

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.



MASS TIMES

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4pm-6pm
and during Sunday Masses
Wednesdays (during Lent) at 7pm
*Also by appointment

ADORATION

Monday-Friday 6am-7am
Saturday 6:30am
Wednesdays (during Lent) at 7pm

ROSARY

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

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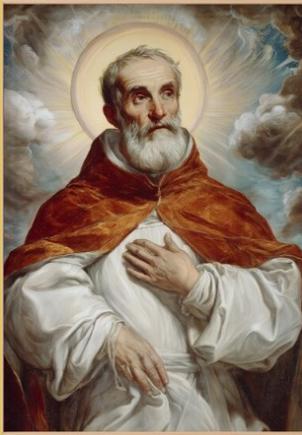
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**St. Cyril of Jerusalem,
Pray for us!**

Mar 17: St. Patrick (5th century). Read his Letter to the Soldiers of Corticus and his Confession and touch the authentic spirit of Patrick, undisputed author of both works. His excommunication of slave-owners is especially telling – he knew what slavery did to the human soul from his own experience. He was astonished by the young who spontaneously chose to be monks or virgins despite parental opposition.

Mar 18: St. Cyril of Jerusalem (315-386). His writings are the reason we have communion in the hand restored as an option for the faithful today...he made sure that the Easter Vigil liturgy was “spinetingling” (to use his own expression) and filled with scripture.

Saints Alive!

Mar 19: St. Joseph (1st Century) has been shining popular devotion since the 15th century-before that- he was a man cloaked in silence. He is now especially evoked as the patron for all married men-that they might be spiritual guides to their unique families. And **Bd. Marcel Callo** (1921-1945) was a Frenchman from Brittany who was arrested by the Gestapo for being “too much of a Catholic.” Two years of concentration camps destroyed his health, but never his fervent spirit. He died in Gusesen I.

Mar 20: St. Ippolito Galantini (1565-1619), even as a child he could memorize and repeat whole sermons. He was a lay catechist and taught CCD to the poor in Florence. And **St. John Nepomuk** (1393) is the patron saint of Prague, martyred for keeping the seal of confession. St. John Neumann of Philadelphia’s

fame was named for this prophetic priest.

Mar 21: St. Nicholas von Flüe (1417-1487) was a Swiss married man with 10 children who became a hermit and lived as such an ascetic that he lived 20 years only on communion and became a mystic who gave wise teaching to all the cantons. His tomb is in Sachseln.

Mar 22: St. Nicholas Owen (1606) is a Jesuit lay-brother who constructed the most ingenious hiding holes for priests. He was stretched in terrible agony till his body burst open. He would reveal no secrets under such torture.

“To everything there is a season...”

“A time to be born...”

“A time to die, a time to mourn...”
Elizabeth Viola Kelly

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

“A time to heal...”

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

Jordyn Rose O’Connor, Bill Parron, Jalen Penaflor, John & Ethel Pilkerton, Kevin Pinkerton, Robin Poe, Frances Powers, Todd Raffo, Hannah Rainer, Caroline Riewerts, Maria Robey, Hal Richards, Suzanne Saurel, Sebastian, Shirley Johnson Sellner, Charlotte Silva, Rosemary Smith, Danny Sweeney, Nancy Szewczyk, Lawrence Tippet, Gwennette Thomas, Taylor Theriot, William J. Trainor Sr, Alice Viverette, James Wallace, Ronnie Ward, Johnny Wathen, Laura Wible, Eleanor Wood, Jill Wood, Damian Worrell, Luzina Yorkshire

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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.



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

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 3/16	TUES 3/17	WED 3/18	THURS 3/19	FRI 3/20	SAT 3/21	SUN 3/22
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	8am-12pm SJS Used Uniform Sale
7pm Apologetics Class with Deacon Ken!	7pm Flat!	7pm Confession & Adoration 		4pm-6:15pm Knights of Columbus Carryout Shrimp Dinner	5pm Mass	9am Mass
				7pm Stations of the Cross	 Msgr. Harris Scholarship Fund Second Collection Weekend	11:30am Mass

Upcoming Second Collections:

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

- ♦ March 22 - Msgr. Harris Scholarship Fund
- ♦ April 2 - St. John's Charitable Society
- ♦ April 3 - Holy Land – Good Friday
- ♦ April 5 - St. John's Revitalization Fund & Easter Offering

St. John's Upcoming Weekend Confession Schedule

Saturday, March 21

Confessions will be heard from 4:00-4:45pm and throughout the 5pm Mass!

Sunday, March 22

Confessions will be heard during all Masses!



Daily Readings	Mass Intentions
Is 65:17-21 Jn 4:43-54	MONDAY, March 16 7:00am Francis Franciscot+
Ez 47:1-9, 12 Jn 5:1-16	TUESDAY, March 17 7:00am James O'Brien+
Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30	WEDNESDAY, March 18 7:00am Ronald DelRicco(L)
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a	THURSDAY, March 19 7:00am Francis Franciscot+
Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30	FRIDAY, March 20 7:00am Fr. William Brailsford+
Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-53	SATURDAY, March 21 8:00am Fr. Kevin O'Reilly+ 5:00pm Michael Batory Washabaugh+
Ez 37:12-14 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45	SUNDAY, March 22 7:00am Edward Hunnell(L) 9:00am St. John's Parishioners 11:30am Joseph B. Kelly+
	+ Deceased (L) Living



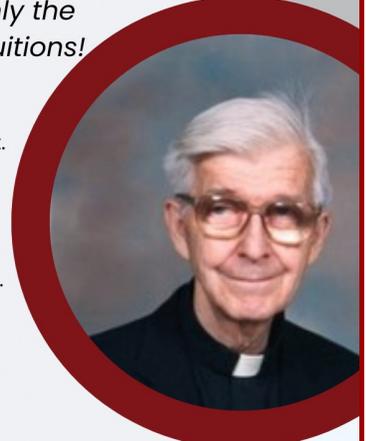
**MSGR. HARRIS
SCHOLARSHIP FUND
SECOND COLLECTION**

MARCH 21-22, 2026

Help us raise \$21K - roughly the equivalent of 3 students' Tuitions!

The Msgr. Harris Scholarship is in memory of former and long serving St. John's Church pastor, Monsignor Harris, who served here from 1970-2004.

100% of the money collected in the fund is specifically allotted to assist St. John's School students who are registered and attending St. John's Parish.



MONDAY

Apologetics with Deacon Ken Scheiber

3/16/26 – Seeing the Eucharist in the Multiplication of Loaves

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

Upcoming Topics:

3/23/26 Seeing the Eucharist in the Last Supper

3/30/26 The Plot to Kill Jesus

4/6/26 NO MEETING

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**

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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**.



Upper Marlboro, MD



Bethlehem, Holy Land



Please consider donating non-perishable items to **The Servants of the Lord (SSVM) Religious Sisters**. Bags can be returned at all Masses on the weekend of **March 21 & 22**

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Donations will be delivered to the three SSVM Convents in the Maryland/D.C. area to support over 60 missionary sisters.

St. John's Parish Grounds Clean-Up

Spring Is in the Air - Spring is coming fast and with it the beginning of the grass mowing season. Catholic Cemeteries has posted a notice in our weekly Sunday Bulletin regarding the positioning of flowers and decorations for use in the cemetery. Please remember to remove last year's flowers, decorative items and other arrangements on the graves in the new cemetery, or position them on top of the headstones, to make mowing and trimming easier for the volunteers. Every two weeks it takes over 20 work hours to mow and trim the new cemetery, so your help in this task is essential!

Clean-Up Day - A Parish Grounds Clean-Up Day has been scheduled for Saturday, March 28th from 9am to 12pm (the rain date is Saturday, April 11th). Volunteers are needed for light yard-work jobs about the campus and cemetery (picking up branches and debris, raking, etc.) We will meet at 9am in the parking lot by Our Lady's shrine in the cemetery. Some tools will be available and garden gloves are recommended. Please come out to help keep your Parish grounds looking good. Contact John Shimski at 301.371.8961 (voice only) or email jshimski@md.metrocast.net if you have any questions.

Lawn Mowers Needed - Although there has been a lot of snow and cold this winter, spring will be here soon and with it another mowing season is at hand. St. John's really needs your help. We have lawn mowers and weed trimmers but still need additional people to operate them, especially the trimmers. We are looking for individuals, or groups, who would adopt a section of the grounds and care for it for the full mowing season (Mid-April thru October). The mowing schedule is very flexible and, with enough volunteers, will only require about 1.5-2.0 hours every two weeks. Please consider this valuable contribution to the Parish. If you are over 18 and would like to help, contact John Shimski at 301.371.8961 (voice only) or email jshimski@md.metrocast.net.

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

Part 1. An overview of the grounds of St. John's Parish (continued from last week)

b. The shape of today's Parish Grounds was basically carved out by Fr. Johnson SJ in the early 1920's. As noted by Michael J. Leary in his booklet about St. John's 300th Anniversary, when Fr. Johnson arrived he found the grounds "... to be overgrown with underbrush, vines, weeds and the stumps of trees that had died and fallen ...". Fr. Johnson then sought volunteers to restore the grounds and eventually cleared 17 acres over several years "... mainly by use of grubbing hoe and axe." To further quote Father Johnson from his Diary of a Country Pastor, "The thriving vegetation soon began to look like a parkland rather than the surroundings of a poor country church. The lawns were kept mowed and trimmed.... So that it looked rich man's estate... The labor and toil that had been expended for years was enough to make it, in the opinion of everyone, the most attractive and fascinating church property in St. Mary's County." After the land was cleared over 1000 trees were planted throughout and around the property. At present, we still care for about 18 acres but fewer than 100 of those original trees still stand. In the last three years an additional 130 trees and over 3000 shrubs and flowering plants have been added to the campus, continuing to enhance its appearance. (to be continued...)



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

St. John's Summer Program 2026

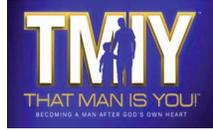
St. John's Summer Program, SOMD's largest summer camp, will open online registration on Sunday, March 1st at 1:00pm. 85 unique camps are being offered this summer, with many of them being new camps for 2026. Some of the camps include 3D Design, Babysitter Training, Lucky Dog Camp, Smitten Kittens, Combat Archery, Cake Boss, and Aprons and Appetizers, among many others. The Program aims to help children grow in knowledge and love of Christ and our Catholic faith, while enjoying an engaging and fun summer with young, strong Catholic role models as instructors. We open every day with song and prayer and Fridays with Mass. Extended care is available, and we are a Maryland-licensed summer camp. Please visit www.StJohnsSummerProgram.com to view the new summer schedule and to find more information about St. John's Summer Program.





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@sjchollywood.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,
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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@sjchollywood.org or 301-373-2281. Thank you!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Friday Lenten Carryout Shrimp Dinner

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus St. John Francis Regis Council 7914

\$20.00

Includes: 12 large Spiced Shrimp (appx. 1/2 lb.), French Fries, Coleslaw, Cocktail Sauce and a Bottle of Water



Where: St John's Church, Hollywood, Md. Msgr. Harris Center
Time: 4PM to 6:15PM

Dates: Feb. 27th. Mar. 6th. Mar. 13th. Mar. 20th and Mar. 27th
Stop by and pick up your dinner.
Cash, Check, or Credit Cards accepted

HOLY WEEK is when we celebrate the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Please consider sharing some of your time to decorate the church. Many hands make light work!

SAT., 28 MAR 2026 – (Set Up Palm Sunday Vigil Mass)
9:00 am – Finish NLT 3:00 pm

SUN., 29 MAR 2026 – (Breakdown Palm Sunday / Move Items to Stage for Altar of Repose)
12:30 pm until complete

THU., 2 APR 2026 – (Complete Altar of Repose and Seating Area)
1:00 pm (school dismissal) – Finish NLT 5:00 pm

SAT., 4 APR 2026 – (Set Up Easter Vigil)
11:00 am – Finish NLT 4:00 pm

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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@sjchollywood.org