



Visitation of the Sick

Please inform the hospital staff upon arrival that the patient is Roman Catholic and ask for the hospital's Catholic Chaplain. Also, please notify the Parish Office when a parishioner/family member is hospitalized or housebound. Call the Parish Office to arrange visitation, Holy Communion or Anointing.

Reminder: Confession Preparation

We kindly ask all parishioners to arrive early and prepared for the Sacrament of Confession. Taking time beforehand to examine your conscience, reflect in prayer, and prepare your heart allows the sacrament to be celebrated with reverence and peace.



Sign of Reverence before Receiving Holy Communion



For those who prefer to stand in receiving Communion, please note that as the communicant in front of you receives Holy Communion, you are to make a sign of reverence by bowing to the Eucharist, His true presence.



WINDOWS IN CHURCH

Let's care for both our parish and our planet. To help conserve energy, please remember to close any windows you open after each Mass. Practicing good stewardship is a —and every small act makes a difference. Thank you!



is the revolutionary digital platform that gives unprecedented access to video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. Hope this resource will help us to love Jesus more and to be more well equipped for the work of evangelization. The access code of .FORMED.ORG for our parishioners is: TWNH4F

LET US ALWAYS PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

POPE FRANCIS



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." ~ Matthew 11:30

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- 04 Saturday, St. Elizabeth of Portugal (W)... Felipe, Mary, Nancy Cajucom +
- 06 Monday, St. Maria Goretti (R)... Luis D. Lim +
- 07 Tuesday, Ferial (G)... Wilson & Kristin Yap INT
- 08 Wednesday, Ferial (G)... John Daniel Garry +
- 09 Thursday, St. Augustine Zhao Rong (R)... Weldon Fung +
- 10 Friday, Ferial (G)... Chris & Arden Leung +
- 11 Saturday, St. Benedict (W)... Josemaria Salas INT

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS: If you would like to become a member of the St. John the Apostle Parish Community, please complete a Parish Registration Form (located by the bulletin board near the main door of the Church) and introduce yourself to the priests. Envelopes are assigned to those who request for them. Please pick them up at the church vestibule or at the Parish Office.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PARISH REGISTRATION AND USE OF PARISH SUNDAY ENVELOPES: Some Church goers are requesting from the parish Letters of Good Standing or Reference Letters as part of Baptism and/or Confirmation Sponsor documents or for other religious certifications or wanting their children enter a Catholic Elementary or Secondary School. The only official and ordinary way to obtain them is to register in the parish and the regular use of envelopes so that when the time comes, it will be based on official records. This is to avoid unnecessary frustrations and misunderstandings when one claims that he/she attends Mass but does not use envelopes. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Please Pray for the Sick

Joan Archer, Maria Amelia Dias, George Murray, May Wong, Claire Harrison, Margaret Wong, Ruby Ko, Ann Monahan, Peggy Gunn, Margaret Redmond, Megan Maddock, Sheila Murray, Maravilla Melchor, Katherine Griffin, Valentia Abbott, Nelia Cuevas, Bishop David Monroe, Fr. Terry Bileski, Susan Hughes, Milan Milosevic, Paul C. Torres, George Spurr, Christopher Hughes, Msgr. Greg Smith, Maria Korczynski, Magdalene Tan, Joseph Ng, Philo Lim, Lynda Griffin, Shirley Sullivan

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Parish Office Hours

Tue-Fri 8:30 AM-4 PM

Weekend Masses

廣東話主日提前彌撒:
星期六 下午四時
Sat 4 PM (Cantonese),
5:30 PM
Sun 9 AM, 11 AM, 5:30 PM

Mandarin Mass

普通話主日彌撒
每月第三主日 下午三時

Weekday Masses

Mon-Sat 8 AM
Public Holidays 9 AM

Confession

20 minutes before all weekend Masses and 15 minutes before all weekday Masses

Adoration

Fri 8:30-9:30 AM

Holy Rosary

Mon-Sat after morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet

10 minutes before all weekend Masses

Visit to the Sick

Please call Parish Office or Emergency number 778-834-1234

Baptisms

by appointment

Marriages

at least 6 months notice

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OUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR



To all our parishioners and friends:

As summer begins, we wish you a joyful and refreshing vacation season. May your travels be filled with fun, rest, and memorable moments. Wherever your journey takes you, please remember to visit a church nearby — God never takes a holiday, and Jesus always waits for a visit from you. Have a blessed and beautiful summer.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

As the summer heat arrives, we kindly remind everyone to observe proper dress etiquette when attending church. Light, comfortable clothing is understandable during warm weather, but please ensure attire remains respectful, modest, and appropriate for a place of worship.

Please refer to the poster for guidance on appropriate and inappropriate attire. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!



Thank You!

Thank you to all our watering volunteers who have signed up for this summer task during the stage 3 water restrictions. Your care is bringing vibrant life back to our church garden, and the flowers are blooming beautifully.



God does not hasten his works. He does all things in their time
~~ St. Vincent de Paul

PREP-Parish Religious Education Program 2026-2027 CGS-Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Registrations are ongoing for the 2026–2027 PREP/CGS programs. Please submit a **completed registration form** along with the **registration fee**. **New registrants must also include a copy of the child's baptismal certificate.**

Registration forms are available for pickup in the church vestibule.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

Share Your Faith — Become a Catechist!

Do you have a love for the Catholic faith and a desire to help children grow in their relationship with Christ? We invite you to become a catechist and make a lasting difference in the lives of our young parishioners through our Parish Faith Formation Program for the 2026–2027 school year.

As a Catechist, You Will:

- Accompany children on their faith journey using a well-structured, easy-to-follow curriculum.
 - Lead engaging weekly classroom sessions that encourage learning, discussion, and prayer.
- Help children deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and build a personal relationship with Jesus.

We Will Provide:

- Comprehensive training and all teaching materials.
- Ongoing support from our Faith Formation team and fellow catechists.

An opportunity to grow spiritually while serving your parish community.

Time Commitment:

- Approximately 1–2 hours per week, plus a small amount of preparation as needed.

No teaching experience is necessary—only a willing heart, a commitment to the faith, and a desire to share God's love with others.

Please note that all volunteers are expected to be compliant with the appropriate RCAV Safe Environment guidelines prior to beginning their role.

Answer God's call to serve!

To volunteer contact Evelyn Siy at sjaprep@gmail.com or call 778 386 8690

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations..."
— Matthew 28:19



PROJECT ADVANCE

Our parish's **Project Advance 2026** campaign is still underway, and your continued participation makes a real difference in the life of our parish community. Please remember to bring your **pledge envelopes** and drop them in the **Sunday collection basket** or deliver them directly to the **parish office** or donate On-Line.

As of today, we have received \$54,072.37 from **56 pledgers**. Thank you for your generosity as we work together toward our parish goal of **\$135,000**. Your faith, kindness, and commitment strengthen our parish family. **Together, we are truly stronger.**



REFLECTION

"Last year, I lost both of my parents. During that difficult time, I felt a deep need for healing, guidance, and God's presence. So, I said to myself, "Why not attend Alpha again? Let's see where the Holy Spirit will lead me."

Every table discussion was inspiring, honest, respectful, and insightful. It was a safe space where everyone could share openly and listen to one another with compassion. Among all the videos, the session *How Does God Guide Us?* struck me the most. In the video, a man shared a story about purchasing a business-class ticket for his father. At the time, he did not know why he felt compelled to do it, but he followed that prompting anyway. The way he described the smile on his father's face was so authentic and heartfelt that it deeply moved me. He later shared that his father passed away just three weeks later. Looking back, he was grateful that God had guided him to make that gesture of love for his father while he still had the opportunity. As I listened to his story, I immediately thought of my own parents. His testimony resonated deeply with me. It reminded me that God's guidance is often working quietly in our lives, even when we do not fully understand it at the time.

For me, Alpha is not only an opportunity for a sacred encounter with Jesus Christ; it is also an opportunity to open ourselves to receive God's grace, to allow Jesus to walk alongside us in our daily lives, and to experience the hope and promises that He offers to each one of us. The Pray Over session in the Alpha Day was one of the most meaningful moments of the entire Alpha experience. Not only could I feel the power of God moving in that space, but I also experienced a profound sense of His presence and love. The prayers offered by others reminded me that God knows our struggles and walks with us through them. It felt like a divine intervention—a gentle but powerful reminder that we are never alone on our journey. I would like to thank Fr. Paul and the entire Alpha team who made Alpha possible for us. I am truly thankful for your dedication, hospitality and good food!" ~~ Kathy Mok