

**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

Two weeks ago, I shared with you that I was being relieved of my duties as the Associate Administrator of Sacred Heart parish. **Fr. Pierre Albalaa** has now assumed the duties as Administrator of Sacred Heart. I was informed last **Friday** that **Bishop Campbell** appointed me as Administrator of St. John the Baptist parish, relieving **Fr. Antonio Carvalho** of the responsibilities of Administrator. This became effective as of last Friday. I look forward to continuing to serve you in the position of Administrator of the parish and I thank **Fr. Antonio** for his help and guidance while I served in the Associate Administrator position. Please note that our staff, **Aggie Howard, Vicky Gammell, Gina Bishop** and **John Huffman** continue to serve both parishes.

This **Sunday**, the **Fourth Sunday of Easter**, is called Good Shepherd Sunday because the Gospel accounts come from John's Gospel, chapter 10 in which Jesus describes what a good shepherd should be. Shepherd, of course, is where we get the word pastor. On this Sunday, let us remember in prayer all the shepherds of the Church, especially our local Church, the Diocese of Columbus. It is particularly fitting that we do this today, as Bishop Campbell, the chief pastor of the Diocese, will celebrate the **150th anniversary** of the founding of the Diocese of Columbus.

Today is also **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. Let us pray for all vocations, but especially for a vocation to the priesthood from our parish.

God bless you all!

Fr. Kitsmiller  
Administrator

**MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Sun., 4/22	9:30 a.m.	<b>Bruno Masdea</b> by Lydia & Romo Camela
Mon., 4/23	5:30 p.m.	<b>Clara Zari</b> by Mafalda Rotolo
Tues., 4/24	1:00 p.m. Padre Pio	<b>Joseph Colak</b> by Rosemary Colak
Sun., 4/29	9:30 a.m.	<b>Laura Giammarco Cua</b> by Michael Cua
Mon., 4/30	5:30 p.m.	<b>Viola DelGreco</b> by Sos & Lee Ann Codispoti

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Mon., 4/23	6:00 p.m.	<b>Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group</b> (Marrapese Hall) <b>SJB Women's Faith Group</b> (Classroom)
Tues., 4/24	1:00 p.m. Padre Pio	<b>Padre Pio Prayer Group – Rosary &amp; Intentions – 12:30 p.m., Mass at 1:00 p.m.</b> (Chapel)

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 22, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Lectors:</b>	Gabe Bishop & Landa Brunetto
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Andrea Myers, Antonio D'Alberto, Margaret Panico-Harn, Judy Pishitelli & Ed Pagnanelli
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 29, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Lectors:</b>	Nick D'Alberto & Antonio D'Alberto,
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Pete Tamburro, Pat Rossetti, Sharon D'Alberto, Marge Contino & Ed Pagnanelli

**Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:**

**Marian Lights:** Joyce Tisone by Carl Tisone

**Blessed Sacrament:** Bill Galilei  
by Blessed Mother Sodality

*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\*\***

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

**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 **April** and **May** are:

**April 22** Adolfo "Gus" Gastaldo  
**April 29** Robert Contino, OFS  
**May 6** Gary Bosco

**2018 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings**

**April 22 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

**April 23 – Easter Weekday**

**Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr**

Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10

**April 24 – Easter Weekday**

**Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr**

Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

**April 25 – Saint Mark, Evangelist**

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

**April 26 – Easter Weekday**

Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

**April 27 – Easter Weekday**

Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

**April 28 – Easter Weekday**

**Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; Saint Louis**

**Grignon de Montfort, Priest**

Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

**April 29 – Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

\*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

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

April 15, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used – 58

In Envelopes: \$2,515.00	Loose Money: \$145.00
Regular Collection	\$ 2,660.00
Holy Day	\$ 70.00
Total	\$ 2,730.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	-\$ (163.80)
	\$ 2,566.20
Votives	\$ 55.00
Central Eastern Europe	\$ 10.00
St. Anthony's Bread	\$ 45.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 192.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 20.00
	\$ 322.00

**\$\$\$ ? HOW IS ST. JOHN'S DOING? \$\$\$ ?****Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/17-6/30/18)**

	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Difference (\$)</b>	<b>(%)</b>
This Week:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 2,730.00	\$ (155.00)	-5%
FYTD:	\$121,170.00	\$ 116,057.99	\$(5,112.01)	-4%

**SJB Collection Counters**  
**for Monday, April 23, 2018**

Mary Spellacy, Maria Lucchin, & Tom Elliott

**SJB Collection Counters**  
**for Monday, April 30, 2018**

Gus Gastaldo & Nick Pershetti

**Office Hours:**

The Parish Office hours are **Monday-Friday** from **9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**CONFIRMATION AT ST. JOHN'S**

**Confirmation Ceremony** will be at **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**, 720 Hamlet Street, Columbus, Ohio, **Sunday, May 13, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. Mass.** All Students and sponsors will need to be at the church no later than **8:30 a.m.** Reception for students and families will be immediately following Mass, **11:00 a.m., Marrapese Hall.** (Milano's Italian Restaurant will be catering the event). RSVP should have been turned in by **April 1, 2018.**

**Class:** Since there are only **3 classes** remaining before Confirmation, I am requesting everyone make an extra effort to make all the remaining classes.

**Sponsors:** Please be advised, all sponsors if not a member of **St. Johns** will need to submit a letter from their Catholic parish pastor. If you have already done so Grazie! In addition, sponsors are required to write a mentor letter to each student. The letters should have been turned in last **Sunday, April 8th.**

**Rehearsal:** Rehearsal is **Mandatory** for all students and will be **Sunday, May 6, 2018 at Noon at St. John's.** Second Rehearsal is **Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at St. Johns.** We are asking sponsors to be at the **second** rehearsal. Any questions, please contact **John Contino at 614-214-8473.**

**AROUND US**

**Liturgical Calendar:** The month of **April** is dedicated to **The Holy Spirit.** The entire month falls during the Easter season. The liturgical color is white – the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored).

**Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of April 2018:** You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intention: That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

**Bishop Campbell College Student Forum:** "From the Chair with Bishop Campbell" will air on **Tuesday, May 1st** from **5:00 to 6:00 p.m.** on **Saint Gabriel Catholic Radio AM 820.** Our Annual College Forum with students from Ohio State University discuss with Bishop Campbell the relationship between their intellectual life and their Catholic faith. May the Holy Spirit bring you peace!  
**Colleen Lewis, Community Outreach Coordinator,**  
**St. Gabriel Catholic Radio AM 820**

**The Jubilee Museum:** This unique museum, located at **57 S. Grubb Street** in the former **Columbus Holy Family School**, has the largest collection of diversified Catholic artwork in the United States. The museum is open from **10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday** and **1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Sunday**, with tours also available by appointment. Admission is **\$10.00** for adults and **\$5.00** for students and senior citizens. Group discounts are available. **The museum is also launching a monthly Thursday night lecture series on topics related to faith and culture.** Lectures, followed by questions and answers, will be presented at **7:00 p.m.** with doors opening at **6:15** and light refreshments available. The event will conclude at **8:00** with an invitation to continue conversation at a local brewery or pub. For a schedule of lectures and topics to be covered, please call **614-600-0054.**

**Bereavement Ministry:** The North High Deanery invites anyone suffering from a loss of a loved one to take part in the Seasons of Hope ministry meetings. Seasons of Hope is a Catholic, Christ-centered support group that includes Scripture, prayer, reflection and sharing. It is offered for **six weeks**, four times per year. The ministry's spring session meets on six consecutive Sundays, from **April 8 to May 13**, in the parish hall of Columbus St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Avenue. Registration will take place each week from **1:30-1:55 p.m.** Questions may be directed to **Mike Schmidt** at [michaeljaesschmidt@yahoo.com](mailto:michaeljaesschmidt@yahoo.com) or **Michael Julian** at [mjulian@columbus.rr.com](mailto:mjulian@columbus.rr.com).

**150th Anniversary Celebration Mass:** Join Bishop Campbell and the clergy of the Diocese of Columbus in celebrating this important milestone in our Diocese's history on **Sunday, April 22, at 5:15 p.m.** at St. Joseph Cathedral. All members of the Diocese are invited to attend; parking is limited. For more information about 150th Anniversary activities, visit [columbuscatholic.org/150th-commemoration](http://columbuscatholic.org/150th-commemoration).

*"Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He seeks us out and he stays near us even though we are sinners, indeed..."*

*~Pope John Paul II*



Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep...." John 10:11

**Prayer**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;  
 He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul;  
 He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me;  
 Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.  
 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

~ Psalm 23