

ST. JOHN VIANNEY – MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2**

5:00 PM + Special Intentions

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

8:00AM + Ryan DeVito / his family

10:00AM + Marcel Diller, Sr/ Skip & Judy Diller

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

5:00 PM + Louise & Paul / Fran & Frank Bagnati

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

8:00AM + Andy Bughoffer, Sr. /Tutzauer Family

10:00AM + Sal Ciuppa/ Skip & Judy Diller

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE - MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

5:00 PM + Carol Angelucci / her husband, Al

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

9:00 AM + 10<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Class & Antioch Team

11:00AM + Angela Sperber / Angelo & Louise Dianci

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

7:30 PM+ Joan Juenling / Kathleen Peterson

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

8:00AM + Adelaiade G. Ciancotta / Veronica Amberson

7:00PM Rosary

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

8:00AM ✕ Dianna & Peter Ganzer 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
(Living) / from Mom

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

8:00 AM + Dorothy Chrobock / Robert & Pam Kallas

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

8:00 AM ✕ John Addice

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

5:00 PM + Bryan Carolan / Antioch Team &  
Saint Thomas / Saint John Office Staff

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

9:00 AM + Jean Doherty / Eric & Jean Stroud

11:00AM + Thomas Ingram / Eric & Jean Stroud

**Helping Hands** is a combined parish community service group. If you are in need of any type of help, or if you know someone who needs help, please contact Gabrielle Dyl at 973-713-0280.

**PROJECT RACHEL:** is a process that leads people to healing and reconciliation after an abortion experience. To talk to someone about beginning this journey, please call 973-777-8818, ext. 272. All calls are confidential.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*February 10, 2019*

**Dear Parish Family:** We are called to be disciples of



Jesus. It is not enough just to believe; we are asked to take up our crosses and follow him. We are challenged to make sacrifices. We are challenged to live out our faith. We are challenged to be the face of Jesus to those whom we meet. As we celebrate Mass today, let us look for the ways that we can better lie

out our faith.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** Anyone requesting a prayer shawl should fill out a form in the lobby of STA/SJV and leave the completed form in the basket. We will contact you with a time to pick up your shawl. For immediate need, please call Gabby Dyl at 973-713-0280. The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets at STA at 7:30 pm the first Thursday of the month. Next meeting: **THIS Thursday, March 7.** For more information call Renee Ferreri: 518-321-5236.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

*How can I transform my life?*

*Have I already transformed my life and feel called to encourage others to do so as well?*

**FAMILY CONNECTION:** As Christians, our moral behavior is guided by the two-part commandment taught by Jesus in today's Gospel: love God and love your neighbor as yourself. Many of us learned to use this framework as an examination of conscience. By examining our lives through the lens of these commandments, we have learned that the challenge of these commandments is not in our desire to follow them but in our capacity to consistently honor these commandments in our daily lives. Jesus' statement that no prophet is accepted in his home town reminds us that it is often difficult to hear a challenging message from those who know us best, even if it is true. Perhaps we remember and even regret this aspect of our childhood and adolescence. We may have overlooked the wisdom and guidance of our parents, while allowing the voices of others—teachers, friends, and counselors—to carry more weight, even when these people were telling us the same thing. Perhaps this developmental stage is unavoidable. Perhaps as we have matured, we have come to a new appreciation for our parents and others whose perspective and experience we once rejected. Today's Gospel provides an opportunity to talk about and to learn from such experiences.

***"TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON, A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE UNDER HEAVEN."***  
***ECCLESIASTES 3:11***

**"A TIME TO BE HEALED"**

**Prayers for the sick:** Brennan McCoy, Kathy Brennen, Aaron Alonzo, Sal D 'Arco, Msgr. Brendan P. Madden, Kevin Wickert, Betty Klein, Fumiko Lutz, Patricia Carapola Courtney Sanchelli, Danny Scillieri, Gail Brennan, Fr. Ron Sordillo, Louis "Louie" Panetta, Rich Day, Richard Lavelle, Marion Coleson, Chris Osborne, Rose Kelly, Stephen Vecchiotti, Devon Carbery, Vincent Ottani, Mrs. Karas, Ernie Sudo, Penny Sorokach (nursing home), Brandon Wozniak, Darlene Kolakovic, Sophia Wolters, Fr. Dan Kelly, Fr. Joseph Farias, Helen Turosky, David Diller, Joe Endlicher, Janice Barry, Joey Dyl and Catherine Feuss.

**"A TIME TO MOURN"**

**Prayers for the deceased:** Carolyn Wright, Regina McCartney, Joseph Wyso, Loretta Perrucci, Theodore Ciesla, Lewis Kansas, Elvira Budesheim, Pauline Diliberto, Sam Carabello, Alex D'Arco, Joan Cartier, Timothy Egan, Michael Kaiser, Anna Annuzzi, Leah Mary Cummings, Eileen Carbery, Marjorie (Peggy) Zajdel, Marge Endlicher, Chris Hirsch, Joan France, Esther Benard, Vincent Ginella, Marguerite Socci, Antoinette Sterlaci, Mark Hale, Esther Punturieri, Lucy Cox, Claire Reilly, Joseph Romano, Madeline Mae Greischel, James Geary, John Zboraj, Sr., Helen Rogers, William Noriega, Gary Feiner, J. Glenn Beury, Shelia Rhoades, and Fred Wallenburg, Anthony E. Rosciszewski, Leonard Falchek, Alice Rose Witty, Peter A. Kelly, Stephen Eltringham, Richard Hanratty, Maria Aranzullo, Susan Menke. Rev. Msgr. Martin Rauscher, Bill Povalitis, Sal Romano, Ann Marie Dwornikoski, Bob Carapola, Margaret Niven, Joan King, Anthony Bello, Natasha Culic, Patricia Galgano, Katherine "Kitty" Bowers, Lena Ferrara, Msgr. Charles Rso, Patricia A. Otto, Michael Halczli Sr., Kathleen Mitchell and Ryan Scott DeVito, Silvia G. Wickert, Helen Carabillo, Rita DeVito, Lucy Fitzsimmons, Johanna Schnackenberg, James Bottcher, John Ryan, Vicki Cardinali, Steve Corman, Frank Codioli, Jay Cuervo, Patricia Gott, Kenneth Schumann, Thomas Ingram, Jerry Busko, Angelina DeLucia, Fr. Leo Carey, Leonard Den Bleyker, Joan Juengling, Bishop Frank J. Rodimer, Karen A. Tofilski, Angela Sperber, Bryan Carolan and Ante Culic, Jean Doherty, Sophia Wolters, Pat Esposito and Jozef Zajecki.

**"A TIME FOR PEACE"**

**For national and world leaders and those currently serving in the armed forces especially:**

SGT Michael Koval, USMC, PFC Jonathan Cuervo, USMC, PFC Anthony Imperato, USMC, Michael Guarino, US Army, LCpl Sebastian Geary, USMC, USAF Airman James Perez, Sgt. Antoino Lettizia, USMC, OSSR Anthony S. Gambuti, US Navy

In honor of the Military serving our country at home and abroad, we invite you to remain after the Recessional Song at all weekend Masses to recite three (3) Hail Mary's for their safety.

**FROM THE DESK OF OUR FAVORITE SEMINARIAN**

**A Wonderful News**

*Before I begin, I would like to inform you that I am a normal human being who like 99% of the population have fallen in love.*

I still pray for her. When I am in my holy hour, I still think of her, having moments of serenity with her in front of the Blessed Sacrament at her own request.

I dated a woman for two years. She was a sophomore in college, I was taking a break after graduating from seminary to teach at her cousin's school where we first met. She caught my attention not just with her physical beauty but by her character. Desirable is the word: pretty, smart, eloquent, funny, patient, and most importantly, very Catholic. She loved me despite my imperfections. But I know she is meant for someone else.

She was a wreck when I left. Broken to pieces as my friend told me. I know she will be happy someday, I even told my friend to tell her to forget everything about me, tell her to pray, so the pain would be gone sooner than later. She never did. And she never stopped praying as well.

Last week, I received a call from her. I didn't answer because I was afraid of smite. Then my mother called. She said she is with her in a coffee shop in Manila.

I was praying for her happiness. Though, I didn't expect her happiness to be very similar to mine. My mother sent a picture of them together I was elated. When I saw her, I saw a saint: I saw courage, happiness, purity, and love in her smile. I saw the same woman that I fell for back in 2014, except now, she is happier than ever.

I still haven't talked to her. I vowed to be a priest first before I do. I wish to say mass at the Carmelite convent someday. I've never been there, so it would be nice to tour the place. She had one message though: *"get a haircut, tita (aunt, my mother) showed me your picture. I don't like it. But I like the way you look in the altar."*

-Sis. Maria

**Sisters Against Human Trafficking: February –**



**February 8 is the feast of St Josephine Bakhita.** Her life inspires a firm resolve to work effectively to free girls and women from oppression of violence and return them to their dignity in the full exercise of their rights. Purchase a video of her life for your parish or watch her life story on **YouTube. [US Catholic Sisters](#)**

***Against Human Trafficking. VISIT:***  
**[sistersagainsttrafficking.org](http://sistersagainsttrafficking.org)**

**READINGS FOR  
FIFTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**

**Monday**

Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56

**Tuesday**

Gn 1:20—2:4a; Mk 7:1-13

**Wednesday**

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23

**Thursday**

Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30

**Friday**

Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37

**Saturday**

Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10

**Saint Josephine Bakhita's Story:** For many years, Josephine Bakhita was a slave but her spirit was always free and eventually that spirit prevailed.

Born in Olgossa in the Darfur region of southern Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped at the age of 7, sold into slavery and given the name Bakhita, which means *fortunate*. She was resold several times, finally in 1883 to Callisto Legnani, Italian consul in Khartoum, Sudan.

Two years later, he took Josephine to Italy and gave her to his friend Augusto Michieli. Bakhita became babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, whom she accompanied to Venice's Institute of the Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters. While Mimmina was being instructed, Josephine felt drawn to the Catholic Church. She was baptized and confirmed in 1890, taking the name Josephine.

When the Michielis returned from Africa and wanted to take Mimmina and Josephine back with them, the future saint refused to go. During the ensuing court case, the Canossian Sisters and the patriarch of Venice intervened on Josephine's behalf. The judge concluded that since slavery was illegal in Italy, she had actually been free since 1885.

Josephine entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later. In 1902, she was transferred to the city of Schio (northeast of Verona), where she assisted her religious community through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and welcoming visitors at the door. She soon became well loved by the children attending the sisters' school and the local citizens. She once said, "Be good, love the Lord, pray for those who do not know Him. What a great grace it is to know God!"

The first steps toward her beatification began in 1959. She was beatified in 1992 and canonized eight years later.

**BAPTISM**

**At SJV:** the last Sunday of the month either during the 10:00 am Mass **or at 11:15 am.** (Note the change in time)

**At STA:** the First Sunday of the month - either during the 11:00 a.m. Mass **or at 12:15 pm.** (Note the change in time.)

Couples desiring to have their child baptized should be active parishioners, attending Mass regularly. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Meeting.

The next meeting will take place at Saint Thomas the Apostle on Monday evening **March 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm.** (Future dates: May 13, July 8, September 9, November 11) To make baptismal arrangements contact the parish office by email: [terry@ststthomasjohn.org](mailto:terry@ststthomasjohn.org) or call Saint John Vianney at 973-697-6550 / Saint Thomas the Apostle at 973-208-0090.

**Knights of Columbus ~ Council Meetings**

**St. John Vianney Council #12649** meets at Saint John Vianney Church Hall the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

**Joseph Lamb Council #5510** meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at Wiegand Farm – Department for Persons with Disabilities' meeting room. Both meetings start at 7:30 p.m.

**MARRIAGES**

Prior to your booking of the reception, please call the Parish Office 1 year in advance of the wedding date to allow for proper pre-marital preparation.

**CONFESSIONS**

**Saturday Evening:** 4:00 to 4:45 PM.

**By request:** contact the parish office.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**Saint John Vianney/Saint Thomas the Apostle**  
**debbie@ststthomasjohn.org**

**Grades K-8:** Saturday mornings 8:30 – 9:45AM

September – April at White Rock Elementary School.

**Combined Confirmation Classes (9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

September – April, Alternating weeks on Sunday mornings at Saint Thomas beginning with 9:00AM Mass until 11:30am.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** A parishioner is one who belongs to the parish family. As such, he/she is registered and is committed through participation in the life of the parish. Marriages to be administered and Sponsor Certificates, recommendations, etc. to be issued by the office, the person requesting such must be registered and an active member of Saint John Vianney Parish or Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish community. We request that you register at the rectory when you move into our community so that we may be of service to you.