

THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME June 18, 2023



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 4 PM Sunday, 7:30 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM, and 5 PM

> Monday - Saturday 8 AM and 12:10 PM

CONFESSIONS

Monday: 11:30 to 12 Noon Wednesday: 11:30 to 12 Noon Friday: 11:30 to 12 Noon Saturday: 2:45 to 3:45 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9 AM - 4:30 PM (The Office entrance is located on Padre Pio Way, between the church and the rectory)

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

7:30 am, †Fernando Mercado *req*. Children
10 am, † Paul Mignogna
req. Ohio & Florida Mignogna Families
12 pm, Gracia Maria Vargas, Special Birthday Intention req.
Family
5:00 pm, †Stew Leonard, Sr., and Joseph Wash
req. Cathy Vail

MONDAY, JUNE 19

Saint Romuald 8 am, † Thomas O'Dea, Sr. req. Thomas O'Dea 12:10 pm, † Ana Haidar req. Maria Livesay

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

8 am, † Souls In Purgatory 12:10 pm, † Joseph M. Kirkland *req*. Family

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga 8 am, Beth Carpanzano, Spec. Intention req. Family 12:10 pm, †Souls in Purgatory req. Maria Isabel Gil

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

Saints Paulinus of Nola, John Fisher, Thomas More 8 am, †Patrick Kane & Family req. Estate of Catherine Kane & Family 12:10 pm, † George Serock req. Nancy & Anthony Ferro

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

8 am, † Giuseppe & Maria Megale *req.* Family 12:10 pm, †Maria Antonia Greco *req.* Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist 8 am, † Joseph Wash 12:10 pm, †Fr. Albert Audette 4 pm, †Katherine Klaum reg. Amy & Ray Germin



Sanctuary Candle: In Loving Memory of Joseph Kung req. Kung Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Monsignor DiGiovanni, Frank Carpanzano, Phil DeFelice, Ruby Lang, Barbara Smith, Jennifer Iannarelli, Julia Oliveira, Gail Piria, Julian Lucas Randal, Anthony Labrosciano, Richard Conti, Junjie & Aileen Ibanez, Evan Gaine, Ram Jhunja, Marie Anne Guillaume, Juanita Evans, Leon Taricani

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Felice Saracco, Jerry W. Atkins, Dcn. Herbert Davis, Jr., Joanne Labs, Juliana R. Medina, Eugene Lang, Katherine Klaum, Margaret Rose Swan, Thomas Timon, Anita Fasanelli, Alfred Sanseverino, Nicholai Daviddenko, Gordon Evans, Amory Rodrigues, Irene Sansone, Joseph Kung, Mary Serock, Daniel Fronc, Mrs. Anna J. Jones, Rev. Albert Audette, Mary Maloney, Paul Mignogna, Laurence Hayes, Alfred Maffucci

Mass Intentions

The Mass book for 2023 Intentions is available for Mass requests. All requests are on a first come, first serve basis and are \$10.00 each.

Please contact the parish office with your requests at 203-324-1553 or email office@stjohnbasilica.org.

Dear Friends in Christ,

On June 29th the Church celebrates the feast of the great apostles Saints Peter and Paul, commemorating the martyrdom of these two pillars of the Catholic Faith and patrons of the City of Rome.

As a Basilica our parish takes great pride in celebrating this feast with special solemnity reminding us of our connection to Rome and the Roman Pontiff. This feast is one of those designated to gain a plenary indulgence for visiting our church, reciting prayers for the intentions of Pope Francis and receiving the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Communion within 8 days of your visit.

On Thursday, June 29th we will celebrate the Feast of Saint Peter and Paul with Solemn Vespers (evening prayer) sung by our choir at 7:30 in the evening with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Following Benediction there will be a light reception in the Piazza. I hope you will mark your calendars for that evening and join our celebration.

Sincerely in Christ, Father La Pastina

VERITAS CATHOLIC NETWORK:

Veritas Catholic Network is the local EWTN Radio affiliate for our diocese. With the blessing and participation of Bishop Caggiano, they have been on the air now for over two years. Veritas Catholic Network is available via local radio, live stream, and a mobile app.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Fr. La Pastina's Young Adult Group will hold its next meeting this Monday, June 19th. Father Andrew LaFleur, newly Ordained priest for the Diocese of Bridgeport, will join us for Mass and offer his first priestly blessing. Following the 7:30 PM Mass, there will be refreshments in the Piazza. This is the last meeting until fall. All young adults between the ages of 21-35 are welcome. Join us!

THE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION:

The First Saturday devotion is after the 12:10 pm Mass.

THE LEGION OF MARY:

A group of parishioners gather every Wednesday at 7:30 PM in Msgr. Nagle Hall for prayer and spiritual conference. We are dedicated to strengthening our love for Our Lord through devotion to His Blessed Mother, by deeper prayer and works of charity. All are welcome.

Formed is a no cost online platform that provides access to the best Catholic audio talks, movies, ebooks, and video-based studies from trusted providers. Register for free from our website: stjohnbasilica.org.



Happy Father's Day

<u>RCIA</u> <u>RITE OF CHRISTIAN</u> INITIATION OF ADULTS

Interested in Becoming A Catholic?
Or are you an adult Catholic who has not received Confirmation? If you would like to become a Catholic or have not been fully initiated in the Catholic Church (only Baptized and have not received First Communion and Confirmation), please call or email the parish office for more information about the Rite Of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

Mark your Calendar!

Cardinal Burke to visit the Basilica

On Tuesday, July 25th at 6 PM His Eminence, Raymond Cardinal Burke will celebrate Solemn Pontifical Mass in honor of Our Lady of She-Shan for Catholics in China. This Mass is organized by the Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist and the Cardinal Kung Foundation. Please check back for more information in the future.

Note: This Mass is re-scheduled from May 24th on our Schedule of Special Events listing.

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. DIGIOVANNI

Dear Parishioners,

I have decided that it is time to move to the retirement home. I am grateful I was able to return to the parish following the renovations but I now feel my needs would be better met at Queen of the Clergy. I stayed at the retirement home during the renovation process. The rooms are comfortable and the care given to the priests there is excellent.

I am grateful to Fr. La Pastina for his kindness in allowing me to continue to live at Saint John following my retirement as pastor. However, it is time to move on. I know I am leaving the parish in capable hands. Please continue to give Fr. La Pastina your prayerful support.

I will move in the retirement home on August 1. However, I look forward to returning to the Basilica in the future for special events and liturgical celebrations.

Mons. DiGiovanni



WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Mass & Mail-In Collection: \$5,937.62 Online Giving Collection: \$5,616.00 Total: Sunday, 6/4/2023: \$11,553.62

Mass & Mail-In Collection: \$6,861.18 Online Giving Collection: \$4,151.00 Total: Sunday, 6/11/2023: \$11,012.18

ONLINE GIVING:

Our church offers Online Giving as an additional option to support the parish. Online Giving is convenient, secure, flexible and simple! Visit our website: www.stjohnbasilica.org to sign up and get started.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN:

The Diocese requires that all volunteers in any capacity in the parish must attend a Protecting God's Children workshop. If you have not already attended one, and volunteer or anticipate volunteering in the future, please register at virtusonline.org. Call the parish office at 203-324-1553 for additional information or questions.





One In Christ – The 2023 Bishop's Appeal The Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist Parish 2023 Bishop's Appeal as of 6/09/2023 ABA Goal: \$93,500 Total Pledged: \$48,833 (52.23%) Donors to Date: 115

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Catholic Charities cannot do it alone, it depends on gifts to the Bishop's Appeal to assist to continue the incredible work that it does for our most vulnerable neighbors in Fairfield County.

Thank you for your gift.

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2023 BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.



SATURDAY 8 AM MASS

The Saturday 8 AM Mass will be eliminated beginning in September in an attempt to make our schedule more manageable. Saturdays are a popular day for weddings, funerals and memorial Masses. We currently have the only noontime Mass on Saturday in Stamford. This Mass is well attended by both parishioners as well as those from other parishes who may not have a Mass at this time. The 8 AM has a much smaller number attending, especially on a Saturday morning. Hopefully, those who attend this Mass will be able to join us for the 12:10 PM Mass instead. Sincere apologies for any inconvenience. This will take effect on September 2, 2023. Many thanks for your patience and understanding.



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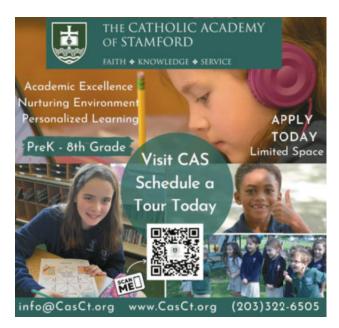
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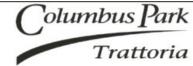
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