

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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MAY 21, 2017 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jesus said, "If you love me, you
will keep my commandments."
-John 14:15*



ALIVE IN ME

By JJ Weeks Band

I may be hard pressed on every side
But I won't be crushed, I'll be alright

I may be doubting the place I'm in

But I know the ending

I know who wins

I may be down, but I'm not out

You're not finished yet

The very same light that pierced the dark

The very same word that stilled the sea

The very same spirit that tore the veil

Is alive in me, You're alive in me

The truth may be that it looks too hard

But the greater truth is who You are

The One who heals, who redeems and saves

Who can turn it around, who can still make a way

The very same power that healed our hearts

The very same love that sets us free

The very same spirit that conquered death

It's already won, so whatever comes

I know where I place my hope and trust

I can overcome, 'cause of what's been done

'Cause of what You finished on the cross

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 "Alive In Me"

By JJ Weeks Band

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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, May 20

8:45am ✠ Leon S. Afek, III and Eugene Hudak
 5:00pm ✠ Joan & Brad Winningham and Lyle Anderson

Sunday, May 21

7:30am **Int.** Maura Hopkins Family and ✠ L. Paul Dubreuil
 9:00am ✠ Bud Tight and Edward Moran
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Dr. William Zenga
 12:00pm **Int.** Jared Walker and ✠ Hugh Hamill
 5:00pm ✠ Phil Smith and C. David Stringfield

Monday, May 22

7:00am **Int.** The Piercy-Ellsowrth Family and ✠ Denis McCafferty
 8:45am ✠ Rev. Gerald McGrath and **Int.** Matthew Crane

Tuesday, May 23

7:00am ✠ Patrick Mascola and Keithlyn Petrillo
 8:45am ✠ Stephen C. Finney, Jr. and Jean Stock

Wednesday, May 24

7:00am ✠ John Westgate and **Int.** Margaret Cissel
 8:45am ✠ Francis L. Afek and Judy Weber

Thursday, May 25

7:00am ✠ Peggy Blaikie and Alida Garoffalo
 8:45am ✠ Deacon Jack Thesing and **Int.** Margaret Dolan Albrecht

Friday, May 26

7:00am ✠ Pureza Hernandez
 8:45am ✠ Dorothy Marie Baldwin and **Int.** Laura Iossi

Saturday, May 27

8:45am ✠ Bohdan Moroz and **Int.** Sr. Kathleen Sullivan, CSJ
 5:00pm ✠ Arlene Erdman and Professor Herving Madrugo

Sunday, May 28

7:30am **Int.** Yvonne Hughs & Ken McNally and ✠ Roland & Barbara Faria
 9:00am ✠ Joseph P. Afek and Giuseppe Ferri
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Joseph Doyle
 12:00pm ✠ Mary Jane Lang and Dorothy Marie Baldwin
 5:00pm ✠ Michael Bienes and Mary Bentz

May 27 & 28	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Richard Spinogatti	Mary Ellen Spinogatti Cathy Kessler Dean McGrady
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Kelly	Gordon James	Virginia Guadagno Leah Finlon
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Bowles	Maureen McEnerney	Judy Tight Mary Cooney Thomas Cooney
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Callan	Joanne Jasin	Jane Czubay Bertha Martos Celia Reyes-Moroz
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Callan	Estella Moriarty	Anita Nasser Katherine Privateer
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Mary Schack	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 Wednesday at 9:30am. Boutique workshops are Wednesday 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.

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 .

COME TO THE SPIRIT Congratulations to our Eighth Grade students who were confirmed this week on Wednesday. May you continue your faith journey driven by the Holy Spirit!

Thank you to all our families and students who participated in our Religious Education program this year! Special thanks to our Catechists and other volunteers who make the program vibrant!

We offer our deepest gratitude to Louise Cole-Reeser and Catherine Myers for their dedication to the Lord's work through our program!

If God brings you to it;
 He will bring you through it.

“Let Us Pray to the Lord. Amen!”

Parents have the awesome responsibility of raising children entrusted to them by God. No written manual for effective parenting accompanies a new life. To be an effective parent is an art. Part of the artistic endeavor of effective parenting is knowing when to tell a child certain things they will need to know before reaching adulthood. Children need to hear certain things at different stages of their lives. Such instruction will equip them to function in the real world and to develop a sense of their own potential. To reach such a level of maturity takes a great deal of coaching from adults who have invested time, talent and financial resources into the gradual unfolding of a child's life.

In a sense, while on earth, Jesus was "parenting" his disciples to a level of maturity that would bring them skills and knowledge for effective leadership. There were many things the disciples needed to know but, since they were not ready, they could not be told at that moment. However, Jesus did tell them that the Spirit of Truth (the Holy Spirit) would come and be their guide. They should trust the credibility of the Holy Spirit since everything he would present to them would be from Jesus himself.

In the midst of our cultural conflicts, we need the "parenting" pattern of Jesus to reveal the correct way to secure eternal happiness. Since he is not present in person to guide us, we too rely on the Holy Spirit for direction. Conscious of our need for judicious choices, we absolutely need to pray for the "Spirit's" guidance. Decisions determine our future. Before any major decision, it is crucial that we ask Divine intervention. Even in lesser issues of life, these can be upgraded by placing them in the hands of the Lord.

As mature people, we have an awesome responsibility to make decisions that will help us not only now, but in eternity. We must act as mature adults and heed the advice of the Lord Almighty. We are more than immature children. We are called to responsible decision making. Learn from the process and natural growth but in a spiritual context guided by the Holy Spirit.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

2ND COLLECTION: MAY 27 & 28:

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

50% of all funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local communications projects. The other half helps to fund national and international programs that use the media to evangelize. By supporting the CCC, you help bring the gospel message to "everyone, without exception," as Pope Francis asks.



We would like to acknowledge those on the parish team who were involved in helping to make last Wednesday's Confirmation a beautiful faith-filled experience for our students!



Our Confirmation Teachers:
Stephanie Petrosky & Colette Wolf
Our Religious Education Leadership:
Louise Cole-Reeser & Catherine Myers
Monsignor Kelly, Father Bowles,
Wanda Drozdovitch & The 9am Singers

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR MINISTRIES AS THEY CONCLUDE THEIR SEASONS!

We are blessed at St. John's to have many devoted ministers and parishioners that make this a vital community of faith in Jesus Christ, our Savior! It is through this dedication to our Lord and each other that every person has the benefit to receive and share gifts for the overall good of the souls here. May you all be blessed by the Lord!



We now accept credit cards!

We are now able to accept credit card payments and donations! This new payment opportunity will also be incorporated into the religious education online registration when it begins. Soon you will have the ability to make donations through the website and set up recurring donations with credit cards.



THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 29TH IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY.