

# ST. JOHN FRANCIS REGIS

**“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.”**

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. John Francis Regis Parish is to foster a family of faith, built on **yesterday’s** foundation, so that **today’s** spirituality, service, and education will continue to grow into **tomorrow’s** Catholic community.



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### MASS TIMES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11:30am  
Saturday 8am, 5pm Vigil  
Monday-Friday 7am  
Holy Days of Obligation - Announced  
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### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4pm-6pm  
and during Sunday Masses  
\*Also by appointment

### ADORATION

Monday-Friday 6am-7am  
Saturday 6:30am

### ROSARY

Monday-Friday 7:30am  
Saturday 4:30pm  
Sunday 6:30am

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**St. Agnes of Montepulciano,  
Pray for us!**

**Apr 20: St Agnes of Montepulciano** (1270-1317) is a lovely, simple, miracle working holy nun who had the good fortune of sharing Bd. Raymond of Capua as both confessor and biographer – as did her other famous Dominican contemporary – St. Catherine of Siena.

**Apr 21: St Anselm** (1033-1109) rose to fame as a scholar under the tutelage of Lanfranc de Bec in Brittany; he became a powerhouse as Archbishop of Canterbury. Oh, and a brilliant Doctor of the Church – check out his *Cur Deus Homo?* (Required reading for all seminarians).

**Apr 23: St. George** (303+) Even Islam considers this Christian to

## Saints Alive!

be a “prophet”. He suffered in Lydda – now Lod in Israel – as a ‘great martyr’ in Byzantine thought by the year 450 – but when he was ‘seen’ assisting the crusaders in the siege of Antioch in 1098 -- everything changed for the West. By 1350, “St. George for England!” has been our battle cry!

**Apr 24: St. Fidelis von Sigmaringen** (1578-1622) His baptismal name was Mark Roy – much easier to swallow – but he is known to the world as the glorious Franciscan Counter-Reformation martyr of the Swiss Canton Grisons. Check this quote, “I have come to enlighten you, not to accept your errors.” That comment alone inspired 20 armed men to butcher him.

**April 25: St. Mark** (first century)

I’ve liked him since our family joined St. Mark parish in Vienna, VA in 1971. I’ve loved him reading his gospel in Greek and praying at his relics shrine in Venice. He expresses the raw humanity of Jesus – especially that frustration and anger – more than any other Evangelist. Did he write his gospel in Rome or Alexandria, Egypt?

**April 26: St. Paschasius Radbert** (790-865) He wrote more clearly about the Assumption of Mary and the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist than all previous scholars. To this day – Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity!

## “To everything there is a season...”

“A time to be born...”

“A time to die, a time to mourn...”

Jane Farrell  
Cecilia Knott

“A time to embrace, a time to love...”

Sandra Bradley & Ethan Redding

“A time to heal...”

“A time of peace and a time of war...”

Tyler Gardiner,  
Isaac Garity, Dennis & Katie Gatley, Jason & Jennifer Gatton, Mary Gelabert, Judy Goddard, Ben Gray, John B. Gray, Jack Greenwell, Benjamin Harman, Diane Harmis, Dorothy Baber Harper, Andy Hazel, Karen Henry, Leon Hill, Abby Hoffman, Crystal Howard, Johnita Jackson, Walter Johnson, Juanita Johnson, Albert Johnson, Carolyn Jones, Pamela Jones, Richie Jones, Ranjit Kaur, John Kilroy III, Nancy Lavoie, Ann Lacey, Robin Lawrence, Richard Law, Marie Lefebvre, Aiden Lindemann, Rose Marks, Adam Martin, Michelle Mattingly, Maria McGuigan, Patrick Michael, CEC, Natalie Miller, Pat Modlin, Doug Morgan, Ronnie Murphy, Jane Newberry, Debbie Norris

CPT Brett Gambacorta, USA;  
Michael Gill, USA;  
LCpl Zachary Gilstrap, USMC;  
LT Jennifer Gleason, USN;  
LCDR John Taylor Gregg, USN;  
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CPT Andrew Mengle, USA;  
Maj T. B. Missler, USMC;  
Richard Paul, Jr; SPEC  
Ashley Pakatar, USA;

We are praying for our  
military families at  
home, and abroad.



Ecclesiastes 3:1-2, 8

For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted. A time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.



# Parish Sacramental Life

## BAPTISMS

The Rite of Baptism is celebrated by appointment. Parents are required to meet with one of the priests and attend an obligatory preparation session preferably before the birth of your child. Call the rectory to schedule your appointment.

## MARRIAGES

Couples seeking to be married in the Church are required to contact the parish office and make arrangements at least 6 months in advance of the ceremony.

Please contact the rectory for more information.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please notify the rectory when a parishioner would like to receive the sacraments and is homebound, in a nursing home, or in the hospital.

## O.C.I.A

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults): Those who are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments are invited to contact the rectory at any time.

# Weekly CALENDAR

MON 4/20	TUES 4/21	WED 4/22	THURS 4/23	FRI 4/24	SAT 4/25	SUN 4/26
6am Adoration	6am Adoration	6am Adoration	6am Adoration	6am Adoration	6:30am Adoration	6:30am Rosary
7am Mass	7am Mass	7am Mass	7am Mass	7am Mass	7:30am Rosary	7am Mass
7:30am Rosary	7:30am Rosary	7:30am Rosary	7:30am Rosary	7:30am Rosary	8am Mass	9am Mass
7pm Apologetics Class with Deacon Ken!	8pm Communion & Liberation (CL)				9am First Communion Rehearsal and Confessions	11:30am Mass
					5pm Mass	

### Upcoming Second Collections:

(Please make all checks payable to St. John's)

- ♦ May 3 - St. John's Revitalization Fund
- ♦ May 10 - National Shrine Renewal Project
- ♦ May 24 - Catholic Communication
- ♦ Jun 7 - St. John's Revitalization Fund

### St. John's Upcoming Weekend Confession Schedule

#### Saturday, April 25

Confessions will be heard from 4-4:45pm and throughout the 5pm Mass!

#### Sunday, April 26

Confessions will be heard during all Masses!



Daily Readings	Mass Intentions
Acts 6:8-15 Jn 6:22-29	<b>MONDAY, April 20</b> 7:00am Eleanor Ripple+
Acts 7:51-8:1a Jn 6:30-35	<b>TUESDAY, April 21</b> 7:00am Dickie & Mary Ellen Norris+
Acts 8:1b-8 Jn 6:35-40	<b>WEDNESDAY, April 22</b> 7:00am Eleanor Ripple+
Acts 8:26-40 Jn 6:44-51	<b>THURSDAY, April 23</b> 7:00am John "JW" Hall+
Acts 9:1-20 Jn 6:52-59	<b>FRIDAY, April 24</b> 7:00am Charlene Cummings+
1 Pt 5:5b-14 Mk 16:15-20	<b>SATURDAY, April 25</b> 8:00am Mary Catherine Clarke+ 5:00pm St. John's Parishioners
Acts 2:14a, 36-41 1 Pt 2:20b-25 Jn 10:1-10	<b>SUNDAY, April 26</b> 7:00am Mary Catherine Clarke+ 9:00am Josephine Forte(L) 11:30am Minor William Buckler+ + Deceased (L) Living

**ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL PRESENTS**

# The SOUND of MUSIC

*The SOUND of MUSIC*  
Music by RICHARD RODGERS  
Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II  
Book by HOWARD LINDSAY and RUSSEL CROUSE  
Suggested by "The Trapp Family Singers" by Maria Augusta Trapp

**YOUTH EDITION**

**Monsignor Harris Center**  
May 1<sup>st</sup> 7 pm  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1 pm & 7 pm

Tickets available at the door  
\$10 individual, \$30 family

Concessions & Lobby Activities During Intermission

Directors: Jonathan Helleman, Allie Harper, Gloria Dempsey  
Choreographers: Alexandria Holliday, Cristiana Wasel, Emma Steele

## MONDAY

### Apologetics with Deacon Ken Scheiber

**4/20/2026 – The Historical Accuracy of the Exodus**

7 pm - St. Jude Room - Msgr. Harris Center


**Upcoming Topics:**

4/27/26 The Value of the Old Testament Laws

5/4/26 Defending the Miracles of Jesus

5/11/26 The Catholic Church and Divine Inspiration

**HOUSE BLESSINGS** - If you would like your home blessed, please call our parish office at 301-373-2281 to make an appointment with Father Ray or Father Braam.



*God Bless this Home and All Who Enter*

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm  
**Closed daily for Lunch - 12:30pm - 1:00pm**  
 Parish Office Phone Number: **301-373-2281**  
 Jackie Cannon/Secretary:  
[cannonj@sjchollywood.org](mailto:cannonj@sjchollywood.org)  
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[youngd@sjchollywood.org](mailto:youngd@sjchollywood.org)

*We are here for you!*

**CATHOLIC CEMETERY** needs your help to maintain the beauty and dignity of the sacred ground by following the cemetery regulations:

- \* Fresh flowers are welcome all year.
- \* Artificial flowers allowed only from November 15 until March 15.
- \* Flowers of any type will be removed by the cemetery grounds keeper when they become unsightly or the particular season/holiday is over.
- \* Other decorations such as glass containers, candles, lights, metal staffs, benches or chairs, etc. are prohibited and subject to immediate removal.
- \* Individual planting of trees, shrubs, flowers etc. are not allowed.
- \* Please keep it simple - excess items may be removed.

For more information or assistance, please call Catholic Cemeteries of Southern Maryland directly at **301-475-5005**.

### General Information about the Grounds of St. John's Parish

#### **Part 3. The New Cemetery.**

a. The New Cemetery is actually in two parts. First, starting near the Church is the not-so-new and almost filled-up cemetery with 295 headstones, a handful of unmarked graves and several reserved spaces. Next, after crossing the paved road, you arrive in the active section of St. John's Cemetery. This part is just about full and has more than 720 headstones and several reserved spaces. These are the most important parts of our Cemetery to keep neat and trim. Together they add up to just 2.5 acres. While it only takes about four hours to mow these areas it takes one minute to trim each of the 1000+ headstones (that's 16+ hours). In addition, there are 22 trees, 600 feet of fencing and the cemetery memorial crucifix island to trim. To keep St. John's looking good, consider volunteering to help out in this important area. (it takes 2 mowers and 7 trimmers.) (Coming next, the Sports Areas)

Join us for the **St. Mary's Chapel of Perpetual Adoration Fundraising Gala** on Friday, May 8, 2026, from 6:00–10:00pm at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department. Enjoy an elegant evening featuring dinner, open bar, string quartet, auction, and live entertainment by the priest band, *Upon This Rock* — all in support of building our new Perpetual Adoration Chapel to serve Southern Maryland. This will be the first free-standing Perpetual Adoration Chapel ever built in the Archdiocese of Washington! Consider a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to dedicate a stained glass window in your family's or loved one's name. Learn more and reserve your tickets today to be part of this joyful night helping bring perpetual adoration to our community! [www.StMarysChapel.net](http://www.StMarysChapel.net)

"Train up a child in the way he should go;  
even when he is old he will not depart from it".

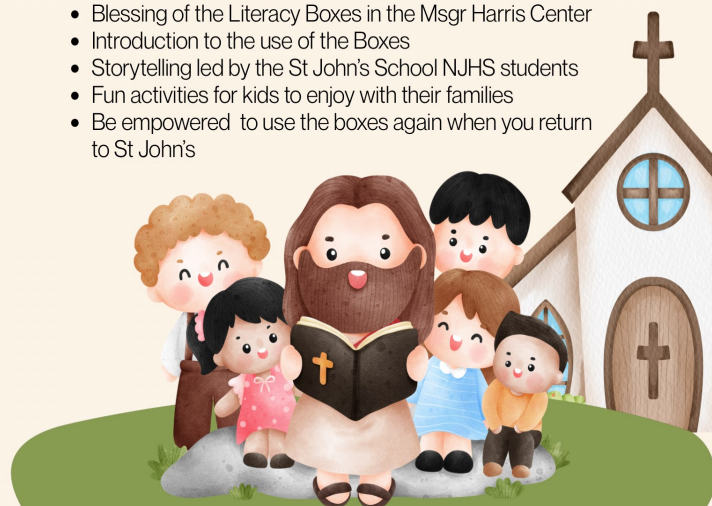
## **Come to the St John's Interactive Literacy Box Roll Out!**

**Families are welcome to enjoy a morning of storytelling  
and learn how to use the new tool at SJC  
made just for kids!**

**FRI APRIL 24 | 9-10AM**

### **WHAT TO EXPECT**

- Blessing of the Literacy Boxes in the Msgr Harris Center
- Introduction to the use of the Boxes
- Storytelling led by the St John's School NJHS students
- Fun activities for kids to enjoy with their families
- Be empowered to use the boxes again when you return to St John's



**HAPPY  
TASTES  
GOOD**

**JOIN US!**

## **DQ® Fundraising Event**

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS HOSTING A DAIRY QUEEN SPIRIT NIGHT!

LEONARDTOWN DAIRY QUEEN WILL DONATE 20% OF SALES

**WEDNESDAY  
APRIL 29  
4PM - 9PM**

22875 WASHINGTON STREET  
LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

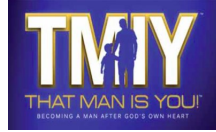
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**Fiat! Women's Bible Study**  
Every Tuesday evening at 7:00pm

The Monsignor Harris Center  
This season's topic:  
"Restored to Radiance"  
For more information,



**That Man Is You (2 Samuel 12:7)**  
Saturdays @ 6:00 AM – 7:30 AM  
Monsignor Harris Center  
For more information,  
please contact  
[TMIY@sjhollywood.org](mailto:TMIY@sjhollywood.org)



**St. John's Men's Ministry Group (SJMG)** *Fortes in Fide* exists to serve the spiritual needs of men, single & married.  
Saturdays @ 6:45am St. Jude's Rm

Contact: Dan Seep, 757-291-0262,  
[Derseep@hotmail.com](mailto:Derseep@hotmail.com)  
Proverbs 27:17

**Green Team Tips** Pay attention to the need for orderliness and beauty in our lives. We generally like things neat and more organized, more easily understood, even more beautiful. In a way this is our striving for perfection, for God. What is more beautiful than watching a plant grow to maturity?

**Contribution Statements**

Contribution statements will be available mid January upon request. Please contact the parish office at [cannonj@sjhollywood.org](mailto:cannonj@sjhollywood.org) or 301-373-2281. Thank you!



**GUAC & GIVE**  
**Fundraising Event**

Present this flyer on the date below  
and Tia's Cantina will donate  
20% of your check

St. John's Catholic School  
ORGANIZATION

Monday, April 20th  
DATE

23415 Three Notch Road, California MD 20619

**The Peace in the Storm Project**

Are you feeling spirituality exhausted from being a caregiver? Come and learn about **The Peace in the Storm Project** developed by Catholic author Maureen Pratt on **April 25th from 9:30 am - 2 pm** at the **Pope Francis Center** (7202 Buchanan Street, Landover Hills MD 20784). This is a resource for parishes to develop outreach to caregivers and to those living with chronic illness and pain. Cost to attend is \$10 for lunch. Learn more about this important resource:

<https://www.thepeaceinthestormproject.com/>.

Contact the Office of Deaf and Disabilities  
Ministry for questions  
[specialneedsministry@adw.org](mailto:specialneedsministry@adw.org)  
or 301-853-4560.

This workshop is open to caregivers, people with a lived experience of chronic illness/pain, and ministry leaders/parish

**Communion and Liberation**

Communion and Liberation (CL) is an international Catholic ecclesial movement that seeks to help people live the Christian faith as a concrete and transformative experience in every aspect of life. At the heart of the movement is the conviction that faith begins with a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, which gives rise to a deep sense of communion with others and opens the person to authentic freedom—and therefore has relevance for daily life, including family, work, education, and culture. Through shared prayer, study, friendship, charitable work, and cultural engagement, members of CL aim to witness to a faith that is lived, reasonable, and fully engaged with the world.

Join us for our study of Fr. Luigi Giussani's *At the Origin of the Christian Claim*. We meet weekly—Mondays at St. Mary's Ryken and Tuesdays at St. John's. Contact Mackenzie McGinnis ([240-587-1638](tel:240-587-1638)) or Greg DeStefano ([301-542-2467](tel:301-542-2467)) for times and more details.

**Bulletin Requests**

Contact the parish office with any bulletin inserts or announcements **10 days prior to that bulletin date**.

Please include any images to add in your email. **\*Please note, we have a limited amount of space.** We do not have room for full page flyers or documents.

Email announcements and inserts to: [youngd@sjhollywood.org](mailto:youngd@sjhollywood.org)