



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

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First Sunday of Advent ~ December 2, 2018 ~ Primer Domingo de Adviento

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! ~ Bienvenido a Nuestra Parroquia!

THE PROMISE OF JUSTICE

We are in fairly good company when we ask God for justice. Often enough we hear and agree with the lament of the people of Israel asking God why the wicked prosper. However, when we call out for justice, we usually want someone to get his or her comeuppance. God's justice is something other than this, of course. God's justice comprises a wonderful rightness between God and humankind.

Today, Jeremiah looks ahead to a time when a just one will sprout from the shorn-off stump of Jesse of the house and family of David. Life was not fair in Jeremiah's time. Israel's kings held the promise of God's fidelity, but it was difficult to see how God's promise could be realized through them.

Nevertheless, Jeremiah lifts his voice and announces that the Promised One will come. Luke's Gospel echoes that announcement, and Paul is filled with sturdy encouragement. And so Advent begins with a promise.

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First Sunday of Advent

I will raise up for David a just shoot;
 he shall do what is right and just in the land.

— *Jeremiah 33:15*

LA PROMESA DE JUSTICIA

Estamos en buena compañía cuando clamamos a Dios por justicia. Con frecuencia escuchamos y estamos de acuerdo con el pueblo de Israel que pregunta a Dios por qué el malo prospera. Sin embargo, cuando clamamos por justicia usualmente queremos que alguien reciba el castigo que se merece. Obviamente la justicia de Dios es más que eso. La justicia de Dios abarca una maravillosa rectitud entre Dios y la humanidad.

En la lectura de hoy Jeremías avizora un tiempo en el que un justo brotará del tronco de Jesé, de la casa y la familia de David. La vida no era justa en el tiempo de Jeremías. Los reyes de Israel mantenían viva la promesa de la fidelidad de Dios, pero era difícil ver cómo la promesa de

Dios se podía cumplir por medio de ellos.

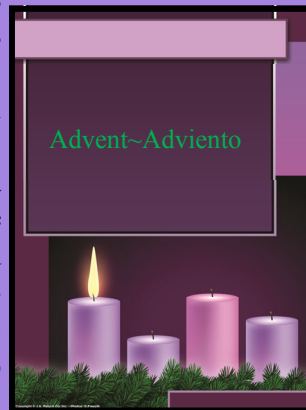
No obstante, Jeremías levanta la voz y anuncia que ya viene el Salvador prometido. El Evangelio de Lucas hace eco de ese anuncio, y Pablo se llena de un gran ánimo. De esta manera el Adviento comienza con una promesa.

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Primer Domingo de Adviento

Yo haré nacer del tronco de David un vástago santo, que ejercerá la justicia y el derecho en la tierra.

— *Jeremías 33:15*



Parish Information

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Campaign Amount	\$427,000.00
Amount Raised To Date <i>We're doing it</i>	\$339,386.48
Balance Remaining	\$ 87,613.52

Please continue to give so we can **repay** the **entire** loan.
 Por favor sigan dando así podemos reembolsar la totalidad del préstamo.

Weekly Offering for November 18, 2018

Attendance	Weekly Goal	<i>Revised 9/19/16</i>	\$11,872.00
75	7 PM Wednesday		\$ 176.50
106	5 PM Saturday		\$ 714.00
105	7 PM Saturday		\$ 485.61
98	8AM Sunday		\$ 866.00
203	10AM Sunday		\$ 1,682.36
285	12:30PM Sunday		\$ 1,202.60
176	7 PM Sunday		\$ 470.42
	Miscellaneous Split Check		\$ 192.00
	Online Giving		\$ 260.00
	Offertory Total		\$ 6,049.49
	Difference		(\$ 5,822.51)
	Spanish Special Projects		\$ 468.02

Weekly Offering for November 26, 2018

Attendance	Weekly Goal	<i>Revised 9/19/16</i>	\$11,872.00
95	7 PM Wednesday		\$ 131.63
94	8:30 AM Thanksgiving		\$ 724.00
90	5 PM Saturday		\$ 911.75
105	7 PM Saturday		\$ 387.00
96	8AM Sunday		\$ 756.00
217	10AM Sunday		\$ 1,782.00
240	12:30PM Sunday		\$ 1,057.55
142	7 PM Sunday		\$ 453.67
	Miscellaneous Split Check		\$ 70.00
	Online Giving		\$ 295.00
	Offertory Total		\$ 6,568.60
	Difference		(\$ 5,303.40)
	Spanish Special Projects		\$ 531.25

St. John the Evangelist Pew Campaign

We have a pew campaign for additional pews in the Sanctuary. We are asking for donations to have a pew or pew section dedicated in honor or in memory of a family member or loved one or donated by different ministries or others who would like to donate to our campaign.

Donation amounts requested:

For a full 5 section pew \$1,000.00 (or \$250.00 per section). For a full 3 section pew (pews in front of the Day Chapel) \$500.00 (or \$250.00 per section). For your donation two 2" X 4" plates will be engraved with your message (one on each end of a pew or on each section).

Names and relationship will be placed with your information. All pew dedications will be on a first come first served basis. All pews will remain the property of St. John the Evangelist and neither donations, dedications nor plated engravings give dedicated or priority seating privileges in a pew. Amounts raised over the cost of additional pews will be added to the Special Project funds, not the Capital Campaign funds.



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
 LAS INTENCIONES PARA LA MISA**

Saturday, December 1

8:30am Lorenzo Nguyen V. Huong (D) ~ Ninh Family
 5:00pm John M. Carter Jr. (D) ~ Carter Family
 7:00pm **For All Souls In Purgatory**

Sunday, December 2

8:00am Celestine Washington (D) ~ Elizabeth Hill
 10:00am Maria Bialoglow (L) Birthday ~ Bialoglow Family
 12:30pm **For All St. John Parishioners**
 7:00pm **For All Sick Parishioners**

Monday, December 3

7:00am All Souls ~ Ninh Family
 8:30am Linda Nguyen (L) ~ Pastor

Tuesday, December 4

7:00am Lorenzo Nguyen V. Hanh (D) ~ Ninh Family
 8:30am Elizabeth Hill (D) ~ Pastor

Wednesday, December 5

7:00am Lorenzo Ninh V. Mui (D) ~ Ninh Family
 8:30am Helen Wehling (D) ~ Carol Simmons
 7:00pm **For All Sick Persons**

Thursday, December 6

7:00am Mary E. Allen (L) Birthday ~ Phillis Baker
 8:30am Sue & Jim Yarber Anniversary ~ Sue Yarber

Friday, December 7

7:00am Joseph Misale (D) ~ Mike Misale
 8:30am Lorenzo Ninh Q. Minh (D) ~ Ninh Family

Saturday, December 8

8:30am Lawrence Helbringer (D) ~ Pawlik Family
 5:00pm Lorenzo Ninh Q. Huy (D) ~ Ninh Family
 7:00pm **For All Souls In Purgatory**



Cada Misa se celebra por una intención especial solamente. En determinadas fechas, por favor envíe su petición a la oficina al menos 4 semanas de anticipación e incluir su número de teléfono. También déjenos saber si la intención es masivo para alguien que vive (V) o fallecidos (F).
 Gracias.

**2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal
 Llamamiento Anual del Arzobispo 2018**

Parish Goal	\$41,000.00
Amount Paid	\$37,565.31
Amount Remaining	\$ 3,434.69

239 Pledges already turned in

*This year's theme: Go Therefore And Make Disciples
 El tema de este año: Vayan Pues Y Hagan Discipulos*

*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!*

◆ **LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE** ◆

5:00 PM Saturday December 8, 2018
 Greeters/Ushers Nick Sauro, Rick Luteran
 Bogie Wallace
 Lector Verble Alexander

8:00 AM Sunday December 9, 2018
 Greeters/Ushers Todd Hausman, Extra Rivers,
 Mark Tursich,
 Lector John Brown

10:00 AM Sunday December 9, 2018
 Greeters/Ushers Junior Knights & Junior Daugh-
 ters of Peter Claver
 Lector John Bialoglow
 Ministers of Cathy Asemota, Solomon Asem-
 ota, Christina Bialoglow,
 Communion Dreidra Brawner, Chevonne
 Brawner, Patricia Bullock, Anne
 McCallum, Robert Mize,
 Sue Yarber

◆ **Church Cleaning** ◆

December 15 ~ Ladies of Peter Claver
 December 22 ~ Spanish Community

◆ **Altar Linens** ◆

December 15 ~ Phillis Baker
 December 22 ~ Tuyet Nguyen

*Thank you to all of our Volunteers.
 The best and most blessed in Atlanta!*

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**Time and Talent Opportunities**

We are looking to expand our ministries that help us to clean our sacred church space and to clean our sacramental linens. If you have a couple of hours on a Saturday once every two months to help clean the church or if you would like to wash and iron the altar linens once every two months (we'll show you what to do) please contact Sue Yarber after mass to let her know you're interested. You can also call the office and leave your phone number and email (if you have one) and we will gladly put you on the upcoming schedule for 2019. We can really use your help and the church will look cared for because of your loving attention. *Thank you.*



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Le invitamos a apoyar nuestros anunciantes en la última página del boletín. Hágales saber que usted es miembro de San Juan cuando usted utiliza sus servicios!

**MINISTRIES**

Parish Council  
 Sheila Appling ~ Sappling76@yahoo.com  
 St. Vincent De Paul  
 Carla Ross ~ 404-766-3944  
 Food Pantry on Tuesday  
 Call 404-766-3944 on Tuesday  
 From 10:30am – 12:30pm  
 For appointment for Financial Assistance  
 Prison Ministry  
 Deacon Dick Tolcher ~ rtolcher@archatl.com  
 Religious Education  
 Daphny Keel ~ dapkee@msn.com  
 Respect Life  
 Jean Hess ~ 404-808-4256  
 Legion of Mary  
 Cathy Asemota ~ Casemota@bellsouth.net  
 Knights of Columbus  
 Bob Anderson ~ ander11178@comcast.net  
 Knights of Peter Claver  
 John Brown ~ brow5161@gmail.com  
 Stewardship  
 Susan Burroughs ~ sburroughs@stjohnevangelist.net  
 Baptism  
 Nick Goodly ~ ninjgoodly@aol.com  
 Sacristan  
 Sue Yarber ~ syarber@comcast.net  
 AACCW  
 Patricia Hampton ~ pchampton@comcast.net  
 Music  
 Phillis Baker ~ 404-768-5647 Ext 211  
 Carla DeBord & Erica Deloney

**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  
 Website: www.stjohnevangelist.net

**School Office:** 240 Arnold St., Hapeville, GA 30354  
 Office Hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-3:30pm  
 Phone 404-767-4312

Website: www.sjecs.org ~ Mrs. Karen Vogtner, Principal

*The Archdiocese of Atlanta* requires all students to participate in “VIRTUS-Teaching Touching Safety” Safe Environment Training. Children are taught that God is a loving, listening, caring presence in their daily lives and that they should feel secure and safe in sharing information about problems or people that worry them with a trusted adult. This program is provided to us by the Archdiocese of Atlanta and is a part of our ongoing effort to help create and maintain a safe environment for children and to protect all children from sexual abuse.

**If your child is in grades 2-12 at St. John the Evangelist, the VIRTUS-Teaching Touching Safety Program” session will be presented.** Sessions are age-appropriate and parents are welcome to attend. The next date will be this Sunday, Dec. 2nd for grades 9 - 12. The session will begin at 11 AM in Daly Hall (during regular Religious Ed class time). For more information on the Touching Safety program, visit the VIRTUS *Online*™ website at www.virtus.org.

**MASS TIMES*****Weekend Masses/Misas Fin de Semana:***

Saturday Vigil/Sábado 4pm (E), 7 pm (S)

*Adoracion al Santisimo todos los sabados después de la Misa de 7:00PM. Confesiones despues de misa.  
Adoration and confession after 7:00 PM Mass.*

Sunday/Domingo 8am, 10am  
Spanish/Español 12:30pm,  
7pm

***Weekday Masses/Misas Diarias:***

Saturday/Sábado 8:30am  
Monday-Friday/Lunes-Vie 7am, 8:30am  
Spanish/Wednesdays/Miércoles 7pm

***Confessions/Confesiones:***

Saturdays/Sábados 9am and 3pm

***Monthly/Last Friday:***

Spanish 7:00pm

**Misa de unción de los enfermos**Cada cuarto Viernes - 7 pm.**Healing mass**Every fourth Friday -7pm.**Asamblea**

Grupo de evangelizacion los invita a la asamblea general cada segundo viernes del mes 8pm.

**General Assembly**

Evangelism Group invites you to the General Assembly every second Friday of the month at 8pm in the Sanctuary.

**Prebautismales Y Prematrimoniales**

Para informacion para bautismo, matrimonio, quinceñera, etc. favor de venir a la oficina parroquia los Miercoles 10AM a 1PM horario en Espanol. Póngase en contacto con Nick considerable en Ninjgoodly@aol.com bautismo para clases de Inglés.

**Prebaptism and Premarital**

For information for baptisms, marriage, quinceñeras, etc. please come to the parish office on Wednesdays from 10AM to 1PM for assistance in Spanish. Contact Nick Goodly at ninjgoodly@aol.com for baptism classes in English.

**Grupo de Adolescentes Parroquial**

Jóvenes entre los 14 - 19 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.

**Parish Youth Group**

Youth between the ages of 14 - 19 years are invited who want to be part of this project of our Parish meet every Friday at 6 PM in the parish office.

**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.

**Altar Servers**

For all those who want to serve on the Altar during Mass in Spanish we remind you that the group of acolytes meets every Friday at 6 PM in the Parish Office on the first floor.

**Hombres de Fe**

Ministerio Catolico Hombres de Fe los invita a sus reuniones si esta buscando perseverar y conoser mas de la palabra venga cada segunda y cuarto Sabado de mes en los salones de catesismo a las 8PM. No ministerios "grupo" de hombres que intentar vivir mas profundamente su fe y buscan una relacion mas profunda con Jesu Cristo.

**Men of Faith**

Ministry of Catholic Men ~ Men of Faith are invited to these meetings. If you're looking to persevere and know more about the Word, come each second and fourth Saturday of the month to the catechism classrooms in the Parish office at 8PM. This is not just a ministry, it is also a group of men who try to live their faith more deeply and seek a more intense relationship with Jesus Christ.

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Occasionally, someone raises a surprised complaint that while Christmas arrives on Santa's sleigh at the Macy's parade on Thanksgiving Day, the Church doesn't catch on too fast. They may even say that Advent is a new-fangled idea. Not so. To trace its beginnings, we have to go back to the fourth or fifth century in France (then Gaul), when Epiphany was the favored day, next to Easter, for baptism. The old pagan structures of Rome were collapsing then, and many people sought to be baptized. Since adults always prepared for baptism by fasting, folks counted back a few weeks for a kind of retreat. Before too long, bishops were advising everyone to attend church frequently beginning on December 17. Soon, artists were imagining ways of expressing the Advent mystery, and in Italy this gave rise to beautiful mosaics of empty thrones awaiting the arrival of the Lord of all creation.

Advent as we know it develops on two separate tracks: the first having to do with our spiritual preparation for celebrating the Christmas feast, and the second having to do with the way this is organized and expressed in the liturgical readings and prayers every day of the season.

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11  
 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24  
 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37  
 Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27  
 Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31  
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38  
 Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent; Hanukkah begins  
 Monday: St. Francis Xavier  
 Tuesday: St. John Damascene  
 Thursday: St. Nicholas  
 Friday: St. Ambrose; First Friday, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  
 Saturday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### THE THREE COMINGS OF ADVENT

There are three distinct comings of the Lord of which I know; His coming to humankind, His coming into humankind, and His coming against humankind.

St. Bernard. *Third Sermon for Advent*

### HEARTFELT

Remember that God prefers the poverty of our hearts to the most sublime thoughts borrowed from others.

St. Peter Julian Eymard

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Es más que justo empezar el tiempo litúrgico de Adviento con la Virgen María. Esta semana celebramos la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de María. Esta es una fiesta especial para varios países latinoamericanos como Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay y los Estados Unidos que tienen como patrona nacional a la Madre de Jesús bajo este título.

Esta creencia tiene siglos de ser discutida por teólogos cristianos como Ambrosio, Agustín, Buenaventura y Tomás de Aquino, pero fue solo con la Constitución *Ineffabilis Deus* del Papa Pío IX en 1854 que pasó a ser doctrina oficial de la Iglesia. La enseñanza de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Madre de Jesús insiste que María nació y permaneció sin pecado. Según el teólogo franciscano Juan Duns Escoto, María fue salvada del pecado desde el vientre de su madre Ana. De esta manera Jesús pudo salvarla no después de haber pecado como ha hecho con nosotros, sino antes de que ella hubiera pecado.

La Inmaculada Concepción se hizo en vista de la venida de Jesús quien nos puede hacer inmaculados gracias al perdón y la gracia que nos ofrece.

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

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 2:1-5; Sal 122 (121):1-9; Mt 8:5-11  
 Martes: Is 11:1-10; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lc 10:21-24  
 Miércoles: Is 25:6-10a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Mt 15:29-37  
 Jueves: Is 26:1-6; Sal 118 (117):1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27  
 Viernes: Is 29:17-24; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31  
 Sábado: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Ef 1:3-6, 11-12; Lc 1:26-38  
 Domingo: Bar 5:1-9; Sal 126 (125):1-6; Fil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lc 3:1-6

### LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Primer Domingo de Adviento; Januká comienza  
 Lunes: San Francisco Javier  
 Martes: San Juan Damasceno  
 Jueves: San Nicolás  
 Viernes: San Ambrosio; Primer viernes, Día para Recordar Pearl Harbor  
 Sábado: La Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María  
 Primer sábado

### LAS TRES VENIDAS DEL ADVIENTO

Sabemos de una triple venida del Señor: su venida a la humanidad, su venida en la humanidad y su venida contra la humanidad.

San Bernardo: Tercer Sermón para Adviento

### DE LA SINCERIDAD

Recuerda que Dios prefiere la pobreza de nuestro corazón que los más sublimes pensamientos tomados de otros.

San Pedro Julián Eymard