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. Contact Warren Phillips at (850) 896-0801.

St. John Men's Club

New Members Welcome!

The Men's Club is an active group with a heart for supporting the parish and its various ministries. Contact Dr. Lee Fry at (850) 867-3916 for more information and to join this group of men dedicated to service and brotherhood!

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Join us in Prayer

If you would like to add anyone to the prayer list, please visit saintjohnnpc.org/prayer-request. Prayer requests will be in the bulletin for one month unless otherwise requested.

Repose of the Soul

†Thomas Towns, †Elisabeth Ryals, †Jimmie Carroll, †Richard Parker, †Ginny Maceluch

Healing

Michelle DeAbate, Joseph Cruz, John Camden, Anita Thomas

Mass Intentions

To request a Mass for a loved one, please call or visit the parish office

Saturday, September 20, 2025

4:30pm.....Kellard & Pamela Jensen
Happy Anniversary!

Sunday, September 21, 2025

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am.....People of the Parish
10:45am.....†Ellen Bellm by the Family

Monday, September 22, 2025

8:15am.....†Joyce & Harry Vitter by Cindy Vitter

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

5:30pm.....†Ludmila Volna

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

8:15am.....†Virginia Walsch by her Daughter

Thursday, September 25, 2025

5:30pm.....Marc & Mindy Mackey
by the Blomquist Family

Friday, September 26, 2025

8:15am.....†Mary Kay Collins

Saturday, September 27, 2025

4:30pm.....Seminarians

Sunday, September 28, 2025

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am.....†Helen Sabo
10:45am.....People of the Parish

Scripture Readings

For the Week of September 21, 2025

Sunday Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8;
Lk 16:1-13

Monday Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5;
Lk 8:19-21

Wed Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13;
Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16;
Lk 16:19-31



September 22, 2025



EAGLE NEWS

"St. John Catholic Academy prepares and educates students for academic success and forms disciples of Christ for life."

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wednesday, September 24th - Fall Pictures Preschool through 8th Grade (Chapel wear)
 Friday, October 10th - Early Release, End of First 9 weeks - Parent Conferences
 No Aftercare Available
 Monday, October 13th - Columbus Day - Academy and Preschool Closed
 Friday, October 17th - 1st Quarter Report Cards Available in PowerSchool
 Friday, October 31st - All Saints Fest 2 pm to 5pm (No aftercare)

Now Enrolling!
 Schedule your preschool tour today!
 Spots available in our PK2 and VPK4 preschool classes.
 Secure your child's place today.
 Scan the QR code to get started.
 See you soon!

The virtue of OBEDIENCE



DEFINITION OF OBEDIENCE:

Assenting to rightful authority without hesitation or resistance

PRAYER FOR OBEDIENCE: Dear Jesus, You are God, and yet You were obedient to Mary and Joseph. Help me to do all that my parents and teachers ask of me - promptly, joyfully, and completely.

- **OBEDIENCE LOOKS LIKE:** Performing your duties faithfully and thoroughly
- **OBEDIENCE SOUNDS LIKE:** I finished what I was asked to do.

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November 21st

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JOIN US

All Saints Fest

Friday, October 31, 2025
 2 pm to 5 pm

Join us on the PE Field for a safe and enclosed celebration filled with food, fun, and community spirit.



Bounce Houses
 Games
 Food
 Music
 Community



REMINDER
 Picture day is coming



Don't Miss Out On The Memories!
St. John Academy
WED, SEPT. 24TH

PK3 and PK4 students will wear their school uniform.
 K-8 students will wear their chapel uniform.
 Infants to 2 year old students will have their photos taken as well.
 These photos are also used in our school yearbook

A picture proof will be sent home for your review approximately two weeks after picture day directing you to the online order option at romophoto.com.

Contact Us:

850.763.1775



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Adoration (St. Dominic)

St. Dom Parish Office....850-785-4574
St. Dominic's has a perpetual adoration chapel. Contact their parish office for the door code or to sign-up for a weekly hour

Association of St. Jude

Don Rauscher.....850-271-3365

Carmelites

Angie Cirabisi.....317-526-8614

Catholic in Recovery

Diane.....850-541-3326
Wayne.....850-532-0421
Open for all who are in recovery from any form of unhealthy attachment

Council of Catholic Women

Susie Prather.....281-844-0844

Fishers of Men (St. Dominic)

Stephen Butler.....850-832-6434
Twice monthly breakfast on the **first and third Saturdays of each month from 8:30-10:30am** at St. Dominic's MC3 building. The next breakfast will be on **August 9th**.

Knights of Columbus

Mike Tierney.....850-319-1945

Lending Library

Located in the parish office (M-Th 9-3)

Men's Club

Lee Fry.....850-867-3916

Men's Bible Study

Warren Phillips.....850-896-0801
Check back in September for updates!

Ministry to the Sick

Contact the parish office to arrange for the Eucharist to be brought to anyone who is sick or homebound

Mission 850

850mission@gmail.com
Provides disaster relief services and hosts service projects every 2nd Saturday of the month

Morning Rosary

Every Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 7:30-8am (before Mass)

Music Ministry

Me-Gan Vu.....music@saintjohnpc.org

Scan the code to fill out the interest form for joining the choir/music team. Email Me-Gan directly for minors interested in joining.



Natural Family Planning

Melissa Cornman.....407-415-6575

Rachel's Vineyard

904-221-3232.....rachelsvineyard.org
Retreats for women and men looking to renew hearts broken by abortion

The Third Option

A program for couples & individuals to help their relationships flourish. Fall schedule coming soon.

Women's Morning Bible Study

Kathy Kidd.....850-814-7747
Martha Cordell.....850-814-4619
Starting September 3rd in the parish office conference room every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30am studying "Luke in the Land" by Kristi McLelland

Women's Socials

heather.hanna@saintjohnpc.org
Typically on the **first Saturday from 10am-noon** in the parish hall - next social will be on **October 4th**.

Young Professional Fellowship

Scan the QR code to join the GroupMe to stay up-to-date on bible studies & gatherings



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