

A photograph of the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church building, featuring a prominent steeple with a cross on top. The building is made of light-colored stone or brick with arched windows. 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

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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,

In today's **Gospel**, the **Risen Jesus** again appears to His disciples. This time, His appearance is connected to the simple pleasure of fishing that several young men are enjoying. For **Peter**, **Jesus** has something great to ask of him. After allowing **Peter** to repent for his denial of the **Lord** the night before His crucifixion, **Jesus** **calls** him again. He restores his vocation as His vicar on Earth and encourages him to follow Him, even though it will mean a similar death for **Peter**. For us, who also have a certain vocation in life, we are also called by the **Lord** to follow, even after we have denied Him. We are to get back up and follow the **Lord**, not giving up but keeping our eyes fixed on the **One** who gives us life.

Today, we kick off the **2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA)**. This year's theme is "**God makes every grace abundant.**" This theme reminds us that **God** gives us the grace to do well and then can multiply our generosity by which many know of **God's** love and mercy. We can do this through our actions but also through the support of the **Church's** ministry in the diocese. The **BAA** then is a practical way for us to support the mission of the **Church** at the local level. The **BAA** supplements the diocesan budget, particularly the areas of seminary education, training for the diaconate, **Catholic Social Services**, religious education and marital preparation programs. This is an annual appeal to all the parishes of the diocese. Our parish goal is **\$18,400.83**. This works out to roughly **\$100.00 per family**. Many of us can give more than that and some cannot give that much. But as a parish, I believe we can reach this goal. Our participation in this campaign is a tangible way for us to support the mission of the **Church**, both through the teaching of the **Gospel** and the care of the poor and needy. I encourage you to prayerfully consider what your gift can be. Every gift, no the matter the amount, is appreciated and necessary for us to reach our goal. Gifts given above our parish goal are returned in full to the parish. I thank you for your sacrifices and considerations.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Kitsmiller
Administrator

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 5/5	9:30 a.m.	Leona DiCesare by Frank DiCesare
Mon., 5/6	5:30 p.m.	Louie Nobile, Sr. by Antonio, Sharon D'Alberto Family
Sun., 5/12	9:30 a.m.	Angelina Dinovo by Norma Miller
Mon., 5/13	5:30 p.m.	John Capparuccini by Marie Gray

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Past & Present Members of The LeDonne Club
by The LeDonne Club

Blessed Sacrament: Virginia & Dominick Finissi
by Norma Jean & Bill Finissi, Sr.



Office Hours:

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, May 5, 2019, 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	John Snoad, Bob Contino
Eucharistic Ministers	Margaret Panico-Harn, Andrea Myers, Marge Contino, Anne Marie Pastore, Pete Tamburro
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

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun., 5/5	11:00 a.m., Altar Guild Meeting After Mass (Marrapese Hall) 3:30 p.m., San Giovanni Dancers Practice (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 5/6	6:00 p.m., Italian Village Catholic Faith Sharing Group, Men & Women (Marrapese Hall)
Tues., 5/7	7:00 p.m., Piave Club Meeting (Marrapese Hall)

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.**

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 5 Adolfo "Gus" Gastaldo
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 5 – Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-31, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

May 6 – Easter Weekday
Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

May 7 – Easter Weekday
Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

May 8 – Easter Weekday
Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40

May 9 – Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

May 10 – Easter Weekday
Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest
Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

May 11 – Easter Weekday
Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69

May 12 – Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, May 6, 2019

Louise Masdea & Mary Spellacy

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, May 13, 2019

Gus Gastaldo & Nick Perchetti

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN

April 28, 2019

Number of Envelopes Used Sunday – 49

In Envelopes: \$2,297.00 Loose Money \$325.85

Holy Day	\$ 55.00
Total Collection	\$ 2,677.85
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (160.67)
	\$ 2,517.18
Votive	\$ 27.00
Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 75.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 10.00
Total	\$ 112.00

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

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 2,677.85	(\$207.15)	-7%
FYTD:	\$126,940.00	\$126,131.65	(\$808.35)	-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.**

The Piave Club 100th Year Anniversary: Friday, May 10th, 2019, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Valley Dale Ballroom. All ticket prices are \$40.00 per person. Visit www.ColumbusPiaveClub.com/anniversary or email laurawilliams2035@gmail.com.

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.

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**.

"The secret of Christian living is love. Only love fills the empty spaces caused by evil."

~ Pope Francis

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**.

St. Margaret of Cortona Catholic Church Pilgrimage to Italy: **Father Jeff Rimelspach** of **St. Margaret of Cortona Church**, will lead a pilgrimage to **Rome, Pompeii, Naples, Capri, Italy** and **Sicily September 16-27, 2019**. We have several parishes in our Diocese participating in this small group pilgrimage of **25-30**. If you would like more information, please contact **Father Jeff** at **St. Margaret (614-279-1690)** or **Deborah O'Neill (doneill06@gmail.com)** or **614-578-2226**. I will be happy to email or mail the itinerary and details to you.

Why do Catholics call Mary the Mother of God? When we refer to **Mary** as "**Mother of God**," we are saying that **Jesus** is **God**. The Church has always taught that **Jesus** is both **God** and sinless man. As the **Word of God**, He always existed. **He** took on flesh and "became man" in history through **Mary (John 1:14)**. **Mary** is truly His mother: she gave birth to Him and raised Him. Since **Jesus is God**, **Mary**, His mother, is the "**Mother of God**" (**Catechism of the Catholic Church, #495**).

One Minute Meditation

Although the world changes constantly, **God** stays the same. **He** can be trusted to provide love, support, and strength when we need it. All we have to do is ask **Him**.

"For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed" (Malachi 3:6)



Prayer

Your Word reveals to us a simple truth, that sin entered this world through human folly in believing we could be like You, and permeated history through envy, selfishness and greed.

*Yet sin, which holds us tight within its grasp cannot resist a heart that is touched by Your grace through **Jesus Christ**, cannot contend with Living Water pouring into hearts and souls.*

*Your Word reveals to us a simple truth, that sin is defeated and we can become the people we were always meant to be, by Your grace through **Jesus Christ**.*

Amen

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