The background of the entire page is a reproduction of the painting 'Supper at Emmaus' by the Italian Baroque painter Caravaggio. The painting depicts the Resurrection of Christ, showing the two disciples at Emmaus recognizing Jesus as he breaks bread with them. The central figure, Jesus, is shown in a red tunic and a white shawl, with his hands raised in a gesture of blessing. He is seated at a table with a white tablecloth, surrounded by various food items including a roasted quail, bread, and a basket of fruit. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights and deep shadows, creating a sense of intimacy and focus on the central figure.

FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE ARE  
GATHERED TOGETHER IN MY  
NAME, THERE AM I IN THE  
*midst of them.*

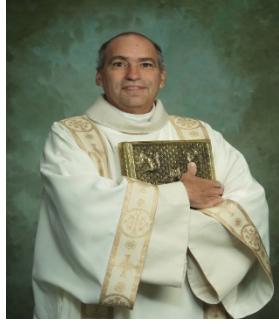
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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

**From the Deacon's Desk****Dear friends in Christ,**

In this weekend's gospel, **Jesus** tells us that there is strength in numbers. Instead of stewing over the wrong someone did you, you should meet with the person and discuss the problem. This advice applies to situations at work, at home, or among neighbors. **One** is not only a lonely number but a dangerous number because the more you replay perceived wrongs in your head, the easier it is to lose perspective and make matters worse by blowing up at someone.



Many managers (**including a few parish clergy**) seem to have the "if I just ignore it, it will go away" approach to problems. But how many of us have ever seen that approach be successful?

Problems are meant to be solved and relationships reconciled. If **two** people can't do that, the next step is not to retreat but to try to advance with the aid of others (**co-workers, family members, friends etc.**). If that fails, then it's time to call in the wider community for help: e.g. The **Human Resources Department, the entire family, the parish council/advisory boards**. These are difficult steps, but they are meant to make rare a step that is all too common: complete disassociation from the offending party.

**Two** or more working together toward reconciliation discourages obstinate, isolating behavior that leaves no room for anyone, not even **God**. As we reflect on **Jesus'** advice and celebrate our own labors this weekend, may we always see how working together is **God's** way of showing us purpose and strength in building **His Kingdom** here on earth. Remember, too, those who are also struggling to find a job during this very difficult time in our country's history.

**Saint John the Baptist pray for us.**

**Have a good Labor Day and a blessed 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**.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Sunday, September 6, 2020, 9:30 a.m.	
<b>Lector:</b>	Ed Pagnanelli
<b>Eucharistic Min.:</b>	Andrea Myers
Sunday, September 13, 2020, 9:30 a.m.	
<b>Lector:</b>	Antonio D'Alberto
<b>Eucharistic Min.:</b>	Sharon D'Alberto

**MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Sun. 9/6	9:30 a.m.	<b>Joe Agriesti</b> by Pat Rossetti and Family
Sun. 9/6	9:30 a.m.	<b>Laura Giammarco Cua</b> by Michael Cua
Sun. 9/13	9:30 a.m.	<b>Joe &amp; Elois Cua</b> by Michael Cua
Sun. 9/13	9:30 a.m.	<b>Mary Elizabeth Pishitelli &amp; Sally Byrne Long</b> by Joe, Judy & Phillip Pishitelli
Sun. 9/13	11:00 a.m. SH Church	<b>Joe Pishitelli</b> by Nancy & Bobby Kahan

**Celebrant for Sunday Mass,  
September 13th, Fr. Klinger**

**Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:**

**Marian Lights:** **Joyce Tisone**  
by Carl Tisone  
**Blessed Sacrament:** **Virginia & Dominick Finissi**  
by Norma Jean & Bill Finissi, Sr.

**PARISH INFORMATION**

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**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 September 6th. Confession Information as of April 27, 2020.**

Please visit our website: [www.sjbitaliana.com](http://www.sjbitaliana.com) to view **Confession Information** from **Bishop Brennan** for a listing of churches for an appointment!



**Requiescat in pace!** In the charity of your prayers, please remember the family and friends of: **Peter G. Tamburro**, long time devoted member of **St. John the Baptist Church** who died and was buried this past week.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon. 9/7	LABOR DAY – NO MEETING Italian Village Catholic Faith Sharing Group Men & Women (Marrapese Hall)
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2020 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

September 6 – *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20*

September 7 – *Weekday*

*1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11*

September 8 – *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

*Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23*

September 9 – *Saint Peter Claver, Priest*

*1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26*

September 10 – *Weekday*

*1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38*

September 11 – *Weekday*

*1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42*

September 12 – *Weekday*

*The Most Holy Name of Mary; BVM*

*1 Cor 10:14-22 Lk 6:43-49*

September 13 – *Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Sir 27:30-28:7/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35*

*\*Pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, & consecrated religious life.*

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 September are:

- September 6 Carl Tisone
- September 13 Robert Contino, OFS



**Office Hours:**

The Parish office will be closed **Monday, September 7th, Labor Day** and resume Tuesday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN

August 30, 2020

Number of Envelopes Used Sunday – 23

Env.:	\$ 1,615.00
Loose:	\$ 177.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,792.00</b>
<b>Less Diocesan 6% Assessment:</b>	<b>\$ (108.00)</b>
	<b>\$ 1,684.00</b>
<b>Votive:</b>	<b>\$ 56.00</b>
<b>Capital Improvements:</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
<b>50/50 Drawing:</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 91.00</b>

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

Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/20-6/30/21)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week.:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 1,792.00	(\$1,093.00)	-38%
FYTD:	\$25,965.00	\$28,002.76	\$2,037.76	8%

**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 \$13,670.00.** Thank you for your generosity to our parish and the diocese.



**BANNS of MARRIAGE:**

Scott Werlinich and Sara Gaul  
September 19, 2020

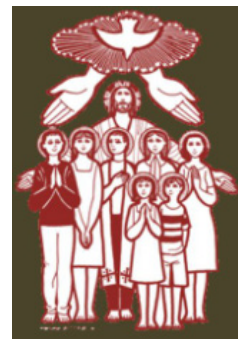


AROUND US

**Liturgical Calendar:** The month of **September** is dedicated to **Our Lady of Sorrows**, whose memorial the **Church** celebrates on **September 15**. **September** falls during the liturgical season known as **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**.



**USCCB Labor Day Statement:** The USCCB Labor Day Statement called for just wages for a flourishing society. To read the full statement, go to <https://www.usccb.org/news/2018/labor-day-statement-calls-just-wages-flourishing-society>.



**Prayer:**

*O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.*

Amen

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