

# St. John Francis Regis

December 15, 2024

Third Sunday of Advent



## Mass Times

Sunday  
7am, 9am, 11:30am

Saturday  
8am, 5pm Vigil

Monday-Friday  
7am

Holy Days of Obligation  
7am, 9am, 7pm

## Confessions

Saturday 4pm-6pm,  
and during Sunday Masses

\*Also by appointment

## Adoration

Monday-Friday  
6am-7am

Saturday  
6:30am-7:30am

## Rosary

Monday-Friday  
7:30am

Saturday  
4:30pm

Sunday  
6:30am

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Deacon Ken Scheiber

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Website: [saintjohnsparishhollywood.org](http://saintjohnsparishhollywood.org)

### School

#### Principal

Susan McDonough

#### Vice Principal

Jonathan DeMauro

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### Director of Religious

#### Education

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#### Sunday Classes

Grades K-12  
10:15am-11:15am

The program starts in  
September and ends in May.

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/sjchollywood/](http://www.facebook.com/sjchollywood/) X @sjchollywood

### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. John Francis Regis Parish is to foster a family of faith,  
built on **yesterday's** foundation, so that **today's** spirituality, service, and education  
will continue to grow into **tomorrow's** Catholic community.

**"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow."**



**St. Ammon,**  
**Pray for us!**

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-2, 8**

For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted. A time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.



**December 16: St. Adelaide of Burgundy** (931-999).

Shout out to married women saints who have five kids and put up with husbands who put work in first place; she is buried near Strasbourg, oh, did I mention that her husband was the Emperor Otto the Great?

**December 17: St Jean de Matha** (1213) a French priest from Aix was inspired at his first Mass to dedicate his life to ransoming the Christian slaves from the Muslims in Morocco, Tunisia and Spain. We honor the high school named for him in Hyattsville (Go Greg DeStefano!) His primary relics were moved to Madrid.

**December 18: St. Rufus and St. Zosimus** (107) thrown to the lions in Rome – they get a shout out from St. Ignatius of Antioch and St. Polycarp!!

# Saints Alive!

**December 19: Bd. Urban V** (1310-1370). A French priest from Languedoc and trained in Toulouse, Paris and Avignon who became pope. He listened to Petrarch and St. Bridget of Sweden, who encouraged him to move to Rome. He is the sainted pope of sorrow, suffering and deep emotion as he wept over the state of the Church in Avignon and Rome.

**December 20: St. Ammon and companions** (250). Shout out to Deacon Ammon Ripple on his patronal name-day! He was a brave soldier who declared himself a Christian and was martyred with those he was sent to guard in Alexandria Egypt.

**St. Domingo de Silos** (1073). This St. Domingo appeared to Bd. Joan of Aza in a vision at the end of her pilgrimage – and told her that she will have a son, henceforth to be named the other St. Dominic, who would change the world.

**December 21 St. Peter Canisius** (1521-1597). The ‘second apostle to Germany’ and the Catholic revival (Counter Reformation) largely come from this Jesuit’s work. All it took was one Ignatian retreat and he was in. He moved finally to Fribourg in Switzerland and keeps the city Catholic to this day.

## “To everything there is a season...”

“A time to be born...”

“A time to die, a time to mourn...”

“A time to embrace, a time to love...”

”A time to heal...”

“A time of peace, and a time of war...”

Denise Abell, John Abell, William Abell, Jr.,  
Chuck Anderson, Bob Andrews, Maya Ashton,  
Judy Faye Bakewell, Jackie Barnes,  
Chris Battle, Beverly Bowles, Rose Brady  
Claire Broadhead, Margaret Bush,  
Frances Butler, Ayden Burton, David Calvano,  
Amanda Campbell, Shawn Campbell,  
Joan Carter, Leroy Chapman, Diego Chesley,  
Linda Clarke, Linda Czarzasty, Daniel Davis,  
Mary Delozier, Eric Dexter, Mark Duke,  
William Dunn, Richard Edgington,  
George Fairfax, Jane Farrell, Cherri Fearn,  
Pauline Fitzgerald, Terry Fitzpatrick, Brian  
Galpin, Joseph Gardiner, Tyler Gardiner,  
Isaac Garity, Katie Gatley, Jason & Jennifer  
Gatton, Mary Gelabert, Judy Goddard,  
Ben Gray, John B. Gray, Jack Greenwell



**We are praying for our  
military families at  
home, and abroad.**

# Parish Sacramental Life

## BAPTISMS

The Rite of Baptism is celebrated by appointment. Parents are required to meet with one of the priests and attend an obligatory preparation session preferably before the birth of your child. Call the rectory to schedule your appointment.

## MARRIAGES

Couples seeking to be married in the Church are required to contact the parish office and make arrangements at least 6 months in advance of the ceremony.

Please contact the rectory for more information.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please notify the rectory when a parishioner would like to receive the sacraments and is homebound, in a nursing home, or in the hospital.

## O.C.I.A

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults): Those who are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments are invited to contact the rectory at any time.

### Upcoming Second Collections:

**(Please make all checks payable to St. John's)**

- ◆ January 5 - St. John's Revitalization Fund
- ◆ February 2 - St. John's Revitalization Fund
- ◆ February 12 - St. John's Charitable Society
- ◆ Coming Soon!

### St. John's Confession Schedule

#### Saturday, December 21

Confessions will be offered from 4-4:45pm and during the 5pm Mass!

#### Sunday, December 22

Confessions will be offered at all Masses!



ST. JOHN'S  
CHARITABLE  
SOCIETY

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Saint John's Charitable Society

To learn more about SJCS, contact us at 240-298-7645 or email us at:

[sjcsvicepres@sjchollywood.org](mailto:sjcsvicepres@sjchollywood.org)

*You can help build hope in your local community!*

### St. Aloysius Christmas Dinner

St. Aloysius Church will be hosting a free community Christmas dinner on **Christmas Day 2024 from 1pm to 4pm in the church hall located at 22800 Washington St, Leonardtown, MD 20650**. All are welcome! Please help spread the word and celebrate with us the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

## Keep in touch with us via email and text!

Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates, & more delivered to your phone

TO SIGN UP, TEXT

**SJFLOCK**  
to 84576

SIGN UP ONLINE AT:

[stjohnfrancisregisparish.flocknote.com](http://stjohnfrancisregisparish.flocknote.com)

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## ST. JOHN'S EVENTS



#### December 17

Advent Lessons and Carols  
6pm

#### December 23-January 1

Rectory Office Closed  
Christmas Break

#### December 24

Christmas Eve Masses  
4pm, 6pm, & Midnight

#### December 25

Christmas Day  
Masses: 7am and 11:30am

#### January 1

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
Holy Day of Obligation

#### January 6

St. John's School Resumes

Daily Readings		Mass Intentions
Nm Mt	24:2-7, 15-17a 21:23-27	<b>MONDAY, December 16</b> 7:00am Rev. Charles McCann+
Gn Mt	49:2, 8-10 1:1-17	<b>TUESDAY, December 17</b> 7:00am Dcn. Michael W. Om+
Jer Mt	23:5-8 1:18-25	<b>WEDNESDAY, December 18</b> 7:00am Dcn. Michael W. Om+
Jgs Lk	13:2-7, 24-25a 1:5-25	<b>THURSDAY, December 19</b> 9:00am Dcn. Michael W. Om+
Is Lk	7:10-14 1:26-38	<b>FRIDAY, December 20</b> 7:00am McGlinn-Brogan Family+
Sg Lk	2:8-14 1:39-45	<b>SATURDAY, December 21</b> 8:00am Mary and Joseph Ramsey+ 5:00pm Jacob Bauserman+
Mi Heb Lk	5:1-4a 10:5-10 1:39-45	<b>SUNDAY, December 22</b> 7:00am St. John's Parishioners 9:00am Leavis Family (L), Matthew and Mary Ellen Perry(L), and Hugh Tillman+ 11:30am Eric Kelly+

**St. John's  
Christmas Mass  
Schedule:**

**Tues, December 24**  
4:00pm  
6:00pm

**Wed, December 25**  
12:00am Midnight  
7:00am  
11:30am

**Come join us to celebrate  
the birth of Our Savior!**

**TUESDAY**  
Apologetics with Deacon Ken Scheiber

**Apologetics Cancelled on 12/17!**

7 pm - St. Jude Room - Msgr. Harris Center

1/7 Racism and Catholic Teaching

1/14 The Right to Life

1/21 Obedience and Rebellion

**HOUSE BLESSINGS** - If you would like your home blessed, please call our parish office at 301-373-2281 to make an appointment with Father Ray or Father Braam.

*God Bless this Home and All  
Who Enter*



**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

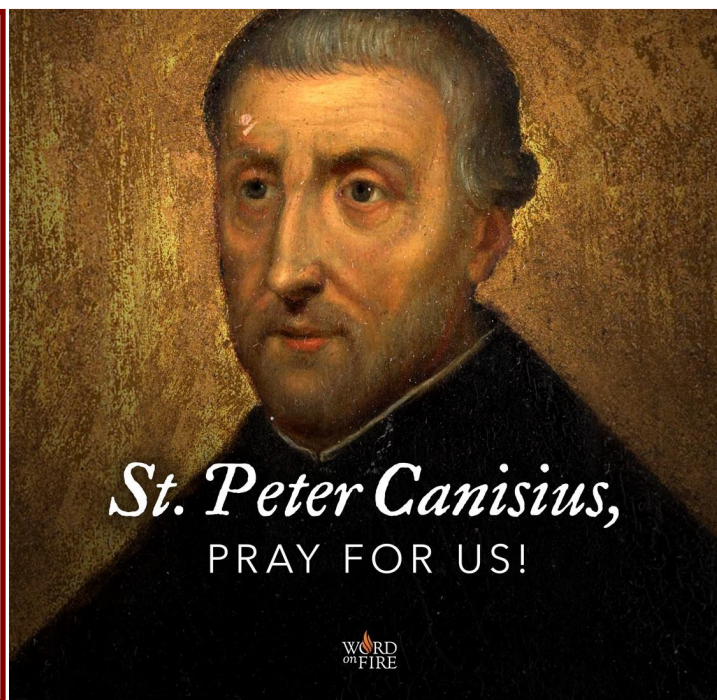
Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm  
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*We are here for you!*



**CATHOLIC CEMETERY** needs your help to maintain the beauty and dignity of the sacred ground by following the cemetery regulations:

- \* Fresh flowers are welcome all year.
- \* Artificial flowers allowed only from November 15 until March 15.
- \* Flowers of any type will be removed by the cemetery grounds keeper when they become unsightly or the particular season/holiday is over.
- \* Other decorations such as glass containers, candles, lights, metal staffs, benches or chairs, etc. are prohibited and subject to immediate removal.
- \* Individual planting of trees, shrubs, flowers etc. are not allowed.
- \* Please keep it simple - excess items may be removed.
- \* Consult our office for specific memorial rules and regulations in the cemetery.



### **St. John's Lessons and Carols**

**Please join us for an evening of Lessons and Carols in the Monsignor Harris Center Gym on Tuesday, December 17! The program will begin at 6:00pm. This is a great opportunity to prepare for Christmas!**

**Join "Formed"! Free to St. John's Parishioners.**

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**Many thanks to the parishioners of St. John's and St. John's Charitable Society for the tremendous support of the Food Pantry at St. Aloysius Church.**

**From October 2023 through September 2024, the Southern Maryland community has provided over 16,000 pounds of food. The donations provided the food pantry with the ability to serve 791 families (2,084 individuals).**

**Your donations also contributed to Senior community residents by making monthly food deliveries to those in need of assistance. Again, thank you for all for the blessings of your donations to those in need in our community.**

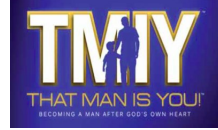
### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Please join us as we adorn our Church for Christmas!**

**Help is needed on the following dates:**  
**SET UP (PHASE 1) – SUN., 15 DEC 2024 (Begin at 2:00 PM)**  
**SET UP (PHASE 2) – TUE., 24 DEC 2024 (Begin at 8:00 AM after Rosary)**  
**BREAKDOWN – SUN., 12 JAN 2025 (Begin after 11:30 AM Mass)**

**For more info, contact Keri Davis, Art & Environment Ministry Lead  
240.299.5330 / Keri22Davis@gmail.com**



**Fiat!** In conjunction with Paradise Dei will start Season One Masterpiece of Creation, a bible study designed for women. For more info: [tavarez5@att.net](mailto:tavarez5@att.net)



**That Man Is You (2 Samuel 12:7)**

Saturdays @ 6:00 AM – 7:30 AM  
Monsignor Harris Center



**St. John's Men's Ministry Group (SJMG)** Fortes in Fide exists to serve the spiritual needs of men, single & married. Saturdays @ 6:45am St. Jude's Rm

Contact: Dan Seep, 757-291-0262,  
[Derseep@hotmail.com](mailto:Derseep@hotmail.com)  
Proverbs 27:17

**Green Team Tips** They recommend protein for breakfast, like eggs or oatmeal. Get used to a simple soup and salad and fruit for lunch. This simplifies other things as well.

### SOMD Mass with Healing Service

MODAY, DECEMBER 16TH, 7PM  
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH,  
Lexington Park.

Beginning at 6PM, additional priests will be available to hear confessions. Following 7PM Mass, all are invited to come and receive healing prayers in the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord. Bring your family member or neighbor. This is a great Advent opportunity to prepare even more fully to receive Jesus into the manger of our heart.



### 2024-2025 WARM St. John's Participation

- WARM is a winter sheltering program sustained by the faith community of St. Mary's County
- Volunteers needed:
  - When: 31 Dec 2024 to 5 Jan 2025
  - Where: Camp Maria
  - Contact Mary McGlenn at (240)298-7645
  - View volunteer slots in Signup Genius under [warm@sjchollywood.org](mailto:warm@sjchollywood.org) or use the QR code:



### Sign up for FaithDirect Today!

Looking for a convenient way to donate to St. John's?

- Ways to give: Visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/MD116>
- Text :ENROLL" to (301) 579-7955
- Call Customer Service at (866) 507-8757
- Scan the QR Code:

### Bulletin Requests

Contact the parish office with any bulletin inserts or announcements **10 days prior to that bulletin date.**

Please include any images to add in your email. **\*Please note, we have a limited amount of space.** We do not have room for full page flyers or documents.

Email announcements and inserts to: [mattuzdavinis@sjchollywood.org](mailto:mattuzdavinis@sjchollywood.org)

