



# Saint John Vianney Catholic Church

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## Vision Statement

The Vision for  
Saint John Vianney Catholic Church  
for the next five years is that we  
become a Parish that will

**LIVE** what it celebrates in faith,  
**BUILD** communion within  
diversity and  
**BE** an inspiration for others.

## Nuestra Visión

La Visión para la Parroquia de  
San Juan María Vianney para los  
próximos cinco años es  
convertirnos en una Parroquia que

**VIVA** lo que celebra en fe,  
**CONSTRUYA** comunión en la  
diversidad y  
**SEA** una inspiración para los  
demás.

## Eucharistic Liturgies / Misas

### **Saturday**

Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m.

### **Sunday**

9:00 a.m. , 10:30 a.m., Noon.  
Misas en Español  
7:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

### **Monday**

6:30p.m. Communion Service

### **Tuesday**

6:30p.m. (Lyke Chapel)

### **Wednesday**

8:00 a.m. (Lyke Chapel)

### **Thursday**

6:30 p.m. (Español- Church)

### **Friday**

8:00 a.m. (Lyke Chapel)

## THIRD SUNDAY

# OF Advent

As the earth brings forth its plants,  
and a garden makes its growth spring up,  
so will the Lord God make justice and praise  
spring up before all the nations.

Isaiah 61:11



DECEMBER 17, 2017

# This Week

**Monday** OFS Council Meeting 6:30PM –St. Anthony Rm  
**Penance Service at St. Bernadette Catholic Church**  
101 S College St, Cedartown 30125

**Tuesday** **Communion Service 6:30PM**  
Sunday Reading Bible Study—7PM St. Luke's Rm  
Charismatic Prayer Group 7:00PM St. John's Rm  
**Penance Service at St. Peter's Catholic Church**  
200 Lafayette Pkwy, LaGrange 30241

**Wednesday** Evangelization Activity Night—7PM  
**Penance Service at Our Lady of Perpetual Help**  
210 Old Center Point Rd, Carrollton 30117

**Thursday** **No Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Hispanic Prayer group 7PM

**Friday** Charismatic Prayer Group 7PM

**Saturday** **No Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
**12/23** Fourth Sunday of Advent Vigil Mass  
5PM—in English  
7PM—in Spanish

Please Note: Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass Schedule  
7AM—Mass in Spanish, 9AM—Mass in English  
10:30AM—Mass in English  
(12/24 ONLY—No Noon Mass and No 1:30PM Mass)

## Weekend of Dec 30 and Dec 31 No Second Collection

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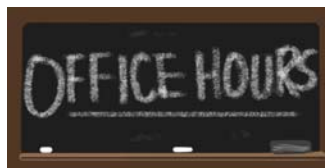
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### Horario de oficina de la parroquia

**Monday/Lunes**  
10AM—4PM

**Tuesday/Martes**  
10AM—4PM

**Wednesday/  
Miércoles**  
CLOSED/CERRADO

**Thursday/Jueves**  
10AM—4PM

**Friday/Viernes**  
10AM—4PM

## Sacrament Information/ Sacramentos

### **CONFESIÓN / CONFESSION**

*Saturday/Sábado: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.*  
*Thursday/Jueves :5:30—6:15 p.m.*  
*Any other time by appointment. /*  
*Otros horarios por cita.*

### **BAUTISMO / BAPTISM**

Call Mrs. Mónica Aguirre for further details. Llame a Sra. Mónica Aguirre para más detalles. 678-981-5229

### **MATRIMONIO / MATRIMONY**

Contact a Priest or Deacon for further details. Contacte al Sacerdote o a uno de los Diáconos para más información

### **UNCIÓN DE ENFERMOS / ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Arrangements must be made by calling the parish office. Para recibir este sacramento llame a la oficina. 770-941-2807

### **STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE / Administración de Tesoro**

As disciples we are called to be faithful stewards of time, talent and treasure  
**Unavailable due to Early Cutoff**  
Thank you for your continued generosity!  
*¡Gracias por su continua generosidad!*

# Pastor's Corner

Greetings,

As the medieval proverb says, All roads lead to Rome, so also every single Christian community has a way to express their joys when it comes to Christmas. This evening, we are going to gather together at 6:00pm at the main Church to experience one of the most amazing events in our community: Christmas around the world. YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS EVENT AGAIN. Come and join us.

Como dice el proverbio medieval, Todos los caminos conducen a Roma, así también cada comunidad cristiana tiene una forma de expresar su gozo cuando se trata de la Navidad. Esta tarde, nos vamos a reunir a las 6:00 pm en la Iglesia para vivir unos de los eventos más hermosos de nuestra comunidad: Navidad alrededor del Mundo. NO QUERRAS PERDERTE ESTE EVENTO OTRA VEZ. Ven y participa.

Father Ignacio Morales



FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

## Mary of Nazareth

### Who was Mary, Mother of the Messiah?

Experience life with Christ through the eyes of his mother in this beautiful film capturing Mary's special role in God's plan for our redemption, her unique relationship with Jesus, and the mysterious joys and sufferings she encountered with deep love, profound humility, and unwavering faith.



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—Afredo N., Buda, TX

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- Vaya a este sitio en la web: [Formed.org](http://Formed.org)
- Entre este código: **CJ69YC** en la página principal.
- Cree su propia cuenta personal utilizando su email y creando su código confidencial (password).
- Y listo! Disfrute de todo el contenido.

Para reingresar a su cuenta, vaya a [Formed.org](http://Formed.org) utilizando su email y su password.

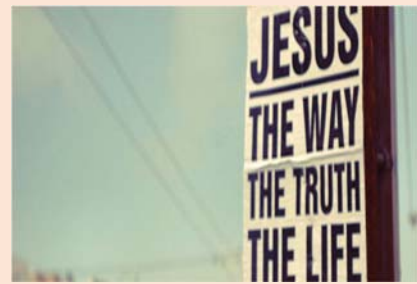
**IMPORTANTE** No se suscriba – La Parroquia ya ha pagado la suscripción. Utilice sólo el código parroquial que le proveerá de mucho más contenido que suscribiéndose como individuo.

Advent Penance Services  
in our surrounding area /  
Servicios Penitenciales  
(All begin at 7PM):

12/18/17 St. Bernadette in  
Cedartown

12/19/17 St. Peter's, Lagrange

12/20/17 Our Lady of Perpetual  
Help in Carrollton



Don't miss the next  
Evangelization Social  
Wednesday,  
December 20th at 7PM

No se pierdan nuestra  
próxima clase de  
Evangelización:  
Miércoles, 20 de  
Diciembre a las 7PM

# THIS SUNDAY

## DON'T MISS THIS GREAT EVENT



*Christmas Around The World  
Navidad Alrededor Del Mundo*

Sunday, December 17th  
Domingo de 17 de diciembre  
6:00PM—8:30PM

Join Us as we celebrate the many ways Christmas is celebrated in different cultures. We are blessed to have a diverse parish family at SJV and we are excited to invite everyone to this event. There will be many cultures represented and each will share their culture's traditional Christmas songs, their traditional holiday drink, and, of course, their traditional Christmas sweet.

Únanse a nosotros a celebrar las diferentes maneras en las que celebramos Navidad en nuestras diferentes culturas. Somos muy bendecidos de tener una familia parroquial bien diversa aquí en SJV y estamos muy emocionados de invitarles a este evento. Tendremos muchas culturas representadas y cada una compartirá villancicos/cantos tradicionales, una bebida tradicional de la época y, por supuesto, algún postre.

## 3<sup>er</sup> Domingo de Adviento | 17 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2017



**BACKPACK**  
Ministry

Thank you for all the support we have received from our Parishioner. Because of your generosity, we are able to increase our support to **12 Backpacks** each week.

Here is what we have been asked to provide:

- ⇒ Peanut butter and jelly, breakfast cereals, and instant oatmeal
- ⇒ Mac and cheese, soups and crackers
- ⇒ Canned chicken, tuna, beefaroni, lasagna, spaghetti, Vienna Sausage
- ⇒ Canned fruit, puddings, fruit juice, cookie or chip snacks, energy bars, raisins.



**YOU CAN HELP**

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are in need: 770-941-2807 extension 5

SVdP tries to help many people, but we need your financial support!

**The St. Vincent Food Pantry is in need of these items:**

**Spaghetti Sauce,  
Peanut Butter and Jelly, & Soups**



### Christmas Mass Schedule

#### Mass Schedule for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23rd there will be a Mass in English at 5PM and a Mass in Spanish at 7PM

Sunday, December 24th there will be a Mass in Spanish at 7AM and a Mass in English at 9AM and 10:30AM.

**Mass at 12PM and 1:30PM are canceled for this Sunday Only.**

#### Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th Christmas Masses:

Mass in English:

4PM (Children's Mass), 6PM and

Midnight Mass (SVJ Choir will be singing traditional Christmas Music around 11PM)

Mass in Spanish at 8PM

December 25th

Christmas Day Mass in English at 10AM



December Schedule for Sunday Masses will be available online and through the Ministry Scheduler Pro app. Christmas Masses and additional special masses are available to sign up for via the Web Terminal. Any questions, call the Parish Office.

El horario del mes de Diciembre para las Misas de Domingo estará disponible por internet y a través de la aplicación de Ministry Scheduler Pro. Las Misas de Navidad y Misas especiales están disponibles para que se apunten a través de la Terminal Web. Si tienes alguna pregunta, llama a la Oficina de la Parroquia.

## Third Sunday of Advent | December 17, 2017

### Readings for the Week of December 17, 2017

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54  
[Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28  
Monday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/  
Mt 1:18-25  
Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/  
Lk 1:5-25  
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/  
Lk 1:26-38  
Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21  
[1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45  
Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/  
Lk 1:46-56  
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf.  
Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66  
Next Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/  
Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

### Observances for the Week of December 17, 2017

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent  
Thursday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church  
Saturday: St. John of Kanty, Priest  
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent; Christmas Eve



*In your prayers/  
En nuestras  
oraciones:*

Herb Spencer  
Dianne and Herb Blanchard  
Luella Chambers  
Shirley Fields  
Oneida Chapple  
Steve Standridge

Please include these parishioners and others in your prayers this week. *This listing of those suffering illness is updated every Thursday. **You may add yourself or a family member for 6 weeks.*** To remove a name, or to renew for more time, please call the parish office at 770-941-2807 or send an email to [parishoffice@sjvpar.net](mailto:parishoffice@sjvpar.net).

### Mass Intentions for the Week of December 18—December 25

#### Monday, December 18

6:30PM **Communion Service**  
**Penance Service at St. Bernadette**

#### Tuesday, December 19

6:30PM **Communion Service**  
**Penance Service at St. Peter's**

#### Wednesday, December 20

8:00AM In Thanksgiving for Special Intentions:  
Barbara Necaize  
**Penance Service at Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

#### Thursday, December 21

6:30PM †Julia Hernandez de Mireles:  
Juanita Sanchez Mireles

#### Friday, December 22

8:00AM Juan Rosas Nleves: Eva Snachez  
Souls in Purgatory: Marie Metellus

#### Saturday, December 23

5:00PM † Louis Panezich: Barbara Necaize  
7:00PM †Pedro Nunez: Maria Reyna Guzman

#### Sunday, December 24

7:00AM † Irvin Xochitla: Maria Xochitla  
9:00AM Intentions of Council of Catholic Women  
10:30AM Francois Metellus: Marie Metellus

#### **Christmas Masses**

#### Sunday, December 24

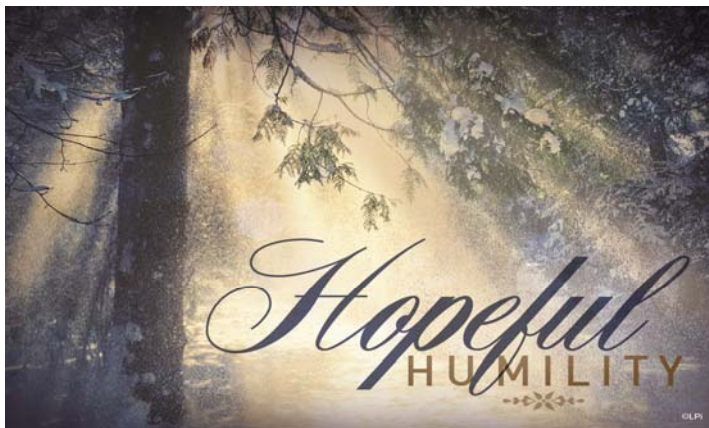
4:00PM †Peter Niles: Cesar Cardona  
6:00PM †Bob Robinson: Mary Robinson  
8:00PM †Oscar Javier Escobar: Lorena Escobar Larios  
11:59PM For all St. John Vianney Parishioners  
Living and Deceased

#### Monday, December 25

10:00AM David Metellus: Marie Metellus



Altar Flowers  
For this weekend were  
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in Memory of  
Johnny Clower



### Gospel Meditation

"There is one ... coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." Untying sandal straps was no prestigious job. In the days of John the Baptist, those straps would have been especially unpleasant to deal with. Besides the usual odors that accompany sockless leather footwear, there would have been the grime and dirt from the sandy roads and paths that swirled around the people who went everywhere on foot. Taking off someone's shoes upon their arrival was the task of the lowly servants. So when John says he's unworthy of doing this task for the "one who is coming after me," he is putting himself in a very humble position. And rightly so.

John realizes that the Christ-the Anointed One, the Messiah-is so far above him, so far above any of us, that we are truly unworthy of him. Indeed, the Son of God is not just the greatest of men; he is God-made-man and in his presence we most appropriately should bow in humble homage. Yet this God chose to stoop down to our human level and walk among us. He chose to get his sandals dirty. And still today he chooses to allow us to encounter him as a friend and companion.

But as John reminds us by his example, this encounter with the Lord is not the result of our own merits or accomplishments. We are sinners who stand in need of Christ's help. But thanks be to God, he is always willing to extend this help to us. As St. Paul says in today's epistle, "May the God of peace make you perfectly holy." Indeed it is God who does the perfecting, not us by our own power. So let us approach the Lord this Advent season with a spirit of hopeful humility, trusting that God alone can make us worthy of welcoming his Son.

### MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

Se acerca ya el Nacimiento del Señor. Es por este motivo que la nota principal de este Tercer Domingo de Adviento es la alegría. La alegría es una parte esencial de nuestra fe y de nuestra vida de bautizados. Como seguidores de Cristo, debemos dar un testimonio alegre y convincente frente a la sociedad de hoy, muchas veces sumergida en la tristeza y el consumismo. La segunda lectura de hoy dice, "Vivan siempre alegres, oren sin cesar, den gracias en toda ocasión, pues esto es lo que quiere Dios de ustedes en Cristo Jesús" (1 Tes 5, 16-18).

El Papa Francisco actualmente nos lo explica de la siguiente manera: "También nosotros, cuando estamos en la oscuridad, que no vemos nada: 'Yo sé, Señor, que esta tristeza se volverá alegría. ¡No sé cómo, pero lo sé!'. Un acto de fe en el Señor. ¡Un acto de fe! ...Y el signo que nosotros tenemos de esta alegría en la esperanza es la paz" (Homilía del 30 de mayo de 2014). Nuestro reto es no impedir la acción del Espíritu Santo creando un clima de esperanza en nosotros mismos, para así ser portadores de la luz y la alegría que implica el tener al Señor entre nosotros. ¿Tenemos esperanza? ¿Tenemos alegría? Todo nuestro ser debe de comunicar signos visibles de gozo, estar atentos congruentes con lo que hacemos y decimos. Nuestra identidad como cristianos es punto clave como seguidores de Cristo. Como ejemplo tenemos a Juan Bautista: "Yo soy la voz que grita en el desierto: 'Enderecen el camino del Señor', como anunció el profeta Isaías" (Jn 1, 23). ¿Hemos enderezado el camino en este Adviento?



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