



## From the Deacon's Desk Dear friends in Christ.

My how time flies! Believe it or not it has been one year since Bishop Brennan called me into his office and asked if I would be open to an assignment as the Deacon Parish Administrator here at Saint John the Baptist. Needless to say, with some slight changes and clean-up

around the campus, the COVID-19 pandemic, the racial unrest, and finally, the recent cancelation of the 2020 Columbus Italian Festival it has been a quite a year. But most of all, I am grateful for your warm welcome to not only me but to Msgr. Cody, Msgr. Missimi, Father Klinger and Father Cotton who join all of us each weekend to celebrate Mass.

I am also extremely grateful to my staff, Ms. Aggie Howard, Ms. Victoria Gammell, Mrs. Gina Bishop and Mr. John Huffman who really run the day-to-day operation here at "SJB." My greatest hope is that no matter what comes our way, the Gospel of Christ continues to be preached. The **Sacraments** are celebrated with grace, dignity and style. The state of our nation and world does not stand in the way of the beautiful faith in Christ that has been passed down to us from generation to generation, especially by our Italian ancestors who came to this country looking for freedom and a way of life for their families.

In today's first reading, Isaiah prophesies that God's invitation to us is totally free and without any strings attached. Saint Paul says nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. And Matthew tells how **Jesus** was moved, not by people's perfection but by their needs. Do you find that too hard to believe? Do you feel you have to earn God's acceptance, approval, and love? If so, how does this keep you away from God rather than getting you closer? Do you agree with Saint Paul that, "Nothing can separate me from the love of Christ?" If you believed that with all your heart, how might your life be different?

May Almighty God continue to keep all of you safe and healthy. I know for a fact that nothing can keep *ME* from the love of **Christ**.

Saint John the Baptist pray for us! Have a good week, Deacon Frank

### Dear St. John Parishioners,

Please join me periodically on St. Brigid of Kildare Parish livestream. If you missed it, the videos are available at St. Brigid YouTube channel and St. Brigid of Kildare Facebook page.

> Celebrant for Sunday Mass, August 9, Fr. Klinger

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Diamond Boggs

by Chris Soteriades

**Blessed Sacrament:** Virginia & Dominick Finissi

by Norma Jean & Bill Finissi, Sr.

### MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sunday	0.00	Fr. Romano Ciotola	
8/2	9:30 a.m.	by Carmelina & Anna Conti	
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Antonetta Contino Prosser	
8/2	9.30 a.iii.	by Robert E. Molinaro	
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Rina Tiberi	
8/9	9:30 a.m.	by Lena Silvestri	
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Elois Cua	
8/9	9.30 a.iii.	by Michael Cua	
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Joe Pishitelli	
8/9	Sacred Heart	by JoAnn Welch	

### **LECTORS**

Sunday, August 2, 9:30 a.m.	Davide Cugini	
Sunday, August 9, 9:30 a.m.	Nick D'Alberto	
Sunday, August 16, 9:30 a.m.	John Snoad	
Sunday, August 23, 9:30 a.m.	Bob Contino	
Sunday, August 30, 9:30 a.m.	Landa Brunetto	

### PARISH INFORMATION

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Corner of E. Lincoln and Hamlet Streets Church Mailing Address: 168 E. Lincoln Street Columbus. Ohio 43215 (614) 294-5319 Fax: (614)-294-4303

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday Website: info@sibitaliana.org

**Deacon Frank lannarino** – Administrator Msgr. John Cody – Weekend Assistant Father Charles Klinger – Weekend Assistant Father Charles Cotton – Weekend Assistant

Ms. Aggie Howard – Executive Assistant

Ms. Victoria Gammell – Secretary and Bulletin Editor

Mrs. Gina Bishop - Director of Liturgy

Mr. John Huffman - Organist and Musical consultant

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass – 9:30 a.m. each Sunday Sacrament of Penance - 9:00 a.m. (before Sunday Mass or by appointment)

Sacrament of Baptism and Baptism preparation (by appointment)

Sacrament of Matrimony (you must be registered at Saint John at least 6 months prior to scheduling your wedding by Deacon or Priest)

Sacrament of Confirmation and Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (please make an appointment with Parish Administrator)

Saint John Italian Festival (please visit our website for more information)

Sala Hall and Marrapese Hall (scheduled with approval of Parish Administrator)

Bulletin Deadline: Announcements must be submitted in writing by Tuesday at noon.

There will be NO Confessions before Mass on August 2nd. Confession Information as of 4-27-2020

Please visit our website: www.sjbitaliana.com to view Confession Information from Bishop Brennan for a listing of churches for an appointment!

### **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Mon. 8/3 Italian Village Catholic Faith Sharing Group Men & Women 6:00 p.m. (Marrapese Hall)

### 2020 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

August 2 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

August 3 - Weekday

Jer 28:1-7 Mt 14:22-36

August 4 - Saint John Vianney, Priest

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2,

10-14

August 5 - Weekday

The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major

Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28

August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 2/Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

August 7 - Weekday

Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs;

Saint Cajetan, Priest

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28

August 8 - Saint Dominic Priest

Hb 1:12-2:4/Mt 17:14-20

August 9 - Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:92, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

### 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. For Vienna D'Alberto who is residing at the Worthington Christian Village.

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 August are:

August 2 Robert Contino OFS

August 9 Carl Tisone

August 16 Margaret Contino OFS



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### Office Hours:

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

### WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S July 26, 2020

Number of Envelopes Used Sunday – 23

CIIV	\$ 1,910.00
Loose Money	\$ 655.10
Total	\$ 2,565.10
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	<u>\$ - (154.00)</u>
	\$ 2,411.10
Votive	\$ 74.00
Total	\$ 34.00

Bishop's Annual Appeal: The theme of the Bishop's Annual Appeal, "Living the Joy of the Gospel," inspires us, as people of faith, to share joyfully the Good News of Christ to those who most need to feel His love as we continue His work on earth as faithful disciples. The Appeal makes possible the many good works facilitated by the Office of Social Concerns and the Office of Marriage and Family Life, contributes to the education of our future priests and deacons, and supports the education of our young people in their faith. Our BAA parish goal is \$18,752.04. Total pledges to date are \$8,075.00. Thank you for your generosity to our parish and the diocese.

### ? \$ ? \$ ?HOW IS ST. JOHN'S DOING? \$ ? \$ ?

Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (07/01/19 - 06/30/20)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Wk.:	\$ 2,885.00	\$2,256.10	-(\$628.90)	-11%
FYTD:	\$11.540.00	\$12,368,43	\$828.43	7%

### **AROUND US**

Liturgical Calendar: The month of August is dedicated to The Immaculate Heart of Mary. 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. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

Holy Father's Intension: You are invited to pray for the Holy Father's for August 2020: We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Coronavirus Response: Diocese of Columbus: Visit the Coronavirus Response webpage for the latest messages from Bishop Brennan, basic information about COVID-19, ways to strengthen your faith, resources to get help, and opportunities to provide help: www.columbuscatholic.org/coronavirus-response



Q: What type of bee cannot make up its mind? A: A Maybe!

"Rejoice in his whole world and delight in mankind."

~ Proverbs 8:31



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it" (Matt 13:44-46).

### **Prayer**

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Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the **Holy Spirit**, one **God**, for ever and ever.

Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>Pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, & consecrated religious life

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