

My brothers and sisters,

As we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church, we celebrate that great gift of the Spirit, the communion of love between the Father and the Son. As we celebrate Pentecost today, we are mindful of how it was through the power of the Holy Spirit which emboldened the early Church to proclaim the Gospel to the world. In the same way, we are mindful and thankful for the gift of the Holy Spirit in our lives and hearts to guide us in Faith, Hope, and Charity, so that we too may proclaim the message of the Gospel with courage, strength and love.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: The first week of May, we began the Bishop's Annual Appeal. This year for our diocesan goal, we have been asked to raise \$15,464.64. I know in years past, St. John the Baptist exceeded their diocesan goal and were able to utilize the surplus for various projects. Last year, we were only \$472.00 from reaching our diocesan goal, with only 40 families participating. I would like to thank all of those who participated last year and have participated this year.

As we were so very close to achieving the diocesan goal last year, I believe we can certainly work together to exceed the diocesan goal this year, and work together to achieve our **enhanced parish goal of \$40,000.00**. This enhanced goal will cover painting and caulking of the window sills and frames, painting the front doors of the church and any repairs to the limestone caps under 35 feet from the ground. This work will address normal wear due to weather, which needs regular maintenance and upkeep. I have chosen this particular project in combination with this year's BAA because it is work that needs to be done for the basic upkeep and maintenance of our church. Furthermore, I believe it is an achievable goal for us to attain, if we are able to contribute and it is something that parishioners have noted needs attention and, at the same time, will be a visible enhancement to the church.

I ask that you prayerfully consider a gift to this year's Bishops Annual Appeal, knowing that every dollar raised over our diocesan goal will return to the parish and be utilized for this needed maintenance work and for capital improvements to our parish. **I believe that if we are all able to work together as a parish, we will be able to reach our goal of \$40,000.00.** The goal may seem like a lot of money, but if we could increase participation from 40 families to 100 families, and each family gives \$400.00 (\$40.00 per month), we will reach our goal. I know some may be able to give more than \$400.00; others may not be able to give as much. I ask that you prayerfully consider a gift to not only help local church and its mission, but also help continue to maintain our beautiful church. As a sign of good faith, I will make a personal \$500.00 donation to this year's Bishops Annual Appeal to help St. John the Baptist reach and surpass its goal. Please join me in this endeavor and thank you for your generosity.

Have a great week!

Fr. Tony Lonzo
Associate Administrator
Sacred Heart and St. John the Baptist

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

MOTHER ANGELINE McCrory: Marie Tarantelli
At Home: Darlene Rauch, Joe Pishitelli fractured femur in therapy
Alter Care of Canal Winchester: Janet Ward

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

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 6/4	9:30 a.m.	Adam Carfagna by Antoinette Carfagna
Sun., 6/11	10:30 a.m.	Tony Solazzo by Irene Solazzo & Family

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon., 6/5	6:00 p.m.	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group (Classroom)
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Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Blessed Sacrament: Connie-Galilei Thomas
by Mary Jo Zimmerman
Marian Lights: Barbara Consentino
by Paul Consentino

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
Sun., 6/4 9:30 a.m.	Ed Pagnanelli John Snoch	Marge Contino, Pat Rossetti, Andrea Myers, Margaret Panico-Harn & Leslie Pasian
	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
Sun., 6/11 10:30 a.m.	Gabe Bishop Samantha Fallucco	Antonio D'Alberto, Ed Pagnanelli, Karen Quick, Judy Pishitelli, & 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 June are:

June 4 Robert Contino, OFS
June 11 Margaret Contino, OFS
June 18 Claudio Pasian
June 25 Gary Bosco

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

May 28, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used – 40

In Envelopes: \$1,520.00 Loose Money \$81.00

Ascension Collection: \$ 1,601.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment \$ (96.06)
\$ 1,504.94

Votive Lights \$ 37.00
St. Anthony Bread \$ 10.00
Capital Improvements \$ 20.00
\$ 67.00

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

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 1,601.00	(\$1,284.00)	-45%
FYTD:	\$138,480.00	\$129,667.61	(\$8,812.39)	-6%

SJB Collection Counters
for Monday, June 5, 2017

Maria Lucchin, Nick Perschetti & Mary Spellacy

SJB Collection Counters
for Monday, June 12, 2017

Tom Elliott, Carl Tisone & Paul Cosentino

2017 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

June 4 – Pentecost Sunday

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a/Rom 8:22-27/
 Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/
 Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5

June 5 – Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
(Ninth Week in Ordinary Time)

Tb 1:3, 2:1b-8/Mk 12:1-12

June 6 – Weekday

Saint Norbert, Bishop

Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17

June 7 – Weekday

Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Mk 12:18-27

June 8 – Weekday

Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Mk 12:28-34

June 9 – Weekday

Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church

Tb 11:5-17/Mk 12:35-37

June 10 – Weekday

Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Mk 12:38-44

June 11 – The Most Holy Trinity

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

* Pray for our Priests and seminarians

2017 Marrapese/Denardo Scholarship Reception: We are in need of cookies for the Scholarship reception, which will be held on **Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th, 2017**, and are asking parishioners if they could bring the cookies in before Mass in celebration of the recipients on their awards.



Office Hours:

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

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** at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. If you would like to learn more about RCIA here at our church, please contact our parish office at **(614) 294-5319**.

Annual Celebration of St. Anthony of Padua: Our annual celebration for St. Anthony of Padua will take place Sunday, **June 11 at 10:30 a.m.** Please note **Mass time change is for June 11, ONLY!** We will begin the festivities with a procession carrying the statue of St. Anthony at **10:15**, with **Mass at 10:30**, concluding with the blessing and distribution of the blessed bread, followed by a reception in Sala Hall. We are in need of children between the age of 5 and 11 to dress as monks and walk in the procession. If interested, please call **614-846-8559**.

Around Us

Jubilee of Anniversaries: Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th, and 60+ (every year thereafter) anniversaries of marriage are cordially invited to attend the Jubilee of Anniversaries on Sunday, June 25 at St. Matthew Parish (807 Havens Corners, Gahanna). The celebration begins at 2:30 p.m., with The Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell as celebrant. An informal reception will follow. To register, contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (614) 241-2560 or visit familylife.colstdioc.org. Please **RSVP** by **June 16**.

Liturgical Notes: Pentecost, with Christmas and Easter, ranks among the great feasts of Christianity. It commemorates not only the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and Disciples, but also the fruits and effects of that event: the completion of the work of redemption, the fullness of grace for the Church and its children, and the gift of faith for all nations.

~ catholicculture.org

Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of June 2017

You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intention:

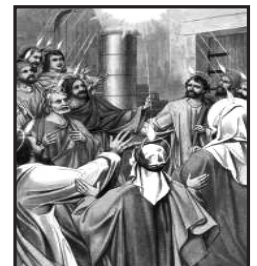
That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

Liturgical Calendar: The month of June is dedicated to **The Sacred Heart of Jesus**. This month falls within the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious Resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time. The last portion of the liturgical year represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for reward.

Let us invoke the Holy Spirit each day; He guides us along the path of discipleship in Christ.

~ Pope Francis

Receive the Holy Spirit.
 Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
 and whose sins you retain are retained.
 ~ John 20:23



Prayer

*Come, O Spirit of God
 And make within us Your dwelling place and home.
 May our darkness be dispelled by Your light,
 And our troubles calmed by Your peace;
 May all evils be redeemed by Your love,
 All pain transformed through the suffering of Christ,
 And all dying glorified by His risen life.
 Amen.*