

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-Thursday 7am
 Friday 7am
 Holy Days of Obligation -
 Announced Inside the Bulletin

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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Sunday Classes

Grades K-12

10:15am-11:15am

ABOUT OUR CHURCH

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NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

SAINTS ALIVE!

August 24th: St. Bartholomew (First century) Nathaniel, son of Tolmai was the Apostle flayed alive by barbarians in Armenia. Yikes! We prayed at his porphyry relic shrine in Rome on the Isola Tiberina.

August 25th: St. Louis de France (1214-1270) Don't miss his cilice and hair shirt on display at the treasury museum at Notre Dame in Paris. This Franciscan tertiary king married at the age of 14 and had 11 children with his wife. I hope to pray at his relic shrine in Carthage someday!

August 26th: Saints Elias, Jeremy and Companions (~309) These five Egyptian Christians journeyed to the mines of Cilicia to visit their fellow Christians. As the five men were on their way back to Egypt, they were stopped by Roman guards. Upon confessing their Christian identity, they were arrested and tortured on a rack before being beheaded.

St. Mariam Baouardy (1845-1878) was a Christian Arab born near Nazareth, who refused to convert to Islam and was bounced about from Egypt, France, Lebanon and India before she found her true home with the Discalced Carmelites in Bethlehem where she died at the age of 33. She is a mystical victim soul who was allowed by God to be possessed by Satan. Her relics have been a great help during exorcisms, I've been told.

August 27th: St. Monica (331-387) had a strict Christian upbringing in modern day Tunisia. Her penitential tears won the conversion of her husband, her mother-in-law, and, oh yeah, her famous son who changed the course of Western civilization! Pray at her relic shrine in Sant'Agostino of the Piazza Navona.

August 28th: St. Augustine (354-430) is the doctor of grace- and is still the authority when the church leans towards semi-Pelagianism. I would love to see Carthage and Hippo, but till then, I pray at his relic's shrine in Pavia. We will venerate his relic at St. John's during the morning Mass this day.

August 29th: Beheading of St. John the Baptist (30+) has been the feast (since the 5th century) that has captured the imagination of painters and playwrights of every generation because it pits the prophetically righteous up against the lasciviously debauched.

August 30: St. Narcisa (1832-1869) worked as a seamstress to contribute to her family. Supported by the guidance of several spiritual directors, she resolved to consecrate herself to Christ. Narcisa was frequently seen in a state of ecstasy. She spent the concluding months of her life in Lima, Peru, where she died on December 8, 1869 at the age of thirty-seven.

St. Pammachius (410) was a friend of St. Jerome who married St. Paula's daughter Paulina, and whose house I hope to visit in Rome – on the Coelian Hill. He founded a pilgrim's hospice in Porto. I like married saints who can hold their own in theological discussions with celibate saints like Jerome, Ambrose, Siricius, Paulinus, and Augustine.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Parents are required to meet with one of the priests if it is their first time having a child baptized. It is preferred to have the first appointment before the child is born. Call the parish office to schedule the appointment. Baptisms are scheduled once the preparations are complete.

MARRIAGE

Couples seeking to be married in the Church are required to contact the parish office and make arrangements at least six months in advance of the ceremony. Couples must have the first meeting with the priest before the wedding date can be reserved.

SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK

Please notify the parish office when a parishioner would like to receive Holy Communion and is homebound, in a nursing home, or in the hospital. Those with serious medical conditions are encouraged to reach out to the office to receive the anointing of the sick; in danger of death, it is highly encouraged to reach out as soon as possible.

O.C.I.A. (ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

The parish offers classes for those who are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments. Classes run from September through Easter. Please see page 6 of the bulletin or contact the office for more information.

UPCOMING WEEKEND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

Confessions will be heard from 4-4:45pm but NOT during the 5pm Mass!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

Confessions will be heard during the 11:30am Mass ONLY!

St. Monica, pray for us!



LITURGICAL LIFE

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Weekly CALENDAR

MON 8/24	TUES 8/25	WED 8/26	THURS 8/27	FRI 8/28	SAT 8/29	SUN 8/30
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
	8pm Communion & Liberation				5pm Mass	11:30am Mass

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. JOHN'S

- September 6 - St. John's Maintenance Fund
- September 13 - Catholic University
- September 27 - Missions Offering Belize Missions
- October 4 - St. John's Maintenance Fund

MASS INTENTIONS

-The suggested offering per Mass intention is \$10.
 -Mass intentions will be received on a first come basis; particular dates may not be reserved perpetually for specific individuals.
 -We kindly ask that you not offer the same intention more than once per week to ensure others are prayed for in a timely manner.
 -You may submit up to THREE intentions per month.
 -Mass intentions for the upcoming year can be requested starting in May.
 -Mass intentions are announced during Sunday Masses and daily Masses. They are also published in the weekly bulletin.

Daily Readings	Mass Intentions
Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51	Monday, August 24 7am Reey Bald+
2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 Mt 23:23-26	Tuesday, August 25 7am Neil Kuhn+
2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 Mt 23:27-32	Wednesday, August 26 7am Mary Catherine Clarke+
1 Cor 1:1-9 Mt 24:42-51	Thursday, August 27 7am Thelma T. Hayden+
1 Cor 1:17-25 Mt 25:1-13	Friday, August 28 7am Neil Kuhn+
1 Cor 1:26-31 Mk 6:17-29	Saturday, August 29 8am George Wallace+ 5pm Mary & Joseph Ramsey+
Jer 20:7-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27	Sunday, August 30 7am Adam & Alex Vendrasco(L) 9am St. John's Parishioners 11:30 Joann Corthell+
	+ Deceased (L) Living



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PRAYER INTENTIONS

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PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK

Bob Haus	Louise Tippet
Bill Parron	Dennis & Katie Gatley
Caroline Riewerts	Ashley Gardiner
Bill Sievers	John F. Gardiner IV
Rahima Wardak	Johnny Gray
Eduardo Torres	Lauren Campbell
Tsgt JanCarlo Torres USAF	Mary Gelabert
Kathleen Torres	Patrick Raley
Luis N Martinez	Gideon Sazynski
Gabriel Anderson	Cleone Wible
Mary Ridgell	



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LCpl Zachary Gilstrap	Staff Sgt Jason W. Walker, USA
LT Jennifer Gleason, USN	AIC Jack Whinnery, USAF

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. Ecclesiastes 3:1-2, 8



“For everything there is a season...”

“A time to be born...”

Ava Jean Gough

“A time to die, a time to mourn...”

Agnes Delores Kelley

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

Shelby Daniel & Win Joyner

Cathy Pacini & Bob Vendrasco

CATHOLIC CEMETERY

NEEDS YOUR HELP TO MAINTAIN THE BEAUTY AND DIGITY OF THE SACRED GROUND BY FOLLOWING THESE CEMETERY REGULATIONS:

- * Fresh flowers are welcome all year.
- * Artificial flowers allowed only from Nov 15 until Mar 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.

PARISH GROUPS & EVENTS

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BULLETIN REQUESTS

Contact the parish office with any bulletin announcements at least 10 days prior to the 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, so please make sure the font size is large on images. Email bulletin announcements to: youngd@sjchollywood.org.

FIAT! DAUGHTERS OF ST. JOHN FRANCIS REGIS

For upcoming fellowship, Women's Night of Adoration, bible study, and other events, please contact tavarez5@att.net

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 or Derseep@hotmail.com
Proverbs 27:17

THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIY)

THAT MAN IS YOU (2 SAMUEL 12:7)

Saturdays @ 6am-7:30am
Monsignor Harris Center
For more information, please contact TMIY@sjchollywood.org

GREEN TEAM TIPS

If your freezer is outdated or energy-inefficient, it is likely driving up your energy bills. Upgrading to a more energy-efficient model can save you money. A 30 year old large chest freezer will use approx 1,500 kwh/yr vs a new one costing \$700 and using 400 kwh/yr, saving approx. \$220/yr as residential electricity is now approx \$0.20/kwh.

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 Ashley Palermo ([240-750-5261](tel:240-750-5261)) or Greg DeStefano ([301-542-2467](tel:301-542-2467)) for times and more details.

Hollywood Cannabis Grow Facility Petition

Consider signing and sharing this petition opposing the proposed cannabis cultivation facility in Hollywood. While cannabis cultivation may be legal in Maryland, this proposed industrial-scale operation is not appropriate for a residential and rural community like ours. Residents are concerned about strong odors, increased truck traffic, noise, 24-hour security lighting, stormwater runoff, possible impacts on health and property values, and the lack of early community input. Once a facility like this is approved, it is very difficult to reverse. The petition asks St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to deny approval at this location, require a full community and environmental review, hold a public hearing, and move any such facility to a properly zoned industrial or agricultural-industrial area away from homes and neighborhoods.



SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTE!

Keep in touch with us via email and text! Mass times, renovation updates, weather cancellations, ministry updates, & more delivered to your phone/computer.

TO SIGN UP, TEXT: **SJFLOCK to 84576**

SIGN UP ONLINE AT:

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**Want to become Catholic?
Know someone who does?
Have questions about God?
Never got confirmed?**

O CIA begins Sept 6th

Scan for more info and to register
Questions? Email Fr. Andrews
andrewsg@sjchollywood.org



Aftercare Help Needed!

St. John's School is hiring workers to help with the aftercare program. The hours are Monday through Friday from 3pm-5:30pm. If interested, please contact the school office at 301-373-2142.



We Love Children!

Here is a quote from a recent letter sent to the parish office, "I was pleasantly surprised at how many families with multiple children were in church the day I passed through your town. Wow!! No fertility crisis in your town!"

THE 11TH ANNUAL

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2026 - 2027 DATES

September 11 - 13	January 22 - 24
October 16 - 18	February 26 - 28
November 5 - 8	March 5 - 7
November 13 - 15	March 12 - 14
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	April 16 - 18

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"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." — Proverbs 27:17



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OUR MISSION & VISION:

- To Know and Love God:** Address the pressures and temptations men face and find a clear path to spiritual growth.
- To Create Fraternity:** Build authentic relationships with other men to grow together in faith and hold each other accountable.

MEETING DETAILS

- **WHERE:** Saint John's Monsignor Harris Center
 - **WHEN:** Saturdays starting on September 12th, 2026
 - **TIME:** 0600 soft start / 0630 hard start
- TMII Core Team at TMII@sjchollywood.org

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



*Inspired by the Paradisus Dei Ministry — Learn more at paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR THE ST. JOHN'S CHARITABLE SOCIETY!

Do you enjoy helping people, and are you a good listener? Then the SJCS Phone Ministry could be for you! Sign up to make a difference by taking calls from St. Mary's County residents struggling to pay their rent and utilities. If you feel this is you, please call SJCS at (240-577-5596) and leave a message. Your call will be returned!

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