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## FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION MASSES

**SUN** 3:00 PM FIRST COMMUNION (SPECIAL NEEDS)  
5/5 5:30 PM FIRST COMMUNION (TAGALOG)

**SAT** 11:00 AM CONFIRMATION - BISHOP SAPORITO  
5/11 2:00 PM CONFIRMATION - BISHOP SAPORITO  
7:00 PM FIRST COMMUNION (SPANISH)

**SUN** 9:00 AM FIRST COMMUNION  
5/12 10:30 AM FIRST COMMUNION  
12:00 PM FIRST COMMUNION

**SUN** 10:30 AM FIRST COMMUNION  
5/19 12:00 PM FIRST COMMUNION  
1:15 PM FIRST COMMUNION (SPANISH)

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM  
1:15 PM - Spanish

Daily Masses:

Monday—Friday 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 6:30 PM  
Tuesdays 6:30 PM Spanish

# Celebrating Fr. Sean's 25th Anniversary of Ordination

May 25th, 2024 at 5:30 PM

The Mass will be bilingual and a reception will follow in Conlon Hall.

All are welcome.



Ordination in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark on May 29, 1999. Insert: Celebration of First Mass May 30th 1999 in St. Peter & Paul, Hoboken, Fr. Sean's parents bring the gifts for the Offertory Procession.

## Farewell and Thank you to Rosemarie Flood

Many of you have heard by now that Rosemarie Flood has relocated to Monmouth County, and therefore will be moving on from St. John's Parish after 17 years. Rosemarie has been an integral part of our parish, and has been a source of faith, inspiration and dedication for the thousands of children, families, catechists, clergy, staff and parishioners who have known and loved her over these years. While she will be very much missed here, we pray that all that she has given and shared with us will continue to bear fruit in our lives. There are certain people we come across in life who make a difference; they enthuse joy and hope, and lift others up. Rosemarie is one of those people, and we have been truly blessed to have benefitted from her presence here. We are grateful for all she has shared with us, and while we will miss her, we wish her well and Godspeed as she begins the next chapter in her life.

Rosemarie's last Sunday with us will be May 19th at the First Communion Masses **at 10:30am and 12 noon.**

We also extend our gratitude and best wishes to Erin Saunders for her years of "service with a smile" at the door and behind the scenes. She will also be leaving in May due to growing responsibilities at her job.

Come & Join Us In....

*An Evening of Praise and Worship*

Sing your thanks to the Lord.

*"Rousing the spirit to God through songs"*

Date: May 19th 2024 Starts 5pm to 6:30pm  
Place: St Johns Main Church  
29 North Washington Ave  
Bergenfield, N.J.



Parish Giving offers an alternative giving process through their website. Through them St. John's will benefit from a more reliable and efficient method of processing contributions. Thank for your continuous support.

### 2024 Annual Appeal

Thank you to all our parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Annual Appeal! Your sacrificial support enables us to carry out the important work we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus. **Our Parish Goal is \$102,661.33 & our Stretch Goal is \$104,591.00.** Please making an online donation today by visiting [rcan.org](http://rcan.org)/call or by scanning the QR code.



## A Reflection From Our Pastor



Dear Brothers and Sisters

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you."

The love of Christ is selfless. It is a love that does not ask anything in return. It is a love to the point of death.

People can, and even do, risk their lives for a noble cause. Firefighters do so when they run into a burning building. Police too, every time they strap on their bullet proof vest and step outside the door to

begin a shift. A parent at the beach will give their life to save a drowning son or daughter. A teacher will shield students from an intruder.

The Firefighter, the Cop, the parent, the teacher, is willing to give their life to save another.

We are the ones in the burning building. We are the ones in harms' way. We are those who are drowning.

Yet instead of embracing our rescuer, swimming towards help, running from danger, we have done the opposite. Not only have we fled from the one sent to help us, but we have thrown him in the fire, we have dragged him under the waves, we have pushed him in front of the bullets.

'You Crucified the Holy One, the Righteous One.'" Says St. Peter.

The proof that God loves us is that Christ gave his life for us not when we were good, but when we were evil. He loves us when we do not deserve it.

This Love is the Truth. Jesus calls this 'Love towards the enemy'. Have we been enemies of Christ? The answer, if we are sincere, is 'yes.'

Yet, instead of being our condemnation, this truth can become our salvation. There is nothing, says St. Paul, which can separate us from the Love of Christ. This is great Good News for us. No matter what we have done, what sin we have committed, there's always a means for us to return to Him and encounter this Love.

Will you experience it at Mass today?

Happy Easter.

Fr. Sean



## Una Reflexión de Nuestro Pastor

*Queridos hermanos y hermanas,*



"Les he dicho esto, para que mi gozo esté en ustedes, y su gozo sea colmado. Este es el mandamiento mio: Que se amen los unos a los otros como yo los he amado."

El amor de Cristo es desinteresado. Es un amor que no pide nada a cambio. Es un amor hasta la muerte.

La gente puede, e incluso lo hace, arriesgar sus vidas por una causa noble. Los bomberos lo hacen cuando se topan con un edificio en llamas. La policía también, cada vez que se atan el chaleco antibalas y salen por la puerta para empezar un turno. Un padre en la playa dará su vida para salvar a un hijo o hija que se ahoga. Un maestro protegerá a los estudiantes de un intruso.

El Bombero, el Policía, el padre, el maestro, está dispuesto a dar su vida para salvar a otro.

Nosotros somos los que estamos en el edificio en llamas. Somos los que estamos en peligro. Somos los que nos estamos ahogando.

Sin embargo, en lugar de abrazar a nuestro salvador, nadando hacia la ayuda, huyendo del peligro, hemos hecho lo contrario. No solo hemos huido del enviado para ayudarnos, sino que lo hemos arrojado al fuego, lo hemos arrastrado bajo las olas, lo hemos empujado delante de las balas.

En la oración de San Pedro el dice, "Tú crucificaste al Santo, al Justo."

La prueba de que Dios nos ama es que Cristo dio su vida por nosotros no cuando éramos buenos, sino cuando éramos malos. Él nos ama cuando no lo merecemos.

Este Amor es la Verdad. Jesús llama a esto 'Amor hacia el enemigo.' ¿Hemos sido enemigos de Cristo? La respuesta, si somos sinceros, es 'sí.'

Sin embargo, en lugar de ser nuestra condenación, esta verdad puede convertirse en nuestra salvación. No hay nada, dice San Pablo, que pueda separarnos del Amor de Cristo. Esta es una Buena Noticia para nosotros. No importa lo que hayamos hecho, el pecado que hayamos cometido, siempre hay un medio para que volvamos a Él y nos encontremos con este Amor.

¿Lo experimentarás hoy en la Misa?

Feliz Pascua.

*Fr. Sean*

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY, MAY 4

5:30 PM Jim Orlando—11th Anniversary

7:00 PM Hadassah Moranta—Birthday

(Spanish) Isaac Sanchez—Birthday

#### SUNDAY, MAY 5

7:30 AM The People of the Parish

9:00 AM Jaime R. Lomibao

10:30 AM Beata Ondes Prado

12:00 PM Luz N. Marquez & Francisco de Jesús

1:15 PM (Spanish) Gloria Sosa

3:00 PM Special Needs Inclusive Family Mass

#### MONDAY, MAY 6

7:00 AM John Martin

9:00 AM Frances B. Gorman—7th Anniversary

6:30 PM Carlos David Espiro

#### TUESDAY, MAY 7

7:00 PM For the souls in purgatory

9:00 AM Sp. Int. Edward and Ruth Edone

6:30 PM (Spanish) Aaron Cris Pajarillo

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

7:00 AM Elvira Agudelo

9:00 AM Vincent P. Brennan

6:30 PM Teodora and Jesus Bagayo

#### THURSDAY, MAY 9

7:00 AM Kevin Pinedo

9:00 AM Benito Manuel

6:30 PM Patricia Sutherland

#### FRIDAY, MAY 10

7:00 AM Albert Jairam

9:00 AM Peter Ragusa—24th Anniversary

6:30 PM Roger Coppinger

#### SATURDAY, MAY 11

7:00 AM Jhany & Matthew Phillip

9:00 AM Francine Corbo

5:30 PM Laura del Carmen Rodriguez

7:00 PM (Spanish) Delmy A. Escobar

#### SUNDAY, MAY 12

7:30 AM The People of the Parish

9:00 AM For All Mothers

10:30 AM For All Mothers

12:00 PM For All Mothers

1:15 PM (Spanish) For All Mothers

### Memorial Fund/Special Intention

May 4th-10th

Sanctuary Candle, Altar Flowers, Altar Bread & Wine

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### Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember

Reverend John P. Ryan in your prayers.

## St. John's Food Pantry

#### ITEMS NEEDED:

- PASTA & SAUCE
- RICE
- KIDS CEREAL
- COFFEE
- TOOTHPASTE
- BLACK BEANS
- PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY

#### Not needed at this time:

- Canned vegetables
- Canned soup
- Canned apple sauce



## STAMP OUT HUNGER

Town Wide Food Drive

When: May 11th, 2024

3:00 PM-6:00 PM

Who: Bergenfield Post Office

How: Fill a bag of healthy non-perishable food and leave it at your door. USPS will be picking up directly from your home!

The food collected will be dropped off at St. John's Food Pantry.

FILL A BAG, FEED A FAMILY!



THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

## Baby Bottle Drive

Mother's Day Weekend - May 11th & 12th 2024

- The Respect Life Committee will be handing out Baby Bottles **next weekend**.
- Donations will go to Crisis Pregnancy Centers.
- Please fill the bottles and return the bottles by Father's Day.



Our Sunday Offering: Sunday, April 28, 2024 — \$16,457.93 ~ April 30, 2023 — \$16,938.79



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Lower church/Iglesia de Abajo/Basement

**Eliminando el Hambre**  
Campaña de Alimentos

Cuando: May 11th, 2024  
3:00 PM-6:00 PM

**Cómo:** Llene una bolsa de alimentos no perecederos saludables y déjela en su puerta. ¡USPS la recogerá directamente desde su casa! La comida recolectada será donada a la Dispensa de Alimentos de San Juan.  
**LLENA UNA BOLSA, ALIMENTA A UNA FAMILIA!**

EL COMITÉ DEL RESPETO A LA VIDA

**Distribución de Biberones**

Día de las Madres 11 y 12 de mayo

- El Comité del Respeto a la Vida van a distribuir biberones el proximo fin de semana.
- Las donaciones irán a los Centros de Embarazo.
- Por favor llévese un biberón y llénelo con donaciones y devuelvelos el Día de los Padres.

# Celebrando 25 años de Sacerdocio del Padre Sean

25 de mayo, 2024 a las 5:30 PM

La Misa sera bilingüe seguida por un compartir en Conlon Hall. No habra Misa a las 7:00 PM Todos son bienvenidos.



Ordenación en la Basílica Catedral del Sagrado Corazón, Newark el 29 de mayo de 1999. Celebración de la Primera Misa, 30 de mayo de 1999 en St. Peter & Paul, Hoboken, los padres del Padre Sean traen los regalos para la Procesión del Ofertorio.

## Llamada Anual 2024



- ¡Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses que se han comprometido con La Llamada Anual de este año!
- Nuestra meta parroquial es **\$102,661.33** y nuestra meta de estiramiento es **\$104,591.00.**
- Por favor considere participar en la Llamada Anual de este año para ayudar a hacer una diferencia significativa en muchas vidas dentro de nuestra Arquidiócesis.
- Haga una donación en línea hoy visitando [rcan.org/llamada](http://rcan.org/llamada), escaneando el código QR.

## Peregrinacion Mariana a España, Francia y Portugal en Mayo de 2025

Precios aprox. \$4,700 todo incluido. Las fechas precisas, al igual que el precio se confirmaran más adelante. Por ahora, déjenos sus datos escaneando con su celular el siguiente código QR.



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