



# THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

*The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut*



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JULY 02, 2023



## 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)

## CLERGY

PASTOR  
VERY REV. CYPRIAN P. LA PASTINA

PAROCHIAL VICAR  
FR. JHON J. GOMEZ

PASTOR EMERITUS  
REV. MSGR. STEPHEN M. DIGIOVANNI

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY, JULY 2**

7:30 am, †Blaise Parmela *req.* Family  
 10 am, Hugo & Vickiana Marte, Spec. Intention  
*req.* Gloria Quezada  
 12 pm, † Joseph & Effie Ramos  
*req.* Lilian & Alvina Ramos  
 5:00 pm, † Pam Carlucci

**MONDAY, JULY 3**

*Saint Thomas*

8 am, Gavin Samedi, Spec. Intention  
*req.* Anne Marie Samedi  
 12:10 pm, Joseph Kravar, Jr., Spec. Intention  
*req.* Fabiola Contreras

**TUESDAY, JULY 4**

9 am, † Anthony Ramos *req.* Lilian & Alvina Ramos

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 5**

*Saints Anthony Zaccaria & Elizabeth of Portugal*

8 am, Sr. Samantha Rodriguez, Spec. Intention  
*req.* Seges Family  
 12:10 pm, † Paul Mignogna  
*req.* Ohio & Florida Mignogna Families

**THURSDAY, JULY 6**

*Saint Maria Goretti*

8 am, Sr. Araceli Fernandez, Spec. Intention  
*req.* Seges Family  
 12:10 pm, † Souls in Purgatory  
*req.* Maria Isabel Gil

**FRIDAY, JULY 7**

8 am, Michael Kravar, Spec. Intention  
*req.* Fabiola Contreras  
 12:10 pm, † Patrick Kane & Family  
*req.* Estate of Catherine Kane & Family

**SATURDAY, JULY 8**

8 am, Stacy Kravar, Spec. Intention  
*req.* Fabiola Contreras  
 12:10 pm, † Emilio Dayanghirang  
*req.* Emillie Dayanghirang  
 4 pm, † Joseph Chiavarone  
*req.* Tom & Tracy Banahan



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, Joseph Prevot, Rita  
 Hausman

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO  
 HAVE RECENTLY DIED:**

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, Aleana  
 Armwood Stroman, Shirley A. Simmons,  
 Ron Cox



Dear Friends in Christ,

This week-end, we are delighted to welcome Father Jhon Gomez as the new parochial vicar here at the Basilica. Father Gomez is a native of Colombia, and was ordained for the Diocese in 2007. I had the privilege of working with Father Gomez when I was pastor of St. Mary in Greenwich.

Father Gomez comes to us from Saint Peter in Bridgeport where he served as pastor. In order to take a break from administration and focus more on priestly ministry, Father Gomez requested his next assignment would be as a parochial vicar, and the Bishop granted his request.

I am sure that Father Gomez will be a great asset to the Basilica, and I hope you will join me in offering him a warm welcome!

Please keep me in your prayers and know that you are always in mine,

Father La Pastina

### YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Fr. La Pastina's Young Adult Group is on summer siesta. The new fall schedule of meetings will be posted soon. This group aims to connect young adults in a faith focused community. All young adults between the ages of 21-35 are welcome. Join us in the Fall!

### Mass Intentions

The Mass Intentions book for 2024 will be available for Mass requests beginning on August 1. 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](mailto:office@stjohnbasilica.org).

**There is ONE daily Mass on**

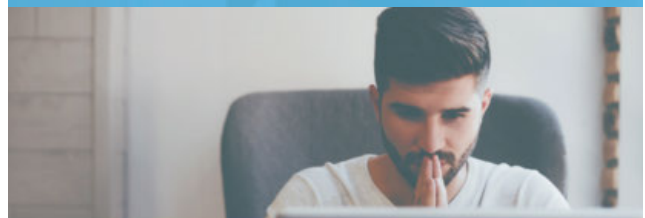
**Tuesday, July 4th at**

**9:00 AM**

**The Parish office will be closed.**

**Wishing all a happy and safe 4th of July!**

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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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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

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WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION:

**Mass & Mail-In Collection:**

**\$6,167.80**

**Online Giving Collection:**

**\$4,750.00**

**Total: Sunday, 6/25/2023:**

**\$10,917.80**



One In Christ – The 2023 Bishop’s Appeal  
The Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist Parish  
2023 Bishop’s Appeal as of 6/23/2023

ABA Goal: \$93,500

Total Pledged:

\$57,235 (61.21%) Donors to Date: 123

**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](http://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](http://virtusonline.org). Call the parish office at 203-324-1553 for additional information or questions.

We are grateful to the individuals and families who have already made their gift or pledge to the Bishop’s Appeal. The Diocese is at 84% of our goal of \$8.1. For us to achieve our overall goal it will require the active involvement and personal sacrifice of all members of our faith community. To those who have given, thank you. If you have not yet responded to the 2023 Bishop’s Appeal, please set aside a moment to prayerfully consider a gift.

Your gift will help tremendously and, together with others, will enable the diocese to provide essential pastoral, educational and human needs throughout Fairfield County.

Thank you for your support.

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





### 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.*



### UPCOMING MARIAN FEASTS

August 5th  
Dedication of the Church of  
Our Lady of the Snow

August 15th  
The Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary





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