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5:00 p.m.

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Monday thru Friday: 8:00 a.m. & 12:00 Noon

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Sacrament of
Marriage
Make arrangements six months
prior to wedding

Sacrament of Baptism Every Sunday after the 12:30 Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 26, 2016

Vigil: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 p.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

Sunday, March 27, 2016

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Bridget and Patrick McManus –

Anniversary -- living

9:30 a.m. For the Deceased Members of the

Fortuna and Barberi Families

11:00 a.m. John McAvoy

12:30 p.m. For the Deceased Members of the

Urrico and Gaudio Families

Monday, March 28, 2016

8:00 a.m. John O'Connor 12:00 noon Raffaele Teti

Tuesday, March 29, 2016

8:00 a.m. Richard Theodore Esposito
12:00 noon Margaret and Thomas Coleman

Wednesday, March 30, 2016 8:00 a.m. P.I. Thomas 12:00 noon Roy McLaughlin

Thursday, March 31, 2016

8:00 a.m. Stephen Barrett 12:00 noon James Jarlath Mullin

Friday, April 1, 2016

8:00 a.m. Barbara Keller 12:00 noon James Mullin

Saturday, April 2, 2016

8:00 a.m. Thomas Heverin

Saturday, April 2, 2016

Vigil: Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) 5:00 p.m. Alfred DalPino -- Birthday

Sunday, April 3, 2016

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

8:00 a.m. Patrick Donohue

9:30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

11:00 a.m. R.A.S./ H.N.S. Mass –

Roy McLaughlin

12:30 p.m. Stephanie Naryniecki



II. Emmanuel Lagoudakis and Rawan Yacoub

WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 30th No Senior Club No R.E.

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>

Saturday, March 26th 7:30 p.m. – D. Reidy and P. Tozzi

Sunday, March 27th

8:00 a.m. – N. Camacho and C Ellias 9:30 a.m. – A. Burke, K. Burke and S. Joyce 11:00 a.m. – S. Healy, R. Murphy and N. Tierney 12:30 p.m. – C. Castaldi, N. DeMatteo and D. Liberatore

Sunday, April 3rd

8:00 a.m. – D. Browne and T. Browne 9:30 a.m. – J. Corcoran and R. Corcoran 11:00 a.m. – D. Liberatore and S. Osso 12:30 p.m. – F. Albano and K. Gilligan



Easter Candle: The Paschal Candle that we will be using throughout the Easter Season has once again been donated by Mr. Philip Bernardini to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of

the Ordination to the Holy Priesthood of our Pastor Msgr. J. Christopher Maloney. In addition, our Paschal Candle stand – which had suffered some dents and scratches over the years – was beautifully restored several years ago – thanks to a generous donation from Mr. Bernardini – given in memory of his maternal and paternal grandparents.

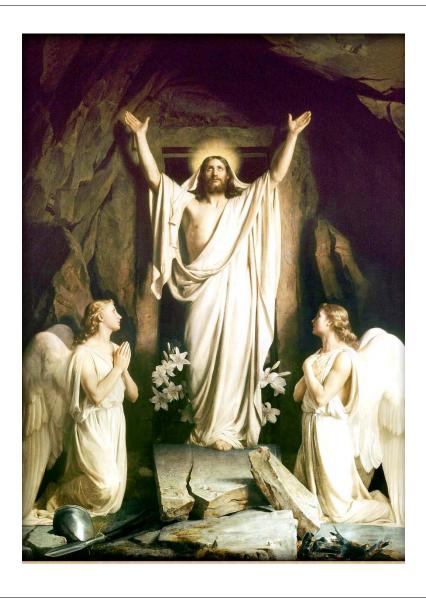


Easter Season: The fifty days from Easter to Pentecost are celebrated with joy as one extended feast day by the Church. One of the early Fathers of the Church, St. Athanasius, referred to the 50 day period as one "Great

Sunday". These above all others are the days for singing "Alleluia". The first eight days of the Easter season make up the "octave" of Easter and are celebrated as solemnities of the Lord. At Mass during these days, we read the different New Testament accounts of the Lord's resurrection and the early preaching of the disciples who were witnesses to His resurrection.



EASTER SUNDAY: "The Lord has risen, Alleluia." The sensory and emotional stimulation of the Easter Vigil gives way to a feeling of confident joy. Jesus has passed from death to life. This is indeed the feast of victory for our King. By recording St. Peter's speech in today's first reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10:34-43), St. Luke brings home to us one of the most important messages proclaimed by the early Christians: although He was rejected by many, Jesus remained true to His mission and now He is exalted at God's right hand. If we too are faithful to God's will and true to Christ's gospel, we in turn will share in His risen glory. Everything Jesus had taught about the real meaning of life was proven when He rose from the dead. The resurrection of Jesus speaks a victorious word to us today. In spite of our haunting questions and problems, Easter affirms the mighty truth that God lives in us and we in Him. Easter brings us renewed assurance that God loves us with a love that is greater than we can imagine. Finally, Easter calls us to a new life – a new life of faith in the One who died and rose so that we might live with Him forever. May this Easter vision give us strength for victorious living every day of the year.



Easter Day

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God;
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our God has brought us over
With hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,
That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal
Of resurrection-light;
And, list'ning to his accents,
May hear so calm and plain
His own "All hail," and, hearing,
May raise the victor strain.

Now let the heav'ns be joyful,
And earth her song begin,
The round world keep high triumph,
And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen
Their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen,
Our joy that has no end.

John of Damascus (8th c) Transl. by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)



<u>Sunday Report:</u> Last weekend 1,980 parishioners attended Mass; our collection totaled \$11,148.00; average contribution: \$5.63. Thank you for your continued

financial support of St. John's and its many needs. Your generosity is essential and greatly appreciated.

Rest in Peace: Let us pray for Mary Salerno, Rocco Gallenelli and Frank Vogt who were buried from our church this past week. Our prayers go out to their families and friends.

Tax Advantage: As you know, our parish has a partnership with H&R Block that rewards our parish for new clients who have their taxes prepared in an H&R Block office. From now until March 31 H&R Block is also offering to prepare taxes for HALF the price you paid someone else to do your taxes last year (their minimum charge is \$100). You need to bring your receipt from last year in addition to the special coupon with our special code (coupons are available at the exits of the church.) They have a nearby office – on 777 Central Avenue (in the strip mall near the Sunoco station on the corner of Miles Square Rd. and Central Ave.) But this offer is good at any H&R Block office.



Mass and Brunch: The Archdiocesan Catechetical Office is holding its annual Mass and Brunch for Catholic Teachers in Public Schools on Saturday, April 2nd at the

Riverview (One Warburton Road, Hastings on Hudson) from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$30.00 per person. For more information call Jasmine Gomez (646-794-2692) or Sister Zelide (914-965-0490).

Easter Collection: We ask for your special generosity to St. John's on Easter. We depend on your special sacrifice at times like Christmas and Easter to help us defray the cost of flowers that decorate our church at this time -- as well as some of the other expenses we incur during this special season. Special Easter envelopes are available at the exits of the Church for those who have not received them in the mail.

Important Topic: St. Barnabas Parish Respect Life Committee is sponsoring a Panel Discussion on "End of Life Issues: Preparing for the Final Leg of Our Journey Home" on Saturday, April 23rd from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas' Elementary School Auditorium. Admission is free; all are welcome.



Local Event: St. Paul the Apostle is holding a "Jumbo Flea Market" on Saturday, April 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 4: 00 p.m. All are welcome. For information call 965-8333.

Monthly Maintenance: Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the month of April, we will take up our regular "First Sunday of the Month" second collection after Communion this week. This collection helps with the upkeep, maintenance, and cleaning of our beautiful church. Please be generous.



St. John the Baptist School -- Registrations 2016 - 2017:

During March and April, St. John's is accepting applications for all grades except 1st grade on a first

come basis. PreK and K programs are all day. The school office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Free busing is available to those who live 1.5 miles from St. John's. The registration deadline is April 1st.

<u>Operation Rice Bowl</u>: Our Parish Lenten Program has come to an end. All Rice Bowl donations should be given in either cash or check made payable to: St. John the Baptist Church and on the memo line, write "2016 Operation Rice Bowl". Please place envelopes in the collection basket by next Sunday, April 3rd.

Rosary Altar Society: We welcome the members of the Rosary Altar Society to their monthly Mass next Sunday, April 3rd at 11:00 a.m. Their monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 4th at 8:00 p.m. in the lower Church. Hope to see you there.

ESL Classes: The Sisters of Charity are offering free evening English as a Second Language classes for all levels at the College of Mount Saint Vincent Sisters of Charity Center (LeGras Hall) 6301 Riverdale Avenue at W. 236th St., Bronx. Registration will be on Monday, March 28th and Wednesday, March 30th from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information or to request flyers, please contact Eric Rosenbaum at 718-549-9200 ext. 260 or erosenbaum@scny.org.



Silver and Gold: Any couples who are celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage this year (2016) are asked to contact the rectory. Those celebrating a Golden (50th) anniversary will be invited to St. Patrick's Cathedral for a special Mass. This year

there will be <u>two</u> Masses for Golden Anniversary couples: Saturday, June 25th (at 1:30 p.m.) and Sunday, June 26th (at 2:00 p.m.) Pre-registration is <u>absolutely necessary</u> for Mass at the Cathedral so any couple that is celebrating 50 years of marriage should call the rectory by Friday, June 15th, at the latest. The date of our parish celebration for St. John's jubilarians (both 25th and 50th) will be Sunday, April 10th. If you would like to join us for our parish celebration, please contact the rectory by Friday, April 3rd.



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