

St. John Capistran

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday.....8:30 a.m.
Saturday Evening.....5:30 p.m.
Sunday Morning.....9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays.....4:30-5:15 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday.....9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN

Mondays.....10:00 a.m.



February 24, 2019
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM: Celebrated one Sunday each month. Baptismal instruction is required, and is conducted four times a year. Call the Rectory Office for details.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): This is a process of prayer, study, and decision for adults who wish to become Catholic, and for baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion or Confirmation. For further information, contact the Rectory Office.

HOLY EUCHARIST: Available to the sick and those confined to their home. Call the Rectory Office.

MARRIAGE: The Pastor should be consulted before a wedding date is determined.

HOLY ORDERS: Please contact the Pastor if you feel you might be called to the priesthood or diaconate.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Available to the chronically or seriously ill. Call the Rectory Office. An anointing service is also conducted annually.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME

Please contact the Rectory Office to register.



MISSION STATEMENT

*We are the Catholic family of St. John Capistran,
called by God, our Creator, to be a community.
We are a Eucharistic people nourished by Jesus through the Sacraments.
We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve all of God's people:
In faith, by spreading the Word of God;
In hope, by passing on the teachings of the Church;
In love, by sharing our resources and talents.*



Mass Intentions for the Week

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 23

5:30 PM Dolores Duda
(*The Wangler Family*)

Sunday, February 24

9:00 AM Emma Kuzma
(*Marge Rose*)

11:00 AM Ted Starcevic
(*Ginny Starcevic & Family*)

Monday, February 25

8:30 AM Dorothy Smith
(*Family*)

Tuesday, February 26

8:30 AM John J. Repcheck
(*Charles & Nancy Whitford*)

Wednesday, February 27

8:30 AM Joe & Jeanie Volanski
(*Steve & Kathy Pfeifer*)

Thursday, February 28

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

8:30 AM Andrew Gans
(*Rich & Ann Marie Boyd*)

Friday, March 1

8:30 AM Louis Quint
(*Terry Abbott*)

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, March 2

5:30 PM John & Lillian Gailys
(*M.J. Mandler*)

Sunday, March 3

9:00 AM For the Parishioners

11:00 AM James McLean
(*George & Virginia Garvey*)



ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019

8:30 AM Mass - SJC

11:30 AM Mass - STM

5:00 PM - Ash Service SJC

5:00 PM - Ash Service STM

7:00 PM - Mass STM

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Going above and beyond . . . This is what Jesus asks of those who choose to follow him. We are called to transcend mere human thinking and to examine life with the eyes and the heart of God. We proclaim a message of love that is unconditional rooted in the depths of our faith. And so, we are called to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. We are called to turn the other cheek instead of seeking revenge or holding grudges. WE are called to have a sacred heart.

In a world of social media that rushes to judgement and condemnation, we are called to rise above it all. Our discipleship is rooted in service not in throwing stones or in insulting each other. We spend so much time in judgment and condemnation, time that would be better spent in prayer for those whom we are quick to judge. Judgement belongs to the Lord who will take care of it in the final judgment at the end of time. It is His task, not ours.

The hallmark of Christianity is our willingness and ability to forgive just as Jesus did and still does. How can we ask to be forgiven if we refuse to forgive? As lyricist John Caird wrote in the musical "Jane Eyre", "Forgiveness is the mightiest sword, it is your highest reward. You must be brave enough to love." We must never lose our sacred heart or our sacred faith, but we must, like Jesus, be brave enough to love. It is truly a challenge but truly good news and a source of redemption.

RECENTLY WELCOMED
TO OUR
CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY
THROUGH BAPTISM

Teagan Murphy Duke

Daughter of

Jacob & Maureen Duke



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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First Eucharist Parent Meeting: There will be a meeting on the Sacrament of the Eucharist for parents with children who will receive the Eucharist for the first time this year at St. John's this Wednesday, February 27th at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Reardon Room. This meeting will address important information regarding the theology and celebration of the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Each family will receive their First Eucharist preparation packet of materials. At least one parent of each First Communicant is expected to attend one of these meetings. We look forward to seeing you there!

Volunteer opportunity for Confirmation Candidates: There will be a service opportunity for our 8th grade Confirmation Candidates to make birthday treat bags for Beverly's Birthdays in Capistran Hall this Sunday, February 24th from noon – 1:00 p.m.



ST. JOHN CAPISTRAN FISH FRY

APRIL 12TH

MUCH HELP WILL BE NEEDED

WATCH BULLETIN FOR
FURTHER INFORMATION

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!

Do to Others as You Would Have Them Do to You – This sentence taken from today's Gospel is usually referred to as the "Golden Rule." Calling this life maxim golden would suggest that something about it is precious. In fact, it highlights that each and every human

life is precious. If we didn't believe that all life is precious, why would it be expected that we would respect and honor others and we expect to be respected and honored ourselves. The dignity and respect that the Golden Rule sets forth applies to all human life as we work to love and support the unborn, the elderly and everyone in between. At the same time, the Golden Rule also applies to every relationship and encounter of our lives. While we all have those people in our lives that are harder to love than others, Jesus calls us to a higher way of living, sacrificing and even suffering in order to love another as we expect to be loved ourselves. *On Mission for The Church Alive!* invites us to live out the Golden Rule in the context of our parish groupings: to welcome as we would expect to be welcomed; to encourage as we would expect to be encouraged; to build up as we would expect to be built up. We are all precious to God and we should make the most of the opportunities we have to let each other know it. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more and to stay informed.

Welcome to Mr. Nick Capone, Assistant Minister of Music

"Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountains high!"

Hello, my name is Nick Capone and I am excited to announce that I will be your new Associate Minister of Music. Until recently, I have lived



in Indiana, PA where I've been involved in music ministry for 10 years. About a year and a half ago I got married at St. Vincent Basilica and moved to Pittsburgh. During that time I began looking for church positions around Pittsburgh, but nothing really seemed to be a good fit. It was when I gave up looking that the Holy Spirit called me to this parish.

Currently, I am finishing a degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh and a degree in Physics from IUP where I am enrolled in a dual degree program. While at IUP I minored in music where I was a recipient of the Carol Teti Memorial Organ Scholarship and studied organ under Dr. Christine Clewell.

I knew I was called to be a church organist ever since I first heard the pipe organ at my grandma's church. Over the last 10 years I have played the piano and organ in multiple churches and accompanied several choirs. It is a blessing and a joy to now be able to join the communities of St. Thomas More and St. John Capistran in building the music program and serving our Lord together.

"Here I am, Lord. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart."