

# 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  
Wednesdays (during Lent) at 7pm  
\*Also by appointment

### ADORATION

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

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

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### FACEBOOK

www.facebook.com/sjchollywood/



**St. Margaret Clitherow,  
Pray for us!**

**Mar 23: St. Turibio of Mogrovejo** (1538-1606) was a contemporary and the holy reforming bishop of Lima Peru as Charles Borromeo was for Milan, Italy; he personally baptized and confirmed 500,000 – including Rose of Lima and Martin de Porres. And **Bd. Rebecca (or Rafqa) Al-Raves** (1832-1914) was a Lebanese religious sister who united her sufferings to the passion of Christ for 29 years as she asked to be afflicted by painful illness.

# Saints Alive!

**Mar. 24: St. Catherine of Vadstena** (1331-1381) is the daughter of St. Bridget of Sweden. She told St. Catherine of Siena, that after her mother’s death, ‘she forgot how to smile’ – so intense was the bond of mother and daughter. She brought her mom’s relics back to Sweden for veneration.

**Mar 25: St. Dismas** has always been popular with those who want to know a saint “of-the-last-minute-conversion”: it doesn’t get any better than the good thief who dies on the cross with Jesus, washed in the blood of Christ and his outstretched hand of

mercy. And **St. Margaret Clitherow** (1586) is the married woman and martyr who marvelously gave her life rather than reveal the whereabouts of the priests whom she would hide. The Mass was the source of her joy. And **St. Lucia Filippini** (1672-1732) who was quickly dubbed the Maestre Santa – or holy teacher – her school sisters are a powerful force in worldwide catechesis.

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

**“A time to be born...”**  
Elena Michelle Seiter  
Harper VanWormer

**“A time to die, a time to mourn...”**  
James Michael Rumaker

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

**“A time to heal...”**

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

Denise Abell, John Abell, Chuck Anderson, Bob Andrews, Matthew Ashton, Maya Ashton, Judy Faye Bakewell, Dr. Melvin Bane, Jackie Barnes, Chris Battle, Beverly Bowles, Rose Brady, Claire Broadhead, Margaret Bush, Frances Butler, Patricia Burns, Ayden Burton, David Calvano, Amanda Campbell, Shawn Campbell, Joan Carter, Leroy Chapman, Diego Chesley, Linda Clarke, Linda Czarzasty, Daniel Davis, Mary Delozier, Eric Dexter, Mark Duke, William Dunn, Richard Edgington, George Fairfax, Jane Farrell, Cheri Fearn, Pauline Fitzgerald, Terry Fitzpatrick, Brian Galpin, Joseph Gardiner, Tyler Gardiner

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;  
SSgt JanCarlo Torres, USAF;  
Staff Sgt Jason W. Walker, USA;  
AIC Jack Whinnery, USAF;

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 3/23	TUES 3/24	WED 3/25	THURS 3/26	FRI 3/27	SAT 3/28	SUN 3/29
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	8:30am Procession in the Msgr. Harris Center for the 9am Mass
7pm Apologetics Class with Deacon Ken!	7pm Fiat! 8pm Communion & Liberation (CL)	7pm Confession & Adoration 	7pm First Communion - Parents Only Meeting	4pm-6:15pm Knights of Columbus Carryout Shrimp Dinner 7pm Stations of the Cross	9am-12pm Parish Grounds Clean-Up 9am Set-Up Palm Sunday Vigil Mass 5pm Mass	11:30am Mass 12:30pm Breakdown Palm Sunday Decorating

### Upcoming Second Collections:

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

- ♦ April 2 - St. John's Charitable Society
- ♦ April 3 - Holy Land – Good Friday
- ♦ April 5 - St. John's Revitalization Fund & Easter Offering
- ♦ April 26 - Church Missions Within the United States

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

#### **Saturday, March 28**

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

#### **Sunday, March 29**

No confessions will be heard during Masses.



Daily Readings	Mass Intentions
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Jn 8:1-11	<b>MONDAY, March 23</b> 7:00am Thomas Francis McGuire+
Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30	<b>TUESDAY, March 24</b> 7:00am Fr. Kevin O'Reilly+
Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38	<b>WEDNESDAY, March 25</b> 7:00am Harry Finch+
Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59	<b>THURSDAY, March 26</b> 7:00am Fr. William Brailsford+
Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42	<b>FRIDAY, March 27</b> 7:00am Katie Gatley(L)
Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56	<b>SATURDAY, March 28</b> 8:00am Fr. Kevin O'Reilly+ & Minor Buckler+ 5:00pm Kathleen M. Norris+
Mt 21:1-11 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mt. 26:14-27:66	<b>SUNDAY, March 29</b> 7:00am St. John's Parishioners 9:00am Leroy Gatley+ 11:30am Jennifer Kelly(L)
	+ Deceased (L) Living

**Palm Sunday, March 29**  
Opening Procession for the 9am Mass will start at 8:30am  
in the Msgr. Harris Center  
All other Masses are at the normal times in the Church  
No confessions offered during Mass — Confessions offered later during the week.

**Wednesday, April 1**  
Confession & Adoration 7pm-9pm  
**Holy Thursday, April 2**  
No 7am Mass  
Mass of the Lord's Supper ~ 7pm  
Confessions immediately following Mass  
Adoration Vigil in the Msgr. Harris Center following Mass until Midnight

**Good Friday, April 3**  
No 7am Mass  
Morning Prayer in Church ~ 8am  
Stations of the Cross 12pm (Outside) & 3pm  
Confessions immediately following 3pm Stations & Divine Mercy  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion ~ 7pm  
Confessions immediately following Liturgy - Last chance for Confession before Easter!

**Holy Saturday, April 4**  
No 8am Mass  
Morning Prayer in Church ~ 8am  
Easter Basket Blessings following Morning Prayer  
There will be no Confessions Holy Saturday  
Easter Vigil ~ 8pm

**Easter Sunday, April 5**  
Mass Times:  
7am, 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am  
Brass Quartet at 10am Mass  
There will be no Confessions during Mass on Easter Sunday

## MONDAY

### Apologetics with Deacon Ken Scheiber

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

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


**Upcoming Topics:**

3/30/26 The Plot to Kill Jesus

4/6/26 NO MEETING

4/13/26 Misogyny in the Bible

**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@sjhollywood.org](mailto:cannonj@sjhollywood.org)  
 Deigh Young/Office Manager  
[youngd@sjhollywood.org](mailto:youngd@sjhollywood.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 1. An overview of the grounds of St. John's Parish (continued from last week)**

c. The total grounds at St. John's amount to about 38 acres. Most of the land (about 34 acres) is on the West side of Rt. 235 with a little over three wooded acres on the East side. We will focus on the West side where there are (approximately), 4.2 acres of buildings, sidewalks, driveways and parking lots, 18 acres of grass and shade trees and finally, 11.3 acres of heavily wooded area.

d. The grounds are maintained by a group of volunteers who mow and trim the grass, care for the flower beds and do general "yard work" for three seasons of the year. The area is divided into many small task areas so that every two weeks each volunteer has about two hours of work for that section. Ideally, it takes 22 volunteers just to do the mowing and trimming, and many more to do the gardening tasks. (Coming next, Part 2: The Buildings of St. John's)



*Fiat! Daughters of Saint John Francis Regis*  
**Easter Egg Hunt**



Please join us Easter Sunday by the Playground, after the 11:30 Mass for an Easter Egg Hunt.  
Ages: Crawling to 16 years old.  
The older children will hunt by assigned egg colors.

Rain Date will be the following Sunday after the 9:00 Mass

Anyone who would like to help with this, **PLEASE!!!** contact Susan Tinsley at [susantinsley12345@gmail.com](mailto:susantinsley12345@gmail.com)



Show Times:  
Friday, May 1st  
7:00p.m.

Saturday, May 2nd  
1:00 p.m.  
& 7:00 p.m.



**Advertise in the SJS Program!**

Have a business? Advertise with us and share this flyer!

Back Page of the Program: \$40

(First Come, First Serve; must email Linda to reserve)

Full Page: \$20

Half Page: \$15

Quarter Page: \$10

Business Card: \$5

\*Single Line of Encouragement: \$2

\*text only; limit of 35 characters; no emojis

Great for simple messages to the cast, crew and directors!

Dimensions and Formatting:

Minimum dimensions- 2120 x 3176

Under 10MB Max

JPG, PNG ONLY; NO PDFs

Send file to [musical@sishollywood.org](mailto:musical@sishollywood.org) by APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>

Cash or check payable to SJS

Send this form along with your total amount due to the school office. Send your advertisement or line of encouragement to Linda Aughe at [musical@sishollywood.org](mailto:musical@sishollywood.org) by April 17, 2026 to be featured in the "Sound of Music - Youth Edition" program. Cash or check payable to St. John's School with "Sound of Music - Youth Edition" in the memo or call the office at 301-373-2142 to pay by credit card.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Size of advertisement: Back Page, Full Page, Half Page, Quarter Page, Business Card, Line

Total Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Emailed Image: \_\_\_\_\_

Line of Encouragement: \_\_\_\_\_

**St. John's Parish Grounds Clean-Up**

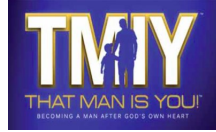
**Spring Is in the Air** - Spring is coming fast and with it the beginning of the grass mowing season. Catholic Cemeteries has posted a notice in our weekly Sunday Bulletin regarding the positioning of flowers and decorations for use in the cemetery. Please remember to remove last year's flowers, decorative 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](mailto: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](mailto:jshimski@md.metrocast.net).



**Fiat! Women's Bible Study**  
 Every Tuesday evening at 7:00pm in  
 The Monsignor Harris Center  
 This season's topic:  
 "Restored to Radiance"  
 For more information,  
 please contact [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  
 For more information,  
 please contact  
[TMIY@sjchollywood.org](mailto: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,  
[Derseep@hotmail.com](mailto:Derseep@hotmail.com)  
 Proverbs 27:17

**Green Team Tips** Technology is one of our natural  
 human drives. Today's technology lets us live more  
 productive and useful lives. Use our many improve-  
 ments, but with gentleness and respect, and you will  
 be rewarded.

**Contribution Statements**

Contribution statements will be available mid January  
**upon request.** Please contact the parish office at  
[cannonj@sjchollywood.org](mailto: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. 27<sup>th</sup>. Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>. Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>. Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> and Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**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

Keri Davis, Art & Environment Ministry Lead  
 240-299-5330, [Keri22Davis@gmail.com](mailto:Keri22Davis@gmail.com)

**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](mailto:youngd@sjchollywood.org)