

### 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  
6-7am

Saturday  
6:30-7:30am

### Rosary

Monday-Friday  
7:30am

Saturday  
4:30pm

Sunday  
6:30am

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# St. John Francis Regis

October 1, 2023

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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."*



## **St. Francis of Assisi** **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.



**October 2: Bd. Antoine Chevrier** (1826-1879) St. John Vianney had at least one young diocesan priest buddy from Lyons! St. John Vianney had 35 years of priestly experience under his belt to inspire his young friend.

**October 3: St. Ewald** (695+) *der schwarze und der weiße* were brother British missionaries martyred in Dortmund; their bodies are enshrined as St. Cunibert's church in Köln. (My great-grandfather Schmidt was named for them.) I hope to pray there someday.

**October 4: St. Francis of Assisi** (1182-1226). I'm rereading the *fioretti*—written just years after his death; so much emphasis on Francis' radical poverty despite illnesses of eyes, liver, spleen and stomach. He is my confirmation saint and I've prayed at his tomb in

# Saints Alive!

Assisi 5 times already.

**October 5: St. Faustina Kowalska** (1905-1938) Her vision of light streaming from the side of Christ now enhance the Sacred Heart devotion. Shout out goes to Faustina DeMauro!

**Bd. Raymond of Capua** (1330-1399) was St. Catherine of Siena's biographer and spiritual director. He had the privilege of carrying her head from Rome to Siena.

**Bd. Bartolo Longo** (1841-1926) I've prayed at his tomb twice in Pompeii. He is a great friend during exorcisms- for he himself was once formerly a Satanic high priest.

**October 6: St. Foy de Conques** (3<sup>rd</sup> Century) Read *Little Saint* by Hannah Green. You'll fall in love with her too! I have an entire posse of 12 year old female martyrs whose company I cherish. She is one of them.

**October 7: St. Justina of Padua** was an early virgin martyr of great renown:

many attributed the victory of the battle of Lepanto to her intercession since the naval battle won this day. Her Basilica is glorious in its tranquility, and houses the remains of St. Luke as well. **St. Mark, Pope** (336+) was Pope for 8 months but he wrote the first list of both popes and martyrs of Rome. I don't know why, I just like him. Pray at his relics tomb at the church he founded – San Marco's - in bustling Piazza Venezia, Roma.

**October 8: St. Demetrius, the Great Martyr** is a fifth century deacon from Sirmium (Mitrovic in Serbia) who became a patron of the crusaders who fashioned him into a warrior saint along with St. George. Shout out to Demetrius Clyburn!

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

**“A time to be born...”**  
Felix Joseph Hellerman

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

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

**“A time to heal...”**

Jason & Jennifer Gatton, Judy Goddard, Ben Gray, John B. Gray, Danny Greenwell, Jack Greenwell, Austin Greer, Fumiko N. Gregg, Sebastian Gutierrez, Patricia Guy, Jr., Logan Gwynn, Benjamin Harman, Dorothy Baber Harper, Andy Hazel, Karen Henry, Leon Hill, Abby Hoffman, Crystal Howard, Walter Johnson, Juanita Johnson, Albert Johnson, Carolyn Jones, Pamela Jones, Richie Jones, John Kilroy III, John “Bubby” Knott Jr., Nancy Lavoie Ann Lacey, Robin Lawrence, Richard Law, Marie Lefebvre, Aiden Lindemann, Michelle Mattingly, Maria McGuigan, Dorothy Miller, Natalie Miller, Pat Modlin, Doug Morgan, Ronnie Murphy, Jane Newberry, Debbie Norris and Ronnie Norris, Todd Raffo, Lawrence Tippet, Rose Brady

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

CPT Timothy E. Sartori, USA;  
Lt Evan A. Scott, USN;  
Sgt Sean B. Scott, USA;  
LCDR Christopher S. Servello, USN;  
LT Jeffery T. Servello, USN;  
2ndLT Matthew Francis Smith, USA;  
AEC Stephen Sterns, USN;  
CDR Christopher Stearns, USN;  
LT John Taylor, USN; Cpl  
SSgt JanCarlo Torres, USAF;  
Staff Sgt Jason W. Walker, USA;  
AIC Jack Whinnery, USAF;  
PVT Bradley William, USA  
2ndLT. John F. Callaghan II, USMC



**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 parish office for more information.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

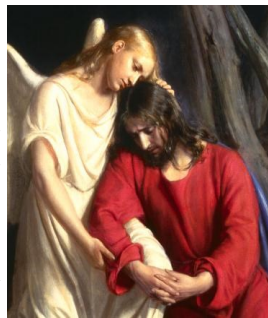
Please notify the rectory when a parishioner would like to receive the sacraments and is homebound, in a nursing home, or in the hospital.

## R.C.I.A

(Rite 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.

### Did Jesus Have a Guardian Angel?

Praying with the angels is a heavenly blessing that even Jesus had. On Holy Thursday, he asked Peter, James and John to pray with him, but they fell asleep. Praying alone in his pain, an angel came to minister to Jesus.



Was that his guardian angel? If Jesus was both fully God and fully man, and men have guardian angels, it's reasonable to think so. A pious Christian opinion holds that St. Michael the Archangel fulfilled this role.

In the book, *Encounters with Angels: The Invisible: the Invisible Companions of Our Spiritual Life*, author Odile Haumonte talks about the night of suffering:

His freedom was that of love, and His will was that of the Father. He gave Himself as He had given everything — His heart since He came into the world, His spirit in this night of agony, and finally, His body when dawn would break.

It was then that the angel came to comfort him, while the three apostles did not stay awake to keep watch with him.

*Source - National Catholic Register*

**The 31st International Week of Prayer and Fasting** coalition, in collaboration with the Legion of Mary, Marian Fathers, and others are asking members of parishes to unite for nine days of prayer and fasting from **October 20-28, 2023.**

**The Closing day of the International Week of Prayer and Fasting** will be held in-person on **Saturday October 28**, from **8:30am to 4:00pm** at the **Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC**, with Eucharistic Adoration, Mass at 12 noon, the Rosary, and guest speakers through out the day. Confirmed speakers include Fr. **Timothy Byerley, Ray Grijalba, Dr. Carlos Parellada, Sister Deirdre Byrne, and Ted Flynn.** Our main celebrant **Bishop Emeritus Robert J. Baker, STD.**

The week will begin with a Virtual Conference starting on October 20, 21, & 23 with the following speakers: **Fr. Chris Alar, Fr. Robert Altier, Nikki Kingsley, Fr. David Gunter, Dr. Peter Howard, Mark Houck, Karen Japzon, Fr. Ron Stone, and Maureen Flynn.**

Registration is required for the Virtual Conference and **watch FREE on Day of Presentation** at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) or call 888-478-PRAY .

On-demand replays of speakers' talks are available by registering online at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) for an **ALL-ACCESS PASS.**



## 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.

Daily Readings		Mass Intentions
Zec	8:1-8	<b><u>MONDAY, October 2</u></b> 7:00am Elmer Cusic++
Mt	18: 1-5, 10	
Zec	8:20-23	<b><u>TUESDAY, October 3</u></b> 7:00am Thelma Hayden+
Lk	9:51-56	
Neh	2:1-8	<b><u>WEDNESDAY, October 4</u></b> 7:00am Adam & Alex Vendrasco (L)
Lk	9:57-62	
Neh	8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12	<b><u>THURSDAY, October 5</u></b> 7:00 am Priest of the ADW
Lk	10:1-12	
1 Tm	6:2c-12	<b><u>FRIDAY, October 6</u></b> 7:00am Leonard Tippett+
Lk	8:1-3	
Bar	4:5 - 12, 27-29	<b><u>SATURDAY October 7</u></b> 8:00am Adam & Alex Vendrasco (L)
Lk	10:17-24	5:00pm Margaret Kuhn+
Is	5:1-7	<b><u>SUNDAY, October 8</u></b> 7:00am Eric Askins+
Phil	4:6-9	9:00am St. John's Parishioners
Mt	21:33-43	11:30am Mrs. Frances Duncan+

+ Deceased (L) Living



*WOMAN'S NIGHT  
Of  
ADORATION  
and  
FELLOWSHIP*

*Wednesday Oct. 4  
7:30 ~ 9:00pm*

Bring your favorite snack to share!

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**Upcoming Second Collections:**  
*(Please make all checks payable to St. John's)*

- ◆ Oct. 1st - St. John's Revitalization Fund
- ◆ Oct. 22nd - World Mission Sunday
- ◆ Nov. 1st - All Saints Day

## Monday

### Apologetics with Deacon Ken Scheiber

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### 10/2 In Defense of Christopher Columbus

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

10/16 - Why Can't Catholics be Socialists?

10/23 - Why should

10/30 Martin Luther from the Catholic Perspective  
With Ryan Naegele

11/6 What is a Deacon?

### Green Team Tips

- ◆ Let your lawn grow a little longer, cut it at 3+". This retains more moisture and makes the lawn creature' habitat more livable!
- ◆ Plan a pollinator garden for next spring, anything from a few square feet to a half acre. Many local pollinator plans are on the internet.



### Upcoming Events at St. John's

October 4 ~ Pet Blessings 5pm, near the Monsignor Harris Center/School

October 4 ~ Woman's Adoration & Fellowship 7:30pm - 9pm

October 5 ~ SJS Spirit Day-B Sweet Bites 10am-7pm.

**Want to become Catholic?  
Know someone who does?  
Never got confirmed?**

**RCIA has just begun.**

Scan for more info and to register  
Questions? Email Fr. Braam  
[braamr@sjchollywood.org](mailto:braamr@sjchollywood.org)



*Abide in Me*

**CATHOLIC GIRLS RETREAT**

Saturday, October 7, 2023  
8:75 am - 3:15 pm

St. John Francis Regis Church  
Hollywood, MD

**THIS WEEK**

Girls from 3rd-12th grade are invited to a day retreat with Religious Sisters featuring Mass, adoration, confession, talks, games, lunch, and a Rosary walk. For more information and to register, please visit, <https://forms.gle/BxyoBaTVGKSSsa2m7>

*"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me and I in him."*  
John 6:5

Bring your pet to St. John's, outside the Monsignor Harris Center, to get blessed on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 5pm!



**Blessing of the ANIMALS**



**DISCOVER CHESTERTON DAYS**

CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF ST. MARY'S

Current 8th Graders

Thursday / September 28, 2023  
or  
Thursday / October 12, 2023

7:30am-10:15am

<https://www.chestertonstmarys.org/events>



Scan to RSVP

On October 15th, we are blessed to have seminarians from John Paul II Seminary come to visit us at the 9am Mass. We're excited to welcome back our own parish seminarians Joe Stalonis, Daniel Papp, and Dylan Young. The group from the seminary will be about 70 people at the 9am Mass on 10/15. They will also join us at the donut social immediately following Mass. Stop by to meet these young men following God's call!

**World Wide Marriage Encounter**

"Complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing." Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Oct 13-15, 2023 in COLLEGE PARK, MD and Nov 10-12, 2023 in NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://moments4marriage.org> or contact us at [applications@moments4marriage.org](mailto:applications@moments4marriage.org) or 301-500-0871.



**Keep in touch with us via email and text!**

Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates, & more delivered to your phone.  
TO SIGN UP, TEXT: **SJFLOCK** to 8457  
SIGN UP ONLINE AT: [stjohnfrancisregisparish.flocknote.com](http://stjohnfrancisregisparish.flocknote.com)

**Healing Ministry Through the Intercession  
of Our Lady of Guadalupe**



St. John Francis Regis Parish,  
Knights of Columbus and FIAT  
Invites You to

Join Us for Mass on Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM  
Followed by Veneration of Our Lady of Guadalupe Image  
And Healing Prayer by Vivan Mestey

Father Ray & Father Braam



Vivan Mestey



For more information, please contact Mariam @ [tavarez5@att.net](mailto:tavarez5@att.net)



The St. Mary's Ryken Admissions Application for the Class of 2028 is open!

It is an exciting time to become a St. Mary's Ryken Knight! We are thrilled to start the high school journey with your family.

We look forward to meeting you, and showing you why SMR is the ideal choice for your student's high school experience.

The application fee is \$25 off through October 31. Apply today at <https://www.smrhs.org/admissions>.

**St. John's School  
Playground Restoration Service Project  
Volunteers Needed!**

\*\*\*We are seeking volunteers from the St. John's School and Church communities to help restore and maintain the St. John's School playground.\*\*\*

**When:** Day 1: Saturday, October 21 from 8:30 am-3:30 pm (7 hours or less if work is completed early) for grass and weed removal only. Day 2: Saturday, November 4 from 8:30 am-3:30 pm (7 hours or less if work completed is early): mulch installation and distribution across the playground surface only. Partial-day volunteers are welcome!

**SJS Tag Days:** We are seeking donations to pay for the new mulch through two different SJS tag day events. Please consider helping resource the project by providing \$2 on each tag day: 29 September and 13 October.

**Volunteer Sign Up:** Visit the following website to sign up for one or both volunteer days to support our playground restoration project - [https://sjsprp.ivolunteer.com/playground\\_project](https://sjsprp.ivolunteer.com/playground_project)

Project Point of Contact: For more information about the project, please contact the Service Project Director, SJS 8th Grader Samantha Ramthun, at [samantha.ramthun@sjsollywood.org](mailto:samantha.ramthun@sjsollywood.org)

**Saturday Mornings from 7:00 to 8:00 AM**

ST. JOHN FRANCIS REGIS PARISH HOLLYWOOD, MD

- Looking for a place to strengthen your faith and know Christ in a more personal way?
- Do you desire to be the man God intended?

If so, then we have something in common. Drop by anytime.

Daniel Seep (757) 291-0262  
[derseep@hotmail.com](mailto:derseep@hotmail.com)

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Hollywood, MD 20636



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Catholic Men

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Please join us for "Stories of Grace" every  
Tuesday Night at 7pm - 8:30pm  
At St. John's Monsignor Harris Center

**That Man Is You** (2 Samuel 12:7)  
**The Battle Over the Bride**  
Saturdays @ 6:00 AM - 7:30 AM  
Msgr. Harris Center

**BULLETIN INSERTS**

Please 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.

Email announcements and inserts to: [smiths@sjchollywood.org](mailto:smiths@sjchollywood.org)



ST. JOHN FRANCIS REGIS

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