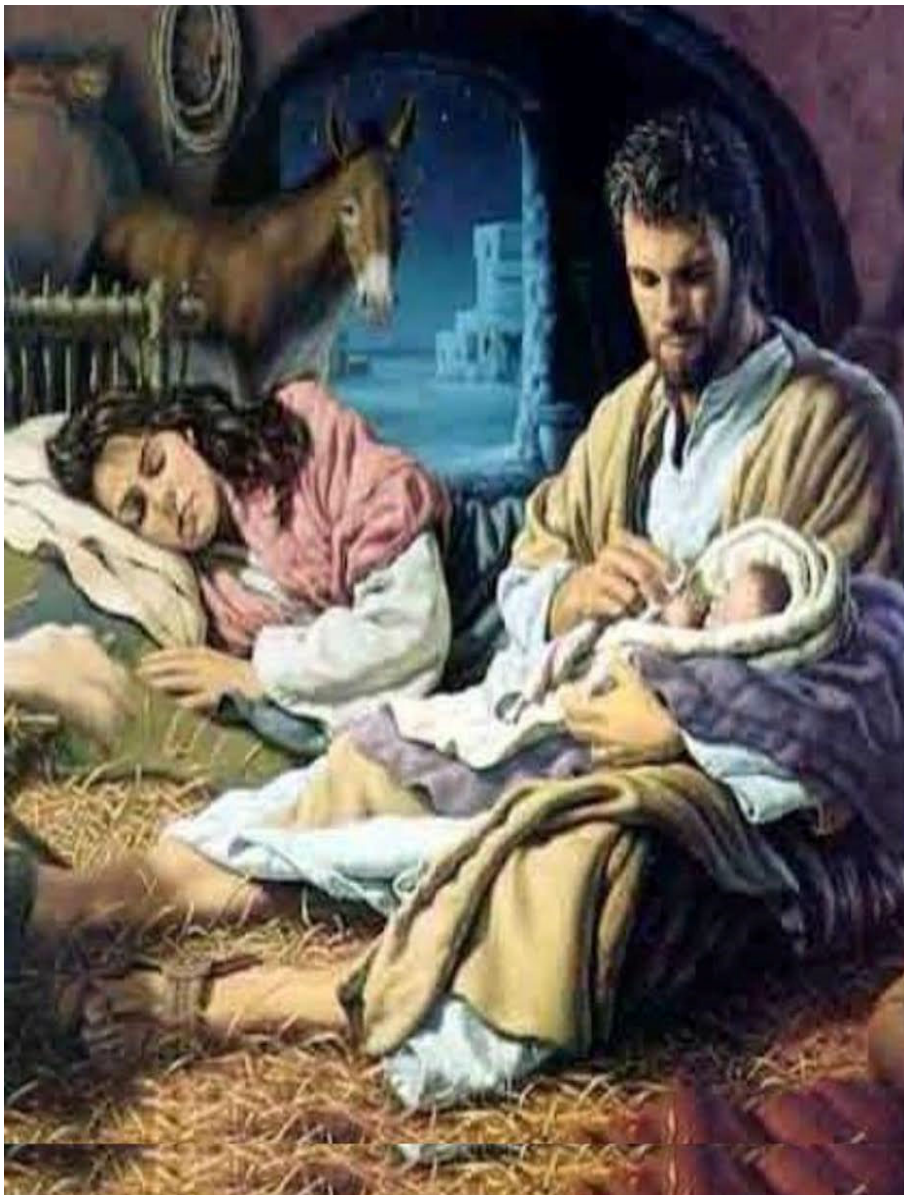


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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 29, 2019

*Over all other virtues, put on love,
that is, the bond of perfection.
—Colossians 3:14*

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MASS TIMES
Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 8:00 AM
Wednesday: 8:00 AM
Thursday: 8:00 AM
Friday: 8:00 AM

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation
Saturday 10:00 AM
And by appointment

**Baptism, Eucharist,
Confirmation and Marriage**
Please call the office regarding preparation
for these Sacraments.

**Communion and
Anointing of the Sick**
After Sunday Mass, the Eucharist is taken to
the sick. Please call the office to have a
parishioner included.

December 29, 2019

Sick Relatives & Friends

Justin McPherson
 Joshua Rickert
 Jimmy Hobson
 Charlotte Carr
 Lee Olson
 Robert Carr
 Bill Johnson Sr.
 Elizabeth Bides
 Richard Patey
 Frank Crowder
 Nestor Gil
 Jennifer Kues
 Karen Pendleton
 Lynda Pendleton
 Marty Klein
 Eric Ebuen
 Ron Heckman

Marguerite Schaffhauser
 Bernice Schaffhauser
 Edward Schaffhauser
 Irena Osinski
 Al Wagner
 Ben Franzuela
 Tony Barroso
 Bob Dietrich
 May Coons
 Robin Hanson
 Walter Hanson
 Faye Carr
 Elizabeth Boothe
 Elisa Alonzo
 Trish Caudill
 Mike Ambrosio
 Elfrida Powell
 Rina Hopkins
 Bill Cox
 Cynthia Waggoner
 Glenn Sisler
 Suzanne Denmark

Barbara Ann Johnson
 John Zesis
 Benito Lopez
 Noel de la Rosa
 Joan Kelley
 Loretta Wagner
 Linda Sandmon
 Joan Bell
 Rosemarie Rickert
 Rizalina Paterno
 Cheryl Mark
 Jim Lammie
 Christine Lucas
 Dan Benkert
 Harvey Little
 Jerry Carroll
 Wayne Tolbert
 Jim Burns
 Mary Uraco
 Dixie McCormack
 Kaycee Smelser
 Karen Holden

Ann Font
 Joan Richards
 Bobby Richards
 Patricia Seelhofer
 Wilda Von Seggern
 Keith Rickerts
 Dolores Hazel
 Davd Benedict
 Richard Boyle
 JoEllen Reoyo
 Patricia Clarke
 Andrew Buttner
 Adam Herbert
 Denise Jones
 Phil Dancel
 J.C. Kea
 Ginny Ragland
 Greg Isles
 Rudy Chandia
 Pat Mayhew
 Josephine Gaudio
 David Ritchie

Kayran Carroll
 Armand Riendeau
 Michael Walker
 Tedd Metras
 Marcia Conrad
 Amor Guzman
 Daniel Manning
 Kathy Matkovic
 Arlene Ritchie
 Patricia Hinds
 Mary Starr
 Joanne Hoffmeister
 Ron Kurth
 Charles Garrett
 Paul Weihs
 Frank Lujan
 Herman Ike Pundt
 Archie Paez
 Cindy Brown
 Patricia Wright



MEET FATHER RAFAEL

Join Fr. Rafael every Sunday in the parish hall at 7:00 AM for some coffee and conversation.



Flowers this week are donated in loving memory of **Pat Griffiths** by **Jim Griffiths**

TODAY!!!

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY PARISH FEAST

Today at 12:30 in the parish hall, come and celebrate the St. John's Family! Lunch and drinks will be provided. There will be games, fun and great family fellowship. All are invited!

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday, January 1
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Mass: 10:00



Are you registered at St. John's? If not, please pick up a registration form between the two bulletin boards or online!

END-OF-YEAR CALENDAR

Saturday	December 28 (5:00)	Feast of the Holy Family
Sunday	December 29 (9:00, 11:00)	Feast of the Holy Family
Sunday	December 29 (12:30)	St. John's Family Luncheon
Tuesday	January 1 (10:00)	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Mass

Collections

December 15, 2019

Offertory.....	\$9,675.78
Online Giving.....	\$1,387.38
Building Fund.....	\$171.00
Retired Religious.....	\$1,075.00
Total.....	\$12,309.16

Emergency Assistance Ministry.....	\$2,584.45
Young Church.....	\$75.00

December 22, 2019
December 25, 2019
December 29, 2019

Due to early submission deadlines because of the Christmas season, the collection amounts for the above dates were not available. They will be included in next week's bulletin.

MINISTERS' SCHEDULE
January 1—10:00 AM

Hospitality:

10:00 AM.....(F) Jim Hundley, Corinne Hundley
 (I) Jim Feazel, Bonnie Feazel

Readers:

10:00 AM.....Ellen Wiley, Greg Streeter

Eucharistic Ministers:

10:00 am.....Larry McKay, Joan Cornelison, Dottie Drake,
 Tessie Schell, Marilyn Ormond,
 Jeff Marquardt, Richard Lizotte

Altar Servers:

10:00 AM.....Bridgette Von Seggern, Brynn Von Seggern,
 Ryan Feazel

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE SO GENEROUSLY THROUGHOUT THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Thank you to the choirs, the musicians, the ministers of hospitality, the readers, the Eucharistic ministers, and the altar servers for making our Christmas liturgies such blessed experiences. Thank you to the Ladies' Guild for the Giving Tree project, the Christmas Shoppe, the St. Nicholas Festival, and the wine/cheese reception after Midnight Mass. Thank you to the decorators whose talents visually enhanced our experience of the seasons. Thank you to the Young Church members who helped to corral the "animals" during the Christmas Eve pageant. Thank you to those who served—the Emergency Assistance Ministry and the Senior Citizens' Dinner workers—who helped bring the spirit of Christmas to those who may have needed it the most. Thank you to our custodian and all who cleaned and set up and took down and cleaned again. To all who helped, to all who cooked, to all who ministered, to all who shopped, to all who donated, to all who supported the mission of St. John's Catholic Church this holiday season, a very sincere and heart-felt thank you!



Download our Parish App: Text **APP** to **88202**

PRAY THE ROSARY

Join the Knights of Columbus in the Marian Chapel every Wednesday night at 7:00 PM for the weekly rosary and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. All are welcome.



Dear Padre,

I've heard priests tell stories about Jesus' childhood, the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph, and St. Anne that aren't in the Bible. Where do these stories come from?

The Bible as we know it—a definitive collection of sacred texts as the word of God—came together in the fourth and fifth centuries. The same God that inspired authors to record his divine word also inspired the books of the Bible to be collected during the first centuries of Christianity. As such, the Bible itself is formed by tradition.

Ancient texts, other than those officially accepted as fulfilling revelation (like Scripture), existed in the Church's early centuries. These are known as noncanonical sources. Many of the stories you hear, especially about the people you mention, come from those sources.

In the Church's infancy, people were eager to hear as much as they could about Jesus and his family. In response, many stories about Jesus' childhood and family members were collected in a variety of written accounts—including the *Protoevangelium*, or gospel of James from the year 145 (not to be confused with the New Testament's Letter of James). Although they weren't included in the canon of the Bible, they became sources for stories passed from generation to generation that were accepted as a part of our tradition. For example, information about Mary's parents, including their names, Joachim and Anne, were derived from noncanonical texts. These sources may add color and flavor to our faith and devotion. But ultimately, everything we need for salvation is revealed in the Scriptures.

—*The Redeemers*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who honor and comfort their parents shall never be forgotten (Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14).

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — You are called into one body. Bear with one another; forgive one another; let Christ's peace control you (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]).

Gospel — Joseph rose, took the child and his mother, and fled to Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Friday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY	December 28
5:00 P.M.	The Parishioners of St. John's
SUNDAY	December 29
9:00 A.M.	For God's mercy and love upon those impacted by abortion
.....	by Family for Life
11:00 A.M.	†Juanito Suyat
.....	by Luz Reyes
MONDAY	December 30
8:00 A.M.	NO MASS
TUESDAY	December 31
8:00 A.M.	In Appreciation for Fr. Rafael
.....	by The Parishioners of St. John's
WEDNESDAY	January 1
10:00 AM	The Parishioners of St. John's
THURSDAY	January 2
8:00 AM	†Mary Fordice
.....	by Marilyn Ormond
FRIDAY	January 3
8:00 AM	†Aran Cooke
.....	by Sian Lawrence
SATURDAY	January 4
5:00 PM	The Parishioners of St. John's
SUNDAY	January 5
9:00 A.M.	The May Family
.....	by Tamara Floyd and Peter Simpson
11:00 A.M.	†Louann Malate
.....	by Minda Mamansag

Ministers' Schedule

January 4 and 5

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

5:00 P.M. (F) Lee Miller, Pat Miller
..... (I) John Riendeau, Jan Riendeau
9:00 A.M. (F) Francois Beuse, Josiane Beuse
..... (I) Hoa Ramirez, Elaine James
11:00 A.M. (F) Nora Suyat, Ana Rios
..... (I) Dina Walker, Yolanda Ebuon

READERS

5:00 P.M. Bill Corley, Denny Foster
9:00 A.M. Pete Morgan, Carol Neville
11:00 A.M. John Hedge, Elle Kraft

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 P.M. Martha Marchetti, Michael Marchetti
..... Karen Rossetti, Miles Nogelo, Gerry Nogelo,
..... Dorothy Schechterle, Marilyn Ormond
9:00 A.M. Randal Trinidad-Ambar, Tessie Schell,
..... Julie Bussey, Jeff Marquardt, Amy Crane,
..... Linda Trinidad, Kelly Ayler
11:00 A.M. Manny Silverio, Dottie Drake, Vicky Mondares,
..... Rose Rickert, Alicia Cartagena,
..... Grace Dancel, Michael Barata

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 P.M. Jaeden Abutin, Martin Ocampo,
..... Elijah Trinidad
9:00 A.M. Amanda Bussey, Josephine Morgan,
..... Kayla Nellum
11:00 A.M. Abigayl Santos, Gabe Santos,
..... Casey Solano

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS
2019**

In Honor of...

John and Helen Woods
William P. Volin
Barbara B. Johnson
Tom Weber
Faustino V. & Sofia M. Serrano
Rufino S. & Eliza Z. Silverio
In Thanksgiving
The Pachuta Family
The Tremper Family

From...

Bill and Jeanne Dias
Lee Anne Volin
Lee Anne Volin
Lee Anne Volin
The Silverio Family
The Silverio Family
The Silverio Family
Stephen and Rene Pachuta
Stephen and Rene Pachuta



MINISTERS' SCHEDULES READY

Attention, all liturgical ministers. The new ministry schedules for January-March are available online at Ministry Scheduler Pro. If you need a paper copy of the schedule, please sign the yellow sheet in the sacristy.

DONATIONS FROM KC BREAD AND PASTRIES

Each Sunday, when possible, the Knights of Columbus set up an area in the hall for people to donate money for such things as bread and pastries. The donations received for the items help the Council at St. John's in various events throughout the year. The donations go towards the Special Olympics, and those donations are matched dollar for dollar. The money also helps purchase coats for less fortunate children to receive good warm clothing through the winter. Last year, the Council provided coats for all of the children on the Giving Tree and to the battered women's shelter. They also helped support a diocesan seminarian, and they bought items for the parish such as the new food warmer, purchased with help from the St. John's Ladies' Guild. None of this would have been possible without the generous donations the Knights of Columbus receive for the bread and pastries on Sundays. The Council 14866 is here to provide help for the needs of our parish and our community. We look forward to the new challenges that lie ahead of us this next year. Thank you for your generous donations.



OFFICE CLOSED



The parish office will be closed on Wednesday afternoons from 11:00 until 1:00 for staff meetings.

OFFICE CLOSED



The parish office will be closed on Wednesday, January 1 in celebration of the New Year's Day holiday.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Monday: Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Tuesday: Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve
Wednesday: The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace; New Year's Day
Thursday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Friday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus; First Friday
Saturday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; First Saturday

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday

Wednesday

DECEMBER

December 29 (No Class)

JANUARY

January 5
January 12
January 19
January 26

January 1 (No Class)
January 8
January 15
January 22
January 29

(All classes meet from 6:15-7:30.)

AMUSING ANECDOTE

It was the day after Christmas at a church in San Francisco. The pastor of the church was looking over the cradle when he noticed that the baby Jesus was missing from among the figures. Immediately he turned and went outside and saw a little boy with a red wagon, and in the wagon was the figure of the little infant, Jesus.

So he walked up to the boy and said, "Well, where did you get Him, my fine friend?"

The little boy replied, "I got him from the church."

"And why did you take him?"

The boy said, "Well, about a week before Christmas I prayed to the little Lord Jesus and I told him if he would bring me a red wagon for Christmas, I would give him a ride in it."

Do you know a great, clean church joke? Send your submissions to ewiley@outlook.com?



AA MEETINGS AT ST. JOHN'S

Tuesday and Thursday at 11:00 AM in the library.



THANK YOU FROM YOUNG CHURCH

The Young Church of St. John's want to thank the entire parish for your support in helping us get to NCCYC. All of your support during all of our fund-raisers the past year helped us to have an awesome time with 20,000 other teens and learn more about our faith. We hope to be able to share more with you in the future. We want to continue to help with different ministries in our parish as we grow in our faith. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! We love our parish family!

NEW ONLINE GIVING SYSTEM

Thank you to all who have signed up on the new diocesan-wide system known as ParishSOFT!

(Remember: If you have a recurring gift on the old system, you must call 1-800-348-2886 to deactivate it.) There are three ways to sign up with ParishSoft: use the *Giving* link on our parish app (Text APP to 88202), use the *Online Giving* link on our website (<https://saintjohnsatlanticbeach.org>), or go directly to <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/mayport> and sign up. You will be able to GIVE NOW (to give once or as a recurring gift). Choose from a list of funds you wish to give to, or you can set up an account, again, either to give once or to set up a Recurring Gift to the fund(s) of your choice. It sounds more complicated than it really is, but if you need help, please call Kathryn in the church office (246-6014).



TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner. To report abuse call: Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 262-3200 extension 129 or the Department of Children and Families at 1-800-96ABUSE.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

If you would like to offer Altar Flowers for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please call the office. Cost is \$40.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

Kindergarten through High School

Religious Education Director: Samantha Matthews 246-6014

CHOIRS:**5:00 p.m. Mass Choir Practice**

Practice is after the 5:00 p.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Mass Choir Practice

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

11:00 a.m. Mass Choir Practice

Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

Youth Choir Practice

Seasonally, on Wednesdays 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

INFANTS and CHILDREN:

Parents, please help us to worship with attention and prayer by responsibly caring for your young one during Mass. A crying infant could be beseeching God for a walk outside. Please take your child to the gathering area if your child becomes disruptive during Mass and needs calming.

HALL RENTAL:

The Parish Hall is available for rent to St. John's parishioners for their own use, such as wedding receptions, anniversaries or birthdays. It may not be rented by a parishioner for someone else. If strangers are found to be holding an event in the hall, they'll be asked to leave as they are not covered by our insurance, voiding the contract. Since the hall is used on Sunday mornings, our custodian must be hired to do the clean-up to the standard we require.

ST. JOHN'S YOUNG CHURCH:

Membership is open to high school-aged youth, and new members are always welcome. The St. John's Young Church is dedicated to exploring their Christianity through service in their community. Contact Paul Trinidad (246-0592) or call the parish office at (904) 246-6014.

ST. JOHN'S EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE MINISTRY:

Members meet on the 1st and 3rd Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. They are dedicated to helping the poor of Atlantic Beach. New members are needed and welcome. Food is also distributed on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:00.

THE LADIES' GUILD:

Members meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. New members are always welcome.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

San Lorenzo Ruiz Council #14866 welcomes all Catholic men over 18 years of age to join our Brotherhood team. For further information about us, please call Grand Knight Jimmy Hundley at (904) 246-6014. Council Officers meet on the second Tuesday of each month. All members meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Both meetings are held at the Parish Hall Library at 7:00 PM.

ROSARY: A weekly rosary is held each Wednesday night at 7:00 in the Marian Chapel. This is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY:

Members meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. You do not need a medical background to participate.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bulletin announcements must be received prior to Friday, a week before the bulletin date, at 4:00 p.m. You may call Ellen at 246-6014 with your announcement, or email to ewiley@outlook.com or fax to 246-1219. Prayer list changes and/or sympathy announcements have reserved space and are accepted up to transmission time.

FIRST FRIDAY ROSARY—RESPECT LIFE:

Join us each First Friday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass for the recitation of the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please help us pray for the protection and safety of the unborn.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION:

Contact Dennis Stone (dennisjstone@comcast.net), certified by Our Lady of Divine Providence School of Spiritual Direction in Clearwater, Florida.

RECIPROCITY

If God loved us as much as we love God, where would we all be?

—Anonymous