

My brothers and sisters,

As we celebrate Independence Day during this long weekend; we are reminded and grateful for the many freedoms in our great nation. One of the great freedoms which we enjoy is the freedom of religion and the freedom to practice our Faith in public life. Today, let us thank God for this freedom which we enjoy and to which many of our brothers and sisters, especially in the Middle East, are not able to enjoy. Let us also be mindful of how fundamental this freedom of religion is to us, as a fundamental right, not only as Catholics, but also as Americans; and let us strive to defend this right, and continue to practice it within our public lives and how we live in the midst of the world.

Have a great week!

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

**MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Sun., 7/3	9:30 a.m.	Sully Caradonna by Lidia & Romolo Camela
Sun., 7/10	9:30 a.m.	Antonia Capoccia by Maria Capoccia & Family

**Blessed Sacrament and Marian Lights Intentions:**  
Blessed Sacrament: Tony Solazzo by Mrs. Carmela Eramo  
Marian: Mary Jane Dwyer by Rosemary Colak

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Sun., 7/3/2016	San Giovanni Dance Group Practice 4:30 p.m. (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 7/4/2016	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group 6:00 p.m. (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group 6:00 p.m. (Classroom)



**Summer Office Hours:**

The Parish Office Hours are 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The Office will be **closed every Friday** from July 1, 2016, through August 26, 2016.

*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  
Country View – Sunbury: Viola Del Greco  
MOTHER ANGELINE McCrory: Marie Tarantelli

\*\*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
July 10th 9:30 a.m.	Samantha Fallucco, Ed Pagnanelli	Pat Rossetti, Karen Quick, Margaret Panico-Harn, Judy Pishitelli

**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 July are:

- July 10 – Claudio Pasian
- July 17 – Carl Tisone
- July 24 – Adolfo Gastaldo
- July 31 – Dan Pillitteri

**2016 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings**

**July 3 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 66:10-14c/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

**July 4 – Weekday**  
Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Mt 9:18-26

**July 5 – St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest, USA, St. Elizabeth of Portugal**  
Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Mt 9:32-38

**July 6 – St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr**  
Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Mt 10:1-7

**July 7 – Weekday**  
Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9/Mt 10:7-15

**July 8 – Weekday**  
Hos 14:2-10/Mt 10:16-23

**July 9 – St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions, Martyrs;**  
Is 6:1-8/Mt 10:24-33

**July 10 – Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
Dt 30:10-14/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

\* Pray for our Priests and seminarians

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S**

June 26, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used – 63

In Envelopes: \$ 2,775.00	Loose Money: \$ 406.00
Regular Collection:	\$ 3,181.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (190.86)
	\$ 2,990.14
Votive Lights	\$ 24.00
Saint Anthony Bread	\$ 3.00
Holy Father (Peter's Pence)	\$ 180.00
50/50	\$ 10.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 20.00
	\$ 237.00

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

Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/15-6/30/16)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Wk:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 3,181.00	\$ 296.00	10%
FYTD:	\$ 150,020.00	\$ 148,532.06	(\$1,487.94)	-1%

**SJB Collection Counters for Tuesday, July 5, 2016**

Tom Elliott, Carl Tisone, Gus Gastaldo

**Bishop's Annual Appeal**

We are happy to report that the good people of this parish are answering the call in support of the **Bishop's Annual Appeal**. This is most encouraging but we have a long way to go to realize 100% participation from our parishes. **This year, our parish goal is \$15,117.71** and any amount generated over that goal will be returned to our parish. **No gift is too small.**

**To date we have received: 26 Pledges**

**\$ 8,060.00 Pledged**

**\$ 3,880.00 Paid**

**We are 53% of our goal with 13% of households giving.**

*Dear Parishioners,*

*Once more, I wish to thank you, dear parishioners, for welcoming me as one of your own and for your love during my ministry here.*

*I was privileged to serve you and especially to know you and to love you.*

*My family and I will be vacationing in my native town of Pradalunga (Bergamo) for a couple of weeks through the middle of July.*

*I will be praying for you at the Marian Shrine of the Forcella and think of you.*

*Upon my return to the States, if anyone should need to get in touch with me, please contact the SJB Church Office to ask for my current email address or call Delaware St. Mary's directly at 740-363-4641.*

*I do not have yet a church email address there, but I should get it in the near future.*

*Also, in the back of the church on the stands, you will find some holy cards from my Ordination Anniversary two years ago.*

*Please feel free to take one and, most especially, remember to pray for me when you look at the card.*

*I will be remembering you in my daily prayers.*

*Dio vi benedica abbondantemente.*

*Diac. Felice*

*Dcn Felix Azzola*

*St. John the Baptist Italian Catholic Church*

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**AROUND US**

Class of 1966

**SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL**

**50TH CLASS REUNION**

Hello all Sacred Heart Alumni.....

We are planning a 50th reunion for Sacred Heart High School Class of 1966, Columbus, Ohio, on August 19, 2016 from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. We would like to include any and all Alumni through 1966. We would appreciate your help so we can include any and all who are interested in joining us. If you are a Sacred Heart Alumni, or might know of any, please pass this information along to them. We need contact information: name (Maiden & Married), phone (cell and home), address and e-mail. This information can be sent through a private message, on our facebook page which is: *Sacred Heart School of Business Columbus, OH* or our e-mail: [sacredhearths66@gmail.com](mailto:sacredhearths66@gmail.com). Advanced reservations only. There will be no ticket sales at the door the night of the reunion. Remember, any and all Alumni, **please** come and join us. Because so many of the parish high schools in the Diocese

of Columbus closed in 1966, there were a number who started with us and transferred to other schools. Please know you are very welcome to attend as well! If you do not have access to a computer, please call:

Mary Hardgrove Sutphen 740-928-1166

(Mary) Sue Barr Beal 614-523-0823

Sue Bobo Rock 614-443-4761

**Prayer for Government**

**Written by Archbishop John Carroll of Baltimore, MD in 1791**  
(*The first Bishop of the United States*)

A great prayer to be said on National Holidays, such as Independence Day.

*We pray Thee, O Almighty and Eternal God! Who through Jesus Christ hast revealed Thy glory to all nations, to preserve the works of Thy mercy that Thy Church, being spread through the whole world, may continue with unchanging faith in the confession of Thy Name.*

*We pray Thee, Who alone art good and holy, to endow with heavenly knowledge, sincere zeal, and sanctity of life, our chief bishop, the Vicar of Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the government of his Church; our own bishop, all other bishops, prelates, and pastors of the Church; and especially those who are appointed to exercise amongst us the functions of the holy ministry, and conduct Thy people into the ways of salvation.*

*We pray Thee, O God of might, wisdom, and justice! Through Whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist with Thy Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude the President of these United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness, and be eminently useful to Thy people over whom he presides; by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion; by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy; and by restraining vice and immorality.*

*Let the light of Thy divine wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress, and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of national happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety, and useful knowledge; and may perpetuate to us the blessing of equal liberty.*

*We pray for his excellency, the governor of this state, for the members of the assembly, for all judges, magistrates, and other officers who are appointed to guard our political welfare, that they may be enabled, by Thy powerful protection, to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability.*

*We recommend likewise, to Thy unbounded mercy, all our brethren and fellow citizens throughout the United States, that they may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of Thy most holy law; that they may be preserved in union, and in that peace which the world cannot give; and after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal.*

*Finally, we pray to Thee, O Lord of mercy, to remember the souls of Thy servants departed who are gone before us with the sign of faith and repose in the sleep of peace; the souls of our parents, relatives, and friends; of those who, when living, were members of this congregation, and particularly of such as are lately deceased; of all benefactors who, by their donations or legacies to this Church, witnessed their zeal for the decency of divine worship and proved their claim to our grateful and charitable remembrance. To these, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech Thee, a place of refreshment, light, and everlasting peace, through the same Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.*