Saint John The Evangelist Catholic Church
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time | June 14, 2026
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Vision of the Sacred Heart, Artist Unknown, 19th Century

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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Jim Blanchet	Jerry Kelly	Anita Thomas

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
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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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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.

While the RSVP date of June 7th has passed, please let us know if you are coming for our continued planning.

← ***RSVP TODAY!***

CURIOUS ABOUT CATHOLICISM?

A Three-Week Summer Inquiry Series

Join us on Wednesday evenings, July 8th, 15th, and 22nd from 6:30-7:30pm for a three-week inquiry series.

This series, led by Nick Labrie, is designed for anyone exploring Christianity, the Catholic faith, or returning after a time away. Each evening will include a short presentation on the faith, an opportunity to ask questions in an open and welcoming environment, and a simple invitation into prayer.

Sessions will explore questions like:

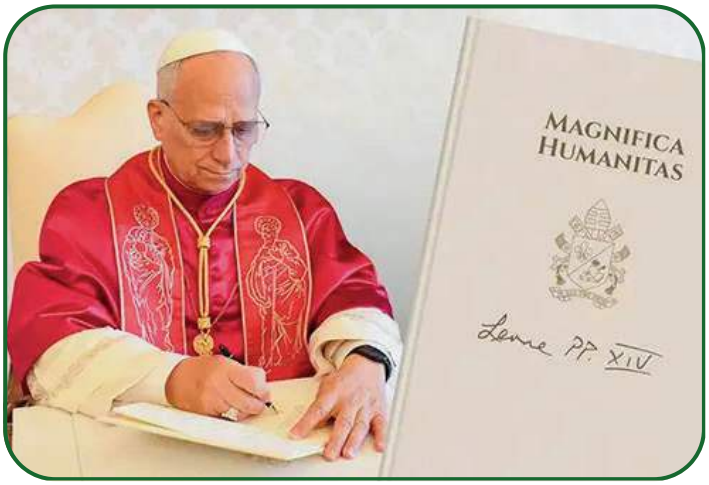
- Who is Jesus Christ?
- Why did He come?
- What is the purpose of the Church?

An important note for all parishioners!

As disciples of Jesus, we are called not only to grow in faith ourselves, but also to accompany others who may be searching for God. Perhaps someone comes to mind as you read this: a friend with questions about faith, a family member who has drifted from the Church, a coworker longing for meaning or hope. **Consider personally inviting them to attend this series with you.** Often the first step back toward God begins with a simple invitation and someone willing to walk alongside them. **Your invitation, presence, and friendship may become the way Christ reaches someone** who has been waiting to encounter Him.

POPE LEO XIV ON AI

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



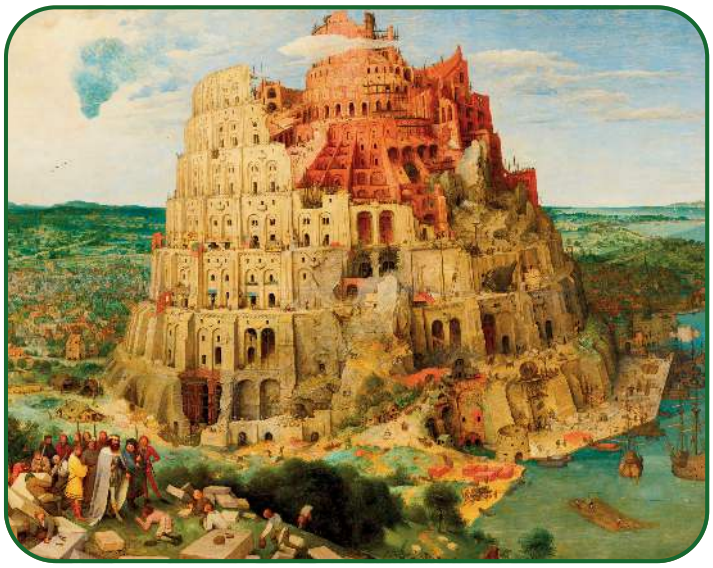
Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* ("Magnificent Humanity"), has quickly become one of the most discussed Church documents in recent years. Addressing the challenges posed by artificial intelligence, the Holy Father argues that the central question is whether humanity will remain centered on God and on the dignity of the human person as technology continues to advance.

A striking image runs throughout the encyclical: the Tower of Babel. Pope Leo warns that humanity stands before "a pivotal choice: either to construct a new Tower of Babel or to build the city in which God and humanity dwell together." The biblical story of Babel is not merely about technology or human achievement; it is about pride, self-sufficiency, and the illusion that humanity can flourish without God. The Holy Father sees a similar temptation today when technological power is pursued without moral wisdom, solidarity, or concern for the common good. He urges Christians to reject what he calls the "Babel syndrome," the belief that every aspect of human life, even the mystery of the person, can be reduced to data, efficiency, and performance.

At the same time, Pope Leo is careful not to condemn artificial intelligence itself. The encyclical recognizes that AI can greatly contribute to medicine, education, communication, and scientific discovery. Yet the Pope repeatedly insists that technology must remain a servant rather than a master. Human beings alone possess God-given dignity, conscience, and moral responsibility. AI can imitate certain intellectual processes, but it cannot love, worship, sacrifice, or enter into communion with God. For that reason, the Holy Father calls for discernment, ethical safeguards, and a renewed commitment to ensuring that technological progress genuinely serves the human person.

One of the most thought-provoking themes highlighted by Pope Leo is the distinction between intelligence and wisdom. Artificial intelligence can process vast amounts of information at extraordinary speed, but it cannot answer the deepest human questions: What is the purpose of life? What is worth sacrificing for? How should we love our neighbor? Drawing on the Church's rich intellectual tradition, the Holy Father reminds readers that wisdom comes not merely from accumulating knowledge but from seeing reality in the light of God. In an age when machines can generate answers in seconds, Christians are called to cultivate the virtues of prudence, humility, and contemplation, recognizing that true wisdom is ultimately a gift of the Holy Spirit rather than the product of any algorithm.

The encyclical offers several practical lessons. In a world increasingly mediated by screens and algorithms, families should cultivate habits of prayer, conversation, and genuine human presence. Parents and grandparents should help young people develop wisdom, not just technical skills. Catholics in every profession are encouraged to ask not only whether something *can* be done, but whether it *ought* to be done and whether it promotes authentic human flourishing. As Pope Leo writes near the conclusion of the document, we are called to be "servants of the coming Kingdom" rather than "lords of towers destined for ruin."



The Tower of Babel, Pieter Bruegel the Elder, 1563.

As technology continues to change our world, we encourage you to read *Magnifica Humanita*s and reflect on its message of faith, wisdom, and dignity.

UPCOMING & NOTEWORTHY

Coffee & Donuts Summer Schedule

June & July

Coffee and Donuts on Sundays will be held after the 8:15 Mass only during the summer months. Return to the usual schedule will be announced as summer progresses. Thank you to all who generously dedicate their time hosting the event each Sunday morning, and to all who participate in parish life and nurture our community in this way.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Upcoming Dates Announced

Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience July 31-Aug 2 in St. Johns (FL), or Oct 30-Nov 1 in Winter Park. For more information or for other scheduled weekends, please visit our website at wwme.org, contact Walt & Viv Paskowski at waltviv.wwme@gmail.com, or email applications@FLCN-wwme.org.

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.

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.

Catholic Charities Fundraiser

Cash for a Cause

The 2026 Cash for a Cause is underway, and with a suggested donation of $100, you could win $10,000 while helping our neighbors in need. There will be two $10,000 Grand Prize Winners. Tickets are available until 10am on June 24, or until reaching 1,000 entries, whichever comes first. The drawing will take place around 1pm on June 24 in Pensacola. You do not have to be present to win.
Please scan the code, or visit https://ccnwfl.org/cashforacause/ for more details and to enter.

Events this Week

Sunday, June 14

Second Chance Sunday - Confessions offered after all of the weekend Masses

No OCIA class - upcoming dates announced soon

9:30am - Coffee & Donuts after the 8:15 Mass only

Tuesday, June 16

6:15pm - Catholic in Recovery in the parish office

Saturday, June 20

5:30pm - Celebratory Dinner for Fr. Kennell in the parish hall

Sunday, June 21

No OCIA class - upcoming dates announced soon

9:30am - Coffee & Donuts after the 8:15 Mass only

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.

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. 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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Repose of the Soul

†Kenneth Mayer, †Deborah Murphy, †Emma Good, †Steve McNeil, †Sylvia McNeil, †Dorothy Ott

Healing

Richard LeFils, Elsa Soto, Sally Harlowe, Marie Good, Dan Mixdorf, Phi Doane, Michi Brown

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, June 13, 2026
4:30pm...†Lisa Hanson by Donna Harden
Sunday, June 14, 2026
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15am....People of the Parish
10:45am..†Juanita & Oliver Brewer by Jacque Wyatt
Monday, June 15, 2026
8:15am....†Seminarians by CCW
Tuesday, June 16, 2026
5:30pm....†Thomas Derbes
by James & Laura McManus
Wednesday, June 17, 2026
8:15am....†Richard Parker by Paul Parker
Thursday, June 18, 2026
5:30pm....†Lisa Hanson by Donna Harden
Friday, June 19, 2026
8:15am...Bishop Wack
Saturday, June 20, 2026
4:30pm...People of the Parish
Sunday, June 21, 2026
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15am....†Tyler Fischer by Cindy & Steve Vitter
10:45am..†Ellen Bellm & Family

Scripture Readings, Week of June 14, 2026

Sun **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rm 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8

Mon 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7; Mt 5:38-42

Tue 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16; Mt 5:43-48

Wed 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thur Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7; Mt 6:7-15

Fri 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18; Mt 6:19-23

Sat 2 Chron 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34; Mt 6:24-34

Sun **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rm 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the Month of June

For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

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

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Kim Epperson.....812-455-1234

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Diane.....850-541-3326
Wayne.....850-532-0421
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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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