Saint John The Evangelist Catholic Church
Pentecost Sunday | May 24, 2026
1008 Fortune Ave, Panama City, FL 32401
Pentecost, Juan Bautista Maíno, 1615-1620

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

John Maceluch, Jr. | Parish Council Chair

Kelly Bernhardt	Kathy Kidd	Brett McCarty
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
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

Bulletin Requests: Please email bulletin@saintjohnpc.org. Submissions are due by noon on Mondays.
Bulletin Ad Requests: To publish an ad in the back of our bulletin, contact Mary Frericks at MFrericks@Diocesan.com

St. John Catholic Academy

850-763-1775 | office@sjeagles.org
Sr. Grace Ford, Er Dio | Principal

Finance Council

Chris Brooks | Finance Council Chair

Jackie Fowler	Dcn. Earl Mirus	Sean McNeil
Tim Wheeler	Sr. Grace Ford	Donna Couchigian

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

*The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee encourages anyone who may have been abused by any clergy person, employee, or volunteer in ministry with the Church, or who knows of such abuse, to contact local law enforcement or the Florida Abuse Hotline at 1-800-96-ABUSE (1-800-962-2873) and Shannon D. Mullen, Ph.D. CSAT at 229-233-8009. Español - Dcn. Santiago Molina, 850-222-6482

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.

CONGRATULATIONS

Recognizing the work, witness, and ministry of our parishioners.

St. John and the Council of Catholic Women would like to recognize and congratulate:

DON RAUSCHER
Don was awarded the Diocesan Medal of Honor for his decades of service in ministry. This award is given to outstanding Catholic laity or religious who have engaged in a significant way in works of mercy and charity by coming to the aid of their neighbor. Congratulations, Don, and thank you for your service to the parish and community.

EMMA LASH
Congratulations, Emma, on receiving a $1,000 scholarship from the Council of Catholic Women for the recent Peruvian Mission Trip.

ISABELLE ELIZONDO
Congratulations, Isabelle, on receiving the Golden Rose Award from the Pensacola-Tallahassee Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. This award is presented to high school aged young ladies who demonstrate core values of spirituality, leadership and service.

NEWLY ELECTED CCW OFFICERS
President Cheryl Wilson
Vice President Melanie Wicks
Secretary Barbara Britson
Treasurer Susan McNeil
Installation was held at the 8:15 a.m. Mass on May 3rd followed by breakfast hosted by the Men's Club.

Isabelle Elizondo | *Parishioner and Recipient of the Golden Rose Award*

Members of the Council of Catholic Women | *At the May 3rd installation Mass for new officers.*

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

POPE BENEDICT ON PENTECOST

Homily on the Solemnity of Pentecost, May 31, 2009.

...Finally, a last thought also taken from the Acts of the Apostles: the Holy Spirit overcomes fear.

We know that the disciples fled to the cenacle after the Master's arrest and remained there out of fear of suffering the same fate. After Jesus' resurrection this fear did not suddenly disappear. But when the Holy Spirit descended upon them at Pentecost, those men went out without fear and began to proclaim the good news of Christ crucified and risen. They had no fear, because they felt that they were in stronger hands.

Yes, dear brothers and sisters, where the Spirit of God enters, he chases out fear; he makes us know and feel that we are in the hands of an Omnipotence of love: whatever happens, his infinite love will not abandon us. The witness of the martyrs, the courage of the confessors, the intrepid élan of missionaries, the frankness of preachers, the example of all the saints -- some who were even adolescents and children -- demonstrate this.

It is also demonstrated by the very existence of the Church, which, despite the limits and faults of men, continues to sail across the ocean of history, driven by the breath of God and animated by his purifying fire. With this faith and this joyous hope we repeat today, through Mary's intercession: "Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth!

UPCOMING & NOTEWORTHY

Memorial Day
Diocesan Holiday
The Academy and Parish Office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day on Monday, May 25. We pray for all service members who gave their lives in the line of duty.

Pray & Play
May 26 | 4:30pm
All families are invited to our next Pray & Play this Tuesday. We meet at Oakland Terrace Park (across 11th Street from St. John). We learn about the Saint of the Day, and have an opportunity to go to Confession and attend Daily Mass at 5:30.
For more information, contact jera.blanchard-towns@saintjohnpc.org.

Circle of Grace Parent Meeting
Next Sunday | May 31
On Sunday, May 31, we will hold a Circle of Grace meeting for families in the Parish Hall at 9:30am. Circle of Grace is a curriculum that supports 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.

Confirmation 2026
Grades 5-12
Due to schedule adjustments at the diocesan level, 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.

Events this Week
Sunday, May 24
No OCIA class - upcoming dates announced soon
9:30am - Coffee & donuts in the parish hall after both Sunday morning Masses
Monday, May 25
Memorial Day - Daily Mass at 8:15am; Parish Office & Academy Closed
Tuesday, May 26
4:30pm - Pray & Play meets at Oakland Terrace
6:15pm - Catholic in Recovery in parish office
6:15pm - Encounter in the Church
Wednesday, May 27
9:30am - Women's Bible Study in parish office
Sunday, May 31
No OCIA class - upcoming dates announced soon
9:30am - Circle of Grace meets in the parish hall
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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.

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.

SEEK FOR ADULTS

Seek for Adults is a four-week small group experience designed to help participants encounter the Gospel in a fresh and meaningful way. Through discussions, activities, witness talks, and teaching, participants are invited to (re)discover the God who is love and grow more deeply in their faith.

Wednesdays in June | Parish Hall
5:30 PM | Dinner (provided)
6:15–8:00 PM | Seek

Register Here

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

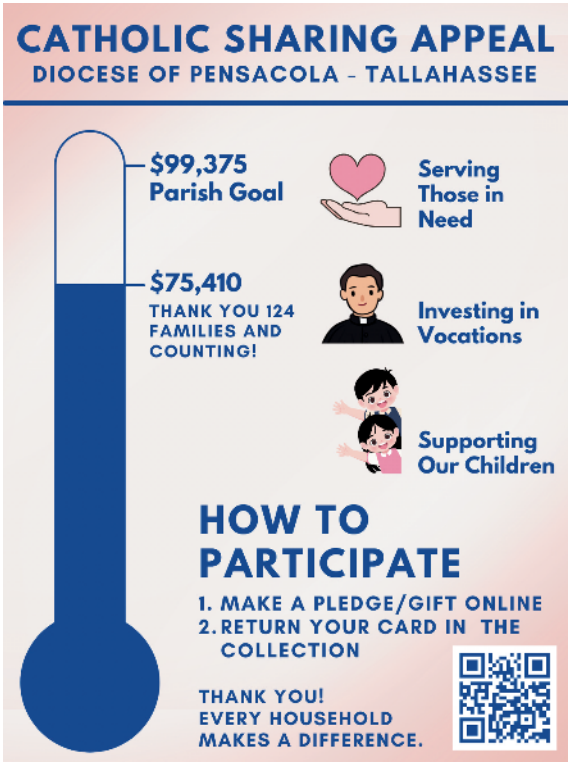
Wednesdays at 9:30am | Parish Office

Join us on Wednesday mornings (through June 3rd) for our new study around *Life Everlasting* by Jeffrey Morrow. Join us to read, discuss, and grow closer to the Lord. 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.



Join us in Prayer

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

†Judy Pajak, †Steve Erickson, †Kenneth Mayer

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 23, 2026
4:30pm...Fr. Kennell & Diocesan Clergy by CCW
Sunday, May 24, 2026
Pentecost Sunday
8:15am....Laporte Family
by Richard & Donna Laporte
10:45am..People of the Parish
Monday, May 25, 2026
8:15am....Seminarians by CCW
Tom & Kelly Bernhardt 45th Anniversary
Tuesday, May 26, 2026
5:30pm....Boucher Family
by Richard & Donna Laporte
Wednesday, May 27, 2026
8:15am....†Thomas L. DiNote by Chris Dinote
Thursday, May 28, 2026
5:30pm...Maurice Family
by Richard & Donna Laporte
Friday, May 29, 2026
8:15am...†Robert Garcia
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

Scripture Readings, Week of May 24, 2026

Sun **Pentecost Sunday**
Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Mon **Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**
Gen 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tue **Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest**
1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Mk 10:28-31

Wed 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45

Thur 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5; Mk 10:46-52

Fri 1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Mk 11:11-26

Sat Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6; Mk 11:27-33

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

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

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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.....850-376-9853

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, now studying "Life Everlasting" by Jeffrey Morrow. June 3 is last study before 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.***

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