

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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San Jose Mission

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Mass Schedule

Saturday—5:00pm

Sunday

7:30am, 9:30am,

12:00pm

2:00pm (Spanish)

San José,

Lake Park

Mass

Saturday—7:00pm

Thursday—7:00pm

Daily Mass

Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday, Friday

9:00am

Wednesday

9:00am

6:00pm

Adoration

St. Joseph Chapel

Sunday 3:00 - 4:00pm

Church

Wednesday

4:00—5:40pm

Reconciliation

Saturday:

4:00—4:45pm

Wednesday:

5:00—5:30pm or by
appointment



23rd Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

September 8, 2019

“Whoever does not carry his own
cross and come after me cannot be
my disciple.” - Lk 14:27

Church Office Staff

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Christine Johnson, Admin Asst.

Church Office Hours

Monday 1:00--4:30pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00am-4:30pm
(Closed for lunch 12:00-1:00 pm)
Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

YOUTH MINISTRY

High School
(Sunday—4:00--6:00pm)
Penny and Daniel Storey
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Catholics on Campus

Newman Center—1524 N. Oak St.
Mass—Sunday @6:00pm
Wednesday—Blaze Night @ 7:00pm
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Tues., Wed., Thurs. 10:00-2:00
2nd Saturday of each month
8:00am - Noon



VIRTUS

Our parish uses the VIRTUS Safe Environment Program.
For more information go to:
<https://diosav.org/>
childyouthprotection

Pastoral Staff

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Parish registration

Newcomers to the parish are asked to register with the office as soon as possible. We would like to meet you and give you a welcome packet!

BAPTISM

Classes are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm in the St. Joseph Chapel.

Baptism packet/registration must be picked up in advance.—please stop by the Church Office.

MARRIAGE

Contact the church office at least six months in advance.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Items for the bulletin are due on Monday morning at 8:00am the week of publication.

E-mail information to:
bulletin@stjohnevang.org

September 15th bulletin submissions are due Monday, September 9th



Monday, September 9th

9:00am
+Chuck Federico

Tuesday, September 10th

9:00am
+Jayaben Ramesh Patel

Wednesday, September 11th

9:00am
Special Intention

6:00pm

(SI) Carmella Berardinelli

Thursday, September 12th

9:00am
+Bobby Kovach

7:00pm (San José)
+Kyle Augello

Friday, September 13th

9:00am
(SI) Susan Hartnett

Saturday, September 14th

5:00pm
+John Salek

Sunday, September 15th

7:30am
+Agnes Baumann

9:30am

+Bryant Martin

12:00pm

+Margaret and Robert LaBurt

2:00pm (Spanish)

People of the Parish

FROM PRIESTS FOR LIFE

Mother Teresa of Calcutta has been declared a saint by the Catholic Church. Back in 1994, she spoke at the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington DC, and said the following words:

I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against the child, a direct killing of the innocent child, murder by the mother herself. And if we accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another? How do we persuade a woman not to have an abortion? As always, we must persuade her with love and we remind ourselves that love means to be willing to give until it hurts. Jesus gave even His life to love us. So, the mother who is thinking of abortion should be helped to love, that is, to give until it hurts her plans, or her free time, to respect the life of her child. The father of that child, whoever he is, must also give until it hurts.

By abortion, the mother does not learn to love, but kills even her own child to solve her problems. And, by abortion, the father is told that he does not have to take any responsibility at all for the child he has brought into the world. That father is likely to put other women into the same trouble. So abortion just leads to more abortion. Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion.



WELCOME DEACON NATE SWANN!

Greetings! My name is Deacon Nate, and I'm happy to have the opportunity to serve my Pastoral Year here at St. John's! A little bit about me, I grew up in Virginia Beach, VA, and my family still lives there. In college, I majored in Political Science and Communications, and then I got my Master's in Education at Virginia Tech (Go Hokies!). I then moved down to Georgia and worked at Mercer University for a few years, and that's where I converted to Catholicism! I still remember my mother questioning me about this: "You moved to the Bible Belt, and became Catholic?" Yup...and then after some time helping out at the parish and spending a lot of time in prayer, I started to feel a calling to the priesthood. Now fast-forward to today, and I have completed 5 years of Seminary, and was ordained a Deacon this past May. After I complete my Pastoral Year, I will have one final year of Seminary, and then God-willing, I will be ordained a priest in June 2021.

What else would be important for a bulletin bio...I like the Green Bay Packers (ahem...I'm also a Shareholder), but more often than not, I'm watching the Braves before going to bed each night. I like to eat food, so if you ever have an extra seat at your table and are worried about having too many leftovers, feel free to give me an invite! There are many more things I could list, but all that matters is that I love the Lord, and I look forward to serving Him and y'all over the next year as your Deacon!

Save the dates...

Fall Parish Mission —
Sunday, October 6th—Wednesday, October 9th

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers is a powerful and passionate evangelist and preacher whose no-nonsense, hands-on approach to living the Catholic faith will challenge and inspire you! He is the Founder and Director of DynamicDeacon.com, a Christian evangelization and apologetics organization dedicated to the dissemination and promotion of Catholic values, principles, and teaching in complete faithfulness and total submission to Holy Scripture, Sacred Tradition, and the Magisterium. The goal of his apostolate is to bring as many people as possible to a deeper love of Christ and the Gospel by sharing the truth of the Catholic faith in love.



JOINED BY FAITH; CALLED TO SHARE

SACRIFICIAL GIVING Week of August 25th

Offertory	\$	11,981.19
Online	\$	1,982.00
Parish Missions	\$	192.00
Online	\$	0.00

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2019 "WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?"

Parish Target: \$83,763.00
Total Given: \$72,272.88 (as of 8/22/19)
Percent of target: **86.28%**
Parishioner Participation: 27.34%
Number of donors: 213

YOUNG AT HEART ♥

Due to the Labor Day Holiday, the Young at Heart (55+) will move their September meeting to Monday, Sept. 9th, at 4:30pm, in the Parish Center Conference Room. We will be having discussion about Bishop Robert Barron's book "*Letter to a Suffering Church*". Please join us!

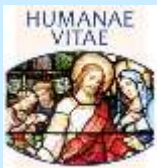


RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

September 8 (10:45-11:45 AM in the Parish Center Conference Room) will be the last inquiry session before we begin to delve more deeply into the teachings of the church in the catechumenate sessions. These sessions are open to everyone (even those who are already Catholic).

For more information contact Deacon Paul at 229-263-5659 or e-mail deaconpaul@stjohnevang.org

Topic for Sept. 15 – Canonicity of the Bible
Topic for Sept. 22 – Social Justice and Good Stewardship



ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

For roughly 50 years, the world has argued over Pope Paul VI's Encyclical Letter Humanae Vitae (On the Regulation of Birth). Some Catholics have called it prophetic while others have ignored its teaching, but few have read it or really know what it says. On Sunday September 22nd, Deacon David Lasseter will have a class to discuss both what the letter said and its implications.

In addition, on Sunday, October 6th, we will continue the discussion of life issues unimagined by Pope Paul VI (such as in vitro fertilization) when we discuss Pope John Paul II's Evangelium Vitae. We will also discuss Dignitas Personae (On Certain Bioethical Questions) a document from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Prayer intentions, etc.



For our sick

Together let us pray for our loved ones...

Parishioners

Deacon James and Marian Burns, Irene Gallagher, Anne Ellison, Mauring Lathron, James and Margaret Dorneden, Beatriz Agudelo, Jay Delaney, Mike Meacham, Peter Portz, Ann Wagner, Mickey Kelly, Bob Consolini, Ursula Werner, Ladonna and Richard English, Florene Kalil, Catherine Dukes, Stephanie Nelson, Antonio Melendez, Julie Nickeson, Louise and Bill Okuma, John Swiderski, Cody Kalinowski

Family and Friends of Parishioners

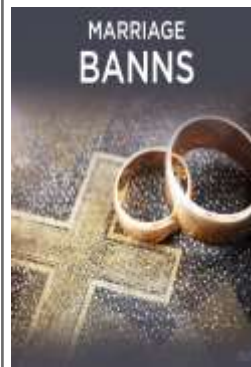
Cathy Chamberlain, Cathy Conley, Doris Quinn, Tom Quinn, Bobby Umberger, Jim Jenkins, Robin Kindley Glasscock, Drew Hopkins, Jennifer Mills, Beth Gutermuth, Gerald Good, Ann Morts, Norman Sainz, Jr., Ella Roberts, Debbie Lorence, Ella Robers, Debbie Lorence, Troy and Tammy Carty, Butch Elkins

For Those Who Have Died

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:



Henry Murrell Ray
Mark Retterbush
Ethel Dobias
Mary Eddings



Jared Thomas Summers
and
Florencia Maria Lucia
Caride

Are to be married here at
St. John on
September 28, 2019

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR YOUTH...

THIS WEEKEND is the **LAST OPPORTUNITY** to register for Religious Education for this academic year. No other students will be added after September 8th. Students in grades PreK4 through 8th grade who do not attend the parish school should be registered with the parish program.

SACRAMENTS: Our Sacrament classes are two year programs. Students will be eligible for enrollment in the Confirmation II class only if they have completed the previous year (Confirmation Class I) in our program (or a program at another parish). This policy also applies for First Holy Communion.

Families must be registered parishioners. A copy of your child's baptismal certificate is required at the time of registration.

UPCOMING PARENT MEETINGS: A **Confirmation** Parent and Student meeting will be held Tuesday, September 24th at 6:30 in the Parish Center to review requirements and upcoming dates to receive the Sacrament and answer questions. A meeting for parents of children preparing for **First Holy Communion** will be held, Sunday, October 6th in the Parish Center during Religious Ed class time. Please make plans to attend.



Protecting Our Youth—safe environment training

Diocesan policy requires that *all* adult employees and volunteers (18 and older) who minister to or come in contact with the youth of our diocese and parish on a regular basis attend the Safe Environment Awareness Training (also known as VIRTUS). This training includes a background check and signing a Code of Conduct. The next VIRTUS training session scheduled here at St. John the Evangelist is on **Tuesday, October 15th** at 6:00pm in the Maturi Room. Advance registration required!

Register on-line for this session at www.virtusonline.org.

St. John's Youth Choir



All students **grades 3-12** are welcome to participate! Drop in on any rehearsal to check us out!

Rehearsals: Every Saturday 3:30-4:30

Mass: Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the Month

For more information contact Brittany Pellitteri at bipellitteri@gmail.com or (229) 560-4887



ST. JOHN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

Blazer Night

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 @ DREXEL PARK

TAILGATE

5

KICKOFF

7

**RSVP & SIGN UP TO BRING SUPPLIES
@ SJCSVALDOSTA.ORG**



KERMES FAMILIAR

**SEP
14**



**Ven y celebra con
nosotros desde las 5pm**



**Disfruta de Buena Musica, Dj.
Tendremos venta de
Tacos, Tamales, Chicharrones preparados,
Elotes, Coctel de Frutas, Flan, Pastel,
Antojitos Mexicanos y Mucho Mas!
Tendremos juego de Loteria.**

ESCUELA DE ST. JOHN 800 GORNTD RD VALDOSTA GA.

2nd Annual



CASINO
Night



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 AT 7:00 PM

ST. JOHN PARISH CENTER - 800 GORNTO ROAD, VALDOSTA

**ROLL THE DICE FOR THE
EAGLES!**

TICKETS - \$25 Each

1 Beverage + Hors D'oeuvres + Cash Bar + Fabulous Raffle & Auction Opportunities to Win Prizes!

TICKET & CASINO CASH - \$40 Each

Event Ticket + \$500 Casino Cash + 1 Beverage + Hors D'oeuvres + Cash Bar + Fabulous Raffle & Auction Opportunities to Win Prizes!

Additional Casino Cash will be available for purchase at the event - \$25 for \$500 Casino Cash

 *Black Jack*

 *Roulette*

 *Poken*

 *Texas Hold'em*

 *and More!*

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AFTER MASS OR AT SCHOOL OFFICE!

For Sponsorship Information, Contact the School Office at 229-244-2556



No real gambling - it's a "pay to play" in accordance with Georgia laws, all winnings are converted to raffle tickets, which will be placed into raffle drawings and used for auctions for prizes. Adults, 21 years of age or older only.

229-244-2556
SJCSValdosta.org



1 - 3PM

All are
welcome!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND
SIGN - UP IN THE VESTIBULE!

FAMILY

WATER
DAY

Following a Noon Bi-lingual Mass

FOOD!

FELLOWSHIP!

FUN!

Bring your swimsuit, towel, sunscreen, blankets and chairs!

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Ten Tips for Protecting Children and Offering Outreach to Victims/Survivors

1 Sexual abuse is about the victim.

Many people are affected by abuse but the individual most impacted is the victim who has suffered a violation of trust that can affect his or her entire life.

2 The residual effects of having been abused can last a lifetime.

The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place. Those who have been abused can heal, but it often takes time, therapy, and the support of loved ones.

3 No one has the right to have access to children.

No one, no matter who they are, has an automatic right to be around children or young people who are in the care of the Church without proper screening and without following the rules.

4 Common sense is not all that common.

Dioceses, schools, parishes, and especially families, must educate themselves and others on how to protect children.

5 Child sexual abuse can be prevented.

It is critical to build safety barriers around children and young people to keep them from harm—such as protective guardians, codes of conduct, background evaluations, policies and procedures, and safety training programs.

6 Feeling heard leads toward healing.

Relief from hurt and anger often comes when one feels heard, when one's pain

and concerns are taken seriously, and a victim/survivor's suffering, pain, and anger are acknowledged.

7 You cannot always predict who will be an abuser.

Experience shows that most abuse is committed by someone who has gained the trust of a victim/survivor and his/her family.

8 There are behavioral warning signs of child abusers.

Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts, others allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, such as wrestling and tickling.

9 People can be taught to identify grooming behavior.

Grooming behaviors are the actions which abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.

10 Background checks are important.

Background checks in churches, schools and other organizations keep predators away from children both because they scare off some predators and because they uncover past actions which should ban an adult from working or volunteering with children.

