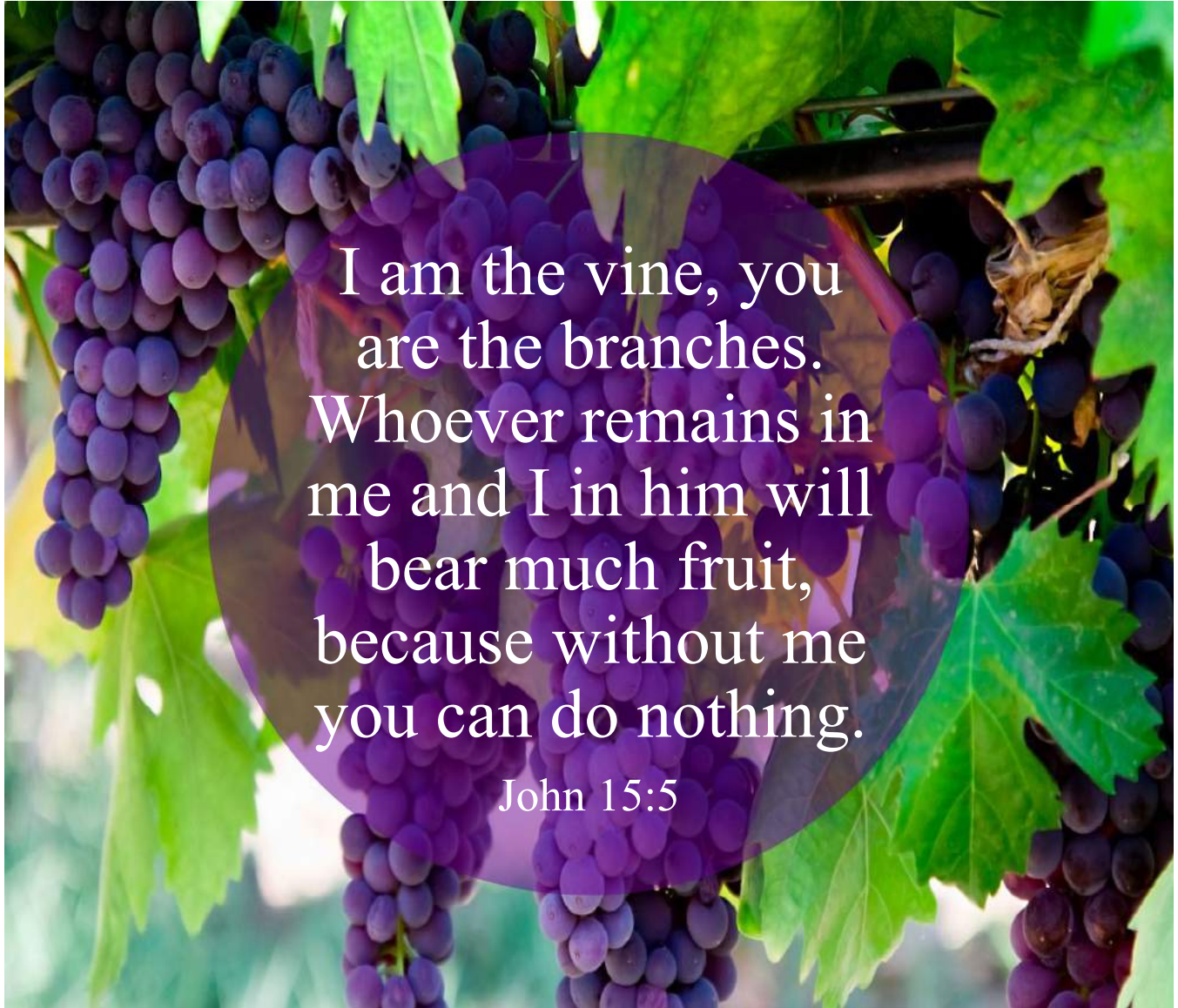


Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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April 29, 2018 - Fifth Sunday of Easter



I am the vine, you
are the branches.
Whoever remains in
me and I in him will
bear much fruit,
because without me
you can do nothing.

John 15:5

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: 7:00, 8:45am

Saturday: 8:45am

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 28

8:45am ✠ Leonard Tomczak and
Int. Josephine Zommo
 5:00pm ✠ Ingrid Johnson and Juliana Carraturo

Sunday, April 29

7:30am **Int.** Francis Weir Family and
 ✠ Roland & Barbara Faria
 9:00am ✠ Marie Tucciarone and Linda Callanan
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 and ✠ George Conroy
 12:00pm ✠ Jose Sanchez and
 Vincenzo & Leonetta Padula
 5:00pm ✠ Suzanne Stevenson and Lee Corvino

Monday, April 30

7:30am ✠ Peter McCretton and Catherine Yardley
 8:45am ✠ Angel & Berta Dovale and
 Edward T. Havey

Tuesday, May 1

7:00am **Int.** Heather & Bob Childs and
 Maryann Peers
 8:45am **Int.** Valerie DeBianchi and
 ✠ Peter McCretton, Sr.

Wednesday, May 2

7:00am ✠ Rev. Gerald McGrath and
Int. Karen Werchowsky
 8:45am ✠ Al Valderrama and Peter McCretton, Sr.

Thursday, May 3

7:00am **Int.** Maryann Peers and Chris Jackson
 8:45am ✠ Leopoldo Francesco Totera and
 Richard Steinkamp

Friday, May 4

7:00am ✠ Michelle Zulli and **Int.** Sandy Regensburg
 8:45am ✠ Butler/Haran Family and
Int. Carolyn Chio (Birthday)

Saturday, May 5

8:45am Thanks to the Blessed Mother and
Int. President Donald Trump
 5:00pm ✠ Betsy Russo and Bill Thies

Sunday, May 6

7:30am **Int.** Thomas Hardy Family and ✠ Dan Gill
 9:00am ✠ Donna Yohanan and Suzanne Stevenson
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 and ✠ Chris "Bubba" Walker
 12:00pm ✠ Agnes Saglime and Vincent Moughan
 5:00pm ✠ Rose Doran and
 Steve & Jody Langsenkamp

| May 5 & 6 | Celebrant | Lector | Extra-ordinary Ministers |
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| Sat. 5:00pm | Fr. Kelly | Mary Joe Clark | Alicia Holloway Dean McGrady Gigi Wiborg |
| Sun. 7:30am | Fr. Callan | Greg Coican | Rose Bonell Nancy Seiler |
| Sun. 9:00am | Fr. Kelly | Maureen McEnerney | Anne Meretsky Maria Friedman |
| Sun. 10:30am | Fr. Bowles | Joanne Jasin | Karen Niles Bertha Martos Kris Ahern |
| Sun. 12 Noon | Fr. Callan | Herbert Moriarty | Katherine Privateer Jody Williams |
| Sun. 5:00pm | Fr. Bowles | Bill Lank | Catherine Miethe |

Baptism: Previously registered parishioners should contact the Parish office at least one month in advance. Baptisms are held on the 2nd Sunday after the 12pm Mass.

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

Legacy Circle: Kindly remember your Parish in your will. Your goodness will continue.

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

Religious Ed Classes (PK-8): Religious education classes begin with the 9am Sunday Mass, followed by an hour of classroom instruction, August- May.

Rite of Christian Formation (RCIA): Classes will begin in September for personal instruction available on Wednesdays from 7:15pm to 8:30pm from September - April.

Women's Guild: Monthly meetings are held at 9:30am on the second Wednesday of the month from October to May. Boutique workshops are held weekly on Wednesdays at 9:30am.

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

Bible Study: Classes on Thursdays at 9:30am or 7:00pm from September through November and January through April. Please contact Jo-Ann Tabry at joanntabry@gmail.com.

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.

Our Novena and Benediction Service and Rosary:
 Please join us Monday-Saturday at 8:20am for the Rosary and on Mondays for our Novena and Benediction service immediately following the 8:45am Mass.

“Nurturing the Seedlings of Faith”

The gift of faith as offered to us is an undeserved gift from God to lead us to our eternal salvation. Our faith, which in effect leads us to believe that Jesus is the Messiah and Savior, is not something we can arrive at by ourselves through intellectual application alone. It needs the spiritual dimension, the element of God inviting us to share his approach to life. Certainly, on our part, it takes a certain trust and acceptance to explore and direct our thoughts and actions in accord with God's wishes. Our response to the Lord's invitation exemplifies the depth of goodness within us in that we see what is truly important in life.

Faith needs daily cultivation and application in our routine. To use a comparison to nature, our germ of faith is like a seedling sown in fertile ground. It takes reasonable means to assist it to grow. Neglect, through indifference, can cause it to wither or lapse. The loss of faith is surely a void that leaves incredible emptiness.

For most of us, we were introduced to our faith through our parents' convictions and examples. We were likely schooled at home in what our family believed and practiced. God seemingly included us in the “table-of-faith” and gave us the atmosphere in which to mature. Others may have arrived at the dimension of faith in mature life, again through the influence of somebody close or impressionable. Such a mature introduction offers an even broader scope to what life is about and how to achieve eternal happiness. Regardless of the path to faith, it is likely that the Lord availed of another person to do the introductions.

How about you as a conduit to eternal life for someone? If you are a parent with young children, are you nurturing them in the beliefs and practices of the vibrant faith which God has given you? Do you lead by example in sharing with them the experience of the Catholic faith? Do you discuss with them all issues of life as related to their everlasting happiness in heaven? As an adult, are you conscious of sharing your most important gift from God, apart from life itself, with another? Each person has the potential to be a vibrant influence in the life of another by prayer, encouragement and example. May the seedlings of faith now deposited in good soil bear much fruit through your efforts.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Friday, May 4th**



Adoration begins after the 8:45am Mass and concludes at 5pm. The Men's Club breakfast is in the parish hall following the 8:45 mass. Confessions will be Thursday, May 3rd from 4-5pm.

Our Second Grade students will receive their

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
on May 6th at the 9am mass.
Please keep them in your prayers.



29TH ANNUAL RED MASS CELEBRATION



The 2018 Red Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski at St. Anthony Catholic Church on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 5:30pm. All are invited. Please visit red-mass.com for more information.

**St. John the Baptist Women's Guild
OFFICERS INSTALLATION MASS AND BREAKFAST**

The mass is Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 8:45am followed by breakfast at Coral Ridge Country Club. Reservations are required. For information, call Lyn Fazioli (954) 491-1789. Please send your \$20.00 check payable to St. John the Baptist Women's Guild.

Mail check to: Mrs. Lyn Fazioli
3205 NE 59 Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

May Calendar Items

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| First Friday Adoration | May 4th |
| 2 nd grade students - First Communion | May 6th |
| Women's Guild Installation and Mass | May 9th |
| Mother's Day and May Crowning | May 13th |
| Community Blood Drive, Food Drive and Religious Ed. Year End Celebration | May 20th |
| Memorial Day - Parish Office CLOSED | May 28th |