

Alleluia!

*Our
Redeemer
Lives!*

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

April 16, 2017 - The Resurrection of the Lord

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
Saturday, April 15

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

Monday, April 18

7:00am **Int.** Joan Kump O'Gorman and Dolores Stamp
 8:45am † Catherine Rigoroso and Ann Watson

Tuesday, April 19

7:00am † Isabel Gavino
 8:45am † Deacon Jack Thesing and Sally Slattery

Wednesday, April 20

7:00am † Elain May and **Int.** Jenn May
 8:45am † Greg Simmons and **Int.** Deacon Gabriel Cillo

Thursday, April 21

7:00am † Elizabeth Westgate
 8:45am † Eugene Hudak and Kathleen Flynn

Friday, April 22

7:00am † Claire Varnerin
 8:45am † Frank Policastro and Raymond Amatrudo

Saturday, April 23

8:45am † Peggy Blaikie and Robert Joyce
 5:00pm † Joan & Brad Winningham, Gene O'Neill and **Int.** The Booker Family

Sunday, April 24

7:30am **Int.** Tom Hardy Family and † Phil Smith
 9:00am † Louila Watson and Mary Jane Lang
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and † Stephen C. Finney, Jr.
 12:00pm **Int.** Luisa & Christopher Sajdera and The Lang Family
 5:00pm † Teresa Fraumeni and Vincenzo & Leonetta Padula

April 22 & 23	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 7:00pm	Msgr. Sheahan	Joe Amaturio	Wini Amaturio Daniel Toomey Susan Toomey
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Bowles	Dottie Raimondi	Eileen Higgins Fred Wahl
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Kelly	Greg Martin	Judy Tight Mary Cooney Stephen Cooney
Sun. 10:30am	Msgr. Sheahan	Carol Frei	Cesar Coral Veronica Coral Patricia Kearney
Sun. 12 Noon	Msgr. Sheahan	Thomas Gavigan	Elizabeth Ziegler Jan Mianowski
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Catherine Miethe	Bill Lank

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.

Bible Study- Fall 2017

Come join us for an exciting new parish program, Queen of Heaven: Mary's Battle for You, to discover the woman who, from the very beginning, was destined to be our Mother. . . our Queen.



- * Session begins: End of September, 8 week program
- * Location: St. John the Baptist Parish Hall
- * Registration Fee: \$25, please return registration form with check
- * Registration Deadline: June 30
- * Parish Contact: Jo-Ann Tabry, joanntabry@gmail.com

We would like to wish all of our parishioners a Happy Easter. Alleluia, Christ our Lord is risen!



“We are an Easter People and Alleluia is our Song!”

This Easter celebration is the highlight of the Church's liturgical year. Why? Because Jesus came into the world formed by His mother, born in utter poverty in a cave, lived a life of seclusion for thirty years, and suffered the frightening death on the cross precisely to lead us to this celebration. He paid our debt for what was lost for us in the Garden of Eden. He wants each one of us to choose to follow Him, to choose to live according to His teaching so that we will share an unending Easter Sunday in paradise.

Jesus rose at a particular moment in history. He desires to rise again in the personal lives of each of us. This requires cooperation and choice. Whenever a heart conquers hate, violence and selfishness, Jesus rises again. Whenever love is offered to someone in need, Jesus rises again. Whenever peace results from an active commitment to justice, Jesus rises again. Whenever a person dies after a life of faith, hope and love, Jesus rises again and celebrates the final victory.

Easter declares that great reversals are not only possible, they actually happen. The power of the resurrection is ours. What stones hold us back? When Jesus is imprisoned away from our hearts and minds, He asks us to roll away the stones that block Him. Then Easter comes again. Resurrection is the wildest news that has ever touched this sometimes crazy, mixed up world. It says “yes” when everything else says “no!” It says “up,” when everything else says “down!” It says “live” when everything else says “die!”

All of us today have taken a symbolic journey. The scriptures brought us from the dawn of creation, through the desert of Sinai to the new creation which we call resurrection. Now we must continue this journey in our own lives and assure that on a daily basis we remind ourselves that we are resurrection people destined for an eternal goal. We cannot permit ourselves to be sidetracked by life's preoccupations. Rather we must place all things in proper perspective and address the issues that last which Jesus assures us by His resurrection. Alleluia! Happy Easter!

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

Our compliments on the parish participation during the services of Holy Week. What a beautiful way to show praise to our Lord, our Savior!



We thank you for your generosity.

Today we thank you for your continued support of our parish and invite your special giving as an Easter gift to the Lord. As Scripture says: “What return can we give to the Lord for all he has given us.” Thank you for your thoughtfulness. There is only one collection for Easter.



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.



Easter Flowers

Thank you to all who provided the beautiful floral decoration today in honor of the Feast of the Resurrection. The beauty and dignity of the display reflect our outpouring of joy on this festive occasion. Your remembrances will be kept on the altar during the Easter season.

