

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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November 5, 2017 - Thirty-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-Friday: 7:00, 8:45am

Saturday: 8:45am

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 4

8:45am ✠ Josephine Brucculeri and Arlette Boullé
 5:00pm **Int.**/✠ Counihan & Purcell Families and
 ✠ Betsy Russo

Sunday, November 5

7:30am ✠ Marie, Carolyn & Frank Policastro and
 Joe Ferguson
 9:00am ✠ Marylin Marshall and Justine Smith
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 and ✠ Anna D'Eramo
 12:00pm ✠ Martin Patrick Sallarulo and
 Marjorie Ann Platz
 5:00pm ✠ Jody & Stephen Langenkamp and
 William L. Lenzner

Monday, November 6

7:00am ✠ Dr. Silvia Flores
 8:45am ✠ Leon S. Afek, Sr. and Carlos A. Moncada

Tuesday, November 7

7:00am **Int.** Martha McManus (Birthday)
 8:45am ✠ Leonard Tomczak

Wednesday, November 8

7:00am **Int.** Katie Ferrara (Birthday)
 8:45am ✠ Donna Yohanam

Thursday, November 9

7:00am **Int.** Anne Marie Lennox and
 Sr. Mary Ellen Brett (Birthday)
 8:45am ✠ John J. Hurley, Sr. K.M.

Friday, November 10

7:00am ✠ Rev. Gerald McGrath
 8:45am ✠ Philip Caruso

Saturday, November 11

8:45am ✠ Mariano Salas and Roger Crosby
 5:00pm ✠ Dr. Robert Dublis and Joseph Doyle

Sunday, November 12

7:30am ✠ Dolores Gustafson and
Int. Dolores San Miguel
 9:00am ✠ Phil Smith and Kenneth Courtney
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 and ✠ Chris "Bubba" Walker
 12:00pm ✠ Nicholas Menza and Sr. Kathleen Sullivan
 5:00pm ✠ Rose Doran and **Int.** Kennedy Smith (Birthday)

Nov. 11 & 12	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Bowles	Mary Joe Clark	Jane Conti Cathy Kessler Dean McGrady
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Bowles	Kitty Rotella	Gordon James Loni James
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Kelly	Jack Seiler	Janalyn Reeder Elena Catana Jane Burgess
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Callan	Joanne Jasin	Karen Niles Bertha Martos
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Kelly	Herbert Moriarty	Pete Manfredi Danielle Manfredi
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Callan	Mary Schack	Christine Grenet Ed Grenet

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.

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 .

A PRAYER FOR VETERANS DAY

Father, we could never thank our military men and women enough for their courageous service and sacrifice to our country and its people. Yet today we lift up our voices to express gratefulness and honor to these military troops both from the past and present. Show us ways in our communities, churches, and families to thank and love them better. Keep and protect these heroes and their families, in the powerful name of Jesus.



Our Religious Gifts Counter is now open before and after masses on Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings!

“The Absolute Hero”

As children grow up, they pick and choose certain people to be their "heroes" - their role models. Until they go off to school for the first time, more than likely their heroes are good old Mom and Dad. As they begin their schooling, usually certain teachers are picked as being their heroes. Then, if they get involved in sports, more than likely, the coach may become an instant hero.

This type of maturing process is both ordinary and necessary. As individuals, we need to have role models, the heroes of our lives, in order to grow up striving to attain certain attributes that we find appealing. Though the athlete is not the coach, nor the student the teacher, nor the child the parent, it is the hope of the maturing person to be at least on par with their hero. And good coaches, parents, teachers all hope that those under their care will succeed beyond their dreams.

In the gospels, Jesus gives us this same basic knowledge. Yet, we also hear a word of warning that he gives. Just as we tell our children to pick their friends wisely and not to hang out with the wrong crowd, Jesus tells us adults the same thing. If we allow ourselves to follow the values of the world, or allow our preoccupation with status and structure to take possession of our lives, we have truly exemplified that our "hero" is someone other than God. But if we allow ourselves to follow the Lord's teachings, to be the good students and disciples, we will continue to show that God is the source and center of our lives.

We tend to worship the heroes in our lives by imitating the things that they say and do. Isn't it about time that we refocus and allow God to be the true hero of our lives, to worship him wholeheartedly by imitating Jesus with childlike faith and trust?

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly



BLOOD DRIVE— NOVEMBER 19TH

It's simple: donating blood saves lives. Every two seconds of every day, someone needs blood. Our blood donations at St. John's are nearly half of what they were last year. Our goal is to have 13 people donate each blood drive. Please help us reach this goal during these trying times.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST **WOMEN'S GUILD** **MONTHLY MEETING**

When: Wednesday, Nov. 8th, at 9:30am
Where: St. John the Baptist Parish Hall
Guest speaker:
Kathy Barry from H.O.M.E.S. Youth Program



Youth Altar Serving Program

Being an altar server is a special honor and privilege in the Catholic Church. By working alongside older children and adults, children can learn parts of the Mass and begin to understand the meaning behind each step of the liturgy.

We invite all interested children who have received their First Holy Communion to attend one of our Altar Server Classes.

Tuesday, November 7th, 4:30pm - 5:30pm
Wednesday, November 15th, 4:30pm -5:30pm
Contact Catherine at the rectory (954) 771-8950 to sign your child up for the class.



Women's Guild Annual Holiday Bazaar November 18 & 19



The Bazaar will be open on **Saturday from 4-7pm** (wine and cheese will be available for purchase) and **Sunday from 8am- 2pm** (donuts and coffee will be available for purchase). The ladies are hard at work to make this event spectacular! Please plan on jumpstarting your Christmas shopping and purchasing your Thanksgiving desserts! If you would like to donate baked goods, please call Bertha Martos at (954) 267-9854.

In this month of November, we remember all those we love who have died. Please use the All Souls envelopes located on the tables by the exits to honor your friends and family members who have passed. The names will be kept on the altar for the month of November.

