

## Mass Times

Sunday  
7am, 10am, 1:30pm

Saturday Vigil  
5pm

Monday-Saturday  
8am, 1:30pm

Holy Days of Obligation  
7am, 10am, 7pm

## Confessions

Saturday

4-4:45pm, after the 5pm Mass

\*And by appointment

## Rosary

Monday-Friday  
7:30am

Saturday  
4:30pm

Sunday  
6:30am

\*Please be courteous, maintain social distancing, and wear a mask, as mandated by the state.

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# St. John Francis Regis

JULY 26TH, 2020

17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



## Clergy

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### In-Residence (retired)

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## Religious Education

### Sunday Classes

Grades K-6 and 8-12  
10:15am-11:15am

### Tuesday Classes

Grades 5-8  
7pm-8:15pm

The program usually 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."*



St Ignatius of Loyola

## Saints Alive!

**July 27: St Raimundo Zanfogni (nicknamed Palmarius 1140-1200).** His 1st pilgrimage at the age of 15 changed the life of this married cobbler and father of 5. When they died, he became a devoté to pilgrimage, then to the care for the sick. I hope to visit his relic shrine in Piacenza someday.

**July 31: St. Ignatius Loyola (1491-1556).** Not only at the Gesù in Rome at his relics shrine, but also in Montmartre in Paris (where he was ordained). I have prayed that this founder of the Jesuits would watch over our parish - founded by the Jesuits some 135 years after his death. When Ignatius read 'Lives of the Saints' it set off a global phenome back in 1521 - just saying...

**August 1: St. Alfonso de' Liguori (1696-1787).** At his relic's shrine in the church of San Alfonso in Pagano, I felt nothing. But after touring his suite of rooms and museum, I could feel him close to me. He is now one of my faves. His book 'Selva' put the fear of God in me back around 1989.

***"To everything there is a season..."***

***and a time to every purpose under heaven..."***

### 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.



#### **"A time to be born..."**

Colton Daniel Osborn

#### **"A time to die, a time to mourn..."**

Rev. Luis Salcedo +  
Deacon Leonard Cain +

#### **"a time to embrace, a time to love..."**

#### **"A time of peace and a time of war..."**

CPT Brett Gambacorta, USA; CDR Mchael Gill, USA; LCpl Zachary Gilstrap, USMC; LT Jennifer Gleason, USN;  
LT John Taylor Gregg, USN; 1LT Mathew Francis Ives, USMC;  
1stLt Eroc Jimenez, USMC; CPL Ryan McLean, USMC; 1LT Andrew Mengle, USA; Maj T. B. Missler, USMC;  
Richard Paul, Jr; SPEC Ashley Pakatar, USA;  
Capt Alex Raggio, USAR; SCPO Ronald J. Ryland, USN

#### **"A time to heal..."**

Jason & Jennifer Gatton, Judy Goddard, John Gorospe, Ben Gray, John B. Gray, Jack Greewell, Austin Greer, Fumiko N. Gregg, Patricia Guy, Jr., Logan Gwynn, Benjamin Harman, Dorothy Baber Harper, Andy Hazel, Karen Henry, Leon Hill, Abby Hoffman, Crystal Howard, Walter Johnson, Carolyn Jones, Pamela Jones, Richie Jones, John Kilroy III, John "Bubby" Knott Jr., Ann Lacey, Robin Lawrence, Richard Law, Marie Lefebvre, Michelle Mattingly, Robin McGolrick, Maria McGuigan, Debbie Meagher, Wally Meagher, Dorothy Miller, Natalie Miller, Pat Modlin, Doug Morgan, Ronnie Murphy, Jane Newberry, Debbie Norris and Ronnie Norris

| <i>Monday,<br/>July 27th</i>  | <i>Tuesday,<br/>July 28th</i>                           | <i>Wednesday,<br/>July 29th</i>                                   | <i>Thursday,<br/>July 30th</i>                        | <i>Friday,<br/>July 31st</i>                      | <i>Saturday,<br/>Aug. 1st</i>   | <i>Sunday,<br/>Aug. 2nd</i>           |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| <b>6:00 Exposition</b>  | <b>6:00 Exposition</b>                                  | <b>6:00 Exposition</b>  | <b>6:00 Exposition</b>                                | <b>6:00 Exposition</b>                            | <b>6:00 Exposition</b>  | <b>6:30 Rosary</b>                    |
| <b>7:30 Rosary</b>  | <b>7:30 Rosary</b>                                      | <b>7:30 Rosary</b>  | <b>7:30 Rosary</b>                                    | <b>7:30 Rosary</b>                                | <b>7:30 Rosary</b>  | <b>7:00 Mass</b><br>John MacMillan +  |
| <b>8:00 Mass</b><br>Thomas Cuddeback  | <b>8:00 Mass</b><br>John Richard Knotts,<br>Sr. +       | <b>8:00 Mass</b><br>Fred Papp IV                                  | <b>8:00 Mass</b><br>Emily & Cuan<br>Hendricken        | <b>8:00 Mass</b><br>Joseph P. Dorsey,<br>Sr. +    | <b>8:00 Mass</b><br>Lourdes Wickwire +  | <b>10:00 Mass</b><br>Christin Gaston+ |
| <b>10:00 Holy Hour<br/>(SP)</b>   | <b>10:00 Holy Hour<br/>(SP)</b>                         | <b>10:00 Holy Hour<br/>(SP)</b>                                   | <b>10:00 Holy Hour<br/>(SP)</b>                       | <b>10:00 Holy Hour<br/>(SP)</b>                   |   | <b>12:00 Mass</b><br>Nelly Neely +    |
| <b>1:30 Mass &amp;<br/>Adoration</b><br>The Home Bound  | <b>1:30 Mass &amp;<br/>Adoration</b><br>Brian MacMillan | <b>1:30 Mass &amp;<br/>Adoration</b><br>The Souls in<br>Purgatory | <b>1:30 Mass &amp;<br/>Adoration</b><br>Sissy Garner+ | <b>1:30 Mass &amp;<br/>Adoration</b><br>Dan Graff |   |                                       |
|   |   |   |   |   | <b>4:00 Confession</b><br><b>4:30 Rosary</b><br><b>5:00 Vigil Mass</b><br>Catherine & David<br>Wilson Sr. + |                                       |
| <b>+ Deceased</b> *Please contact the parish office with mass intentions. \$10 donation per intention |   |   |   |   |   |                                       |

## Sacraments

### BAPTISMS

The Rite of Baptism is celebrated by appointment. Parents are required to meet with the pastor and attend an obligatory preparation session preferably before the birth of your child. Call the rectory to schedule your appointment.

### MARRIAGES

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance of the ceremony.

### 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.

**\*Individual spiritual guidance is offered by our Priests and Deacon.**

**Please contact the parish office for more information.**

# Community Service

“Whatsoever you do to the least of your brothers and sisters, you do unto me,” Mt 25:40

“Love is not affectionate feeling, but a steady wish for the loved person’s ultimate good as far as it can be obtained.”  
-C.S Lewis



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Saint John’s Charitable Society  
To learn more about SJCS, contact us at  
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The Saint John’s Charitable Society has helped 186 families in need!  
You can be a part of making a change in the community.

## Attention Men - Struggling with pornography?

Your local Catholic brothers are here to help with a weekly Men’s Recovery Group. This no-cost, laymen led group offers discrete support and accountability. Your name is not required for inquiry. Please call our automated phone line at **240-309- 2556** or email [saintjohnsrecovery@gmail.com](mailto:saintjohnsrecovery@gmail.com)

LORD,  
TEACH ME  
TO BE GENEROUS;  
TEACH ME  
TO SERVE YOU  
AS YOU DESERVE.

**ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA**



Fiat! Daughters of St. Regis has placed two prayer boxes, one is in the vestibule as you enter into our Church. The second box is located outside the Sacristy. Please write your prayer request on the notepaper provided and drop it in the slot. The notes will be collected weekly for the Fiat! Daughters to pray over. All requests will be held in strict confidence.



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## The Footsteps of St. Paul —Greece & Ephesus

**October 1-11, 2021 (Proposed)**

**Fr. Ray Schmidt and Fr. Harry Stokes** are proposing a new date for the “Footsteps of St. Paul” pilgrimage.

God willing, we will be able to officially schedule the pilgrimage for this date.

For more information, please contact Margaret Young at [My778@aol.com](mailto:My778@aol.com)



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



**"Be strong and**

**courageous.**

**Do not be terrified;**

**do not be**

**discouraged, for the**

**LORD your God will**

**be**

**with you wherever**

**you go."**

**Joshua 1:9**

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joining the Military!**



St. John's Men's Group would like to present you with a Combat Rosary to protect you during your time in the military. Please provide your name, email, phone number,

service (Army, Navy, Marine, Air Force or Coast Guard) you plan to enter and the approximate date you plan to enter Active Duty to Dan Seep at 757-291-0262

or email [derseep@hotmail.com](mailto:derseep@hotmail.com).

Women, please contact Mariam at 760-715-9902 or email [fiatdosjfr@gmail.com](mailto:fiatdosjfr@gmail.com) to

receive a blessed rosary from FIAT!

That's it, we will set up everything else.

***"Pain and suffering  
have come into your  
life, but remember  
pain, sorrow, suffering  
are but the kiss of Je-  
sus — a sign that you  
have come so close to  
Him that He can kiss  
you."***

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Jude Room.

**Daniel Seep (757) 291-0262**

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We are very excited to welcome our Pilgrim Statue of Fatima to her new home at St. John's Church. We invite you also to say "YES" to Our Lady's invitation to visit your home in a very special way. Some of you may be familiar with similar programs. With that said we invite you to take the Statue of Our Lady home and place it

in a prominent place in your home on a weekly basis. There will be a sign-up sheet with more information in the back of the church next to the St. Cecilia statue. If you have any questions, you can contact Deacon Ammon Ripple.

**"Let us respond to Our Lady's call for Prayer and  
Reparation to restore peace in the world and  
holiness in family life."**

**BULLETIN INSERTS**

Please contact Mallory at the parish office with any bulletin inserts or announcements.

Please include any images to add in your email.

**\*Please note, we have a  
limited amount of space.**

**Email announcements and inserts to:**

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Archdiocese of  
Washington

# What to Expect When Public Masses Start to Resume

When the current restrictions are eased and we are able to gather for Mass again, it is important for all of us to understand that things will not immediately "go back to normal."

Recently, the Governor of Maryland and the Mayor of the District of Columbia announced the expectation of multiple phases when beginning to ease restrictions occurs. Concurrently, an archdiocesan team has been planning for liturgical celebrations in the future, taking into consideration any new guidelines.



While we are still working on the details, the list below are some things we all need to keep in mind when the time comes to worship together again:

- ☐ **Social distancing will still be in place.** The six feet separation restriction will likely still be required. You will be asked to wear a face covering, as recommended by the CDC. If you are in a vulnerable category (i.e., older adult, 65 years and older; person who is immunocompromised), you may desire to remain home during the initial reopening. Anyone who is ill, or suspects he or she is ill, should refrain from participation in public activities, including Mass. In addition, in light of CDC monitoring recommendations, anyone who arrives at the church and is exhibiting symptoms may be asked not to attend Mass out of an abundance of care and caution for others. When it becomes possible to receive Holy Communion again, parishes will have procedures for receiving communion that maintains social distancing and other precautions.

- ☐ **Attendance at Mass will continue to be limited.** It is expected that restrictions for any large gatherings will remain in place. However, our plan includes how parishes will allow worship in the Church while adhering to guidelines in place by local jurisdictions at a given time.
- ☐ **Church seating will be limited.** Only a certain number of pews or chairs will be available for use. Hymnals may be removed, and paper worship aids utilized.
- ☐ **Dispensation from the Sunday and holy day obligation will remain,** due to the limited number of faithful who might be able to attend Mass and gather, and too, recognizing that those in a vulnerable category may choose to remain home. Parishes should continue livestreaming/recording Mass for the faithful.
- ☐ **Liturgical changes will remain in effect.** For those able to attend Mass, similar practices like those in March will remain in place, e.g., distribution of Holy Communion under one species, no exchanging of the sign of peace, no holy water fonts, etc.

Even though parishes will take all reasonable precautions, and sanitize as best they can after each liturgical celebration, including the restrooms, there will still exist the risk of infection for anyone who attends a public Mass as we move through the various phases of easing restrictions. No one should expect that they will be safer in church than in any other public space.

Please keep in mind, we will all experience challenges and frustration as we navigate through these weeks and months ahead. Each parish, based on their local circumstances, may implement guidance from the Archdiocese in different ways.

Let us continue to keep those sick and afflicted with the COVID-19; those on the front-lines caring for the sick; those who have died as a result of the virus; and all of our fellow parishioners and parishes in our prayers in these days ahead.

*Rev. 05/14/20*





## SEVEN CONSIDERATIONS WHILE NAVIGATING INFERTILITY

We often assume parenthood happens easily after “I do,” but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility: after giving birth to one or more children, they are unable to have another.

The pain can become overwhelming. Social media posts of pregnancies, baby announcements, or pictures of newborns may intensify feelings of being alone in the ache for a child. Attending baby showers and being around children or pregnant women can be excruciating.

If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you. The following suggestions may be helpful to you on this journey.

- 1. Start with Prayer:** God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple. Seek his guidance, and let the healing power of prayer, a conversation in which “heart speaks unto heart,”<sup>1</sup> strengthen you. Pope Francis encourages us to pray not only with commonly known prayers, “but also to pray in our own words.”<sup>2</sup>
- 2. Connect with Others:** A mentorship, a faith-based support group, or spiritual direction can offer comfort and provide new perspectives. Sharing your struggles with family, friends, or a therapist can also help ease the pain. Ask the saints for their intercession, and reflect upon the biblical stories of Sarah and Abraham, Hannah and Elkanah, and Elizabeth and Zechariah.<sup>3</sup>
- 3. Seek to Understand the Church’s Teaching:**<sup>4</sup> The sexual act expresses the marital covenant, repeating over and over again, “I give myself to you entirely, unreservedly, holding nothing back.” In this mutual gift of self, so all-encompassing that it includes their potential for procreation, a husband and wife are united as one, giving full expression to their love. These two aspects of sexuality, the unitive and the procreative, are intertwined and are not meant to be separated.

Suppressing the possibility of conception (i.e., contraceptive use) and creating life outside the marital sexual act (i.e., use of some reproductive technologies) both work against God’s plan for married love and the gift of life. Pope Francis explains that “a child

deserves to be born of that love” expressed between a husband and wife in intercourse, “and not by any other means, for ‘he or she is not something owed ... but is a gift.’”<sup>4</sup>

*\*(Further explanation in listed resources.)*

- 4. Learn the Difference between Ethical and Unethical Interventions:**<sup>5</sup> Applying the Church’s teaching means that, in short, procedures that introduce a third party into the process (such as surrogates or sperm/egg donors) are not morally acceptable. Additionally, substituting a laboratory action or anything else for intercourse, such as artificial insemination or *in vitro* fertilization (IVF), is also morally unacceptable. However, treatments that help facilitate conception through marital intercourse are morally ethical.  
*\*(Further information in listed resources.)*
- 5. Be Aware of “Treatments” That Destroy Life:** Some procedures are problematic for multiple reasons. For example, beyond its unethical nature (as per the previous section), *in vitro* fertilization (IVF) often involves the tragic loss of human life. Children in the embryonic stage are frequently discarded—or frozen—without ever being implanted into their mother’s womb. And if multiple babies are implanted, doctors may suggest performing a “fetal reduction” by killing one or more to increase the survival chances of the strongest child in utero. While a baby might eventually be born, his or her tiny siblings may be destroyed in the process.<sup>5</sup>
- 6. Make a Plan:** Do you know there are medical options consistent with Church teaching that have statistically significantly higher rates of achieving pregnancy than IVF?<sup>6</sup> Learn about these, fertility awareness practices, and other treatments that also respect your marriage and any children who may be conceived. If you have sought to bring a child into your family through ways not in keeping with God’s plan for life and married love, have hope. The Lord welcomes us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where we





Learn how to sensitively show compassion to those experiencing difficulty having children from a short list of suggested *dos* and *don'ts*. Visit [www.usccb.org/respectlife](http://www.usccb.org/respectlife).

can receive the loving mercy and forgiveness we each need. With prayer and an informed conscience, work together as a couple to create a plan that takes into consideration the desire for children along with moral principles, finances, medical realities, and your overall well-being (both individually and as a couple). Locate a trained specialist or doctor who honors your plan and has training in methods of assistance that are in keeping with Church teaching.

7. **Keep Your Marriage Healthy:** Handling the uncertainties of infertility is a challenge for even the strongest marriages. Once engaged in treatment, it can become easy to focus more on the process than on each other. However, communication and mutual decision-making are vital. Staying intimately connected can help make it easier to manage lifestyle changes, reordering of priorities, physical discomfort, career disruption, and difficulties with insensitive people.

Hold fast to the constant truth of God's love for you. "To couples who cannot have children of their own," St. John Paul II affirmed, "you are no less loved by God; your love for each other is complete and fruitful when it is open to others"<sup>7</sup> and their needs. In times of suffering, Pope Francis notes, "we sense a powerful need for someone to be close and feel compassion for us." You are not alone: "Jesus 'does not abandon those whom he loves.'"<sup>8</sup>

Even if we ourselves do not experience difficulty bearing children, we can be channels of God's mercy for those who do. Learn how to show compassion sensitively from a short list of suggested *dos* and *don'ts* at [www.usccb.org/respectlife](http://www.usccb.org/respectlife).

**\*Resources:**

- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. *Life-Giving Love in an Age of Technology*. Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009.
- Natural Family Planning Program, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. "Reproductive Technology (Evaluation & Treatment of Infertility): Guidelines for Catholic Couples." Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009.
- Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. *Instruction Donum vitae (Instruction on Respect for Human Life in Its Origin and on the Dignity of Procreation)*. Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1987.

- Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. *Instruction Dignitas personae (The Dignity of a Person)*. Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2008.

- Articles, documents, statements, and more: [www.usccb.org/LifeGivingLove](http://www.usccb.org/LifeGivingLove)

<sup>1</sup> Pope Benedict XVI, *Homily at the Mass with the Beatification of Venerable Cardinal John Henry Newman on September 19, 2010*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2010).

<sup>2</sup> Pope Francis, *General Audience, May 7, 2014*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2014).

<sup>3</sup> Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-8; 1 Samuel 1:1 – 2:11, 18-21; Luke 1:5-25

<sup>4</sup> Pope Francis, *Amoris laetitia*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2016) nos. 80-81.

<sup>5</sup> John M. Haas, Ph.D., S.T.L., "Begotten Not Made: A Catholic View of Reproductive Technology," (Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1998).

<sup>6</sup> "Infertility," NaProTechnology, accessed May 9, 2016, <http://www.naprotechnology.com/infertility.htm>, Copyright © Pope Paul VI Institute for the Study of Human Reproduction.

<sup>7</sup> Pope John Paul II, *Homily at the Mass for the Families on February 13, 1982*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1982).

<sup>8</sup> Pope Francis, *Meditation at the Prayer Vigil to "Dry the Tears" on May 5, 2016*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2016).

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