



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Parroquia De San Juan Evangelista

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 14, 2018

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church is a community of culturally diverse people called to serve God. We fulfill this mission through: celebration of the sacraments, prayer, education, stewardship & evangelization.

San Juan Evangelista Iglesia Catolica es una comunidad de personas culturalmente diversas llamadas a server a Dios. Cumplimos esta mision a traves de: la celebracion de los sacramentos, la oracion, la educacion, el servicio y la evangelizacion.

Welcome To Our Parish!

THE LAMB OF GOD

“Behold the Lamb of God!” We hear this phrase every Sunday at Mass, but there’s a good chance that many Roman Catholics do not know who in the Bible originally spoke it. The phrase appears only in the Gospel of John, on the lips of John the Baptist, who utters it twice. In today’s Gospel reading, John proclaims Jesus as the Lamb of God, and two of John’s own disciples then follow Christ. A little bit later Andrew, who heard John and then followed Jesus, brings his brother Simon to be re-named Cephas, or Peter. A careful look at these Bible verses shows us the mission of everyone baptized into the Body of Christ: we must always proclaim our faith in Christ, so that others will follow him. We may not know how the will of God might work through those we bring to Christ; that is not the point. The point is that our ongoing mission as a church is to bring others to Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Ordinary Time” began for us this week. On the old calendar, the feast of the Presentation, still more than two weeks away, was the last day of the Christmas season. Sadly, Bethlehem is hardly a place of peace on earth these days. The ancient Christian community has been largely uprooted by political strife. The Church of the Nativity stands (barely) in remarkable disrepair and disorder in Manger Square. The roof is crumbling, the major doorways are blocked, the wiring is faulty, and the worship life is disrupted by quarrels among Eastern Christians.

The church was founded by the Emperor Constantine in 325, destroyed in a Samaritan revolt in 539, and rebuilt by the Emperor Justinian. When the area came under Muslim control in 638, the holiness of the church was respected, and in return Christians allowed Muslims to pray in the south aisle, a right still upheld. Earlier in that century, invading Persians were ordered to destroy all churches, but when they saw the magi carved over the doorway of the Church of the Nativity, they spared it out of respect for their ancestors who bore gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the same city. The Crusaders restored and redeccorated the church by the twelfth

century, and it is their plan that survives. Down a few stone steps is a stone grotto with a silver star marking the place of Christ’s birth: when the star was stolen in 1847 it triggered an international crisis that exploded into the Crimean War.

Since 1852, the church has been shared by the Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, and Armenian Churches. The Greeks are in charge of the grotto, but don’t enjoy the best of friendships with the Armenians. Catholics have the care of the Chapel of the Manger, and avoid the squabbles by a separate entrance to the Franciscan monastery church of St. Catherine. Pray for peace in Bethlehem!

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

LEGION OF MARY ANNUAL REUNION on January 20, 2018
@ St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church in Jonesboro • Liturgy of the Hour at 8:15am • Mass at 8:30 am • Refreshments will be served following mass • Everyone is invited.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY (SUNDAY) IN DALY HALL AFTER 8 & 10 AM MASSES

Parish Information

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Campaign Amount \$427,000.00
 Amount Raised To Date *We're doing it* \$277,664.03
 Balance Remaining \$149,335.97

*Please continue to give so we can **repay** the **entire** loan.*

ANNUAL APPEAL ~ We are waiting for the final count of the 2017 Annual Appeal. We thank everyone who donated so that we could reach our goal! We will publish the results as soon as the numbers are in.

2017 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Parish Goal \$43,900.00
 Amount Paid \$42,197.57
 Amount Remaining \$ 1,702.43

288 Pledges Already Turned In

*Thank you for your pledges and for your continued support of St. John's!
 Te damos gracias por tus promesas y por su apoyo continuo de San Juan!*

CONSTRUCTION ~ Thank you to everyone as we go through the next stage of construction for our sanctuary. We ask for your continued cooperation and special care of the School's Enrichment Center as we use it.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST ~ Join us in Daly Hall for \$4 Breakfast after the 8am and 10am masses this morning & share fellowship!

PARISH DIRECTORY ~ We're going to be creating a new and improved parish directory soon so watch for information about getting your pictures taken and information updated!!

MLK CELEBRATION ~ The Office of Intercultural and Ethnic Diversity invites you to participate in our MLK JR. CELEBRATION on 1/14, 20-21, 2018. This year's theme is "Live in Peace, and the God of Love and Peace Will Be With You" (2 Corinthians 13:11) and will begin on Sunday, 1/14, with the Young Adult "Service and Sips" Brunch and Service Opportunity at 2:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 25 Boulevard NE, Atl. On Saturday, 1/20, at 1:00 p.m., the Eucharistic Celebration at the Catholic Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Church, 48 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. SW, Atl. With Archbishop Wilton Gregory celebrating. The conclusion will be the Youth Celebration at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, 1/21, at St. Peter Claver Regional Catholic School, 2560 Tilson Road, Decatur. *Guests to all events are invited to bring canned goods, clothing or cleaning products for donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia.* For more information about the 2018 MLK Jr. Celebration, please contact Mr. Ashley Morris, Associate Director of the Office of Intercultural and Ethnic Diversity, at amorris@archatl.com or 404-920-7586.

Weekly Offering for January 7, 2018

Weekly Goal *Revised 9/19/16* **\$11,872.00**
Offertory \$ 8,142.45
Online Giving \$ 55.00
Difference (\$ 3,674.55)

Parish Office: 230 Arnold St., Hapeville, GA 30354
 Regular Office Hours: Tues - Fri 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
 Phone 404-768-5647/Fax 404-767-6416

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School Office: 240 Arnold St., Hapeville, GA 30354
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 Website: www.sjec.org



Each Mass is celebrated for one special intention only. For specific dates, please send your request to the office at least **4 weeks in advance** and include your phone number. Also let us know if the mass intention is for someone Living (L) or Deceased (D). **Thank you.**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 13

8:30am Pat Jardin (D) ~ Jardin Family
 5:00pm Kim & Khan Nguyen (L) & Family ~ Pastor
 7:00pm *For Souls in Purgatory*

Sunday, January 14

8:00am Dr. & Mrs Jacob Mgbemena (L) & Family ~ Mgbemena Family
 10:00am Philomina Ekezie (L) Birthday ~ Ekezie Family
 12:30pm *For All St. John Parishioners*

Monday, January 15

7:00am Bob and Marybeth Grenner (L) & Family ~ Pastor
 8:30pm Alberto Da Conceicao (D) ~ Pawlik Family

Tuesday, January 16

7:00am Linda Nguyen (L) ~ Pastor
 8:30am Louise Hanna (D) ~ Pawlik Family

Wednesday, January 17

7:00am Luke & Jaclyn Hohmann (L) ~ Pastor
 8:30am Daminh Duong Van Hien (D) ~ Ninh Family

Thursday, January 18

7:00am Ebuka Thomas Aquinas Ihehuokwu (L) & Family ~ Pastor

8:30am Maria Nguyen Thi Diep (D) Ninh Family

Friday, January 19

7:00am Francis & Lucy Tran (L) ~ Pastor
 8:30am Giuse Pham Van Tan (D) ~ Ninh Family

Saturday, January 20

8:30am Rosa Duong Thi Tan (D) ~ Ninh Family
 5:00pm Usebius Uzodinma (D) ~ Pastor

◆ **LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE** ◆

5:00 PM Saturday

Greeter/Usher
 Lector

8:00 AM Sunday

Greeter/Usher
 Lector

10:00 AM Sunday

Greeters/Ushers
 Lector
 Ministers of Communion

January 20, 2018

Rick Luteran, Nick Sauro
 Verble Alexander

January 21, 2018

Sue Yarber/Gary Filla
 Margaret Warner

January 21, 2018

Benton Walker, Sylvester Brown
 Sr. Helen Mick
 Lerma Anderson, Christina Bialoglow, John Bialoglow, Maria Bialoglow, Anne McCallum, Robert Mize, Teresita Saethang, Shirley Warrior, Bernice Zellner

◆ **Church Cleaning**

Jan 20 Spanish Community
 Jan 27 St. John's Parents

◆ **Altar Linens** ◆

Jan 20 Tammy Ruppel
 Jan 27 Iris Goodly

**Thank you to all of our Volunteers.
 You are the best (and most blessed) in Atlanta!**

CORDERO DE DIOS

“Este es el Cordero de Dios”. Escuchamos esta frase todos los domingos en la Misa pero es muy probable que muchos católicos no sepan quién la pronunció originalmente en la Biblia. La frase aparece en el Evangelio de Juan, en los labios de Juan Bautista a quien dice dos veces. En la lectura del Evangelio de hoy, Juan proclama que Jesús es el Cordero de Dios y entonces dos de los discípulos de Juan siguen a Cristo. Un poco más tarde Andrés, quien escuchó a Juan y siguió a Jesús, lleva a su hermano Simón para que reciba un nuevo nombre: Kefás, es decir Pedro. Si estudiamos a fondo estos versículos de la Biblia vemos la misión de todos los bautizados en el Cuerpo de Cristo: Siempre debemos proclamar nuestra fe en Cristo, para que otros lo sigan. Quizás no sepamos de qué manera la voluntad de Dios obrará en los que llevamos a Cristo, pero eso no es lo importante. Lo que importa es que nuestra misión constante como Iglesia es llevar a otras personas a Cristo, el Cordero de Dios, que quita el pecado del mundo.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Según una vieja costumbre latina, no se les debe llamar por nombre a los niños mientras todavía están en el vientre de su madre. Mis padres siempre me hablaban por nombre durante el embarazo de mi mamá. Esto por supuesto molestaba a mi abuelita quien decía que si me iban a hablar por nombre sería mejor llamarme Tiburcio. La gran sorpresa de mis padres fue que nací el día de san Tiburcio. Gracias a Dios mis padres no eran tradicionalitas, sino tuviera que pasar mi vida con ese nombre.

Muchos latinoamericanos todavía siguen la tradición del onomástico; de dar a su hijo o hija el nombre del santo o de la santa en cuyo día nació. Esta costumbre se hace con doble intención: 1) para implorar la protección del santo sobre el recién nacido y 2) para que el niño o la niña tenga un buen ejemplo como modelo para su vida. Esta última razón implica tener que conocer e imitar al santo o a la santa.

Si tu hijo nace el 16 de enero puedes nombrarlo: Fulgencio, Acursio, Adiuto, Frisio y Tolomeo. O si es niña, Priscila o el femenino de los previos.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Llamamiento Anual del Arzobispo

Estamos esperando el conteo final del Llamamiento Anual de 2017 del Arzobispo. Gracias a todos los que dieron para ayudarnos a alcanzar nuestro objetivo!

Rifas

Gracias por su cooperación. Ya están a la venta los boletos de 3 microondas con 3 ganadores de solo \$5 el boleto. Compre el suyo HOY!

Horario de Misas

Sábado 7:00PM. Adoración al Santísimo todos los sábados después de la Misa de 7:00PM. Confesiones después de misa. Domingo misa de 12:30 PM.

Talleres de Oración y Vida

Talleres de oración y Vida. Contactar a Antonia 404-960-6816 en Español y Rebeca 404-819-8289 en Inglés.

Reservaciones en San Juan

PreBautismales para el SABADO 17 de Febrero comenzar pronto para más información comunicarse con Sagrario y Maribel. Gracias por su comprensión.

Durante La Construction

El catecismo será de 10:30am a 1:30 concluyendo con misa de 12:30. Gracias por su paciencia y cooperación Confirmación junta de padres el 19 de Enero a las 7pm 1ra Comunión junta de padres el 25 de Enero a las 7pm

Prebautismales Y Prematrimoniales

Para información para bautismo, matrimonio, quinceñera, etc. favor de venir a la oficina parroquia los Miércoles y Jueves 10AM a 1PM horario en Español.

Grupo Elisha

Jóvenes entre los 15 - 20 años que quieran hacer parte de este proyecto de nuestra Parroquia. Nos reunimos todos los Viernes a las 6 PM en los salones del catecismo.

Grupo de Acólitos

Para todos los que quieran servir en el Altar durante las Misas en Español les recordamos que el grupo de Acólitos se reúne todos los Viernes a las 6 PM en los salones del catecismo primer piso.

Hombres de Fe

Ministerio Católico Hombres de Fe los invita a sus reuniones si está buscando perseverar y conocer más de la palabra venga cada segundo y cuarto Sábado de mes en los salones de catecismo a las 8PM.

