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BAPTISM

Parents are required to attend the Baptism Preparation Class. They are also encouraged to attend the class prior to the birth of the baby. Godparents are expected to attend the class. A registration package is available at the Parish Office or at our website for download. Email completed forms to the parish office.

AddME

To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin & Sunday Mass link, click **AddME** to be added to the Parish Email List.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:30am - 4:30pm and 6:00 - 8.30pm
Saturday: 9:00am-12:00pm and 3:15- 6:15pm
Sunday: 8:30 am 1:30pm

MASS TIMES

Mondays to Saturdays: 9:00am
Additional Masses on Wednesdays & 1st Fridays: 7:00pm
Sundays: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, and 4:00pm
Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm on Saturday

RECONCILIATION

6:00- 6:45pm before Wednesday 7pm Mass or appointment.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the office.

Two Steps for E-Transfer:

1) Send donations to: admin@sjocross.org
2) A separate email message to admin@sjocross.org
with your answer, your, Tel. number, & purpose of this fund.

MARRIAGE

It is required that one of those to be married resides within the Parish boundary. Couples planning to be married must contact the Parish office at least one year in advance of their proposed date. They are required to complete a Marriage Preparation Course.

Live Stream

All 9am masses, Monday to Saturday, & the Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass are live streamed.



ALL SAINTS DAY

Sunday, November 1st
8am, 10am, 12noon, 4pm
Honouring all the Saints in the Church,
known and unknown.

ALL SOULS DAY

Monday, November 2nd, 7pm
With Commemoration Mass for
the deceased who passed
within the last year.



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

There is a promise of marriage this Friday,
October 30th between



**Dario Maric and
Sierra Pierre**

Let us pray for this couple as
they prepare for their wedding.

NIGHT OF LIGHT



When: Saturday, Oct. 31
6:30-8:45pm

Where: Nessinger Hall
after the 5pm Holy Mass
Highlights:

- Games, songs, & prizes
- Kids: dress as saints or wear white
- Treats and loot bags

DIGITAL FAITH CONNECTING

God is writing your story. Will you share it?

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Give Hope. Bear Witness. Share your Faith.

Sign up after any of the Sunday Masses this weekend.

RITE OF ENROLLMENT FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

All Confirmation Candidates are required to participate in the Rite of Enrollment after any of the Sunday Masses.

If you have not participated last weekend, please come this weekend:

Saturday, October 24th: 5:00pm

**Sunday, October 25th: 8:00am, 10:00am,
12:00pm, or 4:00pm**

FAITH Q&A: WHY PRAY FOR THE DEAD?

All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.

The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned. The Church formulated her doctrine of faith on Purgatory especially at the Councils of Florence and Trent. The tradition of the Church, by reference to certain texts of Scripture, speaks of a cleansing fire.

As for certain lesser faults, we must believe that, before the Final Judgment, there is a purifying fire. He who is truth says that whoever utters blasphemy against the Holy Spirit will be pardoned neither in this age nor in the age to come. From this sentence we understand that certain offenses can be forgiven in this age, but certain others in the age to come. This teaching is also based on the practice of prayer for the dead, already mentioned in Sacred Scripture: "Therefore Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin."

BOOK OF LIFE

On All Souls Day and throughout the month of November, the Book of Life containing the names of deceased loved ones will be placed in front of the altar to be prayed on that day and in all Holy Masses throughout the month.

There are 2 ways to have your loved ones included in the Book of Life:

1. Writing their names on the purple sheet that are placed on the table in the hallway **OR**
2. Using the Online Form link below or using the QR code. Your online submissions will be added into the Book of Life that will be placed in front of the altar.

<https://bit.ly/4jZe6RP>



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 26, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Reynaldo Ferrer Morales, requested by the De Leon Family
2. In Thanksgiving for Dennis Braun, requested by Connie Rithaler

Tuesday, October 27, 9am

1. For the Repose of Fr. Leonard Gilman, requested by the Nicholson Family
2. For the Repose of Eugenie Gomes, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Hari Sastry, requested by Elma Sastry & Family

Wednesday, October 28, 9am

1. For the Repose of Paul Alan Sciberras, requested by the Family
2. For the Souls in Purgatory, requested by Lionel, Pearl & Irene

Wednesday, October 28, 7pm

1. For the Repose of Maureen & Anthony Valladares, requested by Karen Moniz

Thursday, October 29, 9am

1. For the Repose of Frank Marion, requested by Beryl Wu

Friday, October 30, 9am

1. For the Repose of Yorrick DeSouza Sr., requested by the DeSouza Family
2. For the Repose of Fely Sanchez, requested by Remy Lontoc
3. For the Repose of Freddy D'Souza, requested by Tim & Rhonda Remedios
4. For the Repose of Alberto Fernandes, requested by the Family
5. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Royston Dsouza, requested by the D'Souza Family

Saturday, October 31, 9am

1. For the 50th First Communion Anniversary of Angela & Elizabeth, requested by Angela Lamontagne
2. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Lionel, Pearl & Irene

Saturday, October 31, 5pm

1. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by the Menezes Family
2. For the Repose of John & Irene Mendonca, requested by Mr. & Mrs. Claude Fernandes & Family

Sunday, November 1, 8am

1. For Wedding Anniversary Blessings of Lloyd & Louella Machado, requested by Kyle & Clinton Machado

Sunday, November 1, 10am

1. For the Repose of Paolo Biondi, requested by the Biondi Family
2. For the Repose of Douglas Colaco, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Juan & Cathy Larcevic, requested by Bonnie Perez

Sunday, November 1, 12pm

1. For the Birthday Blessings of Mikayla Chan, requested by the Family
2. For All Deceased Members of the Shetty & Rasquinha Families, requested by Sinitta & Sanket
3. For the Repose of Rodolfo de la Calzada, requested by Oscar & May Lee
4. For the Deceased Members of the Pereira Family, requested by Goretti Miles
5. For the Deceased Members of the Menezes Family, requested by Goretti Miles

Sunday, November 1, 4pm

1. For the Intentions of all Parishioners

We thank the Catholic Women's League for hosting the Coffee Sunday after all Masses next Sunday, November 1st.

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For the
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

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List of Items Accepted and Not Accepted at Bundle Up Weekends & Stores

Accept	Don't Accept
All Clothing (See Conditions)	Baby items (Cloth, Diaper, Stroller, or any other baby item)
All Footwear (See Conditions)	Construction Material (See Conditions)
Bedding (See Conditions)	Dishes (See Conditions)
Drapery/Towels	Furniture (See Conditions)
Toys (New only)	Books/Video/Audio Cassettes

MINISTRY OF CARE MEETING

If you use a pyx to bring Holy Communion to the sick or homebound, please join us for an important meeting on:

Thursday, December 3, at 7pm, Carmel Room

During this gathering, we will discuss new guidelines, update parish records, and hold a special blessing of pyxes. These guidelines will be relevant to everyone, even those who cannot attend.

Kindly bring your pyx.

LIFE TEEN PROGRAM

For all secondary students:

Life Teen begins on Sunday, October 25,  **LIFE TEEN** and meets bi-

weekly on Sunday afternoons following the 12:00 noon Mass. For more information or to register, please visit the parish office.

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 24th, in Nessinger Hall after the 5pm Holy Mass. See you there!

CHURCH

Mon	Oct 26	Senior Choir 6:45-8:45pm
Wed	Oct 28	JC Band 8:00pm
Thurs	Oct 29	Folk Choir 7:00pm
Fri	Oct 30	Prayer Group 7:00pm

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Wed	Oct 28	PTC Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
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NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Oct 26	RCIA 7:00pm
Tues	Oct 27	Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Tues	Oct 27	Genesis Bible Study 7:00pm
Wed	Oct 28	CIC 6:00pm
Thurs	Oct 29	Knights of Columbus 7:00pm
Sat	Oct 31	Men's Fraternity 6:00-8:30am
Sat	Oct 31	K of C Night of Light 6:30pm
Sun	Nov 1	Alpha Pprogram 6:00pm

BASEMENT CARMEL A ROOM

Mon	Oct 26	K of C Meeting 7:00pm
Tues	Oct 27	Bereavement 5:30-8:30pm
Wed	Oct 28	Sacramental Prep 6:30pm
Sun	Nov 1	Rise & Lead 1:00-3:00pm

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