**Saint John The Evangelist Catholic Church**
**The Most Holy Trinity** | May 31, 2026
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# WHO WE ARE

**Rev. Thomas Kennell, Pastor**

**Dcn. Timothy Warner**

**Dcn. Earl Mirus**

**Sr. Grace Ford, Er. Dio - Principal**

## Mass Schedule

**Weekend Masses**
Saturday Vigil | 4:30pm
Sunday | 8:15am & 10:45am

**Daily Mass**
Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 8:15am
Tuesday, Thursday | 5:30pm
First Saturdays | 9:00 Latin *Novus Ordo*

## Adoration

First Fridays | 9am-5pm

## Confession

Tuesdays and Thursdays | 4:30-5:20pm
Saturdays | 3:00-4:15pm
Second Sundays | After Each Mass

*To confidentially schedule a confession, email Fr. Kennell at confession@saintjohnpc.org*

## Flocknote

**Text STJ to 84576**
Receive text message or email announcements

## Parish Council

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## Register as a Member

**Contact the Parish Office**
To register as a parishioner, contact the parish office.

## Parish Office

**Open Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm**
**850-763-1821 | saintjohnpc@saintjohnpc.org**
Jera Blanchard-Towns | Family & Children's Catechesis
Chris Dinote | Catholic Cemetery Administrator
Grace Griffith | Secretary
Heather Hanna | Event Coordinator
Nick Labrie | Director of Mission Operations
Lynn Sokoloski | Facilities Manager
Dot Wagner | Coordinator of Youth Formation

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## St. John Catholic Academy

**850-763-1775 | office@sjeagles.org**
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# SACRAMENTAL QUESTIONS?

## Children | Through 5th Grade

**Jera Blanchard-Towns | Children's Catechesis**
**jera.blanchard-towns@saintjohnpc.org**
Contact for questions regarding Baptism, First Communion, First Reconciliation, & Living Liturgically (formation program for grades K-5)

## Youth | Grades 6-12

**Dot Wagner | Youth Formation**
**youth@saintjohnpc.org**
Contact for Confirmation and questions regarding Catholic Student Ministries (CSM)

## Adults | 18+

**Fr. Thomas Kennell | Pastor**
**catholicism@saintjohnpc.org**
Contact for questions regarding Adult Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion

**Visiting the Sick/Homebound -** please call the parish office to set up a visit with a priest or lay person to bring communion or check on a homebound person

**Anointing of the Sick -** call the parish office at any time

**Holy Matrimony** - contact the parish office six months prior to your anticipated wedding date

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# EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

## *Corpus Christi* Sunday, June 7th, following the 10:45am Mass.

Come and honor Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ on Sunday, June 7th.

Following the 10:45 AM Mass, we will begin our Eucharistic Procession at 12:00 PM from the church. Together, we will walk in prayer along Frankford Avenue, pausing at the Catholic Cemetery for Benediction, and returning to the Church via Fortune Avenue. The total route is just over 1.25 miles.

Let us joyfully bear witness to our faith in Jesus Christ, truly present in the Eucharist, bringing His presence into our community.

A reception will follow in the parish hall. All are warmly invited to join.

# NIGHT OF PRAYER & PRAISE

## Wednesday June 17th, 6:30-8pm

Join us in the church on Wednesday June 17th for an evening of prayer and praise with Eucharistic Adoration and music led by nationally touring artist and friend of the parish, John Finch.

Don't miss this opportunity to gather in praise of God and to pray as a parish family.

# CELEBRATE FR. KENNELL

## Saturday June 20th, 5:30pm

As you know, after nearly 5 years, Fr. Kennell is being reassigned to the Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Tallahassee, effective July 1st.

All of our parish family is invited to join us in celebration of Fr. Kennell's years of dedicated service, ministry, and leadership at St. John with a celebratory dinner on Saturday, June 20th.

The event will begin at 5:30pm, following the 4:30pm Vigil Mass. Dinner and drinks will be served at no cost.

To help us prepare, we ask that you RSVP online at saintjohnpc.org or by following the QR code by Sunday, June 7th.

← ***RSVP TODAY!***

# POPE LEO'S FIRST ENCYCLICAL

## *Magnifica Humanitas* | On the defense of human dignity in the age of AI

Pope Leo XIV has released his first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* ("Magnificent Humanity"), offering timely guidance for Catholics in an age of rapid technological change.

An encyclical is one of the highest forms of papal teaching. Addressed to the whole Church, and often to all people of goodwill, these letters are written to help the faithful reflect on important spiritual, moral, and social issues in light of the Gospel.

In *Magnifica Humanitas*, Pope Leo XVI draws on Scripture, Church history, and Catholic social teaching to explore how AI and modern technology are reshaping work, education, family life, politics, warfare, and more. While recognizing the benefits and possibilities of these technologies, he also warns against systems that reduce people to data, productivity, or instruments of control.

The Holy Father also warns against attempts to redefine human nature apart from God and reminds us that true human fulfillment is found in Jesus Christ and His Church.

The encyclical is approximately 38,000 words long and takes about two to three hours to read. Parishioners are encouraged to read it it prayerfully, perhaps one chapter at a time, and to consider how we are called to defend human dignity and live faithfully in an increasingly technological world. It is available in print as well as for free online at vatican.va.

# INTRODUCING PATHWAYS

## A new way for families to grow in faith at St. John's.

This August, St. John's is launching Pathways, a new **family faith formation** and **sacramental prep** experience designed to help you grow in faith both at church and at home.

PATHWAYS
formation suite

Pathways is for **all families with children ages 5–17**, whether you are preparing for sacraments or simply want to grow in faith together. It replaces our previous religious education model and becomes the primary way families participate in faith formation at St. John's.

Pathways engages families in a mix of *At-Church* and *At-Home* sessions. Families gather at the parish for a shared meal, teaching, and community with **childcare provided** for the littlest among us. Then, you continue the journey in your own home with simple, guided sessions designed for real family life.

*At-Home* sessions take just 20–30 minutes and we provide everything you need: conversation prompts, prayer experiences, & hands-on materials. No theological background required. We'll equip you every step of the way.

**Pathways launches August 26th.** Find more information and **register now at saintjohnpc.org/pathways.** Questions? Email Jera at jera.blanchard-towns@saintjohnpc.org.

### SEEK FOR FAMILIES

4 *At-Church* Sessions
Wednesdays Beginning
August 26th

### ROOT FOR FAMILIES

Mix of *At-Church* & *At-Home* Sessions
September - December

### *January And On...*

Continued Pathways Based on Your Family's Stage and Sacramental Readiness

# UPCOMING & NOTEWORTHY

## Circle of Grace Parent Meeting

**This Sunday | May 31**

We will hold a Circle of Grace meeting for families in the Parish Hall this Sunday at 9:30am. Circle of Grace is a curriculum supporting the safe environment of children and young people by helping them understand their own (and other's) dignity in mind, body, and spirit. A truly safe environment is one where children and young people recognize when they are safe or unsafe and know how to bring their concerns, fears or uncertainties to a trusted adult. Open to all families with children 0-18 in the home. For details, please contact jera.blanchard-towns@saintjohnpc.org.

## First Friday Adoration

**June 5 | 9am-5pm**

Sign up sheet for Adoration is located in the church entry. Come adore our Lord.

## First Saturday Mass

**June 6 | 9am**

Join us for our First Saturday Novus Ordo Mass in Latin this coming Saturday at 9am.

## Confirmation 2026

**Grades 5-12**

The new date for Confirmation at St. John the Evangelist is Sunday, October 4 at 10:45am.
For more information and to register your child for Confirmation preparation, please contact Dot as soon as possible at youth@saintjohnpc.org.

## Altar Flowers

**May 30 & 31, 2026**

The Altar flowers this weekend are placed by Connie Bane in honor of the Jones Family: happy anniversary to Josh & Sara and blessings to Josh & Delaney on their reception of First Holy Communion.

## Events this Week

**Sunday, May 31**

**No OCIA class** - upcoming dates announced soon
**9:30am** - Circle of Grace meeting in the parish hall
**9:30am** - Coffee & donuts in the parish hall after both Sunday morning Masses

**Tuesday, June 2**

**6:15pm** - Catholic in Recovery in parish office
**6:15pm** - Encounter in the Church (final meeting before summer break)

**Friday, June 5**

**9:00am-5:00pm** - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration in the Church

**Saturday, June 6**

**9:00am** - First Saturday Novus Ordo Mass in Latin

**Sunday, June 7**

**No OCIA class** - upcoming dates announced soon
*****No coffee & donuts this morning*****
**12:00pm** - Eucharistic Procession begins from the Church with a reception to follow in the parish hall

## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

**Inquire Now**

Considering becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith? Contact Deacon Tim Warner at (850) 596-2974 to learn more.

## Vacation Bible School

**Opportunity to Support VBS 2026**

Vacation Bible School has opened an Amazon wishlist to share items needed for the program. By purchasing an item, you are helping create a fun and faith-filled environment where children will encounter Jesus and build lasting memories. To support VBS, please scan the code to visit the Amazon wishlist. Your generosity truly makes a difference.

·SEEK·

CANCELED FOR JUNE

# CANCELED

Please note that Seek for Adults, originally planned for Wednesdays in June, has been canceled. With Fr. Kennell's transition, we are simplifying the calendar to focus on opportunities for our parish to gather together in prayer, celebration, and unity throughout the month of June. Please join us for one of our upcoming gatherings:

**June 7th** | Eucharistic Procession & Reception
**June 17th** | Parish Night of Prayer & Praise
**June 20th** | Celebratory Dinner for Fr. Kennell

SEEK FOR FAMILIES COMING IN AUGUST!

# BIBLE STUDIES

## Men's Wednesday Evening Bible Study

**Now on Summer Break**

Thank you to all who participated this semester. We look forward to continuing Bible Study following our summer break. Contact Warren Phillips at (850) 896-0801 for more information.

## Women's Bible Study

**Now on Summer Break**

Thank you for the wonderful spring semester of Bible Study we just completed. Please join us again after summer break (dates will be announced). Contact Kathy Kidd: (850) 814-7747, or Martha Cordell: (850) 814-4619 for more information.

## Men's Coffee & Bible Study in PCB

**Mondays | 7-7:50am**

Join men from St. John at Starbucks on US-98 & R. Jackson for spiritual growth and fellowship. We use Exodus 90, a spiritual program with a phone app that provides a daily Bible reading, reflection, and practical guidelines for living as a Christian man. Contact Curt Simmons (615) 617-9119.


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*To add anyone to the prayer list, please visit saintjohnpc.org/prayer-request. Prayer requests will be in the bulletin for a month/as requested.*

**Repose of the Soul**

†Steve Erickson, †Kenneth Mayer, †Deborah Murphy, †Emma Good

**Healing**

Richard LeFils, Elsa Soto, Troy W., Sally Harlowe, Marie Good, Dan Mixdorf

## Mass Intentions

*To request a Mass for a loved one, please call or visit the parish office*

**Saturday, May 30, 2026**
4:30pm...People of the Parish
**Sunday, May 31, 2026**
**The Most Holy Trinity**
8:15am....Josh, Sara, & Delaney Jones
Happy Anniversary Josh & Sara
10:45am..†Claude & Patricia Mixdorf
by Dan Mixdorf
**Monday, June 1, 2026**
8:15am....†Jack Donlon by Connie Bane
**Tuesday, June 2, 2026**
5:30pm....For Angie, by Alex Pollack
**Wednesday, June 3, 2026**
8:15am....†Joyce & Harry Vitter
by Cindy & Steve Vitter
**Thursday, June 4, 2026**
5:30pm...Fr. Kennell by Ed & Christine Macejka
On his 10th Anniversary of Ordination
**Friday, June 5, 2026**
8:15am...Sanctification of Priests
**Saturday, June 6, 2026**
9:00am...Pope Leo XIV
4:30pm...Fr. Kennell & Diocesan Clergy by CCW
**Sunday, June 7, 2026**
**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**
8:15am....People of the Parish
10:45am..†Bobbie & Frances Mansel
by the Blanchard Family

## Scripture Readings, Week of May 31, 2026

**Sun** **Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**
Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

**Mon** **Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr**
2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16; Mk 12:1-12

**Tue** 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16; Mk 12:13-17

**Wed** **Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs**
2 Tim 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef; Mk 12:18-27

**Thur** 2 Tim 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Mk 12:28-34

**Fri** **Memorial of Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr**
2 Tim 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; Mk 12:35-37

**Sat** 2 Tim 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22; Mk 12:38-44

**Sun** **Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ**
Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

# DIRECTORY OF MINISTRIES

**Adoration (St. Dominic)**
St. Dom Parish Office....850-785-4574
*St. Dominic's has a perpetual adoration chapel. Contact their parish office for the door code or to sign-up for a weekly hour*

**Association of St. Jude**
Kim Epperson.....812-455-1234

**Carmelites**
Angie Cirabisi.....317-526-8614

**Catholic in Recovery**
Diane.....850-541-3326
Wayne.....850-532-0421
*Open for all who are in recovery from any form of unhealthy attachment*

**Council of Catholic Women**
Cheryl Wilson.....706-341-2579

**Fishers of Men (St. Dominic)**
Stephen Butler.....850-832-6434
*Twice monthly breakfast on the **first and third Saturdays of each month from 8:30-10:30am** at St. Dominic's MC3 building.*

**Knights of Columbus**
Mike Tierney.....850-319-1945

**Lending Library**
Located in the parish office (M-Th 9-3)

**Men's Club**
Lee Fry.....850-867-3916

**Men's Bible Study**
Warren Phillips.....850-896-0801

**Ministry to the Sick**
*Contact the parish office to arrange for the Eucharist to be brought to anyone who is sick or homebound*

**Morning Rosary**
*Every Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 7:30-8am (before Mass)*

**Rachel's Vineyard**
904-221-3232.....rachelsvineyard.org
*Retreats for women and men looking to renew hearts broken by abortion*

**The Third Option**
*A program for couples & individuals to help their relationships flourish. For more details, please visit baythirdoption.com.*

**Women's Morning Bible Study**
Kathy Kidd.....850-814-7747
Martha Cordell.....850-814-4619
*Meets in the parish office conference room every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30am. **We look forward to starting Bible Study again after summer break.***

**Women's Socials**
heather.hanna@saintjohnpc.org
*Typically on the **first Saturday of the month, from 10am-noon** in the parish hall. **Socials are on a summer break and will resume in the fall.***

**Young Professional Fellowship**
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