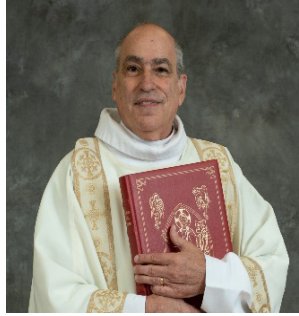




MY SOUL PROCLAIMS THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD; MY SPIRIT REJOICES IN GOD MY SAVIOR, LUKE 1:46

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY • AUGUST 15, 2021

THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY AT  
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

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

One of the most moving images in literature and film is at the end of the courtroom scene in **Harper Lee's To Kill a Mockingbird**. **Atticus Finch**, played by **Gregory Peck** as the main character, is defending **Tom Robinson**, a black man falsely accused of raping a white woman in the deeply divided **South** of the **1930s**. **Atticus** has given a persuasive closing argument that leaves no doubt of his client's innocence, but the jury returns a guilty verdict.

As the courtroom clears, his children, **Jem**, and **Scout**, watch from the gallery with **Tom Robinson's** friends and family. **Atticus** gathers his files and begins to walk out. One by one the entire gallery stands, except **Scout**, who's simply taking it all in. A man next to her bends down and tells her, "**Stand up. Your father's passing.**"

**The Solemnity of the Assumption** is our way of standing while **Mary** passes. We honor **Mary**, not for who she is, but for what she has done. Her beginnings were as humble as yours and mine, but she chose to do what was true and good at every crossroad. She was open to **God's** offer to serve Him in an extraordinary way. She nurtured and cared for **Jesus** and allowed Him the freedom to grow in **self-understanding** and **purpose**. Most of all, she listened, learned, and became a devoted follower of His way. We cherish **Mary** because she lived her life with complete integrity.

It's a happy coincidence when the **Feast of the Assumption** falls on a **Sunday**. We get to share this delightful hour together in a way that's not possible mid-week, weary after work or on a hurried lunch break.

"... **Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**"

Saint John the Baptist, pray for us.

Have a blessed week,  
Deacon Frank

Dear **St. John Parishioners**, join me periodically on **St. John the Baptist Parish** livestream. If you missed it, the videos are available at **St. John YouTube channel** and **St. John's Facebook page**.

Mass celebrant for August 22nd,  
is Fr. Charles Klinger assisted by Deacon Frank

Confessions Heard before Mass  
Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Sunday, August 15, 2021, 9:30 a.m.	
Lector 1 & 2:	Nick Sciarretti, Nick D'Alberto
Euch. Min 1 & 2:	Marge Contino, Ed Pagnanelli
Sunday, August 22, 2021, 9:30 a.m.	
Lector 1 & 2:	Davide Cugini, Ed Pagnanelli
Euch. Min 1 & 2:	Sharon D'Alberto, Pat Rossetti

**50/50 Winner:** Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paule, winner of 50/50 in the month of July. Thank you for your support!

**MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Sun. 8/15	9:30 a.m.	Gerardo Cugini by the Cugini Family
Sun. 8/15	9:30 a.m.	Bonnie Agriesti by Teresa Metcalf & Maria O'Connell
Sun. 8/22	9:30 a.m.	Rina Tiberi by Loreta Martindal
Sun. 8/22	9:30 a.m.	Phyllis N. Militello by Angie Carfagna

**Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:**

Marian Lights:

Joyce Tisone

by Carl Tisone

Blessed Sacrament:

Charlie and Bonnie Agriesti

by Teresa Metcalf and

Maria O'Connell

**PARISH INFORMATION**

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Website: [info@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:info@sjbitaliana.org)

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Father Antonio Kim – Chaplain, Korean Catholic Community  
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 Mass or Adoration at  
Sacred Heart, Thursday, August 26, 2021.

**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. Also, keep in your prayers Maria Lucchin, Laura Williams, and James Graf.**

**ROSARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Have you been challenged with finding volunteer opportunities? What about finding a few extra minutes a week to pray? To give yourself to God. We tend to find time for the things we love. How much do you love God? Would you consider serving your parish with this all-in-one opportunity to pray the Rosary before Mass? Please sign at the back of the church or contact **Kevin Koesters (k.koesters32@gmail.com or 937-902-7446)** at your convenience.

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Sun. 8/15	<b>KCC Sunday Mass – Fr. Kim</b> 12:00 Noon – Meeting after Mass in Sala Hall
Fri. 8/20	<b>KCC – Mass – Fr. Kim</b> 7:00 p.m. SJB Church
Sat. 8/21	<b>Zigburo-Terlecky Wedding</b> 3:00 p.m.

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN**

August 8, 2021

Number of Envelopes used Sunday – 45

Reg. Env:	\$ 1,635.00
EFT: July:	\$ 2,508.33
Loose:	\$ 85.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 4,228.33</b>
<b>Less Diocesan 6% Assessment:</b>	<b>\$ (253.70)</b>
	<b>\$ 3,974.63</b>
<b>Votives:</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>
<b>Latin America:</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>St. Anthony Bread (J.O.I.N.):</b>	<b>\$ 40.00</b>
<b>50/50 Drawing</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 125.00</b>

**HOW IS ST. JOHN DOING? \$ ? \$ ?**

Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/21-6/30/22)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
<b>This Week:</b>	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 4,228.33	\$1,343.33	47%
<b>FYTD:</b>	\$17,310.00	\$13,120.33	(\$4,189.67)	-24%

**SJB Collection Counters for**

**Monday, August 16, 2021**

**Maruja Paule and Aggie Howard**

**SJB Collection Counters for**

**Monday, August 23, 2021**

**Nick Persichetti and Aggie Howard**



**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Daily Masses at Sacred Heart will be offered at 8:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, starting at 7:00 p.m. Confessions will be heard during the time of Adoration.

**PAVERS:** The front Pavilion of St. John's Church is covered with Pavers. These Pavers are available for purchase and engraving in remembrance of family members and loved ones. For more information, please call the office of St. John at 614-294-5319.

**NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH REGULAR  
MASS SCHEDULE**

Catholic Churches	Saturday	Sunday
St. Patrick's	7:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Church	4:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
St. Joseph Cathedral	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:15 p.m.
St. Mary, Mother of God GV	4:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
St. Francis Assisi	No Mass	9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

**St. John's Altar Guild UPDATE: OSU Football Pool** – Please see **Gary Bosco** after Mass to reserve your squares on this year's OSU football pool. Cost per square is \$60.000, which covers all 12 season games and provides 48 chances to win up to \$100.00 per quarter (\$400.00 paid out per game)! Proceeds go to the Altar Guild whose focus is on purchasing the needs of everything on the Altar at St. John's.

**Altar Guild Membership** – Interested in becoming a member of the Altar Guild? Join us on the second Sunday of each month at 11:00 a.m. in Marrapese Hall. Cost to join is \$15.00 for an annual membership. We would LOVE to have some new members that could help us raise funds to support all needs on the Altar. See **Margaret Panico-Harn** or **Patty Weimer**.

**2021 Columbus Italian Festival**  
sponsored by Catholic Church News

**GREAT NEWS:** The 2021 Columbus Italian Festival is a go. With no city or state restrictions we are moving forward. Please go to the website for updates and volunteer opportunities. We have a form to complete if you want to volunteer. **Please stay tuned for our progress. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Festival!!!! We thank everyone for their past and continued support in this wonderful event.**

**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**.

**4 Conversations About Fertility:** Join the conversation about fertility topics important to you! Whether you are learning about fertility awareness to plan your family, seeking ideas on how to prepare your daughter for her first period, hoping to know yourself better through fertility charting, or considering adding fertility education to your professional health services – you'll find answers to your questions in this FREE webinar series on **Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom**.

- **August 17: Including Fertility Awareness in Your Health Practice.**
- **August 24: Mystery of Woman – How Cycle Charting Leads to Self and God.**

Register now to receive a Zoom invitation prior to each webinar. Questions? **Contact Jennifer Fullin, NFP Coordinator, at jfullin@columbuscatholic.org or 614-241-2560.**

**The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of July 2021:** Let us pray for the **Church**, that she may receive from the **Holy Spirit** the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the **Gospel**.

**Summer Parish Festivals Are Back:** 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/festivals](http://www.columbuscatholic.org/festivals) for a schedule of area Festivals.

**Volunteer Opportunities:** **Catholic Social Services** helps poor and vulnerable seniors and families reach their potential. **Catholic Social Services** envisions a world in which all who are in need can meet their potential to live with dignity, hope, and purpose. There are numerous opportunities for you to help in this mission! Please visit [www.colscss.org](http://www.colscss.org), for more information.

**Real Presence Real Future Eucharistic Gathering:** This special event is part of the **Real Presence, Real Future** initiative and seeks to provide an opportunity for encounter with our **Lord**, engage Catholics as they reflect upon the real presence of **Jesus Christ** in their lives, and encourage them to share that presence within their circles of influence. Please pray for this event, **RSVP**, and spread the word! You will find details including the schedule, registration, promotional materials, etc. at [RPRFGathering.com](http://RPRFGathering.com).

**Breakfast with the Bishop – Catholic Social Services:** This event will be held on **Friday, September 10, 2021, from 7:00-9:00 a.m. at the Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel.** The keynote speaker is **Fr. Michael Rozier, SJ, Ph.D., assistant professor at Saint Louis University.** He will speak on the topic of **“Health, Poverty, and Human Dignity: Deepening our Moral Imagination.”** Sponsorship opportunities and individual tickets are available online at <https://colscss.org/upcoming-events>. Please contact **Julie Naporano** at [jnaporano@colscss.org](mailto:jnaporano@colscss.org) with any questions.

**Holy Rosary-St. John Church** is hiring a secretary and a bookkeeper. If someone has the qualifications for both and wants to combine the positions, that is also a possibility. Go to [columbuscatholic.org/job-openings-diocese-parish-school](http://columbuscatholic.org/job-openings-diocese-parish-school) for job descriptions. Email resume to [hursjevents@gmail.com](mailto:hursjevents@gmail.com) if interested.

**Bethesda Healing Ministry:** This is a **Catholic Christian** ministry in the **Diocese of Columbus** since **1993** that provides healing and hope for women and men who are struggling from past abortion experiences. Through a community of love and acceptance, women and men share a rich healing journey through fellowship, prayer, the **Sacraments**, a structured scriptural/experiential manual, retreats, and days of recollection. For more information about how to help, call 614-309-0157 or visit <https://bethesdahealing.org>.

**Walking with Moms in Need:** If you have not done so, please identify and send the name of your parish WWMIN coordinator to **Erin Cordle** of the **Office for Social Concerns** at 614-241-2540 or [socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org). For more about **Walking with Moms in Need**, visit [www.walkingwithmoms.com](http://www.walkingwithmoms.com).



**The Assumption:** “Now toward the end of the summer season, at a time when fruits are ripe in the gardens and fields, the **Church** celebrates the most glorious “harvest festival” in the **Communion of Saints**. **Mary**, the supremely blessed one among women, **Mary**, the most precious fruit which has ripened in the fields of **God’s** kingdom, is today taken into the granary of heaven.”

**Pius Parsch, The Church’s Year of Grace**  
*Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee.*  
*Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen*



And Mary said:

“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;  
 my spirit rejoices in God my Savior  
 for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:  
 the Almighty has done great things for me  
 and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him  
 in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,  
 and has scattered the proud in their conceit.  
 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,  
 and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,  
 and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel  
 for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
 the promise he made to our fathers,  
 to Abraham and his children forever.”

Mary remained with her about three months  
 and then returned to her home.

Luke 1:46-55

**Prayer:**

*Almighty ever-living God, who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of Your Son, body, and soul into heavenly glory, grant we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.*

*Amen*

## Sunday, Aug 15, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

### Some assumptions prove true

Catholicism acknowledges twin sources in scripture and tradition. While our faith is biblically rooted, we embrace an expanding truth discerned by saints and mystics, church doctors, and popes. Mary's Assumption isn't narrated in the gospels and wasn't taught dogmatically until 1950. It evolved from the second-century appreciation of Mary as the New Eve: preserved from sin at conception and therefore not subject to sin's effects in death. Liturgists, saints, and theologians promoted the Assumption for centuries, and devout Catholics championed this understanding. Finally, Pope Pius XII bowed to the "sense of the faithful" and made it official in 1950.

TODAY'S READINGS: Vigil: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; 1 Corinthians 15:54b-57; Luke 11:27-28 (621); Day: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56 (622).  
"A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet."

## Monday, Aug 16, 2021

MEMORIAL OF STEPHEN OF HUNGARY

### Concern yourself with the greatest Kingdom

Royal families are typically concerned about succession and making sure they have an heir. They want their lineage to survive them. Many monarchs eventually failed at that, including King Saint Stephen I of Hungary, who founded the country in the year 1000 and made it Christian. Only one of his sons lived to adulthood but died before Stephen did. What Stephen did leave behind is a country that is still majority Catholic. We might not be remembered for sowing faith long into the future here on Earth—but if we remain faithful, we could end up with royal treasure in heaven.

TODAY'S READINGS: Judges 2:11-19; Matthew 19:16-22 (419).  
"Teacher, what good must I do to gain eternal life?"

## Tuesday, Aug 17, 2021

### Pray for the persecuted

On this day in 1798, Our Lady of La Vang first appeared to Vietnamese victims of persecution. When Vietnam's emperor outlawed Catholicism, inciting brutality and martyrdom, believers fled to the rain forest of La Vang. They sought Mary's consolation, gathering beneath a large tree to pray the Rosary. They began seeing an apparition of Mother and Child, flanked by angels. She comforted them and is said to have pointed out nearby healing plants. Our Lady of La Vang is honored in the United States with a chapel at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Ask her to intercede for victims of racist hate.

TODAY'S READINGS: Judges 6:11-24a; Matthew 19:23-30 (420). "We have given up everything and followed you."

## Wednesday, Aug 18, 2021

### Let's work on making work better

The U.S. Catholic Bishops have spoken on *The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers*, saying in part: "The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living . . . . If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected—the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages . . ." Food for thought at a time when workers' reluctance to return to low-paid, unfulfilling

jobs is much in the news. Is the problem with the worker—or the workplace?

TODAY'S READINGS: Judges 9:6-15; Matthew 20:1-16 (421). "Are you envious because I am generous? Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

## Thursday, Aug 19, 2021

MEMORIAL OF JOHN EUDES, PRIEST

### Take this devotion to heart

The Sacred Heart of Jesus image is ubiquitous in the Catholic world, and today we celebrate one of the people who helped create a devotion to it, John Eudes, a French priest (1601-80), who also founded the Eudists, the Congregation of Jesus and Mary. The Sacred Heart image is a heart encircled by a crown of thorns often depicted with radiating rays of light and placed on the chest of Jesus. The image is physical and mystical, a reminder of Christ's bodily sacrifice and mysterious in its supernatural appearance. Seek out this image and allow it to shape your prayer today.

TODAY'S READINGS: Judges 11:29-39a; Matthew 22:1-14 (422).  
"Everything is ready; come to the feast."

## Friday, Aug 20, 2021

MEMORIAL OF BERNARD, ABBOT, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

### All hail Doctor Mellifluous

No, Mellifluous is not the newest superhero villain; it's a title for one of the greatest heroes of the Roman Catholic faith. Bernard of Clairvaux earned the nickname because his writings were eloquent, as suggested by the Latin root of his nickname: "flowing honey." This gift was founded on his deep love of God, scripture, and the church's tradition. His description of the Holy Spirit as the "kiss" between God the Father and Jesus the Son gives us a beautiful example of how to image the relationship of love among the three persons of the Trinity. Following in the good doctor's footsteps, how have you experienced the kiss of the Holy Spirit in your own relationships?

TODAY'S READINGS: Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Matthew 22:34-40 (423). "For wherever you go, I will go, wherever you lodge I will lodge, your people shall be my people, and your God my God."

## Saturday, Aug 21, 2021

MEMORIAL OF PIUS X, POPE

### The year of living humbly

Prior to COVID-19, plagues mentioned in history books seemed like remote disasters that only happened in times and places where rats roamed streets filled with sewage. Now that we've been humbled by our continued vulnerability to unseen agents of disease and death, perhaps we can bring a renewed appreciation to Pius X, who endeared himself to the people of northern Italy because of his efforts tending the sick during the cholera plague of the early 1870s. Take a moment this week to thank someone who has tended the sick during our very modern plague.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Matthew 23:1-12 (424). "The greatest among you must be your servant."

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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