

A photograph of the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church building, featuring a prominent steeple with a cross and a large arched window. The text is overlaid on the image.

St. John the Baptist CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr. Robert Kitsmiller,
Administrator

Reverend Joseph Klee,
Priest in Residence

*(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,

This **Sunday**, we are blessed to hear **Jesus'** parable of the **Good Samaritan**, found only in the **Gospel of Luke**. It is a great teaching for us on who is our neighbor. If we apply **Jesus'** parable to our own life then our neighbor is more than just a person we live next to, share something in common with, who we like or who is good to us. Our neighbor is any man, woman or child who is need, distress or who needs to know about the love and mercy of **Christ**. The neighbor is someone who may not be like us, who does not speak our language or is even of a different faith. We can think of the many immigrants who come to our country in dire straits because of the oppression or poverty they experience in their homeland. Or our neighbor is someone closer to home who feels alone, not wanted, or is unable to get out and feels as if no one notices they are there. The point of **Jesus'** parable is see ourselves as a member of **God's** family in which we show care, concern, respect for all we encounter and even those who we sometimes don't pay much attention. **Jesus** also makes a point of showing the hero of the parable to be the **Samaritan**, a people who were at enmity with the **Jews** and vice versa. It is important not to paint a whole group in a negative light just because we have had a bad experience. The beauty of **Christianity** is that we believe that **Jesus** came to redeem all people and to give them the grace to live virtuously like Him. May **God** give us the grace to live like our **Savior** and sustain in faith and charity.

As always, I continue to appreciate your prayers and support for the parish.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Kitsmiller, Administrator

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 7/14	9:30 a.m.	Luigi Nardella by Luisa Stefanelli
Mon., 7/15	5:30 p.m.	Bruno Masdea by Egeo & Fiorenza Frissora
Sun., 7/21	9:30 a.m.	Charlie Agriesti by Bonnie Agriesti, Teresa & Maria
Mon., 7/22	5:30 p.m.	Armando "Steve" Gastaldo by Tony Caradonna & Luisa Stefanelli

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Joyce Tisone
by Carl Tisone
Blessed Sacrament: Tony Ross
by Chris Soteriades

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, July 14, 2019, 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	John Snoad, Landa Brunetto
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Marie Pastore, Pat Rossetti, Ed Pagnanelli, Judy Pishitelli, & Andrea Myers
Sunday, July 21, 2019, 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Nick D'Alberto, Antonio D'Alberto
Eucharistic Ministers:	Marge Contino, Sharon D'Alberto, Margi Baker, Pete Tamburro, & Margaret Panico-Harn

Office Hours:

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

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun. 7/14	Altar Guild Meeting After Mass (Marrapese) San Giovanni Dancers Practice, 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. (Marrapese Hall)
Mon. 7/15	Italian Village Catholic Faith Sharing Group Men & Women, 6:00 p.m. (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 **July** are:

- July 14 Robert Contino, OFS
- July 21 Gary Bosco
- July 28 Vincent Davis

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

2019 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

July 14 – *Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Dt 30:10-14/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

July 15 – *Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34-11:1

July 16 – *Weekday – Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24

July 17 – *Weekday*

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27

July 18 – *Weekday*

Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30

July 19 – *Weekday*

Ex 11:10-12:14/Mt 12:1-8

July 20 – *Weekday*

Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr; BVM

Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21

July 21 – *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Gn 18:1-10a/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, July 15, 2019
Maruja Paule & Darlene Rauch

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, July 22, 2019
Rose Ann Graf & Maria Lucchin

?? \$? HOW IS ST. JOHN'S DOING? \$? \$?
Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/19-6/30/20)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$2,885.00	\$2,752.00	-\$133.00	-5%
FYTD:	\$2,885.00	\$2,752.00	-\$133.00	-5%

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN

July 7, 2019

Number of Envelopes Used Sunday – 58

In Envelopes: \$2,694.00 Loose Money \$58.00

Total Collection	\$ 2,752.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (165.12)
	\$ 2,568.88

Votive	\$ 77.00
Holy Father (Peter's Pence)	\$ 50.00
St. Anthony Bread	\$ 77.00
50/50	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 304.00

MCP Mission Collection \$ 1031.00

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.**

BAA Announcement: The theme of the **2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal, "God Makes Every Grace Abundant,"** inspires us, as people of the **Faith**, to place our trust in **God** and bring hope to those who most need to feel His love. Works of kindness and assistance, sometimes in the smallest way, can bring about a profound change in a person's life. **Our parish goal is \$18,400.83, which comes to approximately \$100.00 per family.** As of **July 7th, 2019, 39 families** have pledged and we have received **\$15,800.00** towards our goal. Pledge envelopes are in the pews and can also be obtained by calling our parish office. Thank you for your generosity to our parish and the diocese.

AROUND US

Liturgical Calendar: The month of **July** is dedicated to **The Precious Blood of Jesus**. 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.

The Holy Father's Intention for the Month of July 2019: Trust those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world many not have the last word.

Holy Family Soup Kitchen Volunteers needed: Looking for something to do this **summer** (maybe even with your teenagers)? Why not volunteer at the **Holy Family Soup Kitchen**? Workers are needed in the pantry (serving groceries, etc.), as well as in the kitchen (serving hot food). No food prep experience is required. Only a few hours a day (**Monday-Friday, anytime between 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**) **Holy Family Soup Kitchen** provides food to the homeless and the needy at no charge. This "**Corporal work of Mercy**" can be very personally rewarding, knowing that you are helping serve more than several hundred each day. For more info, contact **Dana Krull** at **614-461-9444**.

Prayers for Rural Families: Due to historic wet weather and flooding, many rural families in **Ohio** are concerned about their homes, crops, and livestock. Please keep these families in your prayers. **Catholic Rural Life** has prayers and other resources at <https://catholicrurallife.org/resources/spiritual/prayers-for-rural-families>.

Summer Parish Festivals: It is that wonderful time of year! The weather is warmer, and the sun is shining. Consider spending some time celebrating local **Catholic** communities by attending a Local **Parish Festival!** The food will be delicious and the company divine!! Visit www.columbuscatholic.org for a link to the complete listing of area festivals.

The Columbus Diocese Information and Response Network: **The Office for Social Concerns** monitors developing public policy issues at the local, state, national, and international levels and coordinates responses to be sent to key policymakers. The office will send action alerts when a priority issue develops. If you would like to be informed by email, please contact the **Office for Social Concerns** at <https://columbuscatholic.org/join-the-network>.

Why Do Catholics Do That: Call Rome "Home"? In **Matthew 16, Jesus** named **Peter "the Rock"** upon which **Jesus** would build His **Church (Matthew 16:17-18)**. After the **Ascension, St. Peter** traveled to **Rome** for the **Gospel**, and became the bishop of the **Christian** community there. He was martyred and buried in **Rome**, and his successors became the next popes. Historically, the church in **Rome** proved to be a source of unity, strength, and faithfulness in adversity. Today, **Catholics** everywhere call **Rome**, the resting place of **St. Peter**, "home."

"Love of God and love of neighbor are inseparable. They are two sides of the same coin: lived together they are the true strength of believers!"



"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."
Luke 10:27

Prayer

*Dear Lord, our Father,
 In a world torn apart by fear and suspicion,
 Teach us that Love is the only means to conquer fear:
 The Love we encounter as we search you out,
 The Love we encounter as we accept your embrace.
 Amen*

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