



St. John Vianney

Catholic Church

You are welcome here!



Therefore, stay awake!
For you do not know on which day
your Lord will come.

1st Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

M-Sa: 8:00 am (Daily)
Sa: 5:00 pm (Rosary at 4:30 pm)
Su: 8:00 am, 10:45 am, 1:00 pm (Spanish)

ADORATION TIMES

M/F: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm
Tu/Th: 8:30 am - 9:00 pm
W: 6:00 pm - Midnight
1st F: 6:00 pm to Sa 8:00 am

CONFESSION TIMES

Sa: 8:30 am (following 8:00 am Mass)
1st F: 8:30 am (following 8:00 am Mass)
Or by appointment

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A Note from Fr. John



Advent begins this Sunday. We notice a difference in the liturgy. We wear violet, the music is more subdued, we don't sing the Gloria until Christmas. It is not a time of sadness, but expectation. It is like that moment of stillness right before a race.

Advent is a time of waiting for Jesus. For most of Advent we are focusing on the second coming of Christ, at the end of time. Then, in the last nine days, the novena leading up to Christmas, we turn our focus to the first coming of Christ, as a baby born in a manger in Bethlehem.

As a kid, I remember hearing the bell ring on my dad's bicycle as he coasted down the driveway home from work, and I would race my sisters to the door to meet him. Advent is listening for that bell.

Now if I got in some kind of trouble today, and dad is going to hear about it when he gets home, I might be sulking in my room instead of running to meet him. So in Advent we have a Liturgy of Reconciliation, which will be on Tuesday, December 9 at 6pm. There will be extra priests hearing confessions, and at the end we will celebrate with a potluck. I will also be in the confessional every Tuesday of Advent from 6pm to 7pm, in addition to our regular Saturday morning time.

In baptism we each received a candle, lit from the Easter candle. That light was entrusted to us – or, if we were babies, to our parents and godparents – “to be kept burning brightly, so that [we], enlightened by Christ, may walk always as children of the light and, persevering in the faith, may run to meet the Lord when he comes with all the Saints in the heavenly court.”

This Advent, let's get ready to run to meet the Lord. Listen for the bell. Ready, set, go.

MONTHLY DEVOTION

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5 pm - All Souls
Sunday 8 am - All Souls
Sunday 10:45 am - All Souls
Sunday 1 pm - All Souls
Monday 8 am - Lynda Bowman (D)
Tuesday 8 am - Martha Stockhausen (D)
Wednesday 8 am - John Patrick Crowther (D)
Thursday 8 am - James E. Johnson (D)
Friday 8 am - James E. Johnson (D)
Saturday 8 am - Jay Fredge (D)



The Immaculate Conception

Eddie Beery	Rosemary Henley	Steven Schuster
Pamela Beery-Gibson	Charles Hilgenberg	Jimmy Scott
Jim Carby	Joseph Leonti	James Stinnett
Fr. Dan Carson	James Long	Ivy Swann
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Stephen Corcoran	Nancy McCleary	Johanny Torrico
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Elaine Donnelly	E. McLellan	Carlos Victoria
Leigha Elliott	Dennis Moore	Noah Victoria
Leonard Elter	Elizabeth Ramos	Eddie Williams
Michael Fay	Mercedes Sasser	Victor Wisniewski
	Donald Sauls	Joe Zaversnik

Prayers answered? Let us know so we can update our list!



SUBMISSIONS WANTED

Submit a spiritual reflection on a prayer experience, Scripture, or event in your life in which you found God present. Please email office@sjvchurch.net or call 410-535-0223.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

When my son was seven, as he walked in the door after school, after walking up our long driveway from the school bus, the very first thing my gentle little son said to me was, "Mommy, I think I saw a miracle today." I focused my rapt attention on him and asked him to describe to me what he saw.

He explained that, on the morning school bus he looked to his left and this is what he saw: "The Blessed Mother was standing on the bay, looking at me. She was all golden and rays of gold streamed from her hands."

I asked him if she did anything or smiled at him and he said, "No, she just looked at me."

I asked if anyone else saw her and he said, "I don't think so."

He kept this extraordinary news inside himself all day, telling no one about it.

I asked him if he could draw me a picture of what he saw and he said, "Sure."

So, we have a beautiful child's drawing of this special event hanging on our wall.

The divine message to me was that Our Lady is always with us, and sometimes she gives signs to the humble child among us.

Signed: A Long-Time Parishioner



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INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY

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3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

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Every 2nd Wednesday



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Monday Night: 7 to 10 pm
Adult Volleyball

Tuesday Night: 6 to 9 pm
Open Gym (Basketball)

Tuesday and Thursday: 10 am to Noon
Adult Pickleball



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Angel Tree of Calvert County

The Calvert County Christmas Tree of Angels provides Christmas presents for over 130 families with 267 children who would not otherwise receive gifts this season. And this number keeps growing. Please take a tag from the tree in the Festival Room and return your unwrapped gift by December 3rd.



SAFE NIGHTS

We had a wonderful response last week to the request for volunteers to help with Safe Nights, a program provides that night-time shelter, food, and companionship for homeless men and women in the area. We still have a few slots to fill. Our week this year is December 7-14. We expect to have up to 12 guests staying each night. If interested in volunteering, please see the link on the SJV website. Please contact Bob & Mary Wassmann on (240) 676-7161 or email bob.wassmann@verizon.net for additional information or to volunteer.



LINENS NEEDED

Safe Nights is in need of new or gently used bath towels, hand towels, washcloths, and fitted twin sheets. You can drop your donations off at the Parish Office.

THIS WEEK'S FEASTS

Dec 3: St. Francis Xavier
Dec 4: St. John Damascene
St. Barbara
Dec 6: St. Nicholas



The Racial Justice Ministry members are happy to announce a Christmas Book Giveaway, on Wednesday, December 17th, at the St John Vianney Interfaith Food Pantry distribution. Parishioners are invited to donate new or gently used books for children from babies through teens, in both English and Spanish. Young Adult novels & non-fiction suitable for Middle School and High School students are especially needed. If you would like to donate money to purchase books, please mark your donation "Book Giveaway". Donation bins will be available in the church entryway and in the Vianney Room entrance, from Sunday, November 8th, through Sunday, December 14th. Your kindness will help spread the joy of reading this Christmas season. If you have any questions, please send a message to trudymihalcik@gmail.com, or call 410-586-1674.

The people who walked in
darkness have seen a great
light; upon those who lived
in a land of darkness
a light has shone.

Isaiah 9:1



Advent

• A Time of Preparation •

- Pick up a daily devotional from the Festival Room – there are 3 to choose from!
- Additional Confession times every Tuesday from 6–7 pm
- Fr. John's Installation Mass/Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration – Sunday, December 7 at 10:45 am
- Safe Nights – Sunday, December 7 through Sunday, December 14
- Immaculate Conception (Holy Day) – Monday, December 8 at 8 am and 7 pm
- Advent Penance Service – Tuesday, December 9 at 6 pm
- Youth Night – Thursday, December 11 from 6–8 pm
- Walk With Mary – Saturday, December 13 from 11 am–3 pm
- Breakfast with Santa – Sunday, December 14 from 9–11:30 am
- Youth Caroling, Cookies, & Cocoa – Sunday, December 21 at 2:30 pm
- Las Posadas – Tuesday, December 23 at 7 pm



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FR. JOHN'S INSTALLATION MASS



You are invited to join us in prayer at
the Formal Installation of Fr. John Benson
as Pastor of St. John Vianney

DEC | 07 | 10:45 AM



Fr. John
Gift Link

12/7



10:45



OUR LADY of Guadalupe Celebration

After the 10:45 Mass

Mariachi Band and St. John Vianney Dance Group

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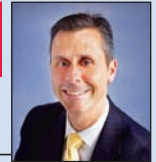
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