



Saint John The Evangelist Catholic Church
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 16, 2025
1008 Fortune Ave, Panama City, FL 32401
Ampelos Icon (Christ the True Vine), Representation of John 15:1-8

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 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

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

Bulletin Requests: Please email bulletin@saintjohnnpc.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

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Tim Wheeler

Sr. Grace Ford

Donna Couchigian

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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ADVENT 2025

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall Come To Thee O Israel.

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.

*O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.*

*O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who ordered all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show
and teach us in its ways to go.*

*O come, O Branch of Jesse's stem,
unto your own and rescue them!
From depths of hell your people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.*

A Letter from Fr. Thomas Kennell

St. John Family and Friends,

I want to express my sincere gratitude for the prayerful and generous response to our **Abide & Grow** stewardship initiative. It is evident that Christ is moving in our parish in powerful ways. Thank you for partnering with us as we respond to this growth and the new life emerging in our community. If completing your Commitment Card was not possible at Mass, you may visit our parish website at saintjohnnpc.org and complete an electronic Commitment Card or you can mail your card to the church.

As we look ahead, Advent is nearly upon us. This sacred season begins on Sunday, November 30th, ushering in a new liturgical year and inviting us once again to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. We will begin the season together with our **Parish Picnic** following the 10:45am Mass on the First Sunday of Advent. I warmly encourage you to join us for lunch, fellowship, and festivities. There will be bounce houses and face painting for the children, and a joyful welcome for all.

Speaking of Advent, I want to continue highlighting our **Advent Formation Series**, details of which you will find in the announcement directly above this letter. These evenings will serve as the launching point for our new Parish Vision as a School of Prayer. I would truly love to see our entire parish come together for this series. With dinner beginning at 5:00pm, formation for all ages from 6:00-7:30pm, and childcare provided, these gatherings are designed to help us receive the gift of prayer more deeply and establish a daily rhythm that prepares us to welcome Christ at Christmas.

Finally, you may notice ongoing work on the **lighting in the church**. We are in the midst of a refresh of our church lighting, an improvement that will enhance the beauty of the space. This project should be completed within the next few weeks, and I appreciate your patience as we move toward a brighter and more inviting worship space.

As always, please pray for me and know of my prayers for you.

Peace.

Fr. Kennell



UPCOMING & NOTEWORTHY

CCW Holiday Candy Sale

Nov 15 & 16 | After All Masses

CCW will take candy orders this weekend after all Masses. Small box: \$12; Large Box: \$20. Candy will be distributed after all Masses on Dec 6 & 7. Contact: Susie Prather (281) 844-0844.

Young Professional Fellowship

Upcoming Events

Nov 22 | 5pm - Friendsgiving (details in GroupMe)

Advent Candle Sale

Nov 22 & 23 | After All Masses

Next weekend, Nov 22 & 23, Advent candles will be available for purchase after all Masses. Accepted forms of payment are cash, check, or Venmo. Proceeds benefit Catholic Student Ministries.

Parish Picnic

Sunday, Nov 30th | 11:30am

Mark your calendars now to kick off 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.

Catholic Charities Angel Tree

Holiday Assistance | Due Nov 30

Pick up an Angel from the tree in the narthex to give a child in need a Christmas gift. Return unwrapped gifts with the angel tag attached by Nov 30. Contact: Chris McCormick (314) 574-3070.

Women's Social

Dec 6 | 10am-12pm

The next Women's Social will be Saturday, Dec 6, in the Parish Hall. Enjoy a cookie exchange, learn homemade marshmallow making, 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@saintjohnnpc.org

Community Christmas Dinner

Serving Those in Need | Dec 21st, 3pm

St. John is hosting a Christmas dinner for needy persons and families on Dec. 21, at 3pm in the Parish Hall. To volunteer or make a donation supporting this event, please contact Susan McNiel at (404) 825-8648, or by email at sshehans1@gmail.com.

Events this Week

Sunday, November 16

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

9:30am - Coffee & Donuts after Mass in parish hall

Tuesday, November 18

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

6:15pm - Encounter School in the church

Wednesday, November 19

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

Sunday, November 23

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

9:30am - Coffee & Donuts after Mass in parish hall

First Communion Preparation

Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist

St. John's First Communion program is available for all families with a (baptized) child in 2nd to 5th grade. The program consists of date nights for parents, family time, community events and a day retreat. To register or learn more, contact Jera Blanchard-Towns at jera.blanchard-towns@saintjohnnpc.org.

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!

Catholic Charities Food Pantry Needs

Your generosity helps local families!

Catholic Charities has seen an increased need for food assistance. Please consider making a gift or donating food to help our neighbors who are struggling. To make a gift or learn more about our Food Assistance Programs, please scan the code, or visit <https://ccnwfl.org/food-assistance/>.



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 seasons, or around the year. For minors (17 & under), please contact music@saintjohnnpc.org directly before scheduling an audition. Please scan the codes below:



Music Ministry and Choir Interest Form
<https://forms.gle/g3gMrLkwPJese9jp8>



Open (Informal) Choir Auditions Sign-Up
<https://calendly.com/music-saintjohnnpc/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 2nd and 4th 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.

Mass Intentions

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

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am.....Fr. Kennell & Diocesan Clergy by CCW

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

Monday, November 17, 2025

8:15am.....†Zoe Fidelis Labrie
by John and Jacque Wyatt

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

5:30pm.....†Al Kidd by Teresa Loanzon

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

8:15am.....Pope Leo XIV

Thursday, November 20, 2025

5:30pm.....Seminarians by CCW

Friday, November 21, 2025

8:15am.....†Jack Pluard
by Chris & Ed McCormick

Saturday, November 22, 2025

4:30pm.....People of the Parish

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:15am.....†Helen Sabo by the Turner Family

10:45am.....†Sylvia Maceluch
by John Maceluch, Jr.



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Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 16, 2025

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

Mon Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

Tues 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 19:1-10

**Wed 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15;
Lk 19:11-28**

Thur 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44

Fri Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Lk 19:45-48

Sat Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19;
Lk 20:27-40

Sun Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5; Col 1:12-20;
Lk 23:35-43



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EAGLE NEWS



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

Annual WALKATHON

holy steps big hearts

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

FAITH IN ACTION: INVESTING IN OUR SCHOOL SAFETY

This year, our Walkathon proceeds will support our new Full Time Campus Security Initiative, a vital investment in the safety and protection of our students, staff, and visitors. Your sponsorship will directly help fund these efforts, ensuring a safe environment for our school community.

SCAN THE CODE TO DONATE
TO OUR SCHOOL:



THIS
FRIDAY!

NOVEMBER 21ST



Important Dates:

Pledge sheets due: November 19th

Walkathon: November 21st

Pledge funds due: December 3rd

Winners announced: December 5th

GET READY TO WALK!

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

The virtue of MAGNANIMITY

DEFINITION OF MAGNANIMITY:

Seeking with confidence to do great things in God;
literally "having a large soul"

PRAYER FOR MAGNANIMITY:

Give me a big heart! Help me to love others with all
my heart!

MAGNANIMITY LOOKS LIKE:

Having an awareness of the goodness of God in
yourself

MAGNANIMITY SOUNDS LIKE:

At baptism, I received God's grace and became His
child.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Friday, November 21 st - | Annual Walkathon |
| Monday, November 24 th - | Thanksgiving Holidays (K-8 th Closed all week) |
| Monday, December 1 st - | Return from Thanksgiving Holidays |
| Monday, November 24 th and November 25 th | Preschool is open on Monday and Tuesday the week of Thanksgiving. The preschool is closed Wed, November 26 th through Friday, November 28 th . |



DON'T INTERRUPT

Stop and listen - actually listen. If you interrupt, stop, apologize, and let the other person finish.

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



Contact Us:

850.763.1775



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[StJohnCatholicAcademy.org](https://www.StJohnCatholicAcademy.org)
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DIRECTORY OF MINISTRIES

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

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

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 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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