



HE IS NOT HERE,
FOR HE HAS BEEN

raised

JUST AS HE SAID.
COME AND SEE THE
PLACE WHERE HE LAY.

MATTHEW 28:6 | EASTER 2024

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Dear Friends in Christ,

I hope everyone had a very blessed **Holy Week** and **Easter**. We had incredibly good attendance totaling over **700** people between **Sacred Heart** and **St. John the Baptist**. How good it is that the **Lord** had the opportunity to touch that many lives in just a few days. He does that for us each **Sunday** as well. **We are certainly blessed.**

I want to thank everyone for all you did to make these liturgical celebrations to be as well done as they were – **musicians, servers, those who donated flowers, decorators and those who prepared the altar linens, polished candle holders and those who donated so generously to the work of our parishes.** All of these helped make our **Holy Week** ceremonies beautiful.

As we now move on to **Pentecost** and our cycle of redemption, let us take the opportunities to move closer to the **Lord** in our ongoing celebrations of the **Ascension, Holy Trinity, Sacred Heart, St. Anthony** and, of course, **Sunday Mass.**

May you continue to receive many blessings throughout this Easter Season!

Msgr. Frank Lane

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

	Sunday, April 07, 2024, 9:30 a.m.
Lector 1 & 2:	Ed Pagnanelli, Tania Wade
Eucharistic Minister 1 & 2: Eucharistic Minister 3, 4, 5:	Margaret Panico-Harn, Gretchen Heininger, Kurt Heininger, Margi Baker, Sharon D'Alberto
	Sunday, April 14, 2024, 9:30 a.m.
Lector 1 & 2:	Gretchen Heininger, Kurt Heininger
Eucharistic Minister 1 & 2: Eucharistic Minister 3, 4, 5:	AnnMarie Pastore, Pat Rossetti, Andrea Myers, Al Iosue, Antonio D'Alberto

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: *Joyce Tisone*
by Carl Tisone

Blessed Sacrament: *Anna Quint Treboni*
by Andrea & Roger Myers

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.**

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

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:

April 07	Gretchen Heininger
April 14	Albert Iosue
April 21	Kevin Koesters
April 28	Gary Bosco

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: April 07	St. John the Baptist – 9:30 a.m. + Colangelo & Centofanti Families <i>by Cirolì Family</i> Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m. + Marian K.
Monday: April 08	St. John's – 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. John's
Tuesday: April 09	St. John's – 9:00 a.m. + Martha Lane Sacred Heart – 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart
Wednesday: April 10	St. John's – 6:00 p.m. + Karen Mikalonis <i>by Heininger Family</i>
Thursday: April 11	Sacred Heart – 6:30 p.m. + John & Virginia Wachinger <i>by the Thurn Family</i>
Friday: April 12	No Mass
Saturday: April 13	Sacred Heart – 4:00 p.m. Family of Mr. Dave Milli <i>by the McCallum Family</i>
Sunday: April 14	St. John's – 9:30 a.m. + Anthony & Carolyn Panico <i>by the Panico Family</i> Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m. + Marie L.

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.

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.

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 29th at 5:30 p.m. and Chair at 7:00 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!





WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S
 March 31, 2024

Number of Envelopes used Sunday – 46

Env Holy Day:	\$ 3,816.00
Loose:	\$ 782.00
Reg. Env:	\$ 150.00
Total	\$ 4,748.00
Less Diocesan 8% Assessment	\$ - (379.84)
	\$ 4,368.16

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference (\$)</u>
This Week:	\$ 3,000.04	\$4,748.00	\$1,747.96

DONATION QR CODE AND WEBSITE INFORMATION
 Please help St. John the Baptist maintain this beautiful 125-year-old building with a donation by using the QR code to donate. Thank you!

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

SJB Collection Counters – Monday, April 15, 2024
 Darlene Rauch and Aggie Howard

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.

A SPECIAL THANK-YOU!
 A special thank-you to Auddino's Bakery for donating the rolls for the Simple Suppers. You are greatly appreciated!

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

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

4/7 Sunday	<p><u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Frank Lane – 9:30 a.m.</u> <u>SJB Italian Language Class – 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.</u> Italian Cultural Classroom <u>KCC Mass – Fr. Francisco Kim – 12:00 p.m., Meeting 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Sala Hall</u> <u>San Giovanni Dancers Practice – 3:30-5:30 p.m. – Marrapese Hall</u></p>
4/8 Monday	<p><u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Lane – 9:00 a.m.</u></p>
4/9 Tuesday	<p><u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Frank Lane – 9:00 a.m.</u></p>
4/10 Wednesday	<p><u>SJB Advisory-Finance Meeting – 2:30-3:30 p.m. – Italian Cultural Room</u> <u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Frank Lane – 6:00 p.m.</u> <u>SJB RCIA Class – 7:00-8:30 p.m. Library</u></p>
4/12 Friday	<p><u>KCC Mass – Fr. Francisco Kim – 7:00-7:30 p.m.</u></p>
	<p><u>Altar Guild Reminder – Every 2nd Sunday of the Month – Marrapese Hall at 10:45 a.m.</u></p>
	<p><u>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.</u></p>
	<p><u>Padre Pio Group – Last Tuesday of the month. See bulletins for date and time.</u></p>
	<p><u>SJB Social Activity Council – Meets the 4th Sunday of each month in the Library from 12:00-2:00 p.m.</u></p>

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! 



**COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER
 EASTER SUNDAY MASS
 IN SALA HALL**

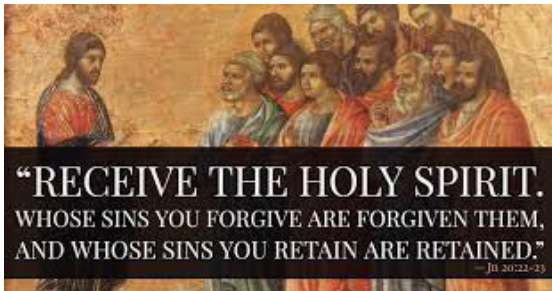


This is a newly formed **Italian Club for Young Adults**. **La prossima** is a **Young Adult Group** keeping the culture alive through the next generation. A vibrant club for young adults of **Italian descent**.

AROUND US

LITURGICAL CALENDAR: The entire month falls during the **Easter** season. The liturgical color is white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity, and innocence. The month of **April** is dedicated to **The Holy Spirit**.

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of April 2024: *We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.*



A CATHOLIC EDUCATION IS NOW MORE AFFORDABLE, THANKS TO EDCHOICE! The Ohio EdChoice Expansion Scholarship program now offers **ALL** Ohio students the opportunity for a scholarship to attend a **Catholic** school! With the **EdChoice Expansion Scholarship**, a family of four making **\$140,400** per year or less is eligible for a full scholarship for each child in the amount of **\$6,166.00 (K-8)** and **\$8,408.00 (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 **\$650.00** 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!

TOUR DAY AT THE JOSEPHINUM: The **Pontifical College Josephinum** welcomes you to its annual **Tour Day** on **Saturday, April 27, from Noon-3:00 p.m.** Learn about the fascinating history and unique mission of the only pontifical seminary outside of **Italy** as you explore the **Josephinum's** grounds, main administration building, and **Saint Turibius Chapel**. Tours will highlight many beautiful characteristics of this historic **1931** structure, including extensive woodwork, stained glass windows, terrazzo floors, intricate brickwork, and sacred art. **Register online at apps.pcj.edu/tourday2024.**

“Jesus broke through the darkness of the tomb and lives forever: His presence can fill anything with light. With Him, every day becomes a step in an eternal journey, every “today” can hope for a “tomorrow,” every end a new beginning.” @Pontifex



Have you ever wondered if God might be calling you to play a vital role in the education and faith formation of young people? We invite you to come explore pathways in education at our Job Fair!

EDUCATION JOB FAIR April 13, 2024
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
St. Thomas More Newman Center at OSU
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- Learn about teaching positions and other career opportunities in our schools.
- Speak to school administrators.
- Participate in on-site interviews.

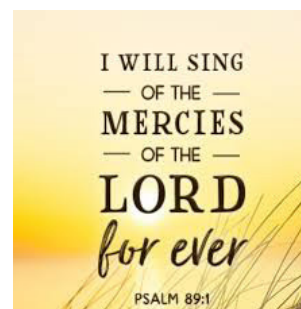


DID YOU KNOW? – WORLD'S LARGEST DIAPER DRIVE 2024: The diaper need in our community continues to grow. The **World's Largest Diaper Drive 2024 (WLDD 2024)** is just around the corner, and we need your help. The goal for **WLDD 2024** is to collect **1,000,000** diapers through Diaper Drives and monetary donations during the month of **May**. To host a Diaper Drive, please call **Beth Snoke** at **614-554-5664** or sign up at www.registermydiaperdrive.com.

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.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.



God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people You have made Your own, increase, we pray, the grace You have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. 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



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

07 April 2024

WORD OF THE WEEK

Annunciation \ə-,nen-sē-ā-shən\

From Latin, “to bring news,” the angelic proclamation to Mary of Nazareth that she would be the mother of Jesus. Mary's submission to this divine plan is simply given: “Let it be done to me according to your word” (Luke 1:38). Her “yes” is often referred to as Mary's *fiat* (Latin for “let it be done”).

Pronunciation: <https://tinyurl.com/Take5-annunciation>

CONTEXT

The mystery of the **Annunciation** reveals the depth of God's love for us, and his desire to be in relationship with us.

—Henri Nouwen

The **Annunciation** is the revelation of the mystery of the Incarnation at the very beginning of its fulfillment.

—Pope John Paul II, *Redemptoris Mater*

The importance of the **Annunciation** is underscored by the fact that this is the first mystery of the Rosary and is celebrated by the Angelus as well.

—David Bryan

WHY IT MATTERS

Unlike many saving acts that are unilaterally achieved by the divine will, in the **Annunciation** a woman is invited to participate in the saving event that has consequences for all people and all time. Mary's yes is universal and limitless. At the **Annunciation**, Mary perfectly consents to God's will, then bears the Son, and is filled with the Spirit, which, as theologian Hans Urs von Balthasar notes, is wholly trinitarian.

From Pope Paul VI's *Marialis Cultus* (“Devotion to Mary”): [The **Annunciation** observance] was and is a joint one of Christ and of the Blessed Virgin: of the Word, who becomes Son of Mary, and of the Virgin, who becomes Mother of God.

RELATED WORDS

Hyperdulia | Assumption | Immaculate Conception

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What do I need to know about Mary?

There is the biblical Mary of Nazareth, who fulfills Isaiah's Emmanuel prophecy by giving birth to a child who is “God with us.” Her Magnificat canticle foreshadows Jesus' proclamation that the mighty will be brought down while the poor are lifted up. Mary plays other noteworthy roles: advocating for a miracle at Cana, being present at the cross, and participating in the Spirit's reception at Pentecost. Finally, as Mary is the first disciple of her son, she is the ideal model for all of us.

The church teaches four doctrines about Mary. Two declarations declare her a virgin as well as the Mother of God. Two later doctrines teach that Mary was conceived immaculately (sinless) and that, at the point of death, was assumed body and soul to heaven.

Devotionally, Mary plays a large role in popular piety. Her icon has been venerated since the early centuries in the East. By means of the Rosary, litanies, and pilgrimage, people of many lands feel a special closeness to the mother of Jesus who is mother to all.

—Alice Camille, from *Questions Catholics Ask* <http://tinyurl.com/QCA-about-Mary>

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (APRIL 8)

The three best words

Mary is the mother of the church and the model of all Christians. At the message of an angel, she believed beyond all reason and offered her life in service of God's plan. Her response, “let it be,” is the answer of every disciple who trusts in God's word to make all things new. In the season of Lent, God invites us to believe that we, too, are called to that service.

READINGS: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10; Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38 (545 <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/040824.cfm>). “*May it be done to me according to your word.*”

FAITH IN ACTION

Though we are sinners, we must live in hope of God's forgiveness and trust that God will work through us to bring about the fulfillment of an eternal plan to save the world.

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