

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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April 9, 2017 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



What Wondrous Love Is This?

What wondrous love is this,
O my soul!

What wondrous love is this
that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down
beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown
for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb,
I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb
who is the great I AM -
while millions join the theme,
I will sing.

And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free,
I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on.

Parish Clergy

Rev. Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly, Pastor

Reverend William H. Bowles

Reverend John Callan, Sch.P.

Office Hours: Monday 12pm – 3:30pm,
Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm

Confession: Saturdays from 4-5pm



To hear "What Wondrous Love Is This?"
By Chelsea Moon with the Franz Brothers

† Mass Schedule †

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

Daily Masses

Monday-Friday: 7:00, 8:45am & 12noon (Lent)
Saturday: 8:45am

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
Saturday, April 8

8:45am ✠ Giuseppe Virdis and
Int. President Donald Trump
5:00pm ✠ Members of the Knights of Columbus
Council #3080 and Agnes & Ed Bimonte

Sunday, April 9

7:30am ✠ Roland & Barbara Faria and John Lowry
9:00am ✠ Annette Shapiro and Henry Westmoreland
10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
✠ George & Vita Marie Weil
12:00pm ✠ Lorraine Seger and Larry Jenkins
5:00pm ✠ Janet Molchan and Mary Jane Lang

Monday, April 10

7:00am ✠ Mary Jane Lang
8:45am **Int.** Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother
and Deacon Gabriel Cillo
12:00pm ✠ Juan Marin Chavez and
Int. Jordan Perez-Kump

Tuesday, April 11

7:00am **Int./✠** members of Counihan/Purcell Families
8:45am **Int.** Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother
and Clara Kraus (Birthday)
12:00pm ✠ Bernadette Byrne and Sally Slattery

Wednesday, April 12

7:00am ✠ Bill Fanizzi and
Int. Presley Smith (Birthday)
8:45am ✠ Sean Simigran and **Int.** Sue O'Donnell
12:00pm ✠ Donald Zurn and Ken O'Gorman

Thursday, April 13 (Holy Thursday)

8:45am ✠ Deceased Priests of the Parish
5:00pm ✠ Deceased Priests of the Parish

Friday, April 14 (Good Friday)

12noon Passion of the Crucifixion
3:00pm Stations of the Cross, Homily

Saturday, April 15 (Holy Saturday)

7:00pm **Int.** Sandy Blaikie, ✠ Lyle Anderson and
Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Sunday, April 16

7:30am ✠ Lyle Anderson and Betsy Russo
9:00am ✠ William and Michelina Williams and
Martin Sallarulo
10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
✠ Joseph Doyle
12:00pm **Int.** President Donald Trump and
✠ Chris "Bubba" Walker
5:00pm ✠ Rose Doran and **Int.** Dean & Sara McGrady

April 15 & 16	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 7:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Louise McDonough	John Lindsey Rosemary Lindsey Rose Bonell
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Callan	Greg Coican	Maureen Buffington
Sun. 9:00am	Msgr. Sheahan	Richard Zaden	Rebecca Poljak Beverly Green Courtney O'Loughlin
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Kelly	Dave Corey	Cesar Coral Veronica Coral Bertha Martos
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Wiesmann	Thomas Gavigan	DeeDee Stewart Jody Williams
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Bowles	David Erdman	Catherine Miethe

Baptism: Registered parishioners please contact the Parish office at least one month in advance. Baptisms are held on the second Sunday of the month after the 12pm Mass.

Marriage: Arrangements are made for previously registered and participating parishioners with six months of preparation.

Homebound: Please contact the Rectory to register for home visits for those unable to attend Mass.

Women's Guild: Monthly meetings are held Oct - May, 2nd Wed. at 9:30am. Boutique workshops are Wed. at 9:30am

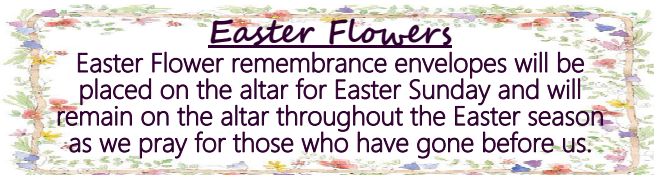
Men's Club: Meetings on the 4th Tuesday, Sept - May. Breakfast is hosted after First Friday 8:45am Mass.

Divine Will Group meets Wednesday evenings from 6- 9pm and Saturday from 2-4pm in the Parish Hall. Monthly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the 3rd Sunday, 1-3pm. The Passion is read after the 8:45am mass on Saturdays.

Our Novena and Benediction Service and Rosary:

Please join us every Monday at 8:20am for our Novena and after the 8:45am Mass for our Benediction service.

- No class on Easter Sunday, April 16th
- April 23rd - Student lector Sunday



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD
Forgiveness will unleash a power in your life that is underrated and often ignored. Our gift to you on this powerful day is the book, *Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody*. This book will help you capture the power of forgiveness in your life. Because everybody needs to forgive somebody. Divine Mercy Sunday is a time in which we prayerfully reflect on the unlimited mercy of God being offered to each one of us. On Divine Mercy Sunday, at 1pm, a special Holy Hour to commemorate the Divine Mercy devotion will be held. All are invited to participate.

“ Journey to the Cross”

An instinctive pursuit of happiness prevails throughout humankind. All of us seek it. It is a natural yearning. The ultimate in this happiness-seeking is eternal life with the Lord. On earth, however, the modicum of happiness we enjoy depends sizably on us and on our willingness to take the necessary steps to achieve our goal.

Success does not come "with the territory." We must work at it and such work entails energy, perseverance and desire. Success is not guaranteed. Obstacles will abound. Failure and disillusionment will face us. We must however endure since nothing is accomplished without pain.

Jesus had great success in his earthly mission. He worked miracles, preached extensively, attracted a huge following and was recognized by all. Undoubtedly, He had all the elements of success leading to self-fulfillment. But His greatest test was His endurance of suffering. Today Palm Sunday, we reenact the triumphant procession into Jerusalem. The people waved palm branches (the ticker-tape parade of the day) expressing their support and joy at the accomplishments of Jesus. Yet within a week, many of these same people turned against Him completely and were responsible for His crucifixion and death. It was in His trials and sufferings that He reached the greatest level of His mission on earth.

In our lives, we might expect the challenges on our journey. We may have many a Palm Sunday celebration of our successes, but we can be assured also of trials and sorrows in the Good Friday mold. Only through perseverance and faith in Jesus will we attain happiness in this life, but more importantly the Easter Sunday resurrection of our souls. Let the example of Jesus give us the strength to persevere.

May you have a blessed and reflective Holy Week journey to the Cross.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

2017 Holy Week Schedule

Monday– Wednesday, April 10th–April 12th

Masses—7:00am, 8:45am, and 12:00pm

Confessions on Wednesday from 4-5pm

Holy Thursday, April 13th

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 14th

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 15th

Confessions—10:00-11:00am and 4:00-5:00pm

Vigil Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Sunday, April 16th

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord—

7:30am, 9:00, 10:30, 12:00 Noon, and 5:00pm

Thank You for your Generous Giving

As we look forward to Easter Sunday and celebrate the great feast of the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead, may we rejoice in our own hope of eventual resurrection. We invite your most gracious giving to your parish on this occasion, sharing your spiritual joy and your resources with the Lord. Thank you for your kindness.



Today we celebrate Palm Sunday. We invite you to accept a piece of palm as an invitation to join in the Celebration



of Christ's joyous entry into Jerusalem. We share the joy of all who believed in Jesus as the Messiah and pray that His message of hope will extend to all people. Please place the palm in an appropriate place in your home as a sign of the continuing message of salvation to all of us.

GOOD FRIDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION, APRIL 14TH

Our parish will support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your donation helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.