St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan Bautista

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



November 8, 2026

Mass Times

Saturdays 5:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. *(Español)*
Sundays 9:00 a.m.
11:30 a.m.
Weekdays *See schedule on page 5.*

Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Friday
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Reconcilation

Saturdays 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Sundays 10:15-11:00 a.m.

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The Sacraments
Los Sacramentos

Baptism
Bautismo
Please contact the office to arrange a pre-baptismal class.

Por favor comuníquese con la oficina para programar una clase pre-bautismo.

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist
Primera Reconciliación y Primera Eucaristía
All children must be in 2nd grade or older and attend Faith Formation classes.

Todos los niños deben estar en segundo grado o un grado superior y asistir a clases de formación en la fe.

Confirmation
Confirmación
Confirmation preparation occurs as part of youth ministry and begins in 8th grade.

La preparación para la Confirmación ocurre como parte del ministerio juvenil y comienza en el 8 ° grado.

Reconciliation
Reconciliación
Saturdays 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sundays 10:15-11:00 a.m., and by appointment.

Los sábados de 3:30 a 4:30, los domingos de 10:15 a 11:00, y por cita.

Anointing of the Sick
Unción de los Enfermos
Please contact the pastor before surgery, when seriously ill, in the hospital, or homebound.

Por favor comuníquese con el párroco antes de cirugia, en caso de enfermedad grave, o si está hospitalizado o en la casa.

Matrimony
Matrimonio
Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the intended marriage to begin sacramental preparations.

Por favor comuníquese con el pastor por lo menos seis meses antes de la boda para comenzar la preparación sacramental.

Holy Orders
Orden Sacerdotal
Single Catholic men, ages 16-49, please contact the pastor.

Hombres solteros Católicos, 16-49, por favor comuníquese con el párroco.

Contact Information
Información de Contacto
Parish Office: 252-537-4667
administrative.assistant@sjbrr.org

Emergencies: 252-308-8771

Fr. John: fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org

Welcome to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church!

*¡**Bienvenidos** a la Iglesia Católica San Juan Bautista!*

We are a vibrant Catholic parish encountering Jesus Christ through Liturgy, Sacraments, Fellowship, and Service.

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Please contact the office or emergency line when you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital or a nursing facility.
Por favor, comuníquese con la oficina cuando usted o un miembro de su familia sea ingresado en un hospital o en un centro de cuidado.

Parishioner Registration

If you are new to St. John's, or if you have a new phone number, email address, home address, or other information, **please use the QR code or contact the office** at administrative.assistant@sjbrr.org or 252-537-4667 to register or update your information.

St. John's Registration Link

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Please reach out to Ceil Tuders (OCIA) at 252-308-8544 or tuderscecelia@gmail.com.

Become Involved



There are many ways to get involved at St. John's! To find out more, please reach out the coordinators of each ministry:

Altar Severs - Fr. John De Guzman, fr,john.deguzman@raldioc.org
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Youth Ministry - Fr. John De Guzman, fr,john.deguzman@raldioc.org

A Note from the Administrative Assistant

Dear St. John's Parishioners,

Hi - it's Katie this week!

There are many events and Masses coming up for the holy days and celebrations this season, which you can find out more about on **pages 8-9 of this bulletin**! If you're like me, you look forward to Thanksgiving, Christmas, and all of the wonderful traditions and holy joy that this time of year brings. It comes with so much joy, but also SO...MUCH...PREPARATION.

Since today's Gospel focuses on preparation for the Lord, it seems fitting to draw attention to the holy work of being ready. Some of the women in the parable plan ahead and have enough oil in their lamps for the bridegroom's arrival, and some don't. If you're a bit of a procrasinator like I am, you'll feel called out like I did. **Are we ready for the Lord? Do we treat each task as though it matters to Him?**

The example of St. Therese of Lisieux reminds us that every small thing can be done with great purpose. Little by little, by the grace of God, we will find ourselves more holy, more ready for the joy that awaits us if we seek the Lord sincerely and walk in His ways.

During this season, as we have parties to plan, concerts to rehearse for, Masses and parish events to attend, and traditions to enjoy, let us remember why, **and for whom**, we do these things.

We are a parish family, so if you need anything during this beautiful and busy season, please reach out.

May your week be full of holy preparation! **Katie**

Una Nota de la Asistente Administrativa

Queridos feligreses de la Parroquia de San Juan,

¡Hola! ¡Esta nota es de Katie!

Hay muchos eventos y Misas próximamente por los días y celebraciones santos de esta temporada, de los cuales pueden informarse más en **las páginas 8-9 de este boletí**n. Si son como yo, esperan con ilusión el Día de Acción de Gracias, la Navidad y todas las maravillosas tradiciones y la alegría santa que esta época del año trae. Viene con tanta alegría, pero también con TANTA...PREPARACIÓN.

Ya que el Evangelio de hoy se enfoca en la preparación para el Señor, parece adecuado llamar la atención sobre el santo trabajo de estar listos. Algunas de las mujeres en la parábola hacen planes con antelación y tienen suficiente aceite en sus lámparas para la llegada del esposo, y otras no. Si eres un poco procrastinador como yo, te sentirás tan señalado como yo lo hice. **¿Estamos preparados para el Señor? ¿Tratamos cada tarea como si le importara a Él?**

El ejemplo de Santa Teresa de Lisieux nos recuerda que cada pequeña cosa puede hacerse con un gran propósito. Poco a poco, por la gracia de Dios, nos encontraremos más santos, más preparados para la alegría que nos espera si buscamos al Señor sinceramente y caminamos en Sus caminos.

Durante esta temporada, mientras tenemos fiestas que planear, conciertos para ensayar, Misas y eventos parroquiales a los que asistir, y tradiciones para disfrutar, recordemos por qué y **para quién** hacemos estas cosas.

Somos una familia parroquial, así que si necesitas algo durante esta hermosa y ocupada temporada, por favor contáctame.

¡Que tu semana esté llena de preparación espiritual! **Katie**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 7
5:00 p.m. † All Souls
6:30 p.m. † Todas Las Almas

Sunday, November 8
9:00 a.m. † All Souls
11:30 a.m. 🙏 St. John's Parishioners

Tuesday, November 10
9:30 a.m. **No Mass**

Wednesday, November 11
9:30 a.m. **No Mass**

Thursday, November 12
9:30 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, November 13
9:30 a.m. **No Mass**

Saturday, November 14
5:00 p.m. † All Souls
6:30 p.m. † Todas Las Almas

Sunday, November 15
9:00 a.m. † All Souls
11:30 a.m. 🙏 St. John's Parishioners

Mass intentions for 2027 are available to be scheduled. Please contact the office, or use a Mass intention envelope available near the church doors.

Altar Flowers

The beautiful altar flowers have been given in memory of

Mandee Bull Vogt



by Wayne & Lorraine Bull.

Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary lamp will shine in prayer for

Pat Labriola

from November 8 to 14.



Requested by
Ron & Sylvia Labriola

In Need of Prayer...

Caitlin Edge
Jennifer Brantley
Kathy Butler
Phyllis Doban
Tom Mason
Ellen Boyd
Tommy Wrenn
Stephanie Murch
Elsie Boone
Leah Everette
Lynn Wray
Suzanne Bosse
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Kileigh Cusimano
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Tim & Leann Seelman
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Mattea Fraenza
Jacob Brantley
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Stan & Geraldine Ferguson
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Wanda Jenkins
Ron Labriola
Scott Forsyth
John Ledgerwood
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Ellen Kyser
Sylvia Labriola
Robert Portwood
Billy Mueller
Rod Howell
Bob & Debbie Baker
Verna Wagner
Brett, Lauren, & Nora Green

To add someone to the prayer list, or to update us on the condition of a loved one, please contact the parish office.

Parish Financial Stewardship

Operational Budget Needs for 2026-2027
$246,064.00

Weekly Budgeted Need
$4,732.00

Weekly In-Pew Offering - Nov. 1
$4,804.00

Online Offertory - Oct. 26-Nov. 1
$1,308.48

Offering Fiscal Year to Date
$87,632.62

There is 1 envelope this weekend:
Regular Offertory

ONLINEgiving

Donate online to St. John the Baptist

Our parish online giving link allows one-time and recurring gifts, and donors can choose from a drop-down menu in order to give toward the following funds and ministries:

Offertory
Regular church operations, including supplies, liturgical needs, utilities, and salaries.

Building Maintenance Fund
Maintenance and upkeep of church properties and grounds, including HVAC, roofing, and improvements.

Youth Ministry
Supplies and experiences for the parish youth group, consisting of young people in grades 8-12.

General Donations
Unrestricted funds for clergy to determine where it is needed most.

Social Concerns
Local ministry to those in immediate need, often covering a utility bill for families in crisis situations.

Fiscal Year Goal Exceeded

Once final reports are completed, parish data for the 2025-2026 fiscal year will be made available. Thanks to your generosity, we **exceeded our offertory goal** for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The budgeted need for the 2026-2027 fiscal year has gone up slightly due to rising costs of supplies, utilities, maintenance, and other parish needs. We are thankful for the generosity of this parish. This generosity allow us to be able to serve the Lord and His people in this wonderful community.

Moving Forward

We encourage everyone who is able to do so to **increase their parish giving by 10%.** This would allow the parish to reach our fiscal goals with ease and feel secure in our mission moving forward.

SJBYM - Youth Ministry

Our youth potluck-style **Thanksgiving party will be on Sunday, November 22, 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the parish hall.**

What will you bring? Pie, turkey, vegetables, potatoes, mac and cheese? You can cook, bake, or buy your items. Be sure to bring enough for everyone!



The youth group is open to **all youth in grades 8-12.** For more information, or to sign up, please contact Father John at **fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org**.

SJB Youth Ministry Public
WhatsApp group

The next whole-group youth meeting is **next Sunday, November 15, 1:00-3:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. Lunch will be provided!

Youth group includes all teens preparing for **Confirmation**.

Join the **WhatsApp group** using the QR code above for schedule updates, service opportunities, and other information!

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The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal and service organization dedicated to charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. The general meeting is held the First Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Dues are $30 per year.

The Knights of Columbus **Thanksgiving dinner social** is coming up on **Thursday, November 19** in the parish hall.

Everyone is welcome! The menu will include turkey and all the fixings. Check out next week's bulletin for more details on time and pricing!



The Knights of Columbus Council 7232 is always seeking **new members**! If you are interested in joining the Knights, please contact one of the officers at the numbers listed. The Knights do service projects, host parish socials, fundraise for local causes, and more.

Parish Happenings

Rite of Entrance



At **the 11:30 Mass on November 15**, several adults will be accepted as catechumens through the **Rite of Entrance**. This is their first step toward becoming Catholic. Let us pray for them and help them along their journey!

Photos of Loved Ones

We will keep our photo tables in the church throughout November, so please continue to bring **photos of deceased loved ones**, so that we may pray for their souls throughout November.

Names of the deceased may also still be turned in on an All souls envelope. **These envelopes will be placed in our box for prayer and remembrance throughout November, in front of the altar.**

November weekend Masses will be for All Souls. Weekday Masses may still have intentions requested.



Parishioner Registration

We now have a **parishioner registration link!** Please follow the QR code and fill in your information. Please use this to **register as a new parishioner or to update information**!

Save the Dates!

We will have many beautiful, faith-filled events and Masses this season. Please keep an eye on the bulletin and our social media for more information about these special occasions!

November 26 - 9:00 a.m.
Thanksgiving Mass

December 8 - 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Immaculate Conception Masses
(11:00 - Halifax, 6:30 - St. John's)

December 11 - 6:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Guadalupe - Rosary, Procession, Mass, & Celebration

December 15-23 - 7:30 p.m.
Las Posadas

December 18 - 6:30 p.m.
Polar Express Movie Night

December 20 - 3:00 p.m.
Christmas Concert &
Christmas Around the World

December 22 - 6:00 p.m.
Simbang Gabi Mass & Celebration

December 24 & 25 - Christmas Masses
4:00 p.m.
8:00 p.m. *(Spanish)*
12:00 Midnight
10:00 a.m

50/50 Raffle Tickets to Benefit Youth Ministry



Our awesome youth group members are selling 50/50 raffle tickets from now until December 20. Please purchase your tickets from one of our teens soon!
$5 per ticket, or $20 for 5 tickets.

Parish Happenings

Thanksgiving Mass

On Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 26, there will be a Thanksgiving Mass at 9:00 a.m. We will have a **blessing of food**, so bring ingredients you'll be using for your Thanksgiving meal, or bring food that you will donate to a local food pantry! Everyone is encouraged to attend.



John 3:16 Christmas Gifts

As you plan ahead for gift-giving, please consider the families who reach out to the John 3:16 Center. Again this year, John 3:16 has given St. John's many children to purchase Christmas gifts for. **The tree with tags with children's ages is up near the main church doors!**

If you would prefer, you can also sponsor a child for $100, directly through the John 3:16 Center. Details coming soon!

OCIA Sessions

Through OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) you can:

- Become Catholic
- Receive your Sacraments
- Learn more about the Catholic faith

For additional information, please contact Ceil Tuders at 252-308-8544.

Parish Columbarium

Our **parish columbarium** and memorial garden are a final resting place for those who are deceased and have been cremated. Available niches in the columbarium can be purchased for **$2,200**, and each niche may house either one or two urns. Please contact the parish office for more information.





Opportunities for Flower Dedications

There are opportunities to dedicate flowers in honor or memory of loved ones at the statues of the **Blessed Mother & Our Lady of Guadalupe**. Please contact the office at **252-537-4667** to schedule.

*Hay oportunidades para dedicar flores en honor o en memoria de seres queridos en las estatuas de la **Madre Bendita o a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe**. Por favor contacta la oficina para programar a **252-537-4667**.*

Around the Diocese & Around the World



Travel the Camino de Santiago

If you have been waiting to register for the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage, **now is the time**! Please scan the QR code above, or reach out to Father John at fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org for more information.

Project Rachel Retreat

If you desire healing from a past abortion, you are invited to experience the love of Jesus at a **Project Rachel weekend retreat January 8-10, 2027** in the Raleigh area. More information about this confidential retreat can be found at **rachelnc.org**.

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