

A photograph of the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church building, featuring a prominent steeple with a cross on top. The building is light-colored with arched windows and a brick base. The sky is clear and blue.

St. John the Baptist CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr. Robert Kitsmiller,
Administrator

Reverend Joseph Klee,
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*(National Italian Parish ~
Est. 1896)*

MASSES/MESSE:

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. at St. John the Baptist

WEEKDAYS AND HOLY DAYS:

(See Mass Schedule inside Bulletin)

PARISH OFFICE/STAFF:

Aggie Howard, Bookkeeper, ahoward@sjbitaliana.org

Victoria Gammell, Secretary, St. John the Baptist

Office Hours, St. John the Baptist:

Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Administration of both parishes is done
through the office at St. John the Baptist –
168 E. Lincoln Street.

Requests for copies of sacramental records, scheduling
of Masses and other sacramental celebrations,
hall rental and other non-emergency needs
should be made during regular office hours
or email info@sjbitaliana.org.

Please notify the Parish Office of any changes,
such as address or telephone, etc., by calling
during regular hours or email info@sjbitaliana.org.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Announcements must be submitted
in writing by Tuesday at noon.

MUSIC MINISTRY:

Gina M. Bishop, Music Director; **John C. Huffman,** Organist

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

We welcome you into our Parish Families.

Membership in the parish consists of two parts:

Registration: Please fill out form and return to Office.

Participation: As a member of the Church, you are
accepting the responsibility of weekly worship as well as
supporting God's work here through giving of yourself, your
time and talents, and a worthy Sunday offering to show your
love for God and your gratitude for His many favors.

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONE:

One half-hour prior to weekend Mass or by request/appointment.

BAPTISM/BATTESIMO:

Preparation is required for the reception of the sacrament.

Parents are encouraged to call the Rectory and
set up an appointment before the birth of their child.

MATRIMONY/MATRIMONIO:

Arrangements should be made at least six or more months in
advance. A marriage preparation program is required.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/INFERMI:

**In cases of emergencies, please call anytime. Please notify the
Parish Office for Communion calls to the sick, shut-ins.**

Due to privacy laws, if parishioners wish to be visited
in the hospital, they should contact the Parish Office directly
and give the information regarding the hospitalization.

If you are scheduled for surgeries or other medical procedures,
please contact the Parish Office in advance so that a priest can
administer Anointing of the Sick prior to the procedure.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Happy Mother's Day to all of our women of the parish who have accepted that wonderful vocation. We owe a lot to our mothers who carried us in their wombs, gave birth to us, nurtured and helped us grow into responsible and caring human beings. May **God** bless you! We pray for all of our mothers. May **God** continue to strengthen you each day of your life.

Last week, we kicked off the **2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal**. The theme is "**God makes every grace abundant.**" Our parish goal is **\$18,400.83**, which comes to approximately **\$100.00** per family. Pledge envelopes are in the pews and can also be obtained by calling our parish office. I thank you for your generosity to our parish and the diocese.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Kitsmiller
Administrator

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 5/12	9:30 a.m.	Angelina Dinovo by Norma Miller
Mon., 5/13	5:30 p.m.	John Capparuccini by Marie Gray
Sun., 5/19	9:30 a.m.	Danny Ristucci by Pat Rossetti
Mon., 5/20	5:30 p.m.	Richard and Rose Potenza by Barbara Potenza & Family

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Patricia Chandler
by Bonnie Agriesti
Blessed Sacrament: Tony Solazzo
by Mrs. Rose Peg

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, May 12, 2019, 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Nick D'Alberto, Antonio D'Alberto
Eucharistic Ministers	Bob Contino, Pat Rossetti, Ed Pagnanelli, Judy Pishitelli, Sharon D'Alberto
Sunday, May 19, 2019, 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Gabe Bishop, Ed Pagnanelli
Eucharistic Ministers:	Margi Baker, Pat Rossetti, Pete Tamburro, Margaret Panico-Harn, Anne Marie Pastore

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon., 5/13	6:00 p.m. Italian Village Catholic Faith Sharing Group, Men & Women (Marrapese Hall)
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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 Diamond Boggs, sister of Linda McCreary.**



Requiescat in pace! In the charity of your prayers, please remember the family and friends of: **John Clifford**, brother of parishioner **Patricia Clifford**, who died this past week.



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

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 **May** are:

May 12 Margaret Contino, OFS
May 19 Vincent Davis
May 26 Norma Jean Finissi

Anyone interested in leading the Rosary on Sundays, please contact Bob Contino at 614-833-0371. Thank you!

2019 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

May 12 – Fourth Sunday of Easter
 Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
May 13 – Easter Weekday – Our Lady of Fatima
 Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
May 14 – Saint Matthias, Apostle
 Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17
May 15 – Easter Weekday – Saint Isidore
 Acts 12:24–13:5a/ Jn 12:44-50
May 16 – Easter Weekday
 Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
May 17 – Easter Weekday
 Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
May 18 Easter Weekday – Saint John I, Pope and Martyr
 Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
May 19 – Fifth Sunday of Easter
 Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 24-35

*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

May 05, 2019

Number of Envelopes Used Sunday – 45
 In Envelopes: \$2,317.00 Loose Money \$119.00
Total Collection \$ 2,436.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment \$ (146.16)
\$ 2,289.84

Votive \$ 55.00
Central & Eastern Europe \$ 15.00
St. Anthony Bread \$ 103.00
Grounds Beautification \$ 71.00
50/50 Drawing \$ 70.00
Total \$ 314.00

\$\$\$?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	\$ 2,436.00	(\$ 449.00)	-16%
FYTD:	\$129,825.00	\$128,567.65	(\$1,257.35)	-1%

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.

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, May 13, 2019

Gus Gastaldo & Nick Perschetti

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, May 20, 2019

Maruja Paule & Darlene Rauch

AROUND US

The Holy Father's Intention for the Month of May, 2019: You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intention: ***That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.***

Liturgical Calendar: The month of **May** is dedicated to **The Blessed Virgin Mary**. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of **Easter**, which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence. All of nature rejoices with the **Queen of Heaven** at the Resurrection of the Son she was worthy to bear. During the remainder of **Easter** time, be encouraged through the prayers of the **Holy Liturgy** and the **Holy Rosary** to deepen your gratitude for the mystery of our Baptismal rebirth in **Christ**.

Ascension Thursday Solemn High Mass: Polyphonic Mass Setting, Thursday, May 30th at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Join the **Columbus Latin Mass Community** in celebrating **Our Lord's Ascension**. The **St. Joseph Cathedral Choir** will perform **William Byrd's Mass for Four Voices**, one of the greatest pieces of sacred music ever composed, sung in its historical context. Columbuslatinmass.org

Why Do Catholics Do That? Why Do Catholics Invoke the Holy Spirit? As the **Third Person of the Trinity**, the **Holy Spirit** is invoked every time we make the Sign of the Cross. In Baptism, **He** dwells in our souls and makes us children of **God (Romans 8:15)**. He makes us receptive to **God's** grace. He also teaches and helps us to pray. **He** guides and protects us, just as He guides and protects the **Church**. Through **His** gifts, **He** inspires and enables us to do the good we ought to do.

Can I have a devotion to Mary and still worship God well? One question frequently asked of **Catholics** is, "Why do you worship **Mary**?" In fact, we don't worship **Mary**. Worship is the adoration we give to **God** where we acknowledge him as **Creator, Savior, and Lord**. **Mary** is a creature like us. She is not divine, so we can't worship her. However, we can honor her. She is the **Mother of God**, since **Jesus is God (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #495)**. Secondly, on the Cross, **Jesus** gave her to us as our mother and entrusted us to her care (**John 19:26-27**). Thirdly, we honor her for the good she did and still does for us, and for her holiness. **God** is not jealous of our devotion to **Mary**, just as an artist wouldn't be jealous if his greatest masterpieces were praised. Turning to **Mary** for her intercession isn't a problem, either. **Mary's** role (and ours) is to help get us to Heaven, which is exactly what **God** wants, too. Rest assured, **Mary** always leads us to her **Son, Jesus**.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter marks the 53rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations instituted by Pope Paul VI in 1964. Parishes are especially encouraged to include prayers for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the general intercessions on that day and the homily may focus on vocations. **Pope Francis'** message "**The Church, Mother of Vocations**" should be read and taken to heart.

"If we are to know the **Lord**, we must go to him. Listen to him in silence before the tabernacle and approach him in the sacraments."

~ *Pope Francis*

St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Center/Haven and JOIN (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs) are hosting a sampling fund raising event, **Share the Table**. Join us for a "tasting" of several restaurants and bakeries from around the city. Along with great food, drink, and fellowship, enjoy our raffle and silent auction. **Share the Table** will be held at the **Church of the Resurrection** social hall **Saturday May 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.** Your **\$60.00** ticket enables you to taste your way around the city while enjoying our signature drink. Reserve your spot now by emailing **Lisa Keita** at lkeita@columbuscatholic.org.

St. Charles Offering Summer Enrichment Classes and Athletic Camps: This summer, **St. Charles Preparatory School** is offering a wide range of summer classes and athletic camps for **Central Ohio** grade school students. These include academic enrichment classes in **English** and **Mathematics** (for boys entering **7th-8th grades**), **LEGO Robotics Camp** (for boys and girls entering **5th-8th grades**), **JAVA TM Programming I** (for boys and girls entering **8th-12th grade** with a basic understanding of computers and computer languages), **Basic Game Programming** (for boys and girls entering **5th-9th grades** with little or no programming experience). In addition, the school will also host athletic camps devoted to Soccer, Speed/Agility, Football, Volleyball (boys and girls), Baseball and Basketball for students entering **3rd-9th grades**. **St. Charles** is located at **2010 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43209**. Visit school's website at www.stcharlesprep.org. Or call **614-252-6714**

One Minute Meditation

During the month of **May**, we honor **Mary, the Mother of God** (and ours, too). Turn to her for guidance and protection and she will bring you to her Son: "**Remember, O Most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.**"

"His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'" (**John 2:5**).

**Prayer**

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**

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