

My brothers and sisters,

As we approach our national elections this Tuesday, I would like to direct you to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website regarding Faithful Citizenship. This resource is helpful to us as Catholics in trying to navigate this complex political season, while being mindful of our responsibility as faithful Catholics to engage in democracy and, at the same time, respect the beliefs of our Faith and also the exercise of properly formed conscience within the democratic process. Please visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website at www.usccb.org for more information.

Below is a quotation of a brief summary from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops resource material of what a difficult situation we find ourselves, and what our responsibilities are regarding participation in our democratic process and witnessing to our Catholic Faith in a concrete way: "If indeed 'the just ordering of society and of the state is a central responsibility of politics,' the Church 'cannot and must not remain on the sidelines in the fight for justice.'" So writes Pope Francis, quoting Pope Benedict XVI.

Our nation faces many political challenges that demand well-informed moral choices:

- The ongoing destruction of a million innocent human lives each year by abortion
- Physician-assisted suicide
- The redefinition of marriage
- The excessive consumption of material goods and the destruction of natural resources, harming the environment as well as the poor
- Deadly attacks on Christians and other religious minorities throughout the world
- Efforts to narrow the definition and exercise of religious freedom
- Economic policies that fail to prioritize the needs of poor people, at home and abroad
- A broken immigration system and a worldwide refugee crisis
- Wars, terror, and violence that threaten every aspect of human life and dignity.

As Catholics, we are part of a community with profound teachings that help us consider challenges in public life, contribute to greater justice and peace for all people, and evaluate policy positions, party platforms, and candidates' promises and actions ***in light of the Gospel,*** in order to help build a better world.

Have a great week!

Fr. Tony Lonzo

Associate Administrator

Sacred Heart and St. John the Baptist

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 11/6	9:30 a.m.	Luciano Stefanelli by Luisa Stefanelli
Sun., 11/13	9:30 a.m.	June & Eugene Forrest by Susan Guy

Blessed Sacrament and Marian Lights Intentions:

Blessed Sacrament: Rose & Angie Italiano by Chris Soteriades

Marian Light: Toby Derrick by Jo & Blaise Marcucci

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun 11/06/16	San Giovanni Dance Group Practice 4:30 p.m. (Marrapese Hall)
Mon 11/07/16	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group 6:00 p.m. (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group 6:00 p.m. (Classroom)

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick or suffering, especially those who are in Hospitals, Nursing Facilities or Homebound suffering.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR KNOWN ILL AND ELDERLY IN YOUR PRAYERS**

THE BARRINGTON OF CARMEL – CARMEL INDIANA: Yola Rossi

MOTHER ANGELINE McCrory: Marie Tarantelli

THE JAMES: Sherri Snoad

AT HOME: Mike Auddino

****If you know of any additions or corrections, please call the parish office. Due to privacy laws, we depend on your input.**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
Nov., 6 9:30 a.m.	Ed Pagnanelli, Samantha Fallucco	Marge Contino, Pat Rossetti, Margaret Panico-Harn, Bob Contino, Antonio D'Alberto
	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
Nov., 13 9:30 a.m.	Gabe Bishop, John Snoad	Andrea Myers, Pat Rossetti, Karen Quick, Bill Nightingale, Claudio PAsian

The Rosary before Mass on Sunday: We begin the Rosary around 9:00-9:05 a.m., and it takes about 15-20 minutes to pray the Rosary. If you would like information on how to lead the Rosary, please contact the Men's Faith Sharing group. Leaders for **November** are:

November 6th – Marge Contino SFO

November 13th – Robert Contino SFO

November 20th – Leslie PAsian

November 27th – Claudio PAsian

2016 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

November 6 – Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38

November 7 – Weekday

Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6

November 8 – Weekday

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10

November 9 – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

November 10 –

St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25

November 11 – St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37

November 12 – St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8

November 13 – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

* Pray for our Priests and seminarians

**Office Hours:**

The **Parish Office Hours** are 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

October 30, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used – 43

In Envelopes: \$1,950.00 Loose Money \$402.00

Regular Collection: \$ 2,352.00
 Less Diocesan 6% Assessment \$ (141.12)
\$ 2,210.88

Votive Lights \$ 27.00
 Propagation of Faith \$ 20.00
 Saint Anthony Bread \$ 20.00
 Capital Improvements \$ 10.00
\$ 77.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Hurricane Victims \$ 324.00

HOW IS ST. JOHN'S DOING? \$? \$?

Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/16-6/30/17)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Wk:	\$ 2885.00	\$ 2,352.00	(\$ 533.00)	-18%
FYTD:	\$51,930.00	\$46,542.98	(\$5,387.02)	-10%

SJB Collection Counters for**Monday, November 7, 2016**

Maruja Paule, Donna Veri, Darlene Rauch

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Are you an **unbaptized** adult who has discerned God's call to conversion and faith, and are seeking to answer that call? Or perhaps you are a **Baptized** member of another faith, seeking to explore the truth of **Catholicism** and become one in full communion with the Catholic Church? Or have been Baptized into the Catholic Church as an Infant, but as an adult, you feel that you have not been **properly catechized**? Then you may want to consider exploring **RCIA** here at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. If you would like to learn more about RCIA here at our church, please contact our parish office at (614) 294-5319.

Book for Prayer Intentions: Starting on **October 30**, a **white Book for Prayer Intentions** will be available in the back of the church. During the month of **November**, you can add the names of loved ones who have passed away so that the members of our parish can pray **for the souls of the faithful departed**. You can also add your prayer intentions for family and friends to this book any time of the year. All members of the parish are encouraged to pray for these intentions.

Annual Sauce Sale: Vince Militello will be selling his sauce this Sunday November 6th, after Mass in Sala Hall. The sauce is \$5.00 a quart while supply lasts.

St. John Guild 16th Annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale: Sunday November 20, all profit goes to St. John's church. Homemade baked goods – **donations welcome**. Any questions? Contact **Greta 614-888-0619**.

Around Us

St. Charles Drama Department to present *Peter and the Starcatcher*: The St. Charles Preparatory School Drama Department is proud to announce its fall production, ***Peter and the Starcatcher***. This Tony Award-winning play will be presented **Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, November 17, 18 and 19 at 8:00 p.m.** and **Sunday, November 20 at 3:00 p.m.** in the **St. Charles Campus Theatre, 2010 E. Broad Street. Adult tickets are \$10.00 each, and student tickets are \$5.00 each.** Reservations may be placed by calling the St. Charles main office at **614-252-6714** between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Tickets will be available at the door

St. Matthew School Home and School Association's annual Hometown Bazaar will be **Saturday, November 12**, 9 am – 3 pm at **St. Matthew School, 795 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna**. The Bazaar features handcrafted holiday and traditional decorations, woodcrafts, ceramics, fabric items, prints, floral arrangements, jewelry, wreaths, and more from over 150 vendors!! Visit our Hometown Bakery for all of your homemade treats to take home. Our Hometown Café will satisfy your shopping cravings with snacks and lunch food available. Along with all of the wonderful shopping, we have a basket raffle! Test your luck with tickets that fit any budget \$1.00 for one or \$5.00 for six! Admission is \$3.00 (sorry no strollers). Additional parking with a free shuttle to the Bazaar is available at Gahanna Middle School South, 349 Shady Spring Drive, Gahanna. For more information, please see our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StMatthewHometownBazaar.

Reboot! Live! Rediscover the Life God Created for You. We'll be hosting national speaker Chris Stefanick, founder of Real Life Catholic, for Reboot! Live! This gathering is a fun, inspiring, and practical experience of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to *every aspect of your life* – prayer and spirituality, work, dating, marriage, parenting, health, and more! No part of your life will be untouched. This is a **multi-generational** event for ages 12 and older. We invite you to bring your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers – Catholics and non-Catholics alike. **Thursday, November 17th, 7:00-9:30 p.m. at St. Peter Roman Catholic Church. \$19.00 per ticket. Invest in a Ticket Online:** <http://reallifecatholic.com/reboot-live-participants/or> **contact Holly at 614-889-2221, ext. 104.**



The Home Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

In order to promote the Rosary among our families, **St. John the Baptist parish** is launching a home pilgrim statue of our Lady of Fatima. **Quote from Pope Pius IX: "Give me an army praying the rosary and I will conquer the world."**

This statue can be taken weekly by parishioners to their homes. Remember the Rosary is one of the weapons the Blessed Mother uses to tie Satan down. So please make use of the opportunity afforded by the parish. This pilgrim statue is blessed and when taken to a home will bring about peace in the home. **A weekly sign-up sheet is available in the Sala Hall after 9:30 a.m. Mass** or if you have any questions, you may email Antonio@ExitTrinity.com or call/text **Antonio D'Alberto at 614-419-2594.**