



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 8, 2026

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sat Vigil: 5:30 , 7:00 PM (Sp)

Sun Masses: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
10:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 1:15 PM (Sp)

Daily (Mon-Fri): 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM,
6:30 PM (Tues: 6:30 PM Sp)

Sat Masses: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM

Penance (Sat): 1:00 PM-2:00 PM



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

5:30 PM Nenita Buenconsejo
7:00 PM (Spa) Gisela Astwood

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

7:30 AM People of The Parish
9:00 AM Minda D. King
10:30 AM James Sodano
12:00 PM Socorro Ladera Anora
1:15 PM (Spa) Diana Cordero & Ramon Fernandez

MONDAY, MARCH 9

7:00 AM Ramon Alzate
9:00 AM Kevin Charles Pineda
6:30 PM John D. Kaberle, Jr. – 19th Anniversary

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

7:00 AM Ellen Marie Quinn
9:00 AM Richard Stauring
6:30 PM (Spa) Pascual Antonio Boudiereo & Ismenia Almanzar

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

7:00 AM Elvia Gonzalez
9:00 AM Maria Alma Karaan Razon
6:30 PM Maureen Murphy

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

7:00 AM Amelia de Vivas
9:00 AM Msgr. Walter Kenny
6:30 PM Wilma Balingit

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

7:00 AM Victorio, Rosalina, Alberto,
Victorio Flores, Jr. & Filirina Galang
9:00 AM Jean Joseph & Ancy George (L)
6:30 PM Dan Connolly

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

7:00 AM Anna Marie Murphy
9:00 AM Carmen Angbetic
5:30 PM John P. Brennan
7:00 PM (Spa) Guadalupe & Kathleen Chavez

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

7:30 AM People of The Parish
9:00 AM Dominic Francisco
10:30 AM William E. Nicodemus
12:00 PM Dorothy Imbragulio
1:15 PM (Spa) Jiana Gonzalez – 15th Birthday (L)

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. JOHN OGILVIE, JESUIT AND MARTYR

St. John Ogilvie (1579–1615) was a Scottish Jesuit priest who converted from Calvinism to Catholicism and returned to Scotland in 1613 to secretly minister to Catholics. After being betrayed and arrested, he refused to accept the religious authority of James I of England over the Church and was executed for treason in 1615 at age 36.



Baptism

April: There will be No Baptism Classes in English.

Call the rectory (201-384-0101) to schedule.

Parent meeting: 1st Sun. 1:30 PM (Eng),
3rd Sun. 2:45 PM (Sp).

Baptisms: 2nd & 3rd Sun. 3 PM (Eng),
4th Sun. 2:45 PM (Sp).

Parents **must** be parishioners, provide child's birth certificate, and select Catholic godparents (16+, confirmed, Eucharist, married in Church if applicable).

Sponsor certificates due 1 week prior.

Marriage

Arrange one year in advance. Call the rectory (201-384-0101) for an appointment with a priest. **Please obtain an updated baptismal certificate.**

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember
**Lia Gonzalez, Victoria (Vicky) Cooke,
& Sr. Winifred Toomey**
in your prayers.

Religious Education News

- Please remember to turn in any assignment, Mass Attendance Sheets, & sacramental paperwork as soon as possible.
- SJRE has started a **Google Classroom for the Confirmation classes**. To join the Google Classroom use the code: **3v2wuglj**
- As a part of Lent we have scheduled confession times for all classes. **Please keep an eye on your email for the date and time.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters



Today we don't have that problem; our homes have faucets and our water is packaged by Dasani or Poland Spring. Or so we may think.

The Gospel asks us "Where do I go to seek refreshment? Which is the well from which I am drawing today?" To draw water is an analogy for seeking life. There can be many wells in our life, places we go to draw water. There is an inner thirst which no faucet or water bottle is able to quench.

There is the well of health.

There is the well of ambition, or career, or possessions.

There is the well of affections, of family, or friends.

There is the well of sports, of basketball, baseball, volleyball.

There is the well food, or video games, or TV and the internet.

All of these wells give water, but none of them are able to satisfy the deepest thirst within.

Jesus never asks for anything in the Gospel, except once, in the Gospel we hear at Mass today. He asks the woman at the well for a drink. He will repeat the same words on the Cross: "I thirst." He asks for a drink of water, but it is he himself who offers living water: "Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst again, the water I give will become a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

Jesus thirsts to satisfy the longing of the human heart.

His thirst is to satisfy the need in that person who, no matter how much they have, or how many friends they are surrounded by, or how successful they become, are lacking something.

There is a thirst within each of us, and it can only be satisfied by Christ. He invites us to drink the water which only he can provide; we can receive this water in the Catechesis we are doing every Monday and Thursday at 8pm in the cafeteria in Conlon Hall. I invite you to come and listen. This water can become a well within us, a source of life and of peace. It is a well that never runs dry, no matter what happens in our life, whether in school or work, with family or friends, on the ball field or at home.

Fr. Sean

A woman comes to draw water at the well.

It is burdensome to go to a well, once the novelty wears off.

As a child we spent a few summer holidays in Ireland, at Delaney's farm, friends of my parents in Wexford. As small children we would go to the woods each morning with a bucket, which was filled with drinking water from a well, and brought back to the farmhouse.

At first we thought this was wonderful, but after about three days it soon got old, and none of us wanted to go. It's heavy work, and the water doesn't last long, sometimes needing two or three trips a day, depending how much you can carry, and how much is consumed. The woman in the Gospel goes to the well at midday, perhaps because she had already been at least once before that morning.

**Join us in
A Meditation on the
Seven Last Words of Jesus Christ**



PALM SUNDAY, March 29, 2026
MAIN CHURCH 3:00 PM - 5:00 pm
 St John the Evangelist, Roman Catholic church
 29 N Washington Ave., Bergenfield, NJ 07621

 *Lenten Corner*

Deanery Lenten Penance Services

Monday March 9th at 7:00pm
Ascension Parish, New Milford

Saturday March 14th at 1:30pm
Annunciation Parish, Paramus

Wednesday March 18th at 7:00pm
Our Lady of Visitation, Paramus

Monday March 23rd at 7:00pm
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Tenafly

Morning Prayer in the Main Church

Morning Prayer will be held Monday through Friday at 6 AM during Lent.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent in the church, 5:45pm English, & 7:00pm Spanish

St. John's Food Pantry

Shoprite of New Milford will collect food donations for St. John's food pantry throughout **March & April 2026**. When you're shopping, you can deposit grocery donations in the large bins at the front of the store. Thank you very much for your generosity.

We appreciate the kindness of Shoprite management in helping us feed needy families.

The upcoming food distribution days will be from 8:30 AM-11 AM & 6 PM-7 PM in

Conlon Hall on these dates:

- Monday March 23rd**
- Monday April 27th**
- Monday May 25th**

All guests will need to complete a registration form.

Contact Joe McHale if you have any questions:
 201-655-1073 / joemc1217@gmail.com.

Thank you!

***The Pope's Monthly Intention
For disarmament and peace***


Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Annual Appeal 2026

We Are His Witnesses is a pastoral initiative renewing parish life, mission, and ministry in a changing world. Through the Annual Appeal, we support vital Catholic ministries we can only sustain together, strengthening unity across the Archdiocese of Newark.
Visit <https://rcan.org/sharing/> to donate.

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cordially invite you to




2026 PABASA NG PASYON

A CATHOLIC DEVOTION IN THE PHILIPPINES DURING HOLY WEEK INVOLVING CHANTING OF THE PASYON.


AN EARLY 16TH-CENTURY EPIC POEM NARRATING THE LIFE, PASSION, DEATH, AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST.

DATE AND TIME SCHEDULE
FRIDAY NIGHT THROUGH SATURDAY AFTERNOON - MARCH 27 TO 28, 2026
 8:00PM ONWARDS (OVERNIGHT)

**VENUE: PARISH LIFE CENTER CHAPEL (2ND FLOOR)
 ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST R.C. CHURCH**

For further info please contact: Rena Penecilla @ 201-245-4970, Carina Balingit 201-637-3098 or Fel Sunga-Isip @ 201-328-7996

CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH



LET US NOT BE AFRAID TO ASK OURSELVES:
 WHAT AM I LIVING FOR?
 DO I LIVE MY FAITH IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE?
 DO MY SUFFERINGS HAVE MEANING BEHIND THEM?
 AM I TIRED OF LIVING MY FAITH ALONE?
 HOW CAN I PASS FAITH TO MY CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN?

COME AND LISTEN!

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE LOVE OF GOD MUST BE ANNOUNCED TO EVERY GENERATION.

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS 8:00 PM **MEETING IN CONLON HALL CAFETERIA**

FREE BABYSITTING TRADUCCION EN ESPAÑOL

STARTING FEBRUARY 2

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Cordially invite you to

A Journey of Faith and Reflection on:

- ✚ Embracing a deeper love for the Eucharist
- ✚ Heightening commitment to serve God's people

March 21, 2026
Saturday

For details and reservation please contact:
 Fr. Oliver Nilo – 201-384-0106 (Church Rectory)
 Rena Penecilla – 201-245-4970
 Fel Sunga – 201-328-7996

Suggested donation: \$70 person
Light breakfast will be served

Pilgrimage Itinerary:

7:00am – Holy Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church.
 7:30 am -7: 45 am – Boarding time @ St. John's the Evangelist RC Church parking lot
 10:00am – Arrival at the National Shrine of our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA
 11:50am – Boarding & Travel time to Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul (National Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel) Philadelphia, PA
 1:00pm – Arrival and Lunch at the Basilica. BYO Lunch
 1:45 – 3:45pm – Tour of the Basilica & Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel
 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm – Tour of the National Shrine of St. John Neuman & Holy Mass @5:30pm - Philadelphia, PA

St. John's Prayer Groups 

Legion of Mary
 Saturdays, 9:30–11 AM, Lower Church (Eng)

Padre Pio Prayer Group
 2nd Sat., 2:00–4:30 PM, Conlon Hall Cafeteria

El Shaddai DWXI-PPFI
 2nd–4th Sat., 1:30–5:30 PM, Lower Church.
 Info: Lourdes 201-233-8235 / John 201-658-4032

Anointing Fire Ministry
 Mondays, 7:00–10 PM, Parish Life Center Chapel
 2nd Fri., 10:00 PM–6:30 AM, LC (Adoration).

Request for Church Contribution Statement 2025

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **Envelope #:** _____

Please fill out, detach, and place in collection basket or return to rectory.

*La Iglesia
San Juan Evangelista*
BERGENFIELD
+ Y EL MINISTERIO +
MATRIMONIOS con CRISTO

Te invitan a

*Renovación de
Votos
Matrimoniales*

Todas las parejas que tengan su Sacramento Matrimonial ante Dios y la Iglesia son Bienvenidas.

Al finalizar tendremos una *Fiesta para Parejas* abierto a toda la comunidad.

Sábado 21 de marzo
PRO-FONDO A LAS *Bodas Comunitarias 2026*

Misa 7:00pm
Mujeres: Vestir de Blanco
Hombres: Vestir Formal
Solo Adultos • No Niños
Conlon Hall • 19 N William St Bergenfield 07621

Boletos o más información:
Cristy Contreras 646.281.1089

\$70 por Pareja
No Habrá Venta de Boletos en la Puerta

*La Iglesia
San Juan Evangelista*
Bergenfield

Te Invita

*¿Desea casarse en
nuestra iglesia?*

Escanea el código QR con el celular y déjanos sus datos. Pronto serán contactados.

No pierdas la oportunidad de formar parte de las *Bodas Comunitarias 2026*

Grupos Parroquiales

La Palabra

Lunes, 7:30–9:30 PM, Iglesia de abajo

Legión de María

Lunes, 6:00–7:30 PM, Capilla PLC

Emaús Mujeres

Miércoles, 7:00–9:30 PM, Iglesia de abajo

Emaús Hombres

Miércoles, 7:00–9:30 PM, PLC Basement

Luz y Vida

Jueves, 7:00–9:30 PM, Iglesia de abajo

Preciosa Sangre de Cristo

Viernes, 8:00–9:00 PM, 2do piso de PLC

Matrimonios Con Cristo

3er Viernes, 7:00–9:45 PM, Iglesia de abajo

Las Intenciones Mensuales del Papa

Por el desarme y la paz

Oremos para que las naciones avancen hacia un desarme efectivo, especialmente el desarme nuclear, y para que los líderes mundiales elijan el camino del diálogo y la diplomacia en lugar de la violencia.

Noticias de Educación Religiosa

- Por favor, recuerden entregar cualquier tarea, las hojas de asistencia a Misa y la documentación sacramental lo antes posible.
- SJRE ha comenzado un Google Classroom para las clases de Confirmación. Para unirse a Google Classroom, utilice el código: **3v2wuglj**