

**ST. JOHN  
THE BAPTIST  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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*Ut In Omnibus Glorificetur Deus*

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**ANOINTING OF THE SICK / LAST RITES:** Please ask the priest for the Anointing of the Sick before serious surgery. In the case of an emergency and the need for Last Rites, call the parish office at 828-859-9574, wait for the answering machine, then press 6 to leave your name and phone number.

**HOLY COMMUNION AND HOSPITAL CALLS:** Please notify the parish office when a parishioner is in the hospital or homebound.

**FAITH FORMATION:** Classes, Monday: 6 to 7 pm.  
High School Youth Group, see bulletin for scheduling.

**DEVOTIONS:** Rosary before weekday Mass. Divine Mercy Chaplet following Monday Mass. First Friday Adoration begins at 9 am and concludes at 5 pm with Benediction.

**SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am (Latin), 11 am & 12:30 pm (Spanish)

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday, Tuesday & Friday: 8:30 am  
First Saturday Mass: 8:30 am  
*Holy Days to be announced*

**CONFESSION**

Monday & Friday: 7:30 — 8:15 am  
Saturday: 3:00 — 4:30 pm, or by appointment

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Wednesday & Thursday: 8:30 — 9:30 am

**BAPTISM:** Preparation class required. Contact the parish office.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples planning marriage should contact the parish priest at least six months in advance of the marriage.

**REGISTRATION:** New parishioners may register at the parish office or download the registration form from our website.

# THE LITURGICAL WEEK

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, January 15**

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

4:30pm - Christopher &  
Patrick Conroy

**Sunday, January 16**

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am Latin - †Adeline &

† James Kenny

11am - † Robert Gray

12:30pm - Pro Populo

**\*Monday, January 17**

**St. Anthony**

No Mass - † Grace McMahon

**\*Tuesday, January 18**

No Mass - † John Shull

**Friday, January 21**

**St. Agnes**

8:30am Latin - † Grace McMahon

**Saturday, January 22**

4:30pm - † Mark Overton

**Sunday, January 23**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am Latin - Donna Pate

11am - † Rosemary Hunt

12:30pm - Pro Populo

**\*Change from regular schedule**



## CONFESSIONS

**\*Monday No Confession**

**Friday 7:30 — 8:30 am**

**Saturday 3 — 4:30 pm**

## DEVOTIONS

**\*ADORATION & BENEDICTION  
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Wednesday 8:30 to 9:30 am

No Adoration Monday,

Tuesday, or Thursday

**NO DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

this week

**PATRIOTIC ROSARY**

Tuesday morning

## THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

are lit in memory of

† John Swart

## PRAYERS

### FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS

Please remember the infirmed of our parish, especially those who, by request, have been placed on our parish prayer intention list. If you would like to be added to this list, please call the parish office. You may call for a copy of the prayer list.

**Added to our prayer list is**

**Michael Valenzano**

**and Peggy Swart**

# SPIRITUAL READING & REFLECTION

## THE MIRACLE AND MESSAGE OF CANA

Today we shall ponder Jesus' first miracle, which John calls signs because Jesus doesn't perform them in order to excite wonder but to reveal the love of the Father. Initiating his public ministry at the wedding at Cana, Jesus reveals himself as the spouse of the People of God, and reveals to us the depth of the relationship that unites us to him: it is the new covenant of love. What is at the foundation of



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."  
- Jn 2:1-3

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our faith? An act of mercy by which Jesus binds us to him. And the Christian life is the response to this love, it is like the history of two people in love. God and man meet, seek, find, celebrate, and love one another: just like the lovers in the Song of Songs. Everything else comes as a result of this relationship. The Church is the family of Jesus into which he pours his love; it is this love that the Church safeguards and desires to give to all.

In the context of the covenant we are also to understand our Lady's observation: they have no wine. How can one celebrate a wedding feast and make merry without what the prophets indicated as a typical element of the messianic banquet? Water is necessary for life, but wine expresses the abundance of a banquet and the joy of a feast. This wedding feast was short of wine; the newlyweds are ashamed of this. Just imagine ending a wedding feast drinking tea. Wine is necessary for a feast. By transforming into wine the water of the jars used for the Jewish rites of purification, Jesus performs an eloquent sign: he transforms the Law of Moses into the Gospel, bearer of joy.

The words Mary addresses to the servants come to crown the wedding of Cana: Do whatever he tells you. These are her last words recounted by the Gospels; they are the legacy she hands down to us. Today too our Lady says to us all: "Whatever Jesus tells you, do it." At this wedding the new covenant is truly articulated, and to the servants of the Lord, that is to all the Church, is entrusted a new mission: Do whatever he tells you! To serve the Lord means to listen and to put into practice his Word. For each one of us, to draw from the jar is equivalent to entrusting oneself to the Word of God in order to experience its effectiveness in life. Thus, together with the steward who tasted the water-become-wine, we too can exclaim: you have kept the good wine until now. Yes, the Lord continues to reserve the best wine for our salvation, just as it continues to flow from the pierced side of the Lord.

The wedding feast at Cana is more than a simple account of Jesus' first miracle. Like a treasure chest, he guards the secret of his Person and the purpose of his coming: the awaited Groom starts off the wedding that is fulfilled in the Paschal Mystery. At this wedding Jesus binds his disciples to himself in a new and final covenant. At Cana Jesus' disciples become his family and at Cana the faith of the Church is born. We are all invited to the wedding feast because the new wine will never run short!

*Pope Francis*

*His Holiness Pope Francis was elected to the See of Saint Peter in 2013.*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK



# ALLELUIA

**Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/

1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

**Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/

Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/

Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11,

12-13/Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/

Mk 3:20-21

**Next Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/

1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**THE 2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES  
ARE IN THE SOCIAL HALL.**

**PLEASE  
PICK UP YOURS TODAY!**

## THE OFFERTORY REPORT

Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 — June 30, 2022

Offertory Totals for the Masses of Jan. 8 & 9, 2022

	This Week	Y.T.D
Actual - Regular	\$14,566	\$282,216
<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>\$7,885</b>	<b>\$220,769</b>
Variance	\$ 6,681	\$ 61,447

## ONLINE GIVING

St. John Church has an option for you to conveniently make donations online. Go to <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohntryon>.

**COMBINED MISSION COLLECTION  
TODAY**



## MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES

*Please note* that when a regularly scheduled Mass cannot be celebrated here, Fr. Christian will offer the previously requested intention at a private Mass. Please see Mass changes on page 1.



As we will not have Mass or Adoration this coming Monday, Tuesday or Thursday, please feel free to come into the Church and pray.

## YOUR ASSISTANCE PLEASE

### *Church Side Door with Coded Lock*

During the week, should you enter or exit the Church through the coded locking door (by the B.V.M. statue), please be sure to pull door securely and then lock it. From the inside it is a simple deadlock bolt. If leaving, the door can be locked by simply pushing the lock icon on the keypad. Thank you for your assistance.

### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

We are restarting a support group in this area for those who care for loved ones with Dementia/Alzheimers. **The target start date is February 2022.** Our hope is to provide a venue for caregivers with common, and sometimes trying responsibilities, to develop a network of support and to share "lessons learned." The goal also is to provide issue specific training and additional resource information. Once launched, we will gather at the "Meeting Place" in Polk County. For those interested being part of the Dementia/Alzheimer's support group as a caregiver, or as a volunteer, please contact: Peggy Wyllie at: 828-859-6339, or Donna Carson at: 828-894-0001.

### PATRIOTIC ROSARY

*For the Conversion of our Country*

Join us every Tuesday morning at 9:30am in the Church, before the statue of Our Lady. Booklets are provided.



### DONUTS & DOGMA CAN YOU HELP? ONE SUNDAY / ONCE A YEAR

Donuts & Dogma is offered the first Sunday of each month. We thank Fr. Christian for his insight, wisdom and humor in answering our many questions. Donuts & Dogma is a team effort: Fr. Christian handles the "Dogma" and parishioners handle the "Donuts." Please, please consider volunteering to HOST Donuts & Dogma. You would sign up for just one Sunday out of the calendar year. You and your spouse, or you and your friends, or you and another couple could sign up to provide hot coffee, juice and donuts. Keep it simple...the primary nourishment comes from the Q & A with Fr. Christian ☺. We just need a cup of java with a donut or two to dunk! A couple of parishioners have offered help and we had a change in the schedule, so the only month we need help is AUGUST. If interested, please contact Palma Davis at riverhillfarmcmd@gmail.com.



### FORMED.ORG

- Watch: *John Paul II: I Kept Looking for You.*
- Learn: *Formed Now! Misery Meets Mercy: Saint Faustina Kowalska.*
- Listen: *7 Secrets of Confession*, by Vinny Flynn.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription: To set up your FREE account, visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

PARISH LIFE			
Mon	Jan 17	— 5:30pm —	Parish Office Closed - MLK Jr day Schola Choir Rehearsal, Church No Faith Formation Classes
Fri	Jan 21	5pm	Rosary for Conversion, Church
Pueri Cantores Rehearsals 9:30am Jan. 9, Parish Ctr / Jan. 16, Social Hall			

**THE GOLDEN RULE GROUP*****We Can Help.***

The Golden Rule provides rides to appointments, errands, visits, prayers, etc. Contact parishioner Peggy Wyllie at 828-859-6339.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMPS**

are available for the following upcoming weeks: Jan. 29 — Feb. 5, Feb. 5 — 12, Feb 12 — 19 and Feb. 19 — 26. The suggested donation amount to have the lamps lit for a week in memory of, or for the intentions of a loved one, is \$20. See Andree in the parish office to secure the lamps.

**LOST & FOUND**

Found: Ladies, black wrap/cape (with two openings for arms) — Cato, size small. Contact the parish office if this item belongs to you: 828-859-9574.

**IF YOU HAVE RECENTLY MOVED**

or changed your phone number or e-mail address, please call Andrée in the parish office at 828-859-9574 or email at: [stjohnchurch@windstream.net](mailto:stjohnchurch@windstream.net), with your updated information. Thanks!

**FREE WINTER NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASS SERIES**

*First Tuesday of the month 6:30 — 8:30 pm*

What better way to start the New Year, then by learning about your ovulation cycle as a sign of health? This Fertility Education and Medical Management (FEMM) series will teach the basics of charting. Learn to chart as a self-care practice and way to understand and manage overall health & fertility. Increase appreciation of God's design and Feminine Genius through tracking your cycle and commit or (re- commit) to consistent tracking of your signs of fertility! Location: St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, 102 Andrews Place, Swannanoa, N.C. Childcare: Limited availability for childcare will be available with pre-registration one week in advance! Pre-registration required: Contact Elizabeth Harris, BSN, RN at [avlfemminstructor@gmail.com](mailto:avlfemminstructor@gmail.com) or call (828)-214-7789. Please plan to eat before you come. Dinner will not be served.

**Agenda**

- February 1<sup>st</sup> — Understanding Your Body
- March 1<sup>st</sup> — Family Planning
- April 5<sup>th</sup> — FEMM Expert
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> — Q & A medical management with Megan Blum, P.A.-C from MyCatholicDoctor.com (location TBD).



“Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver.”  
(II Corinthians 9:7)

**SAVE THE DATE**

March 2	Ash Wednesday
March 6	First Sunday of Lent
March 25	The Annunciation of the Lord
April 10	Palm Sunday
April 17	Easter Sunday

# FAITH FORMATION

Youth Ministry

- Sunday, January 23 Youth Group Evening, 5:30 to 7:00pm.

**Youth, let the SAINTS guide you...**

*“When it is all over, you will not regret having suffered; rather you will regret having suffered so little, and suffered that little so badly.”*

— Saint Sebastian Valfre, Martyr

*“Christ has made my soul beautiful with the jewels of grace and virtue. I belong to Him Whom the angels serve.*

— Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr



## FAITH FORMATION

- NO FF Classes Monday, January 17, 2022—Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.
- FF Classes will RESUME Monday, January 24.
- Please arrive by 5:50pm — classes should begin promptly at 6pm.

***Ut In Omnibus Glorificetur Deus—So That in All Things May God be Glorified***

## — ADULT FAITH FORMATION —

### **MEN’S GROUP**

***Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>***

Men’s group will gather Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 3pm in the Church. Men’s group gathers the second and fourth Tuesdays each month. All men of the parish are welcome to join. Any questions, contact Greg Lobas at beintentional500@gmail.com.

### **WOMEN’S GROUP**

***Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>***

Women’s group will gather again on Tuesday evening, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the parish office. This session will be a ten-episode series on the Eucharist, by Dr. Brant Pitre.