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**SAINT JOHN BOSCO
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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HATBORO, PA 19040
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OFFICE HOURS

Mass Cards/Mail/Messages/Documents/
Facility Keys are available only during open
Office Hours.

Mon. to Thurs.: 9 am to 12 noon; 1 to 4:30 pm;
Eve. 6:30 to 8:00 pm by appt.
Fri.: 9 am to 12 noon; 1 to 4 pm. Eve. closed.
Sat./Sun.: Closed.

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

SUNDAY Sat. Eve. Vigil Masses:
4:00 pm (*English*); 7:00 pm (*Spanish*)

Sun. Morning Masses: 8 am & 11 am

MONDAY Rosary before morning Mass

Holy Mass: 8:45 am.

Miraculous Medal Novena after morning
Mass

TUES. TO FRI. Holy Mass: 8:45 am.

SATURDAY Confession: 3-3:30 pm

ARRANGING BAPTISM

BAPTISM First (*Spanish*) and Last (*English*)
Sundays each month. Call Parish Center to
arrange. Before date is confirmed, parents must
have/obtain:

- **Registration in SJB Parish:** Family from another parish must obtain written permission from “home” parish for Baptism at SJB.
- **Certificate of Eligibility to Serve as Sponsor:** Each Catholic Sponsor (1 required; 2 preferred) must obtain Certificate of Eligibility from “home” parish. Parishes generally do not issue certificates to persons not already registered nor to persons who left the parish more than 6 months previously.
- **Letter from Pastor for Christian Witness:** One baptized non-Catholic may serve as a Christian Witness and must present Letter of Good Standing from current Christian pastor. A Catholic not eligible to Sponsor may not be Christian Witness.

ARRANGING MARRIAGE

Wedding Planning begins with engaged couple’s meeting a parish priest here at least six (6) months before desired wedding date. Please do not make financial commitments before confirming church date/time.

If a member of the couple was previously married, a Declaration of Nullity (*Annulment*) of the prior marriage may be necessary. Please contact parish priest for detailed information.

Marriage Convalidation Couples in a civil or non-Catholic religious union without our Church’s explicit permission are not in a valid Catholic marriage. They cannot receive other sacraments or serve as Catholic Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation. This situation often is easily remedied by “*convalidation*”, a simple ceremony popularly called “getting a marriage blessed”. Call Parish Center to arrange.

We want to keep everyone in the loop at Saint John Bosco! We periodically send out email messages with information about what’s happening at SJB! To stay connected with us, subscribe to receive email updates. Call the Parish Center with your name & email address so you don’t miss out on the latest news. If you need to update your contact information, NOW is the time! Join our email list so you can stay in the know!



Layman's Ten Commandments

Someone has written these beautiful words. The piece is a must read.

Try to understand the deep meaning of it. They are like the Ten Commandments to follow in life all of the time.

- 1] PRAYER is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout our journey.
 - 2] So why is a car's WINDSHIELD so large & the Rear View Mirror so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, look ahead and move on.
 - 3] Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes few seconds to burn, but takes years to write.
 - 4] All things in life are temporary. If going well enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong don't worry, they can't last long either.
 - 5] Old Friends are Gold. New Friends are Diamond. If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold. Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold.
 - 6] Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, friend, it's just a bend, not the end!"
 - 7] When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
 - 8] A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eyesight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
 - 9] When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them. When you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
 - 10] WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES, it takes away today's PEACE.
- If you really enjoyed this, please share it with others. It may just brighten someone's day.

Live simply, Love generously, Care deeply, Speak kindly and Leave the rest to God.

Happy Easter!

Everyone is cordially invited to a **MARIAN TEA** to honor Our Lady on Friday, 5/11/18 at 6:30 pm in Drexel Hall! We will pray the Rosary, the Litany & the Chaplet of Our Lady in English & Spanish. Please bring a statue of Mary (if you are able) for the Altar!
Please bring a snack to share.
Coffee, tea & water will be provided.

We will gather on Monday nights in May, (5/7, 5/14 and 5/21) **THE MONTH OF MARY**, in the Adoration Chapel at 6:45 to pray the Rosary. We will meditate on the Joyful Mysteries. We ask everyone to answer Our Lady's appeal to pray the Rosary for peace in the world. The month of May is a special time for us Catholics to pay homage to our Blessed Mother Mary.
Please join us in prayer.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

- 4/2 **MON.** 8:45 AM Theresa Wadas
- 4/3 **TUES.** 8:45 AM Helen Brass
- 4/4 **WED.** 8:45 AM Francis Hayes
- 4/5 **THURS.** 8:45 AM Richard A. Obert-Thorn
- 4/6 **FRI.** 8:45 AM Louis H. Balot, III

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018

- 4:00 PM William J. Vinglas
- 7:00 PM *Pro Populo (For the People)*

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018

- 8:00 AM Henry A. Eichorn, Jr.
- 11:00 AM The Kent Family (*Living*)



ADORATION CHAPEL

Mon.: after 8:45 am Mass to 7 pm.
Tues. to Fri.: 8 am to 7 pm.
Sat. & Sun. Closed.

The chapel is closed on weekends for security reasons. Please do not try to enter the Church outside of these hours.

PRAYER INTENTION CANDLES (6) burn all week alongside Blessed Sacrament when Chapel is open. This week the candles represent these intentions:

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HOW WE LIST: Just send your name with intention & offering to **ADORATION CANDLE** c/o Parish Center. Please name **one** Person, Couple (*engaged or married*), Family, Group per request. Candles are available for living *or* dec'd. **Offering:** \$ 15.

Save the date for our annual **Fall Festival** to be held **9/18 - 9/22!** We are celebrating the 65th Anniversary of Saint John Bosco Parish in 2018! Be sure to join us at the Fall Festival as we have a celebration of the times and **RELIVE THE MEMORIES** with retro games, nostalgic music, vintage food, desserts and so much more! Enjoy reminiscing with your Parish Family at the Fall Festival in September.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING at Saint John Bosco 4/21 and 4/22 before and after Mass in the Usher's Room. No appointment necessary! Keep the Beat. Protect your life. Take charge of your health & have your blood pressure taken!



Recent Collections

Sunday	Amount	Difference
3/18/18	\$12,398.00*	
3/20/17	9,148.00	+ \$3,250.00
* Includes E-Giving		
Church in Africa		
3/18/18	\$ 1,665.00	
3/20/17	1,998.00	- \$333.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED WHOSE FUNERAL MASSES WERE CELEBRATED IN OUR PARISH-

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. **Amen.**



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND INFIRM

- Patricia Ambrose
- Rosemary Anthony
- Judy Baran
- Michael Berg
- William J. Brady
- Joseph Campbell
- Ginny Ceneviva
- Marianne R. Costello
- Linda Cunningham
- Louise D'Agostino
- Ellen Dardis
- Lois Dudley
- Florence Flavell
- Charlie Gaffney
- William Gaida
- Maria Greco
- Lilly Ibbotson
- Bryce Ingraham
- Jayden Ingraham
- Barbara Istvan
- Matthew Istvan
- Bud Kedziera
- Tim Keebler
- James Kirkpatrick

- Roland Klusman
- Joseph Kraft
- Maris Kraft
- Marie Lehmann
- Paul Mecurio
- Lucas McCrea
- Daniel O'Donnell
- Melissa Palm
- Barbara Richino
- Floyd Robertson
- Rolene Rose
- Catherine Sarsfield
- Gail Shultz
- Sun Soon
- Felicia Soto
- Catherine Toland
- Esteban Vera, Sr.
- Mary Vincelli
- Frank Waltrich

HOW WE LIST:
We list sick persons for one month at their own or family member's request. Please call Parish Center.

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Bulletin Deadlines

Please submit items for **Bulletin** Sun. issue dates (*left*) by **12 noon** on submission dates (*right*):

- ♦ April 22.....Mon., April 2
- ♦ April 29.....Mon., April 9
- ♦ May 6.....Mon., April 16

Please send info./questions to **Bulletin Editor** at Parish Ctr. Email **Bulletined@saintjohnbosco.org**.

**The Cross and the Light have
launched their new App!**

Please consider downloading. <http://letsw.in/-cross-and-light>. After you download and open the App, you'll see loads of interactive social media features that you can check out. The app is building a huge online community to connect you with others.

The App is a way for all past and future attendees of TCTL to have a conversation about their experience and more importantly, a conversation about faith! It's like a virtual "Catholic campfire app!" where we get to share stories about our common experience of Cross & Light. In the app, you can... Submit prayer needs to the community, Ask a priest a question - no robot priests - real pastors answering you! Get exclusive content, lyric videos, and behind the scenes videos of the show, Chat with fellow Catholics, post news, and make comments, Share your Cross & Light experience with others, Connect with local churches if you're looking for a church home.

And so much more!

The Staff at TCTL thanks you for your prayers!



Sunday, April 22, 2018 is
**THE 55TH ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF
PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS.**

Let us pray: Mary Most Holy, as a young woman living in obscurity you nurtured with loving care the Word of God made flesh. Please protect and accompany all young men and women, especially from our parish, who are called to a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. **Amen.**

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

SAINT JOHN BOSCO ROOM
(back entrance of Parish Center)

Sundays, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.

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- April 8** (2) Strategies to help with Stress and Loneliness
 - April 22** (3) Our Feelings of Denial, Bargaining, and Guilt
 - May 6** (4) Coping with Anger & Depression Helping Children through Grief
 - May 20** (5) Spiritual Elements of Grief & Healing. The Values of Memories
- To Register: Bernice (215) 443-8439

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD BLESS!



This weekend at the Easter Vigil Mass, the holiest night of the year, we bless the holy fire, light our new paschal candle and renew our baptismal promises. As we mark the resurrection of

Our Lord we will celebrate a Reception into Full Communion, 3 Confirmations and three First Holy Communions among our RCIA candidates who have been diligently preparing and whom we have been praying for. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.



Please join us for **The Stations of Light** at Saint John Bosco! THIS DEVOTION IS ALSO CALLED VIA LUCIS, LATIN FOR "THE WAY OF LIGHT."

What happened after the Resurrection? What became of the disciples? What became of Mary Magdalene? What happened between the time of the Resurrection & the Ascension? The Stations of Light pick up where the Stations of the Cross leave off. Journey with Christ from Easter Sunday through the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Started by Pope St. John Paul II, this incredibly moving devotion will be prayed on **Thursday, 5/3** at 6:45 pm in Church. Let us walk together as children of the light!



**ARE YOU SMARTER
THAN A FOURTH
GRADER?**

Want to impress your friends with all the random facts you know? It's TRIVIA TIME at Saint John Bosco. A Trivia Question will be posted on the Bosco Facebook Page every Thursday! Each week we will choose a random correct answer. The winner will receive a Gift Certificate that can be redeemed at one of the Bosco Booths at the Fall Festival in September! Be sure to like us on Facebook! Help us celebrate the 65th Anniversary of our Parish and join in the fun.

St. Vincent de Paul.

Call Parish SVdP Tel. 215-882-2707 to: request assistance, volunteer, or donate.

Food Pantry at SJB is in need of the following items: coffee, tea, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix and syrup, cereal, canned fruit, juices, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, sweet potatoes, corn and green beans, laundry detergent, liquid dish soap and personal grooming items such as shampoo, bath soap, toothpaste and toilet paper.

You are invited to attend The **ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN’S RETREAT** on Friday, 4/6/18.

Join us for an inspirational experience! You are invited to eat, laugh, worship and pray together! Come and be challenged in your spiritual, family, personal and professional life! Please join us for prayer & devotion at the Bosco Parish Center. Retreat Master – Father Matt Guckin.

Doors open at 5:30; Dinner 6PM.
BYO liquid refreshment and snacks.
Complete the form and drop in the collection basket with your \$20.00 check made out to Saint John Bosco by **4/2/18.**

YES, I can attend the Men’s Retreat on Friday, 4/6/18

Name:

Phone:

Please place in collection basket.

Here’s a Novel Idea: You are invited to join the SJB Book Club! If you like to read & are interested in a fun, stimulating discussion group, please join us on **Wednesday 4/4** at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. Join us on an adventure through the pages of THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW by A. J. Finn. This is a great way to meet friends of friends.



Please bring your own beverage and a snack to share. Hope to see you at our April Gathering!
Happy Reading!

THE 2019 MASS BOOK

will open on Monday, April 9th, 2018 between the hours of 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. There will also be evening hours on Monday, April 9th and Wednesday April 11th from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. After these days the Mass Intention Book will be open during regular business hours.

This year there will be a 5 Mass limit per family. A limit has been established to be fair to everyone who would like a Mass for their loved ones.

We ask when making arrangements for Mass Intentions to please have a list already made of the names of the people you would like to have the Mass said for and the dates you are requesting. The stipend for an Announced Mass is \$10.00. When paying the stipend we ask that you pay by check or have the exact amount of cash.

SJB CHOIR NEWS

The SJB Adult choir has changed its practice time! We now practice in church on Sunday mornings from 9:30 AM-10:45 AM. The choir sings at the 11 AM Mass on Sundays.



If you love to sing please consider joining our choir. New members are always welcome. If you have any questions please contact Lisa Quaranto Lquaranto@saintjohnbosco.org or stop by at 9:30 AM on Sunday morning.



Perhaps we may not have told you lately, but it’s true that every single day we are so gracious and thankful to God for having the

BEST SAINT JOHN BOSCO VOLUNTEERS

in town. Indeed, you are such a blessing from heaven. We would like to express our deepest gratitude for helping out during The Cross and the Light. The event was a huge success because of you. Thank you so much for all your hard work and support. You were always willing to be there whenever needed. Great job! We appreciate your time and effort. Thank you and God Bless.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Piracci, of 2504 Damian Drive, Hatboro, members of Saint John Bosco Parish, are interested in having someone come to their home a couple of times a week for some light house keeping. Kindly contact Mr. Piracci at 215-674-2063 if you are interested.



Craft Like Crazy is a group that gets together on Thursday mornings to craft, create, chat, teach and learn, share and get inspired. All are invited to join us from 9:30-11:30 in the Parish Center.

No experience necessary. There is something about crafting with your friends that is not only fun, but very fulfilling.

B.B.V.C. 2018 - July 13, 2018

Boys in Grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to a summer day of fun, food, and faith at **St. Charles Borromeo Seminary** with the Philadelphia Seminarians! The registration fee of \$25 includes supplies, lunch and dinner. To Register, or for more information, visit:

heedthecall.org/event/BBVC

Questions? Contact the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at (610) 667-5778.

Quo Vadis Days 2018

High school men are invited to gather for this 4-day, 3-night camp with the Philadelphia Seminarians. The camp includes dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful prayer experiences, and a fun environment including a ropes course, swimming pool, lake, basketball, soccer, frisbee, and more. A sliding scale registration fee of \$25-\$300 includes lodging, meals, t-shirt, and activities. To Register, or for more information, visit: <http://heedthecall.org/event/quovadis/>



**BASKET BINGO
Sunday April 22nd**



Saint John Bosco's
Mini Vinnies

Doors open 1:30 PM/ 1st game starts at 2 PM

10 Chances for you to win

2 Special Games ~ Extra cards
available for extra purchase

Longaberger baskets or products!

Plus raffles, door prizes and more...

\$15 per ticket in advance/\$20 at the door

Call MaryAnn for more information
at 215-882-2286

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Saint John Bosco presents a **FREE FAMILY MOVIE EVENT** on **Friday, 5/18** at 6PM in the Parish Center. Please join us for the showing of the acclaimed epic film on St. Augustine of Hippo (**Restless Heart**).

Filmed in Europe, the first full-length feature movie on Augustine, it uses a historic backdrop to tell the true story of one of the Church's most beloved & well-known Saints. Its message of sin, conversion, redemption is as timely today as it was in the 5th century of Augustine. It is the story of a gifted man who pursues fame & fortune without a moral compass & the dramatic changes that occur in his soul when challenging events lead him to see the light of truth. It also chronicles the collapse of the Roman world & how Augustine laid the intellectual foundations of what became Europe. With Augustine, the stories of two other great saints, Monica and Ambrose, are also portrayed.



Save the date!
We will gather at 7PM in the cafeteria on **Monday, April 9th** for a **PARISH MEETING**

Open to all Parishioners! Updates about Saint John Bosco Parish will be given. All Parishioners are encouraged to attend this important meeting!



**Tell us what you thought about
The Cross and The Light!**

Please help us learn from your experience.

Answer the questions below and send them to

Kelly@crossandlight.com

Post a review on Facebook:

[Facebook.com/crossandlight](https://www.facebook.com/crossandlight)

Questions:

What scene or song affected you most and why?

During the ending song when the man who plays Jesus prays with the audience, did you pray with him? Did you feel God's presence in this moment?

Was there a moment in the production when you felt God's presence? When was it specifically and why?

What did you learn that changed the way you view your faith?

Was there anything in the show that shocked you?

Upset you? Or renewed your spirit?

Would you recommend Cross and Light to other people? Why?