

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

4595 Bayview Drive Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

Phone: (954)771-8950 • Fax: (954)771-4178 • Website: www.stjohncc.org • Email: church@stjohncc.org

August 26, 2018 — Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 †

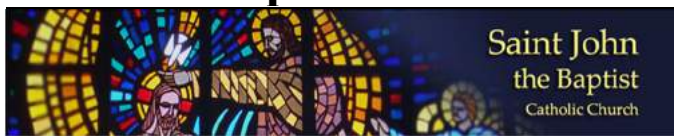
Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00, 10:30, Noon & 5:00pm

Daily Masses:

Monday-Saturday: 8:45am



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. John the Baptist Parish is to nurture a community of faith in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. By means of worship, study, service, and community, each individual is invited to participate in the life of the parish family. Every person has a benefit to receive and gifts to share for the overall good of souls in this location of the Kingdom of God.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 25

8:45am ✠ Leonardo & Italina Valderrama and
Int. Lillian & Jim D'Amelio
 5:00pm ✠ Lyle Anderson and Damian Townsley

Sunday, August 26

7:30am **Int.** Tobey Murphy Family and
 ✠ George Esser
 9:00am ✠ Barrett Riley and Edgar Monserratt
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
 ✠ Deacon Jack Thesing
 12:00pm ✠ Frank Hart and Peter Schramm
 5:00pm ✠ Charlotte Dissette and Beth Goodwin

Monday, August 27

8:45am **Int.** Linda Smigla (Birthday) and
 Mark Dissette & Family

Tuesday, August 28

8:45am **Int.** Julie Sutphin and Joan Kump

Wednesday, August 29

8:45am ✠ Michael Bienes and Chris Gill

Thursday, August 30

8:45am **Int.** Betsy Banister & Family and
 ✠ Thomas P. Clark

Friday, August 31

8:45am ✠ Richard Leo Flowers and **Int.** Bill Maus

Saturday, September 1

8:45am ✠ Edward Kelly and Joseph King
 5:00pm ✠ Betsy Russo and Carol Wightman

Sunday, September 2

7:30am **Int.** Br. Larry Stewart and
 ✠ George Esser
 9:00am ✠ William & Michelina Williams and
 Donna Yohanen
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
 ✠ Chris "Bubba" Walker
 12:00pm ✠ Pop & Ganny Montgomery and
 Mary Geiger
 5:00pm ✠ Rev. Gerald McGrath and Rose Doran

Sept. 1 & 2	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Bowles	Richard Spinogatti	Mary Ellen Spinogatti Daniel Toomey Susan Toomey
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Bowles	Kitty Rotella	Jodi Esser Paulette Kardos
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Naughton	Richard Zaden	Maria Friedman Felipe Echarte Patty Echarte
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Kelly	Pio Ieraci	Lisa Ieraci Adriana Newman Steve Newman
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Callan	Paul DeBianchi	Mary Dellaporta Pam Jabbour
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	David Erdman	Ed Grenet Christine Grenet

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.

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.

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.

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.

Each Friday, until September 28, answer the U.S. bishops' call to pray and fast that a change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. Join at www.usccb.org/pray!



“One Body in Christ”

What is the Church? Rather than identify physical structures, a church, it would be more appropriate to ask, “Who is Church?” In this question you can get to the core of what the Catholic Church is about. It is essentially about people, all of us.

Too often, even in our own minds, we are inclined to equate structures, locations, and temporalities as the true meaning of church when the emphasis should be more on persons, praying, studying and serving. True the history of the Catholic Church identifies the where, the when and the what. That is part of any grouping since they have to live, work and interact. But through it all, it is essential to see that “we are members of his body,” we are the church.

When Jesus established the early church on the Apostles he provided them and their associates with a belief, a practice and a challenge. The essential part of that early commissioning was to bring the message of salvation by Him to all peoples. This was essentially done by witness, preaching and serving. With the addition of great numbers an organizational structure was necessary and the ability to interact, live, worship and serve others became apparent. Thus emerged, even in a primitive fashion, the structure of the church which we perpetuate today.

Periodically, we need to recall the essentials of our faith. The church is the continuance of the mission of Christ on earth. It has gone through turbulent times in its history and is going through challenges today. The important consoling and affirming belief that is ours always is that the essentials of our faith are permanent. They were given by Jesus and regardless of the experience in any given age, they will continue until the end of time.

At “church” today, all of us are invited to renew our faith, fervor and service to Jesus. We seek to live in His love as we serve others. May His promise of eternal life be our strength at all times especially today.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

BIBLE STUDY: KINGDOM OF HAPPINESS

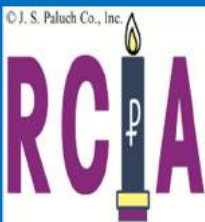
Classes are on Thursdays at 9:30am or 7pm from September 13th through November 8th. Place your \$25 payment to St. John the Baptist in an envelope marked bible study. Questions? Jo-Ann at joanntabry@gmail.com.



Curious about the Catholic Faith?

- ✚ Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic faith community?
- ✚ Are you a Catholic who desires to complete the initiation process by receiving the Eucharist and Confirmation?

If you answered “YES” to one of these questions, we warmly invite you to entering the RCIA process. **RCIA meets weekly on Wednesdays starting in September** in the Parish Hall from 7:15-8:30pm. Please email church@stjohncc.org.



Join us for Cuban-Spanish Cuisine!

Date: Friday, August 31st at 6pm
Location: Catalina Restaurant, 1811 N Federal Highway (opposite Jared Jeweler’s)
RSVP/transportation: Rudy Frei (954) 943-1023

Religious Education

We welcome you back today to the new academic year for Religious Education. Classes begin today with our 9am family mass. If you have not previously registered, please visit our online registration system for our K- 8th Grade program: <https://parishtrack.aquinas-sta.org/ccd> The registration fee is \$100.



There will be no class next Sunday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day.

MEN’S RETREAT

Looking to get away and focus on your relationship with God?



Sign up now for a Parish Men’s Retreat at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center in North Palm Beach the weekend of September 21-23. Call Stephen Johnson at (828) 289-4445 or email him at johnson592@yahoo.com.