

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our Lord tells the **Apostles** that the great among them are the ones who are servants of all. **Jesus** reminds them that He came to give His life as a ransom for many. If they want to be like Him, they need to do the same. For the **Christian**, true greatness consists in self-sacrifice, in giving of oneself for others. **Jesus** is the example, par excellence, of self-gift. He continually gives Himself up for us – to cleanse us of our sins and give us new life, experienced profoundly in the sacraments we receive. We also see this self-sacrifice in our mothers who carried us in their bodies, nurturing us and giving us birth. We see it in our fathers who begat us, helped raise us, protected us and gave us an example of how to live in the world. We thank **God** for our parents. Let us pray for expecting mothers that they may be given the strength and support to choose life for their unborn children. Let us support them with our prayer and our actions. As we continue our **Respect Life** month and the month of the **Rosary**, let us offer some decades of the **Rosary** this week for the children in the womb and their mothers.

God bless you all.

Fr. Kitsmiller

Administrator

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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
Sun., 10/28	9:30 a.m.	Charlie Agriesti by Bonnie Agriesti
Mon., 10/29	5:30 p.m.	Nina Isgro-Lumbaco by Antonio, Sharon, & Family

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Joyce Tisone
by Carl Tisone
Blessed Sacrament: Marie (Flora) Tarantelli
by Blessed Mother Sodality

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun., 10/21	Blessed Mother Sodality (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 10/22	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group 6:00 p.m. (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group 6:00 p.m. (Classroom)
Mon., 10/22	Executive Team of the Columbus Italian Festival Meeting, 6:00 p.m. (Sala Hall)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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
Sunday, October 28, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Nick D'Alberto & Antonio D'Alberto
Eucharistic Ministers:	Marge Contino, Sharon D'Alberto, Leslie Pasian, Bob Contino & Pete Tamburro

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** and **November** are:

October 21 Vincent Davis
October 28 Gary Bosco
November 4 Leslie Malek-Pasian

2018 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

October 21 – Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

October 22 – Weekday
Saint John Paul II, Pope
Eph 2:1-10/Lk 12:13-21

October 23 – Weekday – Saint John of Capistrano, Priest
Eph 2:12-22/Lk 12:35-38

October 24 – Weekday – Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
Eph 3:2-12/Lk 12:39-48

October 25 – Weekday
Eph 3:14-21/Lk 12:49-53

October 26 – Weekday
Eph 4:1-6/Lk 12:54-59

October 27 – Weekday
Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9

October 28 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

October 14, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used – 57

In Envelopes: \$2,750.00 Loose Money \$193.61

Regular Collection \$ 2,943.61
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment \$ (176.62)
\$ 2,766.99

Votives \$ 44.00
St. Anthony Bread \$ 25.00
50/50 Drawing \$ 10.00
Total \$ 79.00

\$\$\$? 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	\$ 2,943.61	\$ 58.61	2%
FYTD:	\$46,160.00	\$42,921.93	-\$3,238.07	-7%

SJB Collection Counters for

Monday, October 22, 2018

Gus Gastaldo & Nick Perschetti

SJB Collection Counters for

Monday, October 29, 2018

Maruja Paule & Darlene Rauch



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.**

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, **614-294-5319**, or rkitsmiller@columbuscatholic.org, to register. If interested, contact **Father Kitsmiller**.

The Byron Saunders Foundation: What’s Thanksgiving dinner without mashed potatoes?? **St. John the Baptist** helps the **Byron Saunders Foundation**, headed by our own parishioner, **Brian Wollenberg**, obtain dollars to purchase **5 lb. bags** of fresh potatoes for the families in need. We request a minimum of **\$2.00** per person. The more money we receive, the more families receive fresh potatoes for Thanksgiving dinner. Last year, we served homemade mashed potatoes to **785** families for Thanksgiving out of over **5,000** families we are striving to serve. Eradicate Thanksgiving Boxed mashed Potatoes! Please give after Mass, through **November 18th**.

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

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.

World Mission Sunday: TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY. We celebrate this day by remembering the revitalizing mission at the heart of our Christian faith – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the society for the **Propagation of the Faith** ensures the work and service of the Mission church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord’s mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the **Pope’s** missions. Thank you for your generosity. Envelopes are in back of the church.

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.

Election Day is **Tuesday, November 6**. “In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation.” **U.S. Catholic Bishops, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship**. Please visit the **Columbus Diocese’s Faithful Citizenship Page** for more resources: <https://columbuscatholic.org/faithful-citizenship>. Please vote. Let your voice be heard!

SPICE Mass for People with Special Needs: St. Catharine Church, 500 S. Gould Road, Columbus, in partnership with the **SPICE (Special People in Catholic Education)** ministry, will host a **Mass for People with Special Needs Sunday, November 4, 2018, 11:00 a.m.**; a reception will follow. This Mass will celebrate the unique gifts of those with physical and mental disabilities as well as their caretakers. To encourage an inclusive, welcoming environment, there will be **American Sign Language** interpretation, wheelchair accessibility, and low-gluten hosts for those with dietary restrictions.

“Let us not forget: if we are to proclaim the **Gospel of Jesus**, our lives must bear witness to what we preach.”

~ **Pope Francis**



“For the **Son of Man** did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:45

A MORNING PRAYER

Oh God, enlighten my mind with truth;
 In flame my heart with love;
 inspire my will with courage:
 enrich my life with service.
 Pardon what I have been;
 sanctify what I am; order what I shall be
 and thine shall be the glory
 and mine the eternal salvation
 through Jesus Christ my Lord.
 Amen