



# SAINT MARY AND SAINT JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC CHURCHES

December 17, 2023 • Third Sunday of Advent

## PARISH STAFF

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## OFFICE HOURS

### St. Mary Groveport

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: Closed  
Wednesday: 10:30 am-12:00 pm  
Friday: 9:00 am-10:30 am  
1st Saturday of the month: 3:00-5:00 pm

### St. John XXIII CW

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday-Thursday: 9:00 am-4:30 pm  
Closed on Wednesdays 10:15 am-2:00 pm  
Friday: 11:00 am-4:30 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am-12:45 pm

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekend Mass

Saturday	4:00 pm	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>
	9:45 am, 11:15 am	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>

### Weekday Mass

Monday	8:30 am	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>
Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>
Wednesday	12:00 pm	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>
Thursday	8:30 am	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>
Friday	8:30 am	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>

*Holy Days of Obligation will be listed in the bulletin, as they occur.*

## SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

5684 Groveport Road,  
Groveport, Ohio 43125 | [groveportstmary.org](http://groveportstmary.org)  
614-497-1324

## SAINT JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC CHURCH

5170 Winchester Southern Road NW  
Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110 | [sjxxiiiiparish.org](http://sjxxiiiiparish.org)  
614-920-1563

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, December 17 – *Gaudete Sunday*

8:00 a.m. Repose of the Soul of Madelyn Newlon by John M. Newlon

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

9:45 a.m. For the Intentions of the People of  
St. Mary, Groveport & St. John XXIII Parishes

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

11:15 a.m. Repose of the Soul of William Francis Berens  
by Angie Berens

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

### Monday, December 18

8:30 a.m. Repose of the Soul of Joe Groom by Bob & Irene Fagan

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

### Tuesday, December 19

6:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Chris & Jesse B. Hindman  
by Bob & Linda Costanzo

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

### Wednesday, December 20

12:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Patty Manns  
by Tim & Linda Rathburn

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

### Thursday, December 21

8:30 a.m. Repose of the Soul of Thomas Gomory  
by the Maier Family

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

### Friday, December 22

8:30 a.m. Repose of the Soul of Fred Herb by the Herb Family

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

### Saturday, December 23

4:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Rob Hartman by Elaine Hartman

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

### Sunday, December 24 – *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

8:00 a.m. Repose of the Soul of Bill Paske by Joan Farrell

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

9:45 a.m. Repose of the Souls of the Deceased Members  
of the Nobel Family

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

11:15 a.m. For the Intentions of the People of  
St. Mary, Groveport & St. John XXIII Parishes

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

### Sunday, December 24 – *Christmas Eve*

4:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Sister Mary M. O'Connor  
by Rosemary O'Haver

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

6:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Sharma Lee Pieramico

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

10:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Rob Hartman by Elaine Hartman

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

## PARISH INFORMATION

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### *St. John XXIII*

Monday – Closed

### Wednesday – *Restricted Hours*

Open 9:00-10:15 a.m. and

2:00-4:30 p.m.

Closed from 10:15 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, Thursday –

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday – 11:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sunday – 9:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

### *St. Mary, Groveport*

Monday, Tuesday and  
Thursday – Closed

Wednesday –

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Friday – 9:00-11:00 a.m.

First Saturday of the  
Month – 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Sunday – Closed

## RECONCILIATION

*St. John XXIII* – Tuesdays, 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays,  
6:00-7:00 p.m. or by appointment.

*St. Mary, Groveport* – Saturday, 3:00 p.m. or by appointment.

## BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS

Contact Fr. O'Connor

## SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES ONLY

Please call Father at 740-400-9170.

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

With Christmas Eve falling on a Sunday this year, you still have the Sunday obligation as well as the Christmas obligation to attend Mass. It is suggested you attend your regularly attended weekend Mass and then attend one of the Christmas Eve or Day Masses. Please see the schedule below:

### Christmas Eve Masses:

4:00 p.m. – St. John XXIII

6:00 p.m. – St. Mary, Groveport

10:00 p.m. – St. John XXIII

### Christmas Day Mass;

10:00 a.m. – St. Mary, Groveport

## YOU'RE INVITED TO LESSONS & CAROLS

As is tradition the past few years, we will once again have the opportunity to enjoy Readings and Music from our very own choir. **LESSONS & CAROLS – TODAY, December 17 at 4:00 p.m.**

Please join our wonderful Music Ministry and Lectors for an afternoon of Lessons & Carols followed by light refreshments and simple crafts or activities for the kiddos in the lower level. This program is something we hope you will enjoy with preparing for the Christmas Season! Invite your friends and family to join us too.

## ONLINE GIVING AT ST. JOHN XXIII

You may go to our website to set up online giving, use the QR code to go to our website giving page. If you would prefer to set up electronic fund transfer (EFT) by credit card or checking account, stop in the Parish Office for a form. Your contribution supports the work and operations of St. John XXIII Parish, our music, hospitality, and education programs. Please be generous in your support of these important endeavors.



**BAPTISMS:** Baptismal Preparation is needed if you are expecting or have had your first child. Also, if you need to schedule your child's Baptism, please call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563 or email the Parish Office [office@sjxxiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjxxiiiparish.org) for details. Baptisms can be scheduled following the 11:15 a.m. Mass for the second, third & fourth Sundays of the month.

**CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED:  
NORAH GRACE HOEHN**

**COLLECT** [Mounting Joy]

*O God, who see how Your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen*

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS/EVENTS**

WEEK of December 17, 2023	MASS & EVENT TIMES
<b>Sunday, December 17, 2023</b> <i>Gaudete Sunday</i>	8:00 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 9:45 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:15 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII, Bishop Fernandes presiding 12:30 p.m. – Reception to Celebrate Mortgage Payoff 4:00 p.m. – Lessons & Carols at SJXXIII with reception to follow
<b>Monday, December 18, 2023</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 9:00 a.m. – Miraculous Medal Novena 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice
<b>Tuesday, December 19, 2023</b>	6:00 p.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 6:30 p.m. – ARS Christmas Potluck at St. Mary, Groveport
<b>Wednesday, December 20, 2023</b>	12:00 p.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 5:30 p.m. – Family Rosary 6:00 p.m. – Holy Hour and Confessions at SJXXIII
<b>Thursday, December 21, 2023</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:00 a.m. – Women's Ministry at SJXXIII
<b>Friday, December 22, 2023</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport
<b>Saturday, December 23, 2023</b>	3:00 p.m. – Confessions at St. Mary, Groveport 4:00 p.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport
<b>Sunday, December 24, 2023</b> <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	8:00 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 9:45 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:15 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII
<b>Sunday, December 24, 2023</b> <i>Christmas Eve</i>	4:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Mass at St. John XXIII 6:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 10:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Mass at St. John XXIII
<b>Monday, December 25, 2023</b> <i>The Nativity of the Lord</i> <i>Christmas Day</i>	10:00 a.m. – Christmas Morning Mass at St. Mary, Groveport

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WEEKLY HOLY HOUR**

Eucharistic Adoration is offered every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. for one hour at St. John XXIII. Fr. O'Connor is available for Confessions during this hour. Please know that you may come for the full hour or a brief period of time to pray before our Lord Jesus Christ. All are welcome! Please join us as we continue to grow as a parish who prays together. Please come when you can and leave when you must. It is so wonderful to sit and pray, talking and listening to Jesus.

Again, you can come for a few minutes or stay for the full hour. All are welcome! Please join us as we continue to grow as a parish who prays together. **“The Holy Eucharist is the perfect expression of the love of Jesus Christ for man.” – St. Maria Goretti**

**WEDNESDAYS FAMILY ROSARY**

Next Family Rosary will be this **Wednesday, December 20th**. We gather to say a Rosary at 5:30 p.m. every other week. Families and all parishioners are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

A HUGE Thank-You to everyone for your generosity of gifts, gift cards and time to make this season's Giving Tree a tremendous success. **We have collected seven presents each for all of the 14 children and \$4,145.00 in gift cards to help families with gas and groceries.** We even have more gift cards to help with any families who need help but didn't sign up in time to receive gifts. You ALL are amazing, and you are appreciated!

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY**  
**MONTHLY GATHERING**

All women of St. Mary, Groveport and St. John XXIII are welcome to join our Women's Ministry group! “From Scripture to the Catechism to quotes from Saints and a few real-life examples, this little compilation of encouragement is meant for you!” – Blessed is She.

**OUR WOMEN AND MEN**

**RELIGIOUS OFFER GRATITUDE**

A sister shares, “I thank the Lord for all who give. I don't think we would make it without them.” Thank you for giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious last week. Your donation makes a difference in the lives of elderly women and men religious. To learn more about how your gift helps, visit [retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org).

**ATTENTION DEBT REDUCTION CONTRIBUTORS**

THANK YOU! We may now be debt free, but we have continuous maintenance upkeep of our aging campus. We will introduce a new envelope to the monthly batch for those who receive our offertory envelopes. The envelope will take the place of the “Debt Reduction Fund” and go toward the maintenance fund of the campus of St. John XXIII. Thank you for all of you who have faithfully contributed to the debt reduction fund! We are finally debt free!

**JOIN US FOR MASS WITH BISHOP FERNANDES**  
**DECEMBER 17**

Join us in celebrating our mortgage payoff! Bishop Earl Fernandes will celebrate the 11:15 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 17th in recognition of this great accomplishment. There will be a reception following Mass in the lower-level social hall. Come and mingle, celebrate and have lunch with us!

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

The weekly Women's Ministry group will continue to meet on Thursdays at St. John XXIII at 11:00 a.m. in the lower level of St. John XXIII Parish.

Please contact Karen Self at [karensself@aol.com](mailto:karensself@aol.com) or 614-209-6299 if you would like more information. You may also come to a meeting any Thursday at 11:00 a.m. to find out if this is a study for you.

**EVERYONE HAS A DIVINE VOCATION**

“Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit.” ~Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II



**CRAFT CLUB MEETING**

All women of St. Mary and St. John are welcome! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary Church. Please bring a packed lunch and join us!

**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY  
CHRISTMAS PARTY POTLUCK**

The Altar Rosary Society will be having their Christmas Party Potluck on Tuesday, December 19 at 6:30 p.m., in the lower level of St. Mary. All women of St. Mary, Groveport and St. John XXIII are welcome to join us and celebrate.

**THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN  
INITIATION (O.C.I.A.)**

O.C.I.A. is an educational and spiritual program developed to engage and instruct non-Catholics who may want to join the Catholic Church AND Catholics who are interested in learning more about or returning to the Catholic faith. O.C.I.A. acts as the compass for individuals who would like to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you would like to learn more, call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563.

**END-OF-YEAR GIVING****Give Smarter: Support St. John XXIII and Lower Your Taxes**

You can use funds in your retirement account to support St. John XXIII. An endowment fund is a longer-term, sustained investment designed to provide a perpetual source of income to our parish. The Charitable IRA Rollover allows donors who are 70 1/2 years or older to transfer up to \$100,000.00 from a traditional or Roth IRA to a qualified charity like The Catholic Foundation, which manages the fund. Regardless of your age, you can support St. John XXIII while still qualifying for a tax deduction. Contributions to the **St. John XXIII Parish Endowment Fund** can also be made in the form of cash, appreciated stocks, and other assets. For more information on how you can make a real-world impact on the future of St. John XXIII and the Catholic faith, please contact Jim Hahn at [jhahn@catholic-foundation.org](mailto:jhahn@catholic-foundation.org) or 614-443-8893, ext. 112.

**AROUND THE DIOCESE****ST. PADRE PIO RELIC AT THE COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S**

**CONFERENCE:** Just announced, the glove of St. Padre Pio will be displayed for veneration at the upcoming Columbus Catholic Women's Conference in February. Early registration for the conference extends through January 1, 2024. Scan the QR code to register for the conference.

**JOIN NEEDS YOUR HELP!** JOIN (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs) is often a "stop-gap" for our brothers and sisters who are doing their best to provide and succeed in life. We all come upon unexpected obstacles. For our neighbors who live paycheck to paycheck, that can be something as simple as missing work due to illness or something bigger, like a car repair. Basic supplies like toilet paper, soap, shampoo, conditioner, multi-purpose cleaning solutions, dish soap and laundry soap are items that people request at JOIN daily. Kelsey is a mom that came to JOIN to get assistance with bus passes for a new job she had. When she learned that we also had cleaning supplies and personal care items, especially toilet paper, she was overwhelmed that she could get those items as well. Meeting these most basic needs, when you don't have them, is a relief that is not measurable to a parent. Try to imagine running out of something, with no hope of getting it yourself for another week or so. If you would like to organize a collection or even donate an item or two on your own, it would be a gift to the neighbors we serve at JOIN. Feel free to call 614-241-2530 or email, [lkeita@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:lkeita@columbuscatholic.org), me, Lisa Keita, to get further information or just discuss what all JOIN does provide.

**HELPING YOU FIND PEACE AFTER YOUR DIVORCE...** The Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption Lancaster is providing a ministry that will bring hope and healing to men and women who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. The 12-week *Surviving Divorce* program by Ascension Press is based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. The program will be facilitated by Rebecca Hubert and Kristin Garrabrant. The cost of the program is \$20.00, which covers the cost of the *Surviving Divorce* Personal Guide. For an optimal program experience, there will be a minimum of four and maximum of ten participants. The program will take place every Thursday, January 4-March 21, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the St. Mary Spirit Center. For inquiries and to register, email Kristin Garrabrant at [kcgarrabrant@gmail.com](mailto:kcgarrabrant@gmail.com). The registration deadline is December 28, 2023.

**MELCHIZEDEK PRIESTLY VOCATION DISCERNMENT GROUPS:** There are now seven Melchizedek Project – Priestly Vocation Discernment Groups meeting in our diocese. There are two in our area: **St. Pius X Catholic Church in Reynoldsburg** and **St. Bernadette in Lancaster**.

**St. Pius X Catholic Church**  
1051 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg  
East Columbus Deanery

**Third Thursday of Each Month; October-May; 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

Led by Fr. Patrick Watikha and Fr. Milton Kiocha, this one is primarily for high schoolers. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month. Dinner and discussion beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Blessed Mother Room of the Msgr. Funk Parish Family Center. Please email Michelle Carey at [MCarey@spxreynoldsburg.com](mailto:MCarey@spxreynoldsburg.com) for more information.

**St. Bernadette Church**  
1343 Wheeling Road, Lancaster  
Fairfield-Hocking Deanery – Vicariate 3 Muskingum/Perry Deanery  
**First Thursday of Each Month; September-April**

Led by Fr. Ty Tomson, this one is for both high school and college-age men. The group meets the first Thursday of each month, following the St. Bernadette 6:00 p.m. Mass. The gathering includes supper and discussion until 8:30 p.m. Come to the church for Mass, then to the Mary Good Center office building behind the church. Please call 740-654-1893 or email [fathertomson@me.com](mailto:fathertomson@me.com) to RSVP or for more information.



**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL** – Scandal, division, disease and doubt. The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. In the midst of these roaring waves, Jesus is present, reminding us that He is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew and unify the Church and the world. We NEED Jesus. *The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith – the Eucharist.* The National Eucharistic Revival seeks to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Visit [eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org).

**START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT!** Give the gift of time to each other next year. Experience a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. Make 2024 the best year of your marriage by applying today! The next weekend is February 9-11, 2024 in the Central Ohio area. For more information or to apply, visit our website at [WWMecolumbus.org](http://WWMecolumbus.org). Early registration is highly recommended.



**JOB OPENING AT JOSEPHINUM**

**Literature Professor Opening at the Josephinum**

The Pontifical College Josephinum seminary is seeking to hire a full-time Assistant Professor of Literature in the College of Liberal Arts (rank negotiable), beginning in fall 2024. An ideal candidate will possess a completed doctorate (PhD) in literature or an associated area and exhibit a strong commitment to Catholic higher education and to the mission of the Josephinum to form men for the ordained priesthood. Read more about the position and its necessary qualifications at [www.pcj.edu/jobopportunity](http://www.pcj.edu/jobopportunity).



**Bottoms Up**  
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**Did You Know? – Modern-day Manger**

As we inch our way toward the celebration of the most significant birth in history, we need to remember the “Bethlehems” right here in our back yard. There are women who are caring for their babies in a way not dissimilar to Mary twenty-one centuries ago. Often times, through no fault of their own, these mothers are thrown

into a life of poverty that inflicts the child with a life that is rough and hard to endure. 2024 is just around the corner. Have a blessed Christmas and stay tuned for the improvements and increased aid that Bottoms Up will offer those who most need us! For more information and ways you can help, visit [www.bottomsup.life](http://www.bottomsup.life).

*Returning Love for Love:  
A Pilgrimage to the Heart of Jesus*  
**MAY 31 – JUNE 9, 2024**

**SACRE COEUR**

To commemorate the 350th anniversary of the revelations of the Sacred Heart of Jesus at Paray-le-Monial, a Jubilee Year has been declared, beginning on 27 December 2023 and continuing through 27 June 2025, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. Please consider joining the Diocese of Columbus and Bishop Fernandes on this extraordinary pilgrimage to France during the Jubilee Year.

**RETURNING LOVE FOR LOVE PILGRIMAGE**

Please consider joining Bishop Earl K. Fernandes for a pilgrimage to France in honor of the 350th Anniversary of the revelations of the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary. Dates: May 31-June 9. This trip will include traveling to Lisieux, Paris, Paray-Le-Monial, Nevers, Ars, Annecy, Lyons and Normandy.

Visit <https://www.ctscentral.net/trips/france/celebrate-the-350th-anniversary-of-the-revelation-of-the-sacred-heart-in-france/>.

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**MUSICAL INSTRUMENT DRIVE**

Hello! My name is Sarah Wagner, and I am a SJXXIII parishioner and a first-year teacher at All Saints Academy. In the spring, we are starting a band program! If you have any unused instruments that are sitting around collecting dust, we would love to put these instruments to use by giving the gift of music to one of our students. Instruments will then be kept in school inventory for years to come. When collected, instruments will be tested and sent for repairs, if needed. If you have any instruments to contribute, please contact Ms. Sarah Wagner at (614) 721-5741 or email at [swagner@cducation.org](mailto:swagner@cducation.org) to schedule a time to drop off your donations.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**MONTHLY EXPENSE/OFFERTORY REPORT**

Monthly Expenses for November for St. Mary	\$ 17,655.00
Monthly Expenses for November for SJXXIII	\$ 28,596.49
Monthly Offertory in November for St. Mary	\$ 15,391.80
Monthly Offertory in November for SJXXIII	\$ 34,420.03

**BUILDING MORTGAGE SJXXIII**

Mortgage Balance	\$ 7,968.12
Monthly Expense for November	\$ 13,353.59
Monthly Receipts in November	\$ 6,365.74

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

Total for Month of November at St. Mary	<b>1,140</b>
Total for the Month of November at St. John XXIII	<b>1,609</b>

**ODU TO HOST ST. THOMAS AQUINAS LECTURE ON JANUARY 25:**

Ohio Dominican University will host its annual St. Thomas Aquinas Lecture on Thursday, January 25 as theologian and scholar, Fr. Justin Brophy, OP, Ph.D. presents “Thomas Aquinas: What is Truth in the Modern World.” The free lecture will take place at 11:00 a.m. in the Matesich Theatre, located inside Erskine Hall on ODU’s main campus, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus, 43219. Fr. Brophy currently serves as an assistant professor of political science at Providence College in Providence, Rhode Island. More information is available at [ohiodominican.edu](http://ohiodominican.edu).

*Keep in touch with us!*

TEXT            **SJ23CW**            TO 84576

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**JOIN OUR FLOCK**

What is FlockNote? A communication tool that we hope will provide our parish a wonderful way to help you grow your faith and be aware of the different events and opportunities we provide here at St. John XXIII Catholic Church in addition to the weekly

bulletin. Our monthly newsletter will have faith formation content emailed to you via our FlockNote Newsletter, to help you and your family grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ. There are several groups you can join as well to receive information about specific groups straight to your email or text! Please join us! If you would like additional information, please email [office@sjxxiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjxxiiiparish.org). If you need assistance with signing up for FlockNote, please see Heather, she is happy to help get you signed up to receive our notes.

**MOBILE APPS FOR CATHOLICS**

You may have heard there are numerous Catholic apps you can upload on your smartphone or mobile device. A couple we like to use are IBreviary and Laudate. They each have the Missal for all Masses so you always have it handy and can follow along. There are countless prayers, readings, rites, and other Catholic resources. These are available for both Apple and Android users. Here are QR codes for you to scan – choose either the Apple App or the Android App:

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