

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to thank everyone who participated and volunteered in the **Columbus Italian Festival** last weekend and in the **Taste of Italy** on **Monday, October 1st**. Both the **Taste of Italy** and the **Festival** were largely attended and successful, as those who came can attest. The crowds were quite large and festive, especially **Friday** and **Saturday** night. I think everyone enjoyed themselves. I want to thank everyone who volunteered on the various committees that were responsible for running the many different areas of the **Festival**. Your help was necessary for the **Festival** to happen and space does not allow me to acknowledge all of you for your enthusiastic and energetic participation. I do want to thank **Adam Montemarano** and his **employees** from **Rising Star Productions and Entertainment**, for their work on the setup of tents and booths, their clean up and their work throughout the Festival. I also want to acknowledge the **Board members** for their dedication during the Festival and throughout the year: our chairpersons **Mike Cua** and **Mario Cua**, **Rick Brunetto**, **Landa Masdea Brunetto**, **John Contino**, **Bud Fuller**, **Sue Guy**, **Margaret Panico-Harn**, **Vince Militello**, **Carol Ristucci**, **Pat Rossetti** and **Tina Solazzo**. I also want to thank our staff members **Aggie Howard** and **Vicky Gammell** for their help throughout the Festival. Thank you all for making the **Festival** such a rousing success this year and a special experience for thousands who turned out. It was truly an amazing weekend!

As we continue in the month of **October**, a month dedicated to issues affecting the sanctity of human life and a month dedicated to praying the **Rosary**, let us pray the **Rosary** this week for the protection of lives of our elderly brothers and sisters, especially those close to death. Let us pray that their lives be respected and their sufferings and difficulties not be seen as worthless. **God loves us all from the womb to the tomb**. Let us pray that we all do the same.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Kitsmiller
Administrator

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 10/14	9:30 a.m.	George Paesano by Linda Henry
Mon., 10/15	5:30 p.m.	Bruno Masdea by Mike & Dina Ricci
Sun., 10/21	9:30 a.m.	Giovanni & Antonia Capoccia by Maria Capoccia & Family
Mon., 10/22	5:30 p.m.	Angelina Dinovo by Tommy Caradonna

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Virginia & Dominick Finissi
by Norma Jean & Bill Finissi, Sr.
Blessed Sacrament: Francis Bo Gallo
by Chris Soteriades



Requiescat in pace! In the charity of your prayers, please remember the family and friends of:

Antoinette M. Carfagna, life member of **St. John the Baptist Italian Catholic Church** and sister to **Bruno Quaranto**, who passed away this past week.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun., 10/14	Altar Guild Meeting (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 10/15	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

Sunday, October 14, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Bob Contino, Landa Brunetto
Eucharistic Ministers	Claudio PAsian, Antonio D'Alberto, Marge Contino, Pete Tamburro & Andrea Myers
Sunday, October 21, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Gabe Bishop, John Snoad
Eucharistic Ministers:	Margi Baker, Ed Pagnanelli, Margaret Panico-Harn, Judy Pishitelli & Pat Rossetti

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 **October** are:

October 14 Adolfo "Gus" Gastaldo
October 21 Vincent Davis
October 28 Gary Bosco

2018 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

October 14 – Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 7:7-11/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
October 15 – Saint Teresa of Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Lk 11:29-32
October 16 – Weekday
St. Hedwig, Religious;
Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
Gal 5:1-6/Lk 11:37-41
October 17 – Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
Gal 5:18-25/Lk 11:42-46
October 18 – Saint Luke, Evangelist
2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9
October 19 – Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues,
Priests and Companions, Martyrs
Eph 1:11-14/Lk 12:1-7
October 20 – Weekday
Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest
Eph 1:15-23/Lk 12:8-12
October 21 – Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

RCIA: St. John the Baptist parish will begin an **RCIA** program. **RCIA** stands for **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**. It is a course of study and prayer for those who are interested in becoming **Catholic** or for **Catholics** who have never received the Sacraments of **Confirmation** or **Holy Communion**. The plan is to meet on **Sundays** from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at **St. John the Baptist** in the library. If you know of any such person, please have them contact the parish office at 614-294-5319 or rkitsmiller@columbuscatholic.org, to register. If interested, contact **Father Kitsmiller**.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

October 7, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used – 40

In Envelopes: \$1,896.00 Loose Money \$620.21

Regular Collection	\$ 2,516.21
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (150.97)
	\$ 2,365.24

Votives	\$ 20.00
St. Anthony Bread	\$ 37.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 87.00

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

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$2,885.00	\$ 2,516.21	(\$ 368.79)	-13%
FYTD:	\$43,275.00	\$39,978.32	-\$ 3,296.68)	- 8%

SJB Collection Counters

for Monday, October 15, 2018

Tom Elliott, Maria Lucchin, & Mary Spellacy

SJB Collection Counters for

Monday, October 22, 2018

Gus Gastaldo & Nick Perschetti



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

Counter Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed to count **St. John's** weekend collections. Collection counters usually work in groups of **two** or **three**, meeting on **Monday** mornings at **10:00 a.m.** at **St. John**. The more volunteers we have, the more this important job can be shared throughout the month. If interested, please contact the **Office** at **614-294-5319**.

Save the Date: **Sunday, December 9th, 2018**, there will be a **Pancake Breakfast, scrambled eggs, bacon, fruit, orange juice** and **coffee**. Price is **\$8.00 per person**, Children under **12** are **free**. Hosted by the **Altar Guild** from **10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Italian Festival
50/50 Super Jackpot Winner
Congratulations to Pat Conley, Winner of \$2,400.00

AROUND US

Liturgical Calendar: The month of **October** is dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**. The Memorial of **Our Lady of the Rosary** is celebrated on **October 7**. October falls during the liturgical season known as **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green.

BUILDING A CULTURE OF LIFE CONFERENCE: Respect Life, Bioethics, Leadership is Saturday, **October 20, 2018**, from **9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** at **St. John Neumann Church, 9633 E. State Route 37, Sunbury**. Join us for an extraordinary event featuring prominent dynamic speakers and offering resources to equip you to build a culture of life. **FEATURED TOPICS:** • **Foundation of Pro-Life Action** • **Lost in the Labyrinth: Current State of Assisted Reproductive Technologies** • **Advocating for Children with Disabilities** • **Legislative Update** • **End of Life Discussions and Directives** • **Answering the Hard Questions – Panel** Sponsored by the diocesan **Office for Social Concerns, Marriage & Family Life Office, Greater Columbus Right to Life**, and **FEMM**. Cost is **\$25.00**. Register by **October 16**. For a list of speakers and to register, visit <https://bclc2018.eventbrite.com> or call **614-241-2540**.

Evening of Hope: **Thursday, October 18, 2018, 7:00-9:00 p.m.** at the **St. Thomas More Newman Center, 64 W. Lane Avenue, Columbus**. Come to this night of prayer, inspiration, and education. Learn about the work of **ARCH** (Accompanying Returning Citizens with Hope) and how to reintegrate the formerly incarcerated into the life of the Church and our community, visit www.svdpcolumbus.org/arch.

Family Rosary Day October 14: The Diocese's annual **Family Rosary Day** is **Sunday, October 14** at **3:00 p.m.** at **St. Joseph Cathedral**. All are welcome. Parishes and schools will be sent posters in the coming weeks. More information is available on the diocesan website.

Health Care Professionals 2018 White Mass: **Thursday, October 18th**, at **6:00 p.m.**, **Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road**. Celebrated by **Bishop Frederick Campbell, DD, Ph.D.** All are welcome to join us for a reception following in the parish hall. Sponsored by **Catholic Medical Association of Central Ohio**.

Marian Dinner October 24: The annual **Marian Dinner** will be **Wednesday, October 24** at **6:00 p.m.** at **St. Andrew Church's Bryce Eck Activity Center, 3880 Reed Road, Columbus**. Women, especially those in high school, are welcome to join together with their pastors, clergy, members of religious communities, and other people of the Diocese for prayer, a meal, and an opportunity to hear from other religious. Clergy are invited to attend and bring one or more young women to this event. Please contact the Chancery at **614-224-2251** or jgreer@columbuscatholic.org with the names of your guests.

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** 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.



Prayer

*Dear Lord,
 Thank You for fearfully and wonderfully creating each of us.
 Thank You for giving us worth in Your eyes.
 Help us live as the one You uniquely intended us to be.
 Help us abide instead of strive,
 living peacefully and joyfully as heirs to Your Kingdom
 and co-heirs with Christ. In Jesus' Name,
 Amen.*