

# St. John Francis Regis

February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Mass Times

Sunday  
7am, 9am, 11:30am

Saturday  
8am, 5pm Vigil

Monday-Friday  
7am

Holy Days of Obligation  
7am, 9am, 7pm

## Confessions

Saturday 4pm-6pm,  
and during Sunday Masses

\*Also by appointment

## Adoration

Monday-Friday  
6am-7am

Saturday  
6:30am-7:30am

## Rosary

Monday-Friday  
7:30am

Saturday  
4:30pm

Sunday  
6:30am

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Website: [saintjohnsparishhollywood.org](http://saintjohnsparishhollywood.org)

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### Director of Religious

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#### Sunday Classes

Grades K-12  
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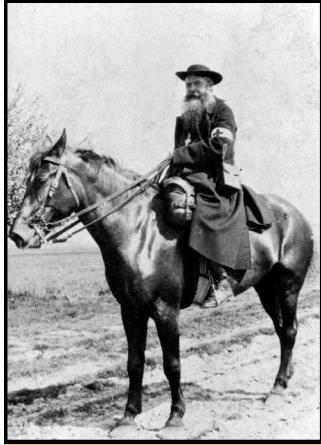
The program starts in  
September and ends in May.

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### 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.

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



**Blessed Daniel Brottier,  
Pray for us!**

**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.



**Feb 25: Bd Sebastian Aparicio** (1502-1600). Rags to riches story: he was a poor Spanish shepherd who made it big in Puebla, Mexico in road construction. He married (twice). See his shrine and relics in Puebla...he died at the age of 98.

**BB Luigi Versagliae Callisto Caravario** (1930+). Were Salesian missionaries and friends of St. John Bosco who were martyred for the faith in Shiu-Chow, China while defending women from rapists.

**Feb 26: St Porphyry of Gaza** (353-421) was a zealous bishop in Gaza City who destroyed paganism and brought the wholesale conversion of the region to Christianity.

# Saints Alive!

**Feb 27: St Anne Line** (1565-1601) was raised as a fervent Calvinist. Anne converts to Catholicism at the age of 20. For the crime of hiding priests, she is hanged at Tyburn. **St. Gabriel Possenti** (1838-1862) was "a lady's man" who becomes a Passionist and dies at the age of 24. He is the patron saint of the NRA – because of his marksmanship in defending women from ruffians with his trusty pistol.

**Feb 28: Bd Daniel Brottier** (1876-1936). French missionary of the Holy Spirit who built the cathedral in Senegal...he becomes a chaplain during WW I and spends 52 months on the front lines. His later years? Orphanages in Auteuil. He gave St. Thérèse all the credit for his extraordinary life.

**Mar 1: St. Swithbert** (713). An extraordinary English missionary to German tribes in Friesland; visit his shrine in St. Peter's Kaiserswerth.

**Mar 2: Bd. Charles le Bon** (1081-1127). Danish nobleman reared in Flanders from the age of 5 – and martyred for the sake of the poor -- as he prayed in the same church of St. Donatian in Bruges where his shrine still exist.

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

**“A time to be born...”**

**“A time to die, a time to mourn...”**

**“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 Penaflo, John & Ethel Pilkerton, Todd Raffo, Robin Poe, Frances Powers, Hannah Rainer, Maria Robey, Hal Richards, Suzanne Saurel, Shirley Johnson Sellner, Charlotte Silva, Rosemary Smith, Dave Stefanic, Danny Sweeney, Nancy Szewczyk, Lawrence Tippet, Gwennette Thomas, George Thompson, Taylor Theriot, William J. Trainor Sr, Alice Viverette, James Wallace, Ronnie Ward, Johnny Wathen, Laura Wible, Eleanor Wood, Jill Wood, Damian Worrell, Luzina Yorkshire

WO2 James M. Adkins USA;  
Ray Alvey, USMC;  
SFC Kyle Bennett, USA;  
LTJG David Berlin, USN;  
CPL Matthew Burgan, USMC;  
CDR Joseph Burns, USN;  
PFC James Kelly Butler, USA;  
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CDR Michael David Emerson, USCG.



**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.

### Upcoming Second Collections:

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

- ◆ March 5- St. John's Charitable Society
- ◆ More Coming Soon!

### St. John's Confession Schedule

#### Saturday, March 1

Confessions will be offered from 4-4:45pm and during the 5pm Mass!

#### Sunday, March 2

Confessions will be offered at all Masses!



**SOMD MASS WITH HEALING SERVICE - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, 7PM—IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH** Lexington Park. Confessions available beginning at 6:30PM. 7PM Mass followed by healing service. All are invited to come and receive healing prayers in the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord.

### We're In Need of Old Palm Sunday Palms!

We will be collecting old Palm Sunday Palms at all Masses for the coming weekends, as we'll need them to be burned for our ashes for Ash Wednesday this year, March 5!

There will be baskets for your palms!

### American Heritage Girls - Drop-Off Baby Shower

American Heritage Girls Troop MD2540 invites you to a Drop-Off Baby Shower to benefit CareNet Pregnancy Center of Southern MD. Due to the Church renovations, we will be supporting CareNet with a baby-items drive this year. Please consider donating one or more of these highly requested items: baby food in jars or pouches, baby cereal, baby wash/lotion/shampoo, baby wipes, or gift cards of \$10 to Walmart or Target. For a full list of requested items, please check out the flyer in the Msgr. Harris Center or email [ahg.md2540.tc@gmail.com](mailto:ahg.md2540.tc@gmail.com). Unwrapped gifts can be dropped off any weekend of February in the Pack N Play in the foyer of the MHC.



## ST. JOHN'S EVENTS



#### February 22-23

Archdiocesan Appeal Weekend

#### February 24

SJS New Family Registration Opens

#### March 1

First Reconciliation  
9am-10am  
10:30am-11:30am

#### March 3

No School!

#### March 4

SJS Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night  
5-7pm

#### March 5

Ash Wednesday  
Masses: 7am, 9am, & 5pm

Daily Readings		Mass Intentions
Sir Mk	1:1-10 9:14-29	<b>MONDAY, February 24</b> 7:00am Robert Cosmo Vendrasco+
Sir Mk	2:1-11 9:30-37	<b>TUESDAY, February 25</b> 7:00pm Edward & Mary Ann Murphy+
Sir Mk	4:11-19 9:38-40	<b>WEDNESDAY, February 26</b> 7:00am Fr. Kosty+
Sir Mk	5:1-8 9:41-50	<b>THURSDAY, February 27</b> 7:00am Richard D. Tippett Jr.+
Sir Mk	6:5-17 10:1-12	<b>FRIDAY, February 28</b> 7:00am Richard D. Tippett Jr.+
Sir Mk	17:1-15 10:13-16	<b>SATURDAY, March 1</b> 8:00am Helen Kochersperger+ 5:00pm St. John's Parishioners
Sir 1 Cor Lk	27:4-7 15:54-58 6:39-45	<b>SUNDAY, March 2</b> 7:00am Frank Brown+ 9:00am Betty Joy Thomas+ 11:30am Betty and Bill Sharpe+

+ Deceased (L) Living

**13th Annual St John's Father Daughter Dance**  
**When:** 28 February, 2025 6-9PM  
**Who:** Fathers, Grandfathers, or another Father figure & daughters of any age!  
**Where:** St John's Catholic Church, Holl wood MD.  
**Why:** To spend a night with your cherished daughter.  
**Cost:** \$40 for Father and Daughter or \$55 for 2 or more daughters.  
**How to reserve/pay:** Reserve and pay for tickets online (<https://fs2.formsite.com/stjohns/FDD2025/index>) and pick up tix at Will Call or contact Dan or Esther Seep at 757 291-0262 or 757 291-0269.



**TUESDAY**  
**Apologetics with Deacon Ken Scheiber**

**2/25 The Moral Hazard of Marijuana**

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

3/4 Defending the Pa-pacy with Ryan Nae-gele

3/11 In Defense of Martyrs

3/18 Life After Death

**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*



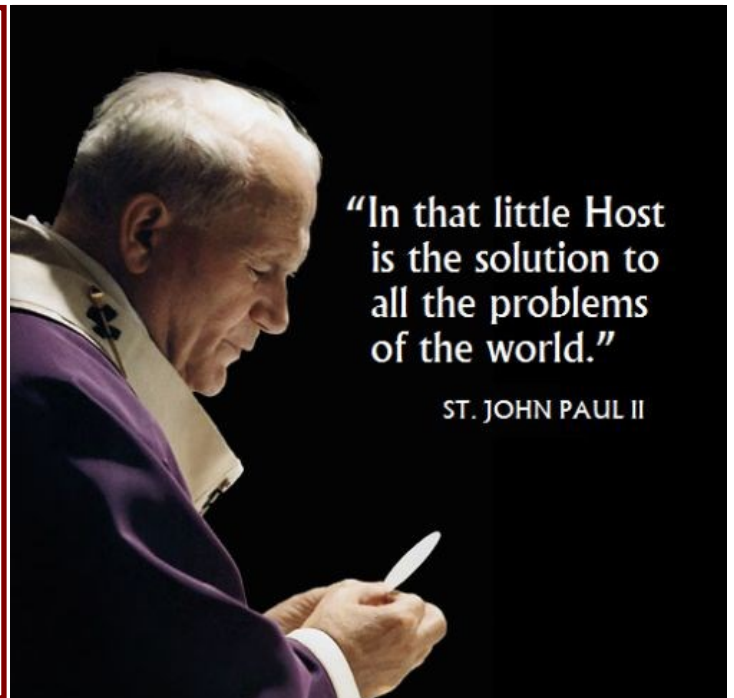
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
 Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm  
**Closed daily for Lunch - 12:30pm - 1:00pm**  
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*We are here for you!*

**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**.



**“In that little Host is the solution to all the problems of the world.”**

ST. JOHN PAUL II

## Mobile Spirit Night

**Tuesday, March 4, 2025**  
**5 pm - 7 pm**

Come support St. John's Catholic School and 25% of sales will be donated accordingly. All orders must be placed via the Chick-fil-A® App and enter code "SJCS25" when prompted.



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### Voice/Piano Recital at St. Aloysius - March 2

3:00pm at St. Aloysius Church on March 2!

Come enjoy a recital consisting of beautiful Catholic music sung by Fr. David Beaubian and accompanied by pianist, Janis Nowlan! This is part of the Kalnasy Concert Series in honor of Pat Kalnasy, former St. Al's organist.

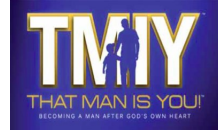
### Some Sainly Wisdom for Lent 2025!

**“If you are able to fast, you will do well to observe some days beyond what are ordered by the Church, for besides the ordinary effect of fasting in raising the mind, subduing the flesh, confirming goodness, and obtaining a heavenly reward, it is also a great matter to be able to control greediness, and to keep the sensual appetites and the whole body subject to the law of the Spirit; and although we may be able to do but little, the enemy nevertheless stands more in awe of those whom he knows can fast.” — St. Francis de Sales**

**“Never forget that there are only two philosophies to rule your life: the one of the cross, which starts with the fast and ends with the feast. The other of Satan, which starts with the feast and ends with the headache.” — Ven. Archbishop Fulton Sheen**



**Fiat!** In conjunction with Paradisus Dei will start our second season on Tues, 2/14/25. "The Ten Virtues of Mary." For more info: [tavarez5@att.net](mailto:tavarez5@att.net)



**That Man Is You (2 Samuel 12:7)**

Saturdays @ 6:00 AM – 7:30 AM  
Monsignor Harris Center



**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** Eat till you are satisfied, not full. Prepare only what you are going to eat. Skip between meal snacks. All this will eventually save you money.



**Chesterton Academy of St. Mary's  
Mardi Gras Gala  
March 1, 2025**

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ST. JOHN'S CHARITABLE SOCIETY

**ASH WEDNESDAY  
SJCS SPECIAL  
COLLECTION**

The special collection for the St. John's Charitable Society (SJCS) on **Ash Wednesday** benefits the poor and vulnerable in our **local St. Mary's community**. Your donation enables:

- Keeping electricity and water on
- Providing heating oil/gas
- Preventing eviction.

*Your donation is a Gift of Hope for those at risk, especially during the winter months!*

**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: [mattuzdavinis@sjchollywood.org](mailto:mattuzdavinis@sjchollywood.org)

