

## WHO WE ARE



Rev. Thomas Kennell, Pastor



Dcn. Timothy Warner



Don. 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@saintjohnpc.org. Emails are confidential

#### **Flocknote**

#### Text STJ to 84576

and go directly to Fr. Kennell

Receive text message or email announcements

#### **Parish Council**

Christine Macejka Diane Skoriak Steve Shea Olivia Clemons Marilyn Percy Rob Griffith John Maceluch Jr. Lonn Blankenship

## 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 saintjohnpc@saintjohnpc.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

Bulletin Requests: Please email bulletin@saintjohnpc.org. Submissions are due by noon on Mondays
Bulletin Ad Requests: To publish an ad in the back of our bulletin, contact Mary Frericks at 404-771-2564 or MFrericks@Diocesan.com

#### **Finance Council**

Chris Brooks | Finance Council Chair
Jackie Fowler Dcn. Earl Mirus Sean McNeil
Tim Wheeler Sr. Grace Ford Donna Couchigian

## **SACRAMENTAL QUESTIONS?**

#### Children | Through 5th Grade

Jera Blanchard-Towns | Children's Catechesis jera.blanchard-towns@saintjohnpc.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@saintjohnpc.org

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

#### Adults | 18+

## Fr. Thomas Kennell | Pastor catholicism@saintjohnpc.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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# **ADVENT 2025**

Come, Lord Jesus!

#### **Advent Formation Series**

#### December 5th, 12th, & 19th | 5-7:30pm

Join us the first three Fridays of Advent for our parish Advent Formation series. Dinner will be served from 5-6pm with formation for all ages along with free childcare for the little ones from 6-7:30pm.

This series will serve as a School of Prayer, aiming to help us experience the simplicity and depth of traditional Catholic prayers. Our hope is that these evenings will help us enter a daily rhythm of prayer so that, as we approach Christmas, we are ready to receive Christ as a living presence in the reality of our homes, our hearts, and our daily lives.

Whether your prayer life is strong or just beginning, there is a place for you here.

Be watchful! Be alert!
You do not know when the time
will come.

Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning.

May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.
What I say to you, I say to all:
"Watch!"

Mark 13: 33, 35-37

#### A Letter From Fr. Thomas Kennell

St. John Family and Friends,

God is at work at St. John's. As I mentioned in my homily today, there is so much to celebrate in the life and work of St. John's. As we launch our new parish stewardship initiative, *Abide & Grow*, I invite all of you to join us in furthering the growth and depth of our parish community.

This week you will receive a brochure where you'll find more information about *Abide and Grow* and how it supports the mission and ministries of our parish. I ask that you take some time this week to review it and prayerfully consider how you and your family can play an active part in helping St. John the Evangelist continue to grow in faith, service, and love.

On **Commitment Weekend, November 15th & 16th,** I invite each of you to join me in making a commitment to support our parish through your regular offertory giving. A card will be included in the brochure mailing for you to:

- Mail it to the parish using the pre-addressed envelope included in your mailing
- Bring your card to Mass next weekend
- Or visit our parish website at www.saintjohnpc.org to complete an electronic Commitment Card.

On the back of the card, you'll also find space to share any prayer intentions you would like us to remember. These intentions will be prayed for collectively in the weeks ahead.

Our goal is 100% participation because this is about all of us, as one parish family, responding to the Lord's call to Abide and Grow together in faith. Thank you for your generosity, and for all the ways you already love and support our parish.

Peace.

Fr. Kennell

## **UPCOMING & NOTEWORTHY**

#### **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults**

#### Sundays 9:30-10:30am | Parish Office

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

#### **CCW Holiday Candy Sale**

#### Nov 8 & 9 | After All Masses

St. John CCW will be selling a variety of homemade candy with proceeds benefitting Hugs for the Homeless and Association of St. Jude. Samples of Martha Washington, white chocolate covered pretzels, chocolate fudge and chocolate covered peanuts will be available when orders are taken Nov. 8 & 9. Small boxes are \$12, and large boxes are \$20. Candy will be distributed after all Masses on December 7 & 8. Contact: Susie Prather (281) 844-0844.

#### **Parish Picnic**

#### Sunday, Nov 30th | 11:30am

Mark your calendars now to kick of the Advent season with this parish family event! Want to help serve or support the event? Call Heather at the parish office at (850) 763-1821.

#### Women's Social

#### Dec 6 | 10am-12pm

The next Women's Social will be Saturday, December 6th in the Parish Hall. Join us for a cookie exchange, learn to make homemade marshmallows, and play a fun game. Bring 3 dozen cookies, a container for goodies, and three one-dollar bills for the game Left, Right, Center.

#### **Serve Saturdays**

#### Next Date | 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@saintjohnpc.org

#### Community Christmas Dinner

#### Dec 21 | 3pm

St. John is hosting a community Christmas dinner for needy persons and families on December 21st at 3:00 in the Parish Hall. Besides a warm meal and fellowship, there will be singalongs, goodie bags, and Bingo! If you are interested in volunteering or making a donation to support this event, please contact Susan McNiel (404) 825-8648 or by email at sshehans1@gmail.com.

#### **Events this Week**

#### Sunday, November 9

9:30-10:30am - OCIA Class in parish office 9:30-10:30am - Living Liturgically in parish hall 9:30-10:30am - Coffee & Donuts in parish hall CCW Candy Sale - After All Weekend Masses

#### Tuesday, November 11

Veteran's Day Holiday - Academy & Office closed; Confessions at 4:30pm & Mass at 5:30pm

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

**6:15pm** - Encounter School in the church

#### Wednesday, November 12

**9:30am** - Women's Bible Study in parish office **6:30pm** - Men's Bible Study in parish office

#### Saturday, November 15

8:30am - Fishers of Men at St. Dominic

#### Sunday, November 16

9:30-10:30am - OCIA Class in parish office 9:30-10:30am - Living Liturgically in parish hall 9:30am - Coffee & Donuts after Mass in parish hall

#### **Veteran's Day Remembrance**

#### Nov 11 | 9am

Knights of Columbus will place US Flags on Veterans' graves at Catholic Cemetery (1400 Frankfort Ave.) on Veteran's Day at 9am. Flags provided. Contact Kevin Hall (850) 276-2621.

#### Serve the Lord at Mass

#### Audio-Visual Volunteers Needed!

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!

#### **Choir Interest**

#### **Music Ministry**

Interested in participating in parish life through music ministry? Christmas rehearsals start soon! You can participate in choir for special holy season liturgies, or around the year. If you are a minor (17 & under), please contact music@saintjohnpc.org directly before scheduling an audition. Please scan the codes below:



Music Ministry and Choir Interest Form https://forms.gle/g3gM rLkwPJese9jp8



Open (Informal) Choir Auditions Sign-Up https://calendly.com/musicsaintjohnpc/choir-auditions

## **BIBLE STUDIES**

#### Men's Bible Study Fall 2025

In the Parish Office

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

#### Women's Bible Study Fall 2025

9:30 - 11am Wednesdays | Parish Office

Contemplate the Life of Jesus through our study based around "The Chosen". Join us to watch, discuss, and grow closer to the Lord! Contact Kathy Kidd: (850) 814-7747, or Martha Cordell: (850) 814-4619 for more info!

#### Men's Coffee & Bible Study in PCB

Mondays | 7-7:50am

Starbucks on US-98 & R. Jackson

Join the men of St. John for fellowship and Bible Study before the workday starts! For more information, contact Curt Simmons at (615) 617-9119.



#### Join us in Prayer

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

#### Repose of the Soul

†Michael Bailey, †Pam Trompeter

#### <u>Healing</u>

Kevin Kiple, John Caister, Richard LeFils, Deborah Perkins, Zee Haranek, Mary Jane McClain

#### **Mass Intentions**

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

Saturday, November 8, 2025

4:30pm......†Bill Cordell by Martha Cordell

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

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8:15am......†Richard & James Fischer by Cindy Vitter

10:45am.....People of the Parish

Monday, November 10, 2025

8:15am......†John Soares by Joyce Soares

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

5:30pm......†Kathy Greenman

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

8:15am......†Jeanine Jullian by John Camden

Thursday, November 13, 2025

5:30pm......†John Robert Middleton

Friday, November 14, 2025

8:15am......†Ruth Darby Conklin by Jo Ann Hefner

Saturday, November 15, 2025

4:30pm......†Amber Catalano Smith by Martha Cordell

Sunday, November 16, 2025

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

8:15am......Fr. Kennell & Diocesan Clergy by CCW 10:45am.....People of the Parish

## Scripture Readings For the Week of November 9, 2025

Sun Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

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

Mon Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tues Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Lk 17:7-10

Wed Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thurs Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Fri Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Sat Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8

Sun Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19



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> MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2025 IPM TO 2PM IN THE CHURCH

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> SCAN HERE TO RSVP YOUR MILITARY FAMILY:

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PRAYER FOR PATRIOTISM: Dear Jesus, please bless my

country and all those who work hard to lead it. May You

always be King of this land. May You be glorified through its government and laws. Give me a heart of service.



# Holy Steps, BIG HEARTS

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." - Psalm 119:105

## November 21st

#### **Important Dates:**

Pledge sheets due: November 19th Walkathon: November 21st Pledge funds due: December 3rd Winners announced: December 5th

Interested in becoming a sponsor? Please email Development@sjseagles.org!

## PCOMING EVENTS

Monday, November 10th - Veterans Day Program at 1pm

followed by a military family reception in the Parish Hall

Tuesday, November 11th - Veteran's Day Observance (Campus Closed - Preschool Closed)

Thanksgiving Break starts Monday, November 24th and students return on December 1st



#### PATRIOTISM LOOKS LIKE: · Showing respect for your country's flag: saying the Pledge of Allegiance · Learning about your country

PATRIOTISM SOUNDS LIKE: I pledge allegiance to the flag...

The virtue of

willingness to serve

DEFINITION OF PATRIOTISM:

- I want to learn more about our country.



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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** 

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.



#### 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

#### Women's Socials

heather.hanna@saintjohnpc.org
Typically on the first Saturday from 10amnoon in the parish hall - next social will be
on December 6th.

Young Professional Fellowship

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





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