



“Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again:
Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all.
The Lord is near.”

Philippians 4:4-5

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC CHURCH

315 N. Main Street Woodstock, Virginia 22664

DECEMBER 15TH, 2024

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PARISH OFFICE

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HOLY MASS SCHEDULE / MISAS

Saturday

Vigil at 5:00pm

Sunday

7:30am

9:30am

En Español a las 12:00 de la tarde

Weekday Masses:

6:00pm Mondays & Wednesdays
8:30am Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday at 9:00am - Thursday 8:30am

ROSARY & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Immediately following Daily Mass

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday at 6:30pm
Saturday after morning Mass and at 3:30pm
Or by Appointment - contact the Parish Office

Our Lady of The Shenandoah Mission

Parochial Vicar

Father Robert Ruskamp
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Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass for Sunday: Saturday at 5:00pm
Confessions: Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Sunday Mass: 8:30am
**Daily Mass: Mon, Wed & Friday at 8:30am
Tues & Thurs at 6:00pm**
Adoration: Wednesdays 3:00pm-7:00pm
Community Holy Hour: Wednesdays 7:00pm
Novena to Our Lady
of Perpetual Help Thurs 6:30pm



The use of the Christmas tree is relatively modern. It's origins are found in the medieval mystery plays that depicted the tree of paradise and the Christmas light or candle that symbolized Christ, the Light of the world. The Christmas tree is set up just before Christmas and may remain in play until the Solemnity of Epiphany. The lights of the tree are illuminated after the prayer of blessing. Parishioners can find a blessing for their Christmas trees at www.usccb.org under *Sacramental (Blessings) - Objects*.

From the Parish Office



Mass Intentions: The book is now open. Parishioners may visit the Office and request Mass intentions for the months of January, February and March As a reminder: Families may request **1 Intention per week and 3 per month**. For the future, we ask that all mass intention requests be made in person in the Parish Office. Thank you!

There will be **no** Adoration Tuesday December 26th, 2023 through Thursday, December 28th, 2023
There will be **no** adoration Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024 through Thursday, January 4th, 2024.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED! We are looking for someone to transport Mass/Liturgy supplies from St John Bosco to Our Lady of the Shenandoah each week either on Friday or Saturday mornings. This would be on a committed schedule—these supplies must reach Father Ruskamp each week. If you are available, please contact the Parish Office.



Christmas Poinsettias for the Altar

Parishioners can donate money towards the purchase of Flowers (i.e.\$15 per Poinsettia) for the Altar during the Christmas Season. You can do this in honor of, or in memory of a loved one. Please make checks out to SJB and put "Altar Decorations" in the memo line. They can be dropped off in the parish office during normal business hours. Last day to get names in to the parish office is **Sunday, December 8th**.
You can still submit money and names; however, they will not be listed in the bulletin until after Christmas Day.

Volunteers needed for Care of Altar Linens
Monthly Rotation, cleaning and ironing linens used during Mass (not altar cloths.)
Currently seeking volunteers for the 2024 year.
Please contact the Parish Office.

BULLETIN HOLIDAY DEADLINES!
Bulletin blurbs for the December 29th bulletin are due **Tuesday, Dec 17th**
Please send to music@sjbwoodstock.org.
All blurbs are subject to editing and approval.

Announcing SJB's Annual "Keep Christ in Christmas Nativity Play"
December 15th, 2024 at 6:00pm
Rehearsals:
Sunday, December 15th 4:00pm—Costume Call




Come and celebrate the **Reason for the Season** at our **"Keep Christ in Christmas Nativity Play"** at **6:00pm TODAY** in Hanley Hall.
There is a **Potluck Dessert** directly following.
Please bring something to share!

LAS POSADAS
Monday, Dec 16th to Monday, Dec 23rd at 6:00pm in Hanley Hall
Lunes, 16 de dic—Lunes, 23 de dic a las 6:00pm en Hanley Hall

Prayer Requests for/Oremos Por


Daniel Romero	+ Ruth O'Niell
Don Jurgensmeyer	+ Robert Kobilak
Ramon Vega	+ Rick Williams
+ Kenneth Bowen	



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Military & Their Families Prayer Request
Please keep all our military in prayer.

Tabernacle Candle
By donating \$10, the Tabernacle Candle will be lit for an entire week in honor of or in memory of your loved ones.





Christmas Masses

There will be no Daily Mass on December 24th.

Dec 24th, Children’s Vigil Mass at 5:00pm in *English*

Dec 24th, Vigil Mass at 7:00pm in *Spanish*

Dec 24th, Candlelight Vigil Mass at 10:00pm in *English*

Dec 25th, Christmas Day Mass at 9:30am in *English*

The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Is a Holy Day of Obligation this year

There will be no Daily Mass on December 31st.

December 31st, Holy Vigil Mass at 5:00pm *English*

January 1st, Holy Mass at 7:30am in *English*

January 1st, Holy mass at 9:30am in *English*

January 1st, Holy Mass at 12:00pm in *Spanish*

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT MASS

December 24th

9:30pm – Prelude

10:00pm – Holy Mass



Knights of Columbus
Council #9002

Upcoming Dates:

Every Wednesday 12:30-4p Senior Games in SJEH

Nov 2-Dec 15 Knights are selling Christmas Cards in the Holy Family Center after Masses

Grand Knight: Tom Drinkwater, 540-933-6856
Drinkwat1@earthlink.net

Pilgrim Virgin Home Visitation Program

Because not everyone can go to Fatima, Our Most Gracious Mother comes to you.

The Legion of Mary offers individuals and families a beautiful way to draw closer to God through the prayers of Our Mother. Two members of the Legion of Mary will bring Our Lady of Fatima statue to your home and the statue will stay with you one week. Contact Lee Santos 540-335-4800. Email leeandpeg@gmail.com



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 15th

Parish Social Hour (HH)	8:30am-11:45am
Sunday Bible Study (SFR)	8:30am-9:30am
“Keep Christ in Christmas” Nativity Play (HH)	6:00pm

Monday, December 16th

Martial Arts Group (SJEH)	9:30am-12:00pm
Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach Van	10:30am-12:00pm
ESL Class (SJEH)	6:00pm-7:30pm
Las Posadas (HH)	6:00pm-9:00pm

Tuesday, December 17th

KofC Monthly Regular Meeting	6:00pm-9:00pm
Las Posadas (HH)	6:00pm-9:00pm
Alabanza y Adoración (MC)	7:00pm-8:00pm

Wednesday, December 18th

Legion of Mary (SJEH)	9:15am-10:45am
Advent Worship Service*	12:00pm
KofC Senior Games (SJEH)	12:00pm-4:00pm
Children’s Choir (SFR)	4:00pm-5:55pm
Praise & Worship (MC)	5:00pm-5:45pm
Trail Life (SJEH)	6:00pm-9:00pm
Las Posadas (HH)	6:00pm-9:00pm

Thursday, December 19th

Women’s Bible Study (SJEH)	9:00am-11:45am
OCIA (SFR)	9:15am-10:15am
Legion de Maria (SJEH)	5:00pm-7:00pm
OCIA en Espanol (SJEH)	5:30pm-7:00pm
Las Posadas (HH)	6:00pm-9:00pm
Youth Choir Rehearsal (SFR)	6:00pm-9:00pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal (MC)	7:00pm-9:00pm

Friday, December 20th

Las Posadas (HH)	6:00pm-9:00pm
Coro de Espanol (MC)	7:00pm-7:45pm
RE—Spanish Supplement (SFR)	7:30pm-9:00pm
Nueva Esperanza (SJEH)	7:30pm-9:00pm

Saturday, December 21st

Giving Tree Pick up (HH)	9:00am-2:00pm
5pm Choir Rehearsal (SFR)	3:30pm-4:30pm
Las Posadas (HH)	6:00pm-9:00pm

GIVE YOUR SPOUSE A SPECIAL GIFT THIS CHRISTMAS:

Sign up now for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and receive the gift of a great marriage. Making a weekend will help you put a little Christmas in your marriage every day!

For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location. Feel free to contact Donald and Helen Dudley at 703-646-1521 or donald.helen.dudley@wwme.org with any questions.

Martial Arts & Tai Chi Instruction for Special Needs and Senior Communities to improve health and foster fellowship. Meeting in St. John Evangelist Hall on Mondays from 9:30-10:30 Martial Arts 10:30-11:30 Tai Chi. For more information, please contact Joseph Haydu, 540-750-4431 or Tom Grant, 540-409-6810.

OCIA Order of Christian Initiation: A Journey in Faith



Classes began on Thursday, September 12th. The class meets every Thursday **9:15am** in the St Francis Room. All are welcome, contact the parish office or come and join us!

Religious Education

Upcoming Important Dates:

*No Classes through the month of December.
Please find Advent activities for your family
to participate in.*

If you need suggestions, please email me. Thank you!

January 5th, 2025 All Classes Resume

Comunidad Hispana

¿Te gustaría aprender mas Sobre la palabra de Dios?

El grupo Nueva Esperanza te hace la invitación cada viernes, en el Salón San Juan Evangelista. Se impartirán temas interesantes que nos, ayudaran a seguir caminando con Jesús. 7:45p: Todos son bienvenidos

Temas:

- 20 Dic Posada
- 28 Dic Convivio de la sagrada familia

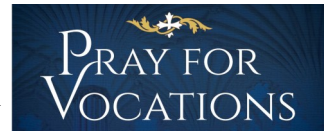
La Legión de Maria Queremos dejar saber a la comunidad hispana que tenemos la legión de María en español en nuestra parroquia. Ahora nos reunimos a las 5:30pm en SJEH a la jueves. Por favor Venancio si tienen preguntas o si quieren saber de nuestro trabajo.

La Novena de Virgen de Guadalupe comienza el martes 3 de diciembre a las 6:00 p.m. en Hanley Hall. Todos son bienvenidos.

Pray for Vocations Ministry This is an effort to promote vocations from within our parish community.

Please sign up! Families are asked to sign-up for two weeks at a time. During that time, you will represent our parish praying for vocations. The Vocational Crucifix and the Bible will be presented to each family as their reminder of their commitment to pray for vocations. When you have completed your two weeks, the family returns the cross and bible to the sacristy before the 9:30am Mass, so that after Mass the new family can pick them up.

Please contact our coordinators, James and Monica Rossi at 540-630-5515 or jamesdrossi4@gmail.com to sign up or for more information.



SJB needs more Rosary Makers!

Anyone interested in learning to make Rosaries, please contact the office or Kathy Chunta @ jazkat36@gmail.com. Supplies will be provided.

A **Community Advent Worship Service** will be held each Wednesday during Advent at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 127 E. High St, Woodstock. The Community Advent Worship Service at 12:00pm followed by Lunch.



St John Bosco is "hosting" Wednesday December 18th. If you'd like to help with food service, please contact Annerose Clifford.



The world needs courageous men to witness to Jesus Christ.

"Consume my heart with that burning fire with which Your Heart is ever inflamed."
- Saint John Henry Newman

COR PROGRAM

Calling all men of the parish! Join us on **Sun, January 12th at 10:45am** in the Holy Family Center for a gathering that aims to form and strengthen men in faith and virtue. COR can be a game changer, life enhancer for men as we dive deeper into our faith, build bonds of friendship and become better men for our families, parish and community. Don't miss out. Grab a coffee at the Social Hour and join us in the front half of Hanley Hall on the 13th! NEXT WEEK!



PRAYER

LIFTING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS TO GOD.



FRATERNITY

BECOMING LIKE CHRIST



FORMATION

CENTERING BROTHERHOOD ON CHRIST

**SJB MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
December 16th—22nd, 2024**

Monday	8:30am	+ Desmond Forde
Tuesday	8:30am	Jonathan & Heydi Carlson and Family
Wednesday	6:00pm	+ Gerry Hrastar
Thursday	8:30am	+ Tracy Krug
Friday	8:30am	+ Sharon Hassett
Saturday	8:30am	Art & JoAnne LaFlam
Saturday	5:00pm	Archbishop Seamus Horgan
Sunday	7:30am	Our Parish Family
Sunday	9:30am	+ Joe Collins
Domingo	Mediodía	+ Gudelia Reséndiz

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December 16th—22nd, 2024**

Sat	12/14	5:00pm	+ Brian Zordich
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Your SJB Outreach Store Needs You!

Do your Christmas Shopping with us!

The Outreach Store is in great need of shoppers. Please come by and shop at the store—all proceeds go to support the great needs of the Shenandoah Co.

The store is currently not taking any donations, except food. Thank you!

We are still looking for volunteers and leadership at the Outreach store, please contact Father if you are interested.



MONTHLY CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES:

FOR MORE INFORMATION

**PLEASE SEE SPECIFIC BLURBS WITHIN BULLETIN*



22 NO URS

24-26 No Eucharistic Adoration

24-25 Parish Office Closed

26 Needles & Threads

31 Parish Office Closed

31 No Eucharistic Adoration



01 Parish Office Closed

01-02 No Eucharistic Adoration

05 Religious Education Classes Resume

05 La Clase de Baustimo

**LIT SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 21ST & 22ND
4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

	5:00pm	7:30am	9:30am	Mediodía
Lectors	M. Shields	Vince V.	Cammack	Telles Morales
Servers	Harman ???	Carlson ???	Austin B. Thurston Adam B.	Joel Leo James
EMHCs	V. Stewart	A. Palmer	L. Santos N. Beaune	H. Moreno
Ushers	H. Miller J. Granier	L. Tully B. Hassett	Cammack Engelstad	Gonzales B. Montes

THE GIVING TREE

How does it work:

Please help us provide gifts for children and adults of the underprivileged in Shenandoah County.

Step 1: Choose a Gift Tag from the Tree

Step 2: Take the *Tag* home and help fulfill a person's Christmas Need.

Step 3: Bring Present(s) with Tag attached to the Office on Wed, Dec 18th. **Presents must be wrapped.**

If Gift Tag requires multiple packages, please bundle.

Pick Up Day: Saturday, December 20th 9a-2p.
At the Holy Family Center



Our Knights of Columbus Council is selling Christmas Cards after all Masses on the upcoming weekends. Please visit the Holy Family Center and purchase your Christmas cards!

**On Campus Meetings
during Holidays**

Ministries are reminded that when the office is closed and/or Mass will not be celebrated *due to a bank holiday*—on-campus-activities are also cancelled, unless prior arrangements have been made, *for that specific date*, through the Parish Office and approved by Father Tran.

