

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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March 31, 2019 – Fourth Sunday of Lent



Parish Clergy

Rev. Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly, Pastor
Reverend William H. Bowles
Reverend John Callan, Sch.P.

Office Hours: Monday 12pm – 4:00pm,
Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 4:00pm

Confession: Saturdays from 4-5pm

† Mass Schedule †

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00, 10:30, Noon & 5:00pm

Daily Masses:

Monday-Friday: 7am, 8:45am & Noon
Saturday: 8:45am

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 30

8:45am **Int.** Jan Joyce & family and
 † James M. Kennedy
 5:00pm † Angelina Ulliana and Robert Free

Sunday, March 31

7:30am **Int.** John Limperis Family and
 † Thomas Braatz
 9:00am † James McCabe and Bernadette Merrigan
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
 † Kevin Day
 12:00pm † Hebe Maria Martino and Oscar Machuca
 5:00pm † Mafalda LaMarca and Lorna De La Cruz

Monday, April 1

7:00am † Frank O'Connell and **Int.** Ted Manchester
 8:45am † Michael Bienes and **Int.** Nathan Urban
 12:00pm **Int.** Michaela Ecker and † Enrique Zapata

Tuesday, April 2

7:00am **Int.** Marty Grady
 8:45am † Bill Banister and **Int.** Catherine Miethe
 12:00pm **Int.**/† Counihan & Purcell Families and
Int. Booker & Zapata Families

Wednesday, April 3

7:00am **Int.** Donald Frisco
 8:45am **Int.** Jan Joyce & family and Nathan Urban
 12:00pm **Int.**/† Cary & Gayle Winningham Family and
Int. Booker & Zapata Families

Thursday, April 4

7:00am **Int.** Patrick O' Dea
 8:45am † Briand James Scott and
 Fr. Charles Newburn
 12:00pm † Beatriz Arango and St. John the Baptist

Friday, April 5

7:00am **Int.** Francis Devine (Birthday)
 8:45am † Butler/Haran Family and Michael Bienes
 12:00pm **Int.** Norene McNamara and
 † Enrique Zapata

Saturday, April 6

8:45am **Int.** Blessed Mother and Sally Ann McGrady
 5:00pm † Betsy Russo, Paul Dubreuil and
 Clifford Coughlin

Sunday, April 7

7:30am **Int.** Angel Franco Family and
 † Dorothy Baldwin
 9:00am † Elizabeth Norton and Lina Capone
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
 † Salvatore Manfredi
 12:00pm † Pete & Peg McCretton and
 Robert Broderick
 5:00pm † Steve & Jody Langsenkamp and
 Elizabeth Norton

April 6 & 7	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Bowles	Mary Joe Clark	Paulette Kardos Alicia Holloway Gigi Wiborg
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Kelly	Kitty Rotella	Frank Finlon Leah Finlon
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Naughton	Dan Perry	Michele Menno Rebecca Poljak Jane Czubay
Sun. 10:30am	Msgr. Sheahan	Sarahnell Murphy	Kris Ahern Bob Read Vicci Read
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Callan	Bob Bulfin	Gail Bulfin Jody Williams
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Bill Lank	Catherine Miethe

Easter Flowers

Easter Flower remembrance envelopes are on the tables by the doors. Consider offering a donation in remembrance of your deceased loved ones. Envelopes will be placed on the altar for Easter Sunday and will remain on the altar throughout the Easter season as we pray for our loved ones.



The Archdiocese of Miami is sponsoring a Lenten Reconciliation Weekend, April 5th & 6th, at parishes across the Archdiocese. Our parish will hold confessions Thursday, April 4th and Saturday, April 6th from 4-5pm.



2019 Holy Week Schedule

Monday– Wednesday, April 15th–April 17th

Masses—7:00am, 8:45am, and 12:00pm
 Confessions on Wednesday from 4-5pm

Holy Thursday, April 18th

Mass of the Holy Eucharist—8:45am
 Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Supper—5:00pm
 Confessions—9:00am and 5:45pm

Good Friday, April 19th

Solemn Commemoration of the Passion - 12 noon,
 Stations of the Cross and Homily 3:00pm,
 Confessions will follow both services
 Collection for Maintenance of Holy Land Shrines

Holy Saturday, April 20th

Confessions—10:00-11:00am and 4:00-5:00pm
 Vigil Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Sunday, April 21st

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord—
 7:30am, 9:00, 10:30, 12:00 Noon, and 5:00pm

“Human Beings: A Work in Progress”

How great it is to be alive! How great it is that we have the freedom of choice to select good over evil! How great it is to have an opportunity to merit eternal salvation!

The responsibility undoubtedly is ours and it brings with it a great challenge. The challenge is enormous when you realize that we are not perfect beings but rather weak and human with many limitations. The greatest of these weaknesses is our propensity to sin. God could have compelled us to be good but he didn't. He gave us a choice and in doing this he gave us the liability to sin. Sinners, then, we are as Scripture says, " If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us." John 1:8.

The worst evil is not to commit sin. It is to commit sin and then deny it. The theologian, Louis Evely, says “It is better to commit a sin than to corrupt a principle. It is better to sin with sincerity than to lie to oneself in order to stay virtuous.” In other words, if we are weak enough to sin, we should be humble enough to admit the failing.

All of us are fragile human beings. All of us fall victim to various sins at various times in our lives. All of us stand in need of Christ's forgiveness. All of us stand in need of Christ's salvation. Instead of downplaying our sinfulness by denying it, we should admit it and seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. How fortunate for us to have this sacrament. How unfortunate for us to neglect it.

The novelist, Somerset Maugham, writes, “I have committed follies. I have a sensitive conscience, and I have done certain things in my life that I am unable entirely to forget; if I had been fortunate enough to be a Catholic I could have delivered myself of them at confession and after performing the penance imposed received absolution and put them out of my mind forever.” It takes a statement like Maugham's to make us as Catholics realize what a great gift the sacrament of Reconciliation is. Perhaps you should make a plan to go to confession during this Lenten season.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly



Congratulations!

Our Confirmandi have received the Holy Spirit in Confirmation!

May you continue your faith journey driven by the Holy Spirit!

Special thanks to Colette Wolf, Sharon O'Connor, Jane Czubay and all other volunteers who make our program vibrant. We also extend congratulation to their families for their continued support throughout their faith journeys! We offer our deep gratitude to Louise Cole-Reeser and Catherine Myers for their dedication to the Lord's work through our program!

Family Fish Fry

hosted by the Men's Club



**Friday, April 5th at 6pm
in the Parish Hall.**

- Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.
- Tickets will be sold before and after masses this weekend, March 30th & 31st.

**Please purchase your tickets early!
There are a limited number of tickets sold
and the event has sold out in the past.**



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,
FIRST FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH**

Adoration begins after the 8:45am Mass and concludes at 5pm. The Men's Club breakfast is after the 8:45 Mass in the Parish Hall. Confessions will be Thursday, April 4th from 4-5pm.

Annual Anointing Mass

Saturday, April 13th at 11am

The sacrament, an anointing with sacred oils, gives special graces to those who are suffering illness and those 65 years of age or older.

Reservations required for the luncheon that follows.

Please call Jane Czubay—(954) 492-8584.



Women's Guild

The monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 10th at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. Please join us for a painting party led by artist Jan Pozzi.



Schedule Change!

The April food drive will be on Sunday, April 14th.