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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



On behalf of the staff here at St. John the Baptist Church – Msgr. Frank Lane, Aggie Howard, Victoria Scruggs, Gina Bishop, and John Huffman, we wish you a very Blessed and Happy Easter!

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		
	Sunday, March 31, 2024, 9:30 a.m.	
Lector 1 & 2:	Tania Wade, Landa Brunetto	
Eucharistic Minister 1 & 2: Eucharistic Minister 3, 4, 5:	Al Iosue, Antonio D'Alberto, Pat Rossetti, Sharon D'Alberto, Andrea Myers	
	Sunday, April 07, 2024, 9:30 a.m.	
Lector 1 & 2:	Sunday, April 07, 2024, 9:30 a.m. Ed Pagnanelli, Tania Wade	

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Joan Italiano by Chris Soteriades

Blessed Sacrament: Sam Troiano by Chris Soteriades

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, Laura Williams, Guy Williams, John Contino and Mrs. Fiorenza Frissora.

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 Kevin Koesters at 937-902-7446 or via email k.koesters32@gmail.com. Leaders for April are:

March 31 Tania Wade

April 07 Gretchen Heininger

April 14 Albert Iosue

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: St. John the Baptist – 9:30 a.m.

Harch 31 + Gaetana & Cesidio Capocci

+ Gaetana & Cesidio Capoccia by Maria Capoccia & Family

Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.

+ Dorothy K.

Monday: St. John's – 9:00 a.m. April 01 + Rudy Biscuso

+ Rudy Biscuso by Kathleen Gillespie

Tuesday: St. John's – 9:00 a.m.

April 02 + Soul of Joe Pishitelli &

Special Intention for Judy Pishitelli

by Mr. & Mrs. John McAvoy
day: St. John's – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday: St. John's – 6:00 p.m April 03 + Cristy Farmer

by Michael & Crystal Cockerell

Thursday: Sacred Heart – 6:30 p.m. April 04 + Alex Guggenbiller

by Carla Guggenbiller

Friday: No Mass

April 05

Saturday: Sacred Heart – 4:00 p.m.

April 06 Family of Mrs. Jordan Zak
by the McCallum Family

Sunday: St. John's – 9:30 a.m.

April 07 + Colangelo & Centofanti Families

by Ciroli Family
Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.

+ Marian K.

Confession and Adoration

Confessions: St. John's – Sunday – 8:30 a.m.

Sacred Heart – Saturday – 3:00 p.m. Sacred Heart – Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Sacred Heart – Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Sacred Heart

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

The Parish Office will be closed on April 1st and will resume on Tuesday, April 2nd from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please contact Sacred Heart or St. John the Baptist Church if you are interested in becoming Catholic, receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation or Baptism, or for more information, contact the Parish Office at 614-294-5319.

For Weddings and Funerals, please contact Aggie Howard at ahoward@sjbitaliana.org or call the office at 614-294-5319.

ABRUZZI CLUB DINNER AND DANCE: Saturday, April 13th, Cocktails at 5:00 p.m. and Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Traditional Multi-Course Italian meal at Berwick Manor Party House. Music by Ray Massa and Eurorythms. Tickets are \$75.00 per person. Contact: Pat Rossetti at 614-329-3900.

> **Italian Festival Executive Board Meeting** April 1st, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in Marrapese Hall.

> > Thank You

A big St. John the Baptist Thank-You to all the parishioners who contributed to the Easter Flowers this season! Your generosity is appreciated!



EVENTS FOR THE WEEK 3/31 SJB Mass - Msgr. Frank Lane - 9:30 a.m. SJB LeDonne - NO MEETING Sunday KCC Easter Mass - Fr. Francisco Kim -12:00 p.m., Meeting 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Sala Hall KCC Use of Kitchen & Marrapese Hall 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 4/1 SJB Mass - Msgr. Lane - 9:00 a.m. **Monday Italian Festival Executive Meeting -**6:00 p.m. - Marrapese Hall 4/2 SJB Mass - Msgr. Frank Lane - 9:00 a.m. Tuesday St. John's Faith Group Meeting -5:30 p.m. - Marrapese Hall Piave Club Meeting - 6:00-8:00 p.m. Marrapese Hall 4/3 SJB Mass - Msgr. Frank Lane - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday SJB RCIA Class - 7:00-8:30 p.m. Library 4/5 KCC Mass - Fr. Francisco Kim -Friday 7:00-7:30 p.m. Altar Guild Reminder - Every 2nd Sunday of the Month - Marrapese Hall at 10:45 a.m. **Le Donne Group** – Meetings are the last Sunday of each month after Mass in Marrapese Hall - 10:30-11:30 a.m. There are no meetings in June or July. Padre Pio Group - Last Tuesday of the month. See bulletins for date and time. SJB Social Activity Council - Meets the 4th Sunday of each month in the Library from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S March 24, 2024

Number of Envelopes used Sunday - 40

Env:	\$ 2,046.00
Loose:	\$ 350.00
Holy Day:	\$ 25.00
Total	\$ 2,421.00
Less Diocesan 8% Assessment	\$ - (193.68)
	\$ 2,227.32

Difference (\$) **Budgeted** Actual This Week: \$3,000.04 \$2,421.00 - \$ 579.04

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SJB Collection Counters - Tuesday, April 2, 2024 Nick Persichetti and Victoria Scruggs

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, April 8, 2024 **David Ross and Aggie Howard**

PARLI ITALIANO? Have you ever wanted to learn to speak Italian? Are you planning a trip to Italy, or are you interested in learning the Italian language? Here's your opportunity! Join us on Sunday mornings from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Italian Cultural Center Classroom for Italian language classes, taught by our very own Maria Lucchin! This fun-filled, eight-week session runs from April 7th through June 2nd (no classes on May 26th during Memorial Day weekend). These are basic conversational Italian language classes for adults, 18 years and older. The cost is determined by the number of students.

To sign up contact:

Ida Shook at shook4@gmail.com Tania Wade at t.wade73@gmail.com.

Come learn la bella lingua Italiana... Ciao!





This is a newly formed Italian Club for Young Adults. La prossima is a Young Adult Group keeping the culture alive through the next generation. A vibrant club for young adults of Italian descent.

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's at 614-294-5319.

2024 LENTEN SIMPLE SUPPERS: The Altar Guild at St. John's would like to extend a THANK-YOU to all the groups that sponsored a Simple Supper this year! The Columbus Italian Festival Executive Board, The Abruzzi Club, Le Donne, The Piave Club, St. John's Altar Guild and Sacred Heart. We raised a total of \$3,724.00 that was split between Holy Family Soup Kitchen and J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs). Mille Grazie!



COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER EASTER SUNDAY MASS IN SALA HALL

Kroger Rewards: St. John's Kroger Rewards was \$77.54

AROUND US

LITURGICAL CALENDAR: The entire month of **March**, except the very last day, falls during the liturgical season of **Lent** which is represented by the liturgical color violet or purple. The last day of the month is the beginning of the **Easter** season. The month of **March** is dedicated to **St. Joseph**.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024: We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, April 5, 2024 – SPEAKER WILLIAM HEYER. Join us Friday, April 5th at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon featuring a talk by architect William Heyer about Sacred Architecture. George Arnold sponsors the April luncheon. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact Pat Foley at foleyp513@gmail.com. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Mr. Heyer's presentation. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!



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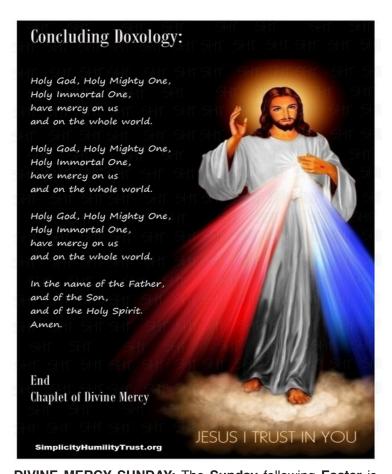
less is eligible for a full scholarship for each child in the amount of \$6,166 (K-8) and \$8,408 (grades 9-12). Families above that income level are eligible for scholarships awarded on a sliding scale based on income and household size, with no less than \$650 awarded per child. Visit ohiocathconf.org/edchoice to learn how EdChoice scholarships can help you send your child to a Catholic school near you. Applications are now open for the 2024-2025 school year!



O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the

solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by Your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. 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

EASTER MEDITATION: My **Lord**, hope is restored, joy and excitement are instilled in many hearts as **You** quietly, gently, and gloriously rise from the dead and bring forth new life for this fallen world. **Sweet Jesus**, give me the eyes of faith that I may see and believe in **Your Resurrection**.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: The Sunday following Easter is popularly known as Mercy of God Sunday. Between 1930 and 1938, Christ appeared to Sister Faustina, a sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. She was canonized on April 30, 2000, the Sunday after Easter, the Feast of Divine Mercy. On Good Friday, 1937, Jesus requested that Blessed Faustina make a special Novena before the Feast of Mercy, from Good Friday through the following Saturday. Jesus also asked that a picture be painted according to the vision of Himself as the Fountain of Mercy. He gave her a chaplet to be recited and said that it was appropriate to pray the Chaplet at 3:00 p.m. each afternoon (the Hour of Great Mercy). For instructions on reciting the Chaplet, please visit: www.thedivinemercy.org.

Saint John the Baptist – Easter Flowers – 2024

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Giuseppe Silvestri, Felice Silvestri, Antonio & Ida Frissora

"Pour out upon us Your Holy Spirit and grant us a new heart capable of hearing the pleas of our brothers and sisters who have lost the warmth of their homes and homeland. Grant that we may give them hope through our humanitarian deeds." Amen @Pontifex



CATHOLIC EASTER PRAYER: Lord, the Resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal. Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it. Amen

LIGHT

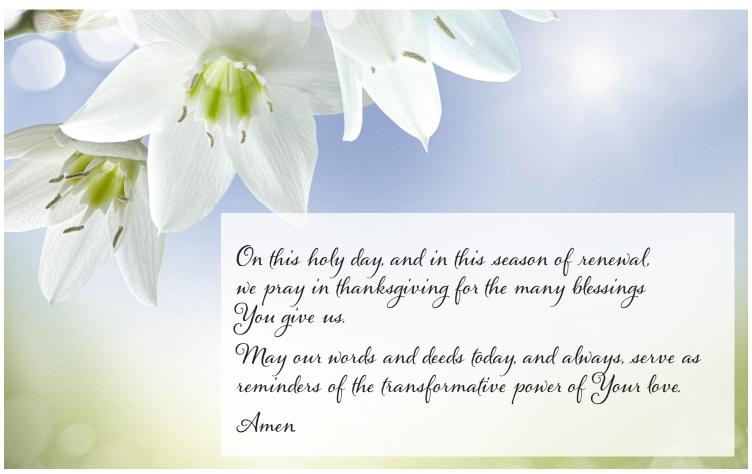
Reflection on John 20:1-9

God is Light! In God there is no darkness!

The Resurrection opens up a new world for us. If God is Love, if the very source of existence is nothing but light, then our world which is so characterized by the shadows of violence, hatred, retribution, and the inability to forgive, is itself the illusion, the shadow. And we who belong to Christ are the lights to show that darkness for what it is, we are the heralds of a new way of being.

At the Easter Vigil celebration on Holy Saturday evening, we welcome those who, through Baptism and Profession of Faith, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, and by joining us for the first time at the Lord's Eucharistic table, have been on a long journey to the Catholic Church. The Church now calls them neophytes – New Lights. They are living and breathing symbols of this new way of life made possible by Christ's Resurrection. And all of us, in renewing our baptismal vows, are asked to say NO to the shadows and darknesses of vengeance, violence and sin, and YES to the light we are called to be through the power of Christ's Resurrection. May we work with Christ to dispel the darkness in this world with the Light of love we have been given.

~ Fr. Jay





Invest time each week to expand your vocabulary and deepen your faith.

31 March 2024

WORD OF THE WEEK

Octave \'äk-tiv\

From the Latin for "eighth," a group of eight; in music, the eighth note; in the liturgical year, an eight-day celebration of the highest-ranking feasts, or solemnities, of Christmas and Easter. The **Octave** of Easter is followed by the Easter season, which lasts 50 days and ends with the feast of Pentecost.

Pronunciation: https://tinyurl.com/Take5-octave

CONTEXT

During the eight days that make up the **Octave** of Easter, the liturgy never ceases to remind us of the great mystery of the Resurrection of Christ!

-Hozana.org

Each day of the Easter **octave** is treated like a repeat of Easter Sunday, with all the feasting and liturgical trimmings. —*Brother Conor McDonough, O.P.*

The eighth Sunday of Easter, or Pentecost Sunday, concludes what has been called the great **octave** of eight Easter weeks. —*Richard McBrien*

WHY IT MATTERS

Some feasts are so central to our Christian faith that a single day of celebration isn't adequate. The Incarnation of Jesus and his Resurrection are crucial to the story of our salvation. Both declare that, body and spirit together, humanity is significant to God and worthy of redemption in Christ. The Christmas and Easter **octaves** give us time to ponder the greatest mysteries and joys of our faith.

From *The Modern Catholic Encyclopedia*: During an **octave**, the feast being observed takes precedence over any other feast that may occur.

RELATED WORDS

Solemnity | Pentecost | Resurrection | Nativity

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Why is Easter Season so long?

The Easter Season is determined by the eight weeks it takes to get from the Resurrection to Pentecost. In Lent, we embrace penitential practices in anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection. What happens next is nothing less than the birth of the church. Easter itself is an **octave**, or eight-day feast. In liturgical practice, the **Octave** of Easter is like a week of Easters as we light the Paschal candle, sing the Gloria, and continue to contemplate the wonder that death has a door. Jesus passed through it, and so will we. Is a week too long to ponder this?

After Easter, Jesus continues to appear, teaching them more about God's kingdom for 40 days, a sacred number symbolizing completeness. Then Jesus returns to his Father in the Ascension. The disciples devote themselves to prayer from that hour until Pentecost, when the Spirit comes and the church is launched into prime time. What should we be doing from Easter through Pentecost? Imitating the disciples: celebrating, contemplating, learning, and praying to prepare for the mission ahead.

—Alice Camille, from Questions Catholics Ask http://tinyurl.c om/QCA-easter-octave

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (EASTER SUNDAY) (MARCH 31)

Wide-eyed wonder

Today you witness something that opens your eyes to the power and glory of God's love in a way no other event could. Jesus raised from the dead? How is it possible? Only through the love of God, which makes all things possible. Spend this glorious day in fascination at the miracle you are witnessing.

READINGS: Mass of Easter Day: Acts 10:34a, 37-43: Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9 (42 https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/03 3124.cfm). "When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory."

FAITH IN ACTION

Continue to keep your eyes and heart open, and you will see that God never tires of loving you and raising you up. What a miracle!



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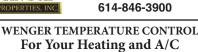
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