

St. John the Evangelist Greece

October 2, 2022

2400 West Ridge Road
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT
As disciples of Jesus Christ serving on the Parish Pastoral Council, we collaborate with the Pastor and Staff inviting the people of St. John the Evangelist Church to joyfully celebrate the Eucharist, faithfully teach Catholic tradition, and fervently form Catholic spirituality, so that together we may go forth in love to serve the Lord and each other.



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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Holy Days: As announced in bulletin

Weekdays: Monday–Wednesday & Friday 8:15 AM

CONFESSIONS By Appointment Only. *Please contact the Parish Office 225-8980.*

BAPTISMS For parishioners requesting Baptism for their child, we encourage you to please contact the Parish Office at (585) 225-8980 before the birth of your child to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism .

MARRIAGE Arrangements for the Sacrament of Marriage must be made at least SIX MONTHS in advance. Call the Parish Office at 225-8980.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday

Gal 1:6-12/
Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c/
Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday

Gal 1:13-24/
Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15/
Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/
Ps 117:1bc, 2/
Lk 11:1-4

Thursday

Gal 3:1-5/
Lk 1:69-75/
Lk 11:5-13

Friday

Gal 3:7-14/
Ps 111:1b-6/
Lk 11:15-26

Saturday

Gal 3:22-29/
Ps 105:2-7/
Lk 11:27-28

Sunday

2 Kgs 5:14-17/
Ps 98:1-4/
2 Tm 2:8-13/
Lk 17:11-19

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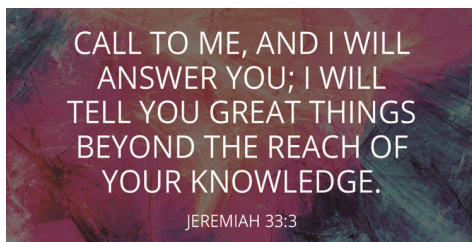
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Welcome!

If you are new in the parish, we invite you to become a member of our faith community where we come together to worship the Lord and celebrate the Eucharist. We want to get to know you and recognize there are some challenges in doing so during Covid-19, however, if you can introduce yourself after Mass, we will be grateful. Please know that your prayers, your presence, and support of our beloved St. John's Church are appreciated. Please call or e-mail the Parish Office for registration assistance. You will find contact information on the front cover of the bulletin.

It is I, the Shepherd

Can you imagine being caught in the path of volcanic ash in some far away country in Italy's Mount Etna? The sky is dark and threatening, the winds of dust are blowing and you want to get home or to your destination. How frightening it can be to feel completely helpless and fearful of circumstances beyond our control! Would anything seem normal? In this kind of situation we might not know how to keep our composure and instead become frantic and even start to panic. We could blow our difficulties out of proportion. We could surrender and allow anguish and depression to overwhelm us. However, there is another choice: CONTEMPLATE. Ask for guidance and strength. Rather than throwing our hands up in despair, LIFT them in PRAYER. Jesus the sheep-gate will answer. He will provide COURAGE, PATIENCE, and SUPPORT. Jesus helps us see the hidden secrets within our traumas and the promised blessings yet to come. Ask yourself, what lesson am I learning from this? Even if it is a difficult lesson, consider what it has taught you and how much you have grown.



Many times we react in a way that may seem to show that we have been saved by the Christ-Light at Easter, then life's terrible experiences have the triple whammy effect of pain, worry, and self-doubt. They can leave us

feeling desolate and wondering if we will ever see the Christ-Light. We sometimes feel that Jesus is far away and that we are in a dark space without any light to guide us but with faith we know that Jesus the Good Shepherd is always present and will help us in times of trouble. He is always with us even if we are not aware of His presence.

How often do we rely on Jesus and put our trust in him? Some of us only CALL on Jesus when the situation is so dire that we finally give up all other remedies and ask Him to lead us out of the darkness. Those who call on Jesus only as the last resort, miss out on so much. When we recognize that He is always present in our lives, we can be more peaceful and often more fulfilled. Let us live fully now glorifying God in all we do so that one day we may inherit eternal life.



Peace and love to all,
Father Peter

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Is God Calling You?

We welcome those who are inquiring about the Catholic Faith, converting, or coming into full communion with the Catholic Church.

If you... have not been baptized; have been baptized outside of the Catholic Church; you are baptized Catholic, but have not yet received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation; are Catholic and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, but find yourself wanting a deeper understanding of the Catholic faith, then RCIA



RCIA

...A Journey in Faith

is definitely something for you to consider.

By taking part in RCIA, you will deepen your knowledge and understanding of the Cath-

olic tradition allowing you to discern if God is calling you to the Catholic Church—the Church founded by Jesus Christ himself.

If you or someone you know would like more information about this special program, we encourage you to contact the Parish Office so we can assist you with any questions you may have and/or to register. Classes will begin in mid October, 2022, and the program concludes at the Easter Vigil, 2023.

Masses for the Week—October 3—9

MONDAY, October 3 *Weekday*
 8:15 AM *Special Intentions of Eileen Zegarelli*
 by Family

TUESDAY, October 4 *St Francis of Assisi*
 8:15 AM + *John Gilligan*
 by Mary & Family

WED, October 5 *St Faustina & Blessed Francis Xavier*
 8:15 AM *Special Intention of Thomas Pedimonte Opida*

THURS, Oct 6 *St Bruno & Blessed Marie Rose Durocher*

FRIDAY, October 7 *Our Lady of the Rosary*
 8:15 AM + *Ange Zegarelli*
 by Gionta & Piccirillo Families
 10:00 AM *Benediction*

SATURDAY, October 8 *St Therese of the Child Jesus*
 4:00 PM + *Douglas Locklin*
 by Parents

SUNDAY, October 9 *28th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 8:00 AM + *For the People*
 10:00 AM + *Frank Marciano*
 by Wife & Family

**Wills/Bequests/Memorials—
 Please Remember St. John the Evangelist Parish**

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, October 2
 Coffee Hours following 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses in Parish Center

Monday, October 3
 9:00 AM Bible Study in Parish Center



Coffee Hour THIS Weekend!

THIS Sunday, October 2, following the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses, the Women's Guild will host this month's Coffee Hour, so please plan to stop by for fellowship, coffee and donuts!



With Grateful Hearts

We, the faith community of our beloved St. John's, extend our sincere appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to you, Fr. Fred Asuming, for ministering to us during Fr. Peter's time of respite. We have been blessed by your gift of priesthood, bringing Jesus to us in Word and Sacrament.

We appreciate the sacrifice you have made in traveling many, many miles and leaving your family, parish, and diocese to come back to Rochester—your home away from home! It was so nice to have you with us and it will be nice to receive you again in the future should that be the plan. We pray for your safe travels home to Obuasi Diocese where you can deliver our good wishes to your bishop and a friend of St. John's Parish—The Most Rev. John Yaw Afoakwah. May your ongoing ministry be fruitful and may God bless you with good health and happiness!

Peace and good wishes from the Faith Community of St. John's

Please keep the following ordained in your prayers this week.

Oct 2	Oct 3	Oct 4	Oct 5	Oct 6	Oct 7	Oct 8
Pope Francis	Daniel Condon	Patrick Connor	Bian Cool	William Cosgrove	Vocations & Seminarians	Richard Brickler

Special Boiler Fund Collection

THIS Weekend, October 1/2

This Collection for our Boiler will be taken up over the next three months. Please donate when it is best suited for your household. Your donation can be made by using the yellow envelope found in your envelope packets. For those who donate electronically, you can donate through Online Giving, or you can donate with cash or check using a regular envelope marked: Boiler Fund + your name and address.

We are grateful for everyone's support!



Sunday, October 2 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**First Reading** Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

How long, O LORD? I cry for help but you do not listen! I cry out to you, "Violence!" but you do not intervene. Why do you let me see ruin; why must I look at misery? Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife, and clamorous discord. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write down the vision clearly upon the tablets, so that one can read it readily. For the vision still has its time, presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint; if it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late. The rash one has no integrity; but the just one, because of his faith, shall live.

**IF TODAY YOU
HEAR HIS VOICE,
HARDEN NOT
YOUR HEARTS.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;
let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
For he is our God,
and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as in the day of Massah in the desert,
Where your fathers tempted me;
they tested me though they had seen my works."

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

Beloved:

I remind you, to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us.

Alleluia 1 Pt 1:25

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of the Lord remains forever.
This is the word that has been proclaimed to you.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

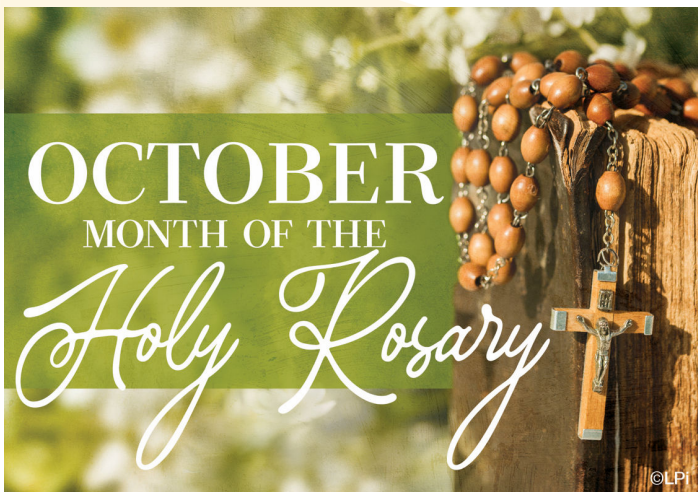
Gospel Lk 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table'? Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'? Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

**An Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Upcoming Rosary Workshop

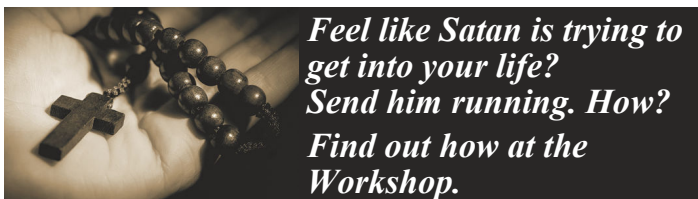
We live in very turbulent and confusing times which have left many people wondering where to turn for peace of mind and direction. One of the most powerful weapons we as Catholics have at our disposal at any time and any place is the Rosary. If you've never prayed the Rosary and would like to learn more about it, or perhaps if you've tried praying the Rosary but stopped because it was boring and too repetitious, or if you currently pray the Rosary but would like to get more out of it, the Faith in Action Team (F.I.A.T.) invites you to attend one of two Rosary workshops being offered here at St. John's.

The first workshop will be offered on Wednesday, October 12 from 6:00 'til 7:30 PM and repeated on Saturday, October 15 from 2:00 'til 3:30 PM (these are not two different workshops but two offerings of the same workshop). Pizza will be offered at the Wednesday workshop and refreshments at the Saturday workshop. Both workshops will be in the Parish Center.

At these workshops you will learn where the Rosary came from, how to properly pray it, tips for avoiding distractions, what it has accomplished, and what we are promised it will accomplish in our lives if we devoutly pray it.

For planning purposes, please call the Parish Office at 225-8980 or email gstjohnt@dor.org on or before THIS Friday, October 7 to pre-register.

The workshop will also start us off with a new practice here at St. John's. Beginning with the weekend Masses of October 15/16, the Rosary will be prayed by anyone wishing to participate, **one half hour before** each of the three Masses in the pews in front of the tabernacle. Please consider joining us for one of these workshops and/or participating in the Rosary before weekend Masses.



*Feel like Satan is trying to get into your life?
Send him running. How?
Find out how at the Workshop.*



The Blessed Mother has a Peace Plan!

Can you come? Can you spare one hour? All are invited to pray the rosary together. Bring family and friends to answer Mary's call.

Public Rosary NEXT Thursday, October 13 at 6 PM
Location: Corner of Long Pond and Latta Rd.



Friday, October 7
Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Praying the Rosary daily, as Our Lady requested at Fatima, allows us to enter into union with the divine plan of our salvation - a plan that promises peace in our hearts, peace in our families, and peace in the world.

"The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life. It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of all our blessings.

There is no more excellent way of praying."

-Pope Leo XIII

Rosary Coast to Coast 2022 ~ 5th Annual Event

NEXT Sunday, October 9 at 3:45 PM at the Mother Mary Grotto behind the Holy Cross Parish Center

"The final battle between the Lord and the kingdom of Satan will be about marriage and the family. Do not be afraid, because anyone who works for the sanctity of marriage and the family will always be fought and opposed in every way, because this is the decisive issue. However, Our Lady has already crushed his head." - Fatima Visionary

Please join us as Holy Cross Church prays the rosary in unison with the faithful from across America.



Please spread the word about the event!

Rosary prayer starts promptly at 4:00 PM! Followed by a Reception in the Parish Center. *Please bring a lawn chair and your Rosary.*

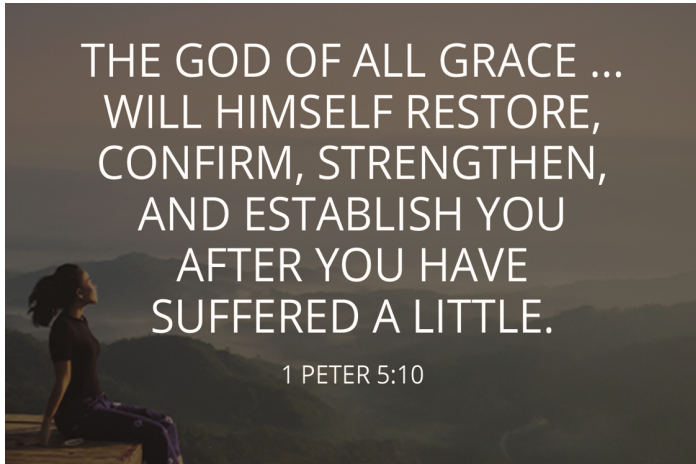


Shirley Schuff *Sister-in-law of Diana Craddock*



This Week's Sanctuary Candles burn for

- ✝ Tabernacle I **Gino Capogreco**
- ✝ Tabernacle II **Deceased Benefactors of St John's**
- ✚ Marian I **World Leaders**
- ✚ Marian II **Home bound Parishioners**



Be Careful What You Wish For

You've probably heard the phrase "Be careful what you wish for." In my experience, it's not often utilized with a lot of charity. You usually hear it said as a warning. The unspoken sentiment behind it is this: *You're not as strong as you think you are.*

As Christians we shouldn't be surprised to look ourselves in the mirror and own that reality. We are not as strong as we may think. We are time and time again shocked and dismayed by our own weaknesses, our own fears, our own shortcomings.

Should we be careful what we wish for? The apostles asked Jesus to increase their faith, and He told them it would take work. It would take suffering. It would take patience. But He didn't say it was impossible.

Ask God for anything and everything, come to Him with all your needs. Beg Him for grace without limit. As everyday stewards, we need to continue wishing recklessly. Ask God for anything and everything, come to Him with all your needs. Beg Him for grace without limit.

When we hear God's voice, it does not always say what we want to hear. But it always speaks the perfect truth. If it tells us of a hardship that we think we cannot bear, let us take solace in the knowledge that we are the stewards — not the landlord. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI



Don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office, 225-8980 for details or assistance with Online Giving.



Transitus of St. Francis
Special Mass and reception at 6:30 PM at the St. Padre Pio Chapel, 141 Frank Dimino Way, Rochester

On October 3, 2022, Franciscans through the world celebrate the Transitus of St. Francis of Assisi to mark his passing from this life to life with God. This Mass and Reception will celebrate the life and message of St. Francis. All are invited. You may bring salt and oil for blessing at the Mass. Those attending are requested to bring canned/boxed food donations for local food pantries.

For more information, call 585-426-7268.



In Your Time of Need

The Gates-Greece Lions Club offers a free medical loan closet. Bed rails, toilet seat risers, tub transfers, canes, etc. Anyone is welcome to call 340-7105, leave a message and one of the members will return your call.

CYO SPORTS

Join Holy Cross CYO Family

Please see details below to sign up for 2nd Grade CYO Basketball & Cheerleading at Holy Cross! Our friends from neighboring parishes of St. Charles, Our Mother of Sorrows & St. John's of Greece are welcome.

Registration Dates:
Sunday, October 2, 9 AM–12 PM, Holy Cross School Gym

Wednesday, Oct 5, 7:30 AM–8:30 AM and 2–3 PM, Holy Cross School Parking Lot (online only payment during this time)

Wednesday, Oct 12, 5:30–7:30 PM, Holy Cross School Café

Sunday, Oct 16, 9 AM–12 PM Holy Cross School Gym

Registration Fee for Basketball & Cheerleading is \$25. Each participant will receive a Holy Cross Shirt!

If you have any questions, please contact Basketball Coach Steve Morgan at kathyandstevemorgan@gmail.com or Cheerleading Coach Cori Horn at corilkern@gmail.com.



Examples of Our Faith

Saint Bruno of Cologne | October 6

Bruno, born in 1030, is also known as Saint Bruno the Carthusian for the monastic order he founded. He studied in Reims and was ordained in Cologne in 1055. In 1057 he went back to Reims to lead the school, a post he kept for almost 20 years. He was made chancellor of the church of Reims in 1075 but left soon after in protest of the behavior of new bishop Manasses de Gournai who was finally deposed in 1080. Bruno refused the nomination to replace de Gournai as it was his intention to retire to live in solitude and prayer. He had a vision in a dream to go with Bishop (later Saint) Hugh of Grenoble. Bruno, Hugh, and five other religious settled at Chartreuse and founded the Carthusian order in 1084.

This first period of monastic life was not to last long. Bruno was called to help Urban II, a former student of his, against the antipope Guibert of Ravenna and the hostile Holy Roman Emperor Henry IV. While working with Urban II, he rejected another offer to become bishop, this time of Calabria. Eventually Bruno was allowed to return to monastic life. Count Roger of Sicily and Calabria befriended Bruno and the monks of his order, granting them the land where they founded St. Mary's at La Torre. The order was known for its strict asceticism, poverty, and prayer and its unique organization combining the life of the hermit with that of the collective life of traditional monks.

Saint Bruno wrote several commentaries on the psalms and on St. Paul's epistles. He died on October 6, 1101, and was never formally canonized because his order renounces all public honors. However, Pope Leo X gave permission for Carthusians to celebrate his feast in 1514 and his name was added to the Roman calendar in 1623. ©LPi

Senior Home Communion Service Ministers, October 2022

HAMILTON NURSING HOME COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

October 2, 2022	Tod Simone
October 16, 2022	Ron La Force
October 30, 2022	Steve & Mary Ann Donato

ELDERWOOD VILLAGE COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

October 2, 2022	Chris Hoefler
October 9, 2022	Terry & Pam Hearne
October 16, 2022	Dan & Melissa Kabasin
October 23, 2022	Carolyn Kerhaert
October 30, 2022	Chris Hoefler