

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Wednesday, August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics. This means we have an obligation to attend Mass on the day of or the evening before. There will be Masses on **August 15th at Sacred Heart at Noon** and at **St. John the Baptist at 6:00 p.m.** There are also many Masses at neighboring parishes, as well, to help fulfill your obligation. The Assumption of Mary into heaven body and soul is a core belief of our Catholic faith. In this doctrine, we believe that since Mary had been preserved by God's grace from original sin at her conception and through her holiness and God's grace remained sinless throughout her life, then she did not experience the corruption of her body when she left this earth. The Church leaves open the question of whether she experienced bodily death before her assumption or whether she was assumed into heaven without experiencing death. The Assumption is important for us as it confirms one of the promises of our faith – which we too can participate in the Resurrection of Christ. It tells us that God redeems both body and soul and therefore, we should always respect our bodies and one another and never reduce them to objects to be used or discarded when finished. This is the hope for all of the faithful.

I pray that you have a blessed week and enjoy these remaining days of summer.

Fr. Kitsmiller  
Administrator

**MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Sun., 8/12	9:30 a.m.	George J. Paesano by Kenneth & Barbara Miller
Mon., 8/13	5:30 p.m.	Bruno Masdea by Pat Rossetti
Wed., 8/15	6:00 p.m. Feast of the Assumption	Leona DiCesare by Frank Di Cesare
Sun., 8/19	9:30 a.m.	Maria Caradonna by Antonio Caradonna
Mon., 8/20	5:30 p.m.	Bill Galilei by Louise Masdea

**Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:**

Marian Lights: Joyce Tisone by Carl Tisone  
Blessed Sacrament: James Barcelona by Chris Soteriades

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Sun., 8/12	Altar Guild Meeting (Marrapese Hall) After Mass
Mon., 8/13	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group, 6:00 p.m. (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group, 6:00 p.m. (Classroom)

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 12, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Lectors:</b>	Nick D'Alberto, Antonio D'Alberto
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Claudio Pasian, Pat Rossetti, Sharon D'Alberto, Judy Pishitelli, & Ed Pagnanelli
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 19, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Lectors:</b>	Ed Pagnanelli, John Snoad
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Margi Baker, Andrea Myers, Pete Tamburro, Margaret Panico-Harn & Antonio D'Alberto

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

**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. Pray for Sean McCreary, son of Samuel and Linda McCreary and Diamond Boggs sister of Linda McCreary.**

**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 August are:

- August 12 Margaret Contino, OFS
- August 19 Adolfo "Gus" Gastaldo
- August 26 Leslie Malek-Pasian

**2018 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings**

**August 12 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30-5:2/Jn 6:41-51

**August 13 – Weekday**  
Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs  
Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Mt 17:22-27

**August 14 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr**  
Ez 2:8-3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**August 15 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28  
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

**August 16 – Weekday**  
Saint Stephen of Hungary  
Ez 12:1-12/Mt 18:21-19:1

**August 17 – Weekday**  
Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Mt 19:3-12

**August 18 – Weekday**  
Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Mt 19:13-15

**August 19 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

\*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

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

August 5, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used – 46

In Envelopes: \$2,035.00	Loose Money \$193.94
Regular Collection	\$ 2,228.94
Total	\$ 2,228.94
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (133.74)
	\$ 2,095.20
Votives	\$ 44.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 60.00
St. Anthony Bread	\$ 62.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 40.00
	\$ 206.00

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

**Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/18-6/30/19)**

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 2,228.94	\$ (656.06)	-23%
FYTD:	\$ 17,310.00	\$ 15,957.11	\$ (1,352.89)	-8%

**SJB Collection Counters for  
Monday, August 13, 2018**

Maruja Paule & Darlene Rauch

**SJB Collection Counters for  
Monday, August 20, 2018**

Tom Elliott, Maria Lucchin & Mary Spellacy



**Office Hours:**

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

**Reconciliation:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation offers a wonderful opportunity to experience God's mercy on a very personal level. The sacrament of Penance is a beautiful sacrament through which we are reconciled to God, ourselves and our neighbors. Remember the words of St. Paul, "God is rich in mercy; because of His great love for us, He brought us to life with Christ when we were dead in sin" (Eph 2:4). **Father is available for confession prior to Mass, and by calling the office for an appointment.**

**Mass Scheduled for Amici d'Oro Members:** A Mass is scheduled for **Saturday, August 25, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.** at **St. John the Baptist Church** for all **Deceased Members** of the **Amici d'Oro group**. Any questions, please contact **Mary Anderson** at **614-794-3060** or **Patty Clifford** at **614-270-1882**.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** We have a long way to go to realize **100%** participation from our parish. As of **August 5, 2018** we have received **\$17,085.00** towards our parish goal of **\$17,785.49**. We are not quite there yet. If you have not given, please consider a gift of **\$75.00 to \$100.00**. No gift is too small as all gifts go to support the Diocese. Thank you!

**What does the Church teach about personhood, relationships, sexuality, and our purpose in life?** Join the **St. John the Baptist's Faith Sharing Groups** in studying and discussing the **Humane Vitae Encyclical**. This year is the **50th Anniversary** of this prophetic **Catholic** letter proclaimed by **Pope Paul VI**. On **August 13, 20, 27, and September 10**, the encyclical will be read by the women's group and men's group, separately. On **September 17th**, following this small-group reading, **Father Robert Kitsmiller** will lead both groups together in a discussion on the encyclical. All are invited to participate on the designated **Mondays at 6:00 p.m.** in the **Italian Cultural Center** located at **180 Lincoln Avenue, Columbus**.

**Save the Dates for Italian Festival Meetings:** **Upcoming meetings:** **August 27th, 5:30 p.m.**, Board Meeting; **7:00 p.m.** General Meeting; and **September 24th, 5:30 p.m.**, Board Meeting; **7:00 p.m.**, General Meeting.

**FORMED.org:** A one-year subscription to the online Catholic catechetical service, **FORMED.org**, has been generously donated to the parishes of both **St. John's** and **Sacred Heart**. This resource is free of charge and is meant to help us grow in our faith. Once you register, you will have access to thousands of online Catholic videos, audios and e-books. You can view them On Demand anytime, anywhere. To register, please visit <https://sjbitaliana.formed.org>. Find the "Register Now" link and fill out the information on the screen. Please take advantage of this resource; and, don't forget to download the free **iOS** or **Android** app for your phone or tablet.

**AROUND US**

**Liturgical Calendar:** The month of **August** is dedicated to **The Immaculate Heart of Mary**. The entire 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.

**Holy Father's Intension for the Month of August 2018:** You are invited to answer the **Holy Father's** request and join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intension: ***That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.***

**Mount Carmel Class Offerings and Programs:** **Mt. Carmel Health** has announced their **Fall 2018** offerings. Topics covered include cancer care, grief and loss, diabetes management, health and fitness, pregnancy care, cooking and nutrition, and so forth. Anyone who would like a copy can email **Deacon Tom Berg, Jr.** at [tberg@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:tberg@columbuscatholic.org) in the **Chancery**.

**Free piano needs a good home:** A **St. Joan of Arc** parishioner is moving and has an upright piano that he would donate and deliver to a church or school in need of one. Please contact the **Chancery Office** for more information or if interested. Thank you.



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven;  
whoever eats this bread will live forever;  
and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."  
John 6:51

**Prayer**



Lord help me to remember that nothing is going to happen to me today that You and I together can't handle.

**Amen.**