

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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April 23, 2017 - Sunday of Divine Mercy



Forgiveness

By Matthew West

It's the hardest thing to give away
And the last thing on your mind today
It always goes to those that don't deserve

It's the opposite of how you feel
When the pain they caused is just too real
It takes everything you have
just to say the word... Forgiveness

It flies in the face of all your pride
It moves away the mad inside
It's always anger's own worst enemy
Even when the jury and the judge
Say you gotta right to hold a grudge
It's the whisper in your ear saying 'Set It Free'

Show me how to love the unlovable
Show me how to reach the unreachable
Help me now to do the impossible

It'll clear the bitterness away
It can even set a prisoner free
There is no end to what it's power can do
So, let it go and be amazed
By what you see through eyes of grace
The prisoner that it really frees is you

I want to finally set it free
So show me how to see what Your mercy sees

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 "Forgiveness"
By Matthew West
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† 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 Saturday: 8:45am

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
Saturday, April 22

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

Sunday, April 23

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 ✠ Theresa Fraumeni and Vincenzo & Leonetta Padula

Monday, April 24

7:00am ✠ Rev. Gerald McGrath and Henry Gavino, Jr.
 8:45am ✠ Michael, John & Thomas Counihan and Int. Mary Norton

Tuesday, April 25

7:00am Int. Bill Banister, Jr. (Birthday) and ✠ Thomas Bova
 8:45am ✠ Marie & Carolyn Policastro and Int. Mary Norton (103rd Birthday)

Wednesday, April 26

7:00am ✠ Betsy Russo and Int. Christina Deserio
 8:45am ✠ Lisa Marie Igartua and Int. Marc Cillo

Thursday, April 27

7:00am ✠ Betty Salvino and Destina Kadestin Gay
 8:45am ✠ Gabriel Cillo, Sr. and Int. Germaine Monestime & Job Almonor

Friday, April 28

7:00am ✠ Edward T. Havey and Michael Bienes
 8:45am ✠ Leon S. Afek, Sr. and Leonard Tomczak

Saturday, April 29

8:45am ✠ Bohdan Moroz and Int. for Deliverance
 5:00pm ✠ Ingrid Johnson Parsons and ✠ Ellen Clark

Sunday, April 30

7:30am Int. Eric Holtz Family and ✠ Charles & Patricia Winterholler
 9:00am Int. Paul Lortie and ✠ Larry Posey
 10:30am Int. Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Dolores Gustafson
 12:00pm ✠ Ken O'Gorman and Steven Leonardelli
 5:00pm ✠ Pat & Frank Dolph and Int. President Donald Trump

April 29 & 30	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Mary Joe Clark	Eileen Borman Claire Brown Gigi Wiborg
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Kelly	Kitty Rotella	Gordan James Loni James
Sun. 9:00am	Msgr. Sheahan	Armand Rodriguez	Lisette Rodriguez Anne Meretsky Maria Friedman
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Bowles	Valerie Rode	Sue Hooley Bob Read Vicci Read
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Callan	Herb Moriarty	Pam Jabbour Anita Nasser
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Callan	Helen Allen	Sharon O' Connor

Easter Flowers

Thank you to all who provided the beautiful floral decoration 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.



CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES CAMPAIGN

Council #3080 will hold their annual Tootsie Roll Drive before and after masses April 29th & 30th. The Citizens with Disabilities Campaign aims to collect donations to help those individuals with intellectual disabilities.



Please pray for the Confirmandi students as they embark on the last part of their Confirmation journey. Their Confirmation Retreat is April 29th at St. John the Baptist.



St. John the Baptist Women's Guild
Officers Installation Mass and Breakfast
 Wednesday, May 10th at 8:45am

The Annual Installation Mass will be at 8:45am followed by breakfast at the Coral Ridge Country Club. Reservations are required. Please contact Lyn Fazioli: (954) 491-1789. Mail your \$20 check payable to the SJB Women's Guild to: Mrs. Lyn Fazioli, 3205 NE 59 Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308



Catholic Home Missions: Special Collection Today, April 23rd!

Many dioceses here in the U.S. do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. Please be generous in the Catholic Home Missions Appeal which takes place this weekend. It funds essential ministries, including seminary education and lay ministry training.

“His Mercy Endures Forever!”

Most of us have at some time in our lives tried to do something for someone hoping that it would be good for them - helpful and beneficial. But rather than being grateful it made them angry or resentful or suspicious. When this happens, how do we react? Do we in turn become angry, resentful or disgusted with them? Or do we continue to do the good we want for others, even in the face of their hostility? Do we, as good people, pray for those who resist our efforts?

Be consoled to note that Jesus experienced so much rejection. One of the most touching scenes in the gospel is that of Jesus seated on the hillside over Jerusalem in the night saying, "Jerusalem, Jerusalem you kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how many times I yearned to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, but you are unwilling!" He came to help, but was rejected.

Somehow we must develop an attitude in life which will inspire us to do the right thing as our conscience sees it. Others may not be as accepting. In fact, they may resent our interference. But, respectful of their feelings, we must do or not do what our religious convictions suggest.

May we pray for the grace always to meet hostility, indifference or aggression, with the words of Jesus crucified, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." As our heavenly Father extends His mercy to us, let us practice mercy in our own lives.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly



***Holy
Hour
1pm***

Today, we prayerfully place emphasis on the unlimited dispensation of God's mercy to all of us. May we appreciate this gift of the Lord as we attempt to cope with our human strengths and weaknesses. We absolutely need God's grace and mercy as we journey forward. A special Holy Hour today will be held at 1:00 pm. This will be followed by confession, adoration, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

We are the Easter people and Hallelujah is our song!
We thank you for your generosity.

Most grateful thanks for the gracious participation in the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus on Easter Sunday. Thank you for your most generous gifts to St. John the Baptist. You are truly the "People of God."

Our gift to you for Divine Mercy Sunday

EVERYBODY NEEDS TO FORGIVE SOMEBODY



This book will help you capture the power of forgiveness in your life. We fail to capture this gift because we are afraid of it, because we have grown comfortable in our familiar wounds, or because we are sinfully stubborn. But the power is there waiting for us. Replace your clenched fist with an open hand and watch as God fills your soul to overflowing.

Supper Club Join us! **Friday, April 28th**
at Café Vico at 6pm.
For reservations call Valerie at (954) 561-8756

Tuesday, April 25th at 7pm
Final Men's Club Meeting of the season
All men of the parish are invited to the semi annual baseball knowledge, trivia and law meeting on Tuesday April, 25th at 7pm. Plans for the Marlins Game outing on May 10th will be discussed.

