

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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November 26, 2017 - Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Christ King of All



On this, the final Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only king over all seasons, all peoples, and all of creation.

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 25

8:45am ✠ All souls in Purgatory
 5:00pm ✠ Lyle Anderson and Betsy Russo

Sunday, November 26

7:30am **Int.** Sherry Meehan and ✠ Timothy Blaikie
 9:00am ✠ William & Michelina Williams and Lena Menno
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Dominic & Laura Bracchi
 12:00pm ✠ Esther Smith and Peter Casoria
 5:00pm ✠ Matt Yerger and Santo Buccheri

Monday, November 27

7:00am ✠ Rev. Gerald McGrath and **Int.** Chris Jackson
 8:45am ✠ Ben Povilonis and Gloria

Tuesday, November 28

7:00am **Int.** Linda Schultz
 8:45am ✠ Marie, Carolyn, & Frank Policastro and Mildred Robertson

Wednesday, November 29

7:00am **Int.** John De Conga (Birthday)
 8:45am ✠ Joseph Beck and Joe Herbert

Thursday, November 30

7:00am **Int.** Marybeth Campbell (Birthday)
 8:45am ✠ Deacon Jack Thesing, DO and **Int.** Andrew Selz

Friday, December 1

7:00am **Int.** Nora Purcell
 8:45am ✠ Butler/Haran Family

Saturday, December 2

8:45am ✠ All souls in Purgatory
 5:00pm **Int./✠** Counihan/Purcell Families and ✠ Betsy Russo

Sunday, December 3

7:30am ✠ Marie, Carolyn, & Frank Policastro and Joe Ferguson
 9:00am ✠ Vito & Constance Tursi and Vera & John Kreidich
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Dr. Peter J. Romano II
 12:00pm ✠ Esther Smith and F. Jay Huber, Jr.
 5:00pm ✠ Jody & Stephen Langsenkamp and Matt Yerger

Dec. 2 & 3	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Msgr. Sheahan	Jo-Ann Tabry	Patty Bell Alicia Holloway Dean McGrady
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Callan	John Andrews	Debra Andrews Paulette Kardos
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Kelly	Maureen McEnerney	Judy Tight Mary Cooney Thomas Cooney
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Callan	Valerie Rode	Lyn Fazioli Bob Read Vicci Read
Sun. 12 Noon	Msgr. Sheahan	Estella Moriarty	Anita Nasser Katherine Privateer
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Bowles	David Erdman	Ed Grenet Christine 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.



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.

**Religious Education
 December Dates to Remember**

- Dec. 3- Class: First Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 10- Class: 2nd grade Mass hosting
- Dec. 17- Class: Christmas Pageant 9am
- Dec. 24- No Class: Mini Pageant 5pm
- Dec. 31- No Class: New Year's Eve



“Good Works Work”

There is a wonderful old story of the archangel who is running down the main street of heaven carrying a burning torch in one hand and a pail of water in the other. Jesus sees the archangel and asks, “What are you going to do?” “With the torch I am going to burn down the mansions of heaven, and with water I am going to put out the fires of hell. Then when there are no mansions in heaven and no fires in hell we will find out who really loves you.”

Do our good works come from unconditional love of others or are we trying to buy our way into heaven? Are we seeking reward or avoiding the fires of hell? If our reasons come from pure love for Jesus and others, we will not need to be concerned about mansions or fires. If there were no mansions in heaven and no fires in hell would that change what any of us are doing with our lives? This is a great question which each of us alone must answer.

What is the incentive to be good? Is goodness its own reward or are there ulterior motives in our investing our time and energies in helping others. While no one is perfect and a little bit of self-serving may be included, our essential motive ought to be that we serve God because we love him. If benefits come from that approach – well and good!

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly



Thank you to the all who contributed to the successful **Women’s Guild Holiday Bazaar!** The time and energy you commit to our parish community is greatly appreciated!

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST**

Adoration begins after the 8:45am Mass and concludes at 5pm. Men’s Club breakfast follows the 8:45 mass in the parish hall. Confessions are Thursday, November 30th from 4-5pm.

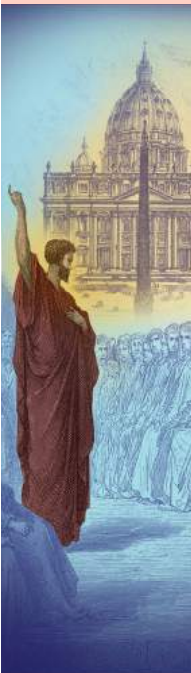


Men’s Club Meeting

The next meeting will be held November 28th at 7pm in Parish Hall. All men of St John's welcome. Their guest speaker will be Fr. John Callan from the order of The Piarist Fathers. Fr. Callan will show a video of their history and fine work over the years in celebration of their 400th anniversary.



The Annual Toy Drive sponsored by the Men’s Club will take place on the weekend of December 9th and 10th between 8am and 6pm. Please consider bringing a new toy to the Parish Hall to assist in this worthwhile community effort.



Join us for our next **Bible Study session,**
The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians!
We are the Body of Christ, but how often do we consider exactly what that means? What sets us apart from the rest of the world as members of Christ’s own body?

- Starting mid-January for 10 weeks
- Books are \$22, due December 1st
- Please make checks payable to St. John the Baptist, notating “Bible Study Morning” or “Bible Study Evening” in the memo.

Entrance Exam for Eighth Graders for Catholic High Schools

Cardinal Gibbons High School and St. Thomas Aquinas High School will be administering the 2018-19 Entrance Exam (High School Placement Test) on Saturday, December 2, 2017.



Cardinal Gibbons High School information: 7:45am, applications online at <https://cgshsfl.org/admissions>

St. Thomas Aquinas High School information: 7:45am, register online at <https://stars.aquinas-sta.org/hsp/>

