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Sacrament of

Sacrament of Baptism Every Sunday after the 12:30 Mass



Saturday, June 18, 2016

Vigil: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

Sunday, June 19, 2016

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Father's Day

8:00 a.m. John Rubbo and Angelo Soprano

9:30 a.m. John Ricciardi 11:00 a.m. Father's Day Mass

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

Mullin Family

Monday, June 20, 2016

8:00 a.m. Father's Day Mass 12:00 noon Michael O'Connor

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

Feast of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

8:00 a.m. Dorothy & Sr. Kathleen Flynn, Sr. Carol

Ann West and Fr. Joe Rangers

12:00 noon Father's Day Mass

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

Feast of St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher,

bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs 8:00 a.m. Roy McLaughlin 12:00 noon Anna Pellizzi

Thursday, June 23, 2016

8:00 a.m. Patricia Sullivan 12:00 noon James Jarloth Mullin

Friday, June 24, 2016

Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:00 a.m. Joseph Flynn 12:00 noon Nicholas Riccio

Saturday, June 25, 2016 8:00 a.m. Sabina Eves

Saturday, June 25, 2016

Vigil: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. For the Deceased Members of the

Bologna, Magretti and Gallery

Families

Sunday, June 26, 2016

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. June Kenney 9:30 a.m. John M. Preston

11:00 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

12:30 p.m. Saverino and Maria Teresa Ferrari



III. Michael D'Ambrosio and Dawn Revellese III. Sevan Hacikoglu and Elba Alonzo III. Peter DeLeny and Natalia Garcia-Ulloa



Wednesday, June 22nd

Senior Club – following 12:00 noon Mass – lower Church



<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>

Saturday, June 18th

5:00 p.m. – M. Bello and C. Castaldi

Sunday, June 19th

8:00 a.m. - C. Elias

9:30 a.m. – D. Vanadia and A. Kocovic 11:00 a.m. – W. Ferguson and R. Tuffy 12:30 p.m. – (no servers scheduled)

Saturday, June 25th

5:00 p.m. – A. Burke and K. Burke

Sunday, June 26th

8:00 a.m. – M. Barrett and J. Postighone 9:30 a.m. – G. Boynes and S. Osso 11:00 a.m. – S. Joyce and J. Velasquez 12:30 p.m. – M. DiRosa and P. DiRosa



<u>Honor Thy Father</u>: This Sunday is Father's Day. This is a day to honor all fathers – living and dead. This is a day to express our thanks for all they have done for us. It is a day to tell them how much we love

them and to ask for their prayers even as we assure them of ours. For those fathers who have gone before us into the fullness of life with God, we give thanks to God for them as we recall their memories this day. On Father's Day we begin a Triduum of Masses for those fathers whose names are enrolled with us. Special Father's Day cards and envelopes are available at the exits of the Church or in our rectory office. Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket. Let us pray that Joseph, the father of Jesus, will bless all fathers.



<u>TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u>: This weekend our Scripture readings reflect a return to some religious fundamentals. Our first reading (Zech. 12:10-31:1) prophesies that the suffering that will be endured by the promised Son of David would be the occasion for grief and mourning – even as His sacrifice would purify us of our own sins.

God will bring about in His faithful people a new inner peace – and the mourning over past sins will be replaced by the joy that reconciliation brings.

Our second reading (Gal. 3:26-29) contains St. Paul's famous reflection on the powerful transformation that baptism into Christ Jesus brings to all faithful Christians. The divisions that are so often a cause of prejudice, violence and persecution are shown to be irrelevant when compared to the unity we share in Christ Jesus.

Finally, in today's gospel (Lk. 9:18-24) Jesus poses a fundamental question that goes to the heart of His identity – and the identity of every human person. Jesus asks: "Who do you say that I am?" The answer we give to that question will determine how we live our life here on earth – and will direct us into life eternal. Today we hear St. Peter's inspired response to our Lord's question. Then, in reaction, Jesus insists that His mission will involve suffering, humiliation and death. If we are to share in Christ's Glory, we too must take up our cross and follow him.

SPECIAL SAINTS' DAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday, June 21st - St. Aloysius Gonzaga

This Jesuit seminarian ministered to victims of the plague and contracted the disease himself in 1591. His early death and life-long innocence caused many in past years to propose him as a patron of youth. Now an increasing number of Jesuits and health care workers would like to see him declared the patron of those with AIDS. We can at least use his memorial as an opportunity to pray for young people and for those living with AIDS.

Wednesday, June 22nd - St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More

These two English saints (John a Bishop and Chancellor of Cambridge University; Thomas a husband and father and Lord Chancellor of England) lived in the 16th century England when Henry VIII ruled as king. He ordered John and Thomas to be executed because they refused to accept his divorce and his claim to be head of the Church of England. They are martyrs for the integrity of the Sacrament of Matrimony and the divine origin of the Petrine ministry exercised by our popes. We need the prayer and witness of these good saints again as we struggle to preserve marriage and support the authority of the Holy Father.

Friday, June 24th - Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Two solemnities celebrated at the end of June, the Nativity of John the Baptist and Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, are mentioned in the most ancient liturgical texts preserved for the city of Rome. John the Baptist is seen as the last of a long line of prophets who proclaimed the coming of the ultimate revelation of God in Jesus Christ. Celebrated at the time of the summer solstice (in contrast with the celebration of Christmas near the winter solstice), St. Augustine saw in this date a cosmic confirmation of John's words, "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30). The stories of John in the Scriptures speak of one who calls the people of Israel to repentance in order to be ready for salvation in Christ. Today's celebration can be the occasion for us to reflect on the power of announcement embodied in his life. For every Christian, the call is to repent and believe and proclaim the power of Christ's victory over sin and death.

<u>A Vital Project</u>: After more than 60 years of service, parts of our school are in serious need of repair and restoration. Most especially in need of replacement are our windows; it is pointless to repair them anymore; they need to be replaced by modern, energy efficient windows. The gym roof is also in need of serious repair – and the cost of all this – about \$100,000!! – is well beyond our regular school and parish budgets. Sr.

Maryalice has received several bids and has consulted with a number of people who have found some good reputable local people to do the work – which we hope can begin by late summer. We are appealing to all St. John's families and S.J.B. school alumni to contribute to a special Summer Project School Fund. We are hoping for a contribution of at least \$100 from all of our parish families. In addition, for everyone who contributes \$1000, we will have a small plaque on one of our school windows with the name of the donor, the donor's family, or a loved one in whose memory the donor would like to create a memorial which will be cherished for generations to come. We will provide more details about how to contribute in the weeks that follow and Sr. Maryalice will speak at all the Masses this weekend about this vital project.



<u>Academic Awards</u>: At our graduation, the following members of the Class of 2016 received the following awards:

A Valedictory Medal was presented to Anjali Lukee who had the highest grade point average in the 8th grade.

A Salutatory Medal was presented to *Christopher Elias*, *Emmet Loughran and Daniel White* who had the second highest grade point average.

Medals were presented to the following graduates for superior work in the following areas of study and service:

Religion: Karen Zhang Language Arts: Hailey Wolf Literature: Brendan Doran Mathematics: Mark Griffin Science: Mia Martinez. Social Studies: Justin Morrissey Computer Tech Award: Anna Kearns Divine Compassion: Danny Reidy

Senior Club Award: Anjali Lukee, Christopher Elias, Emmet

Loughran and Daniel White

Holy Name Society Scholarship: Brendan Doran and Justin Morrissey
Rosary Altar Society Scholarship: Orla Gormally and Hailey Wolf

Ancient Order of Hibernians: Anjali Lukee

American Academy of University Women: Anjali Lukee, Mia Martinez and Karen Zhang

We congratulate these graduates on their achievements!



Sunday Report: Last weekend 1,155 parishioners attended Mass; our collection totaled \$8,450; average contribution: \$7.32. 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 Raymond Murphy, Blaesilla Foley, and Walter Naryniecki who were buried from our church this past week. Our prayers

go out to their families and friends.



<u>Vacation Bible School</u>: The theme for this year's program is: "Barnyard Roundup" and will be from July 11th through July 15th. Registration has begun for both students and volunteer staff. Registration fee is \$45.00 until June 24th. No refunds after June 13th.

Applications will be distributed through S.J.B. school and Religious Ed. Additional forms may be picked up in the rectory.



Summer Mass Schedule: As we do every summer at St. John's, our daily Mass schedule (Monday – Friday) will be changed slightly. Instead of having Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, our two daily Masses will be at 8:00 a.m.

and 9:00 a.m. – starting Tuesday, July 5th. This extends until Monday after Labor Day (September 9th).



<u>Thank You Choirs</u>: Last Sunday was the last Sunday at which our Junior Choir and our Senior Choir sang this season. We give great thanks to

all of our choir members for their dedication and effort in providing beautiful music to enhance our worship throughout the year. After resting their voices over the summer, all the choirs will return in September. It was St. Augustine who said, "He who sings, prays twice!"



Religious Education Program: 2016-2017 Registration for new families has begun. In September classes will meet on Wednesdays,

beginning on September 7th: Grades 1-5, 4:00-5:30 p.m.; Grades 6-8, 7:00-8:30 p.m. If you wish to register your child for September the first step is to call Sr. Mary Beth at 965-2338 to make an appointment. Please bring your S.J.B. envelope number and baptismal certificate for each child to be enrolled. If you are not already registered in the parish, a form will be available when you come. In June, the best days to call are Monday, June 20th through Friday, June 30th. When Sr. Mary Beth is away after those dates, kindly call the office and leave a clear message with your name and phone number and when you would be available for an appointment. Sr. Mary Beth will return your call as soon as possible. Have a wonderful summer and we look forward to welcoming you into the Religious Education Program.



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