

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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February 9, 2020 — Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



YOU ARE THE *salt* OF THE EARTH.
YOU ARE THE *light* OF THE WORLD.

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



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 8

8:45am ✝ Adela Nelly Portela and Marg & Bill Theis

5:00pm ✝ John Winningham Family and Dr. Robert Dublis

Sunday, February 9

7:30am ✝ Roland & Barbara Faria and Catherine Thompson

9:00am ✝ William & Michelina Williams and Peggy Cooney

10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✝ Margaret Melbourne

12:00pm ✝ Diane Jordan and Mary Hart

5:00pm ✝ Robert Ayoub and Emilia Hidalgo

Monday, February 10

8:45am ✝ Mary Finizio, Betsy Russo and **Int.** Christine Grenet

Tuesday, February 11

8:45am ✝ Jim Parrott, Arturo Manas and Michael Shepherd

Wednesday, February 12

8:45am ✝ Carmen Lobon, Ernest Molinari and Patricia Coffey

Thursday, February 13

8:45am **Int./✝** Counihan/Purcell Families and ✝ Rudy Frei

Friday, February 14

8:45am ✝ Peggy Blaikie and Dr. Rudolph J. Frei **Int.** Eileen Borman

Saturday, February 15

8:45am ✝ Jack Licata and **Int.** Jeremiah Ready

5:00pm ✝/**Int.** Counihan/Purcell Families and ✝ Karen Wiktar

Sunday, February 16

7:30am ✝ Fidelina Siberio Rodriguez and John Eich

9:00am ✝ Pat Norton and Pat Bidwell

10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✝ Isabel Pessoa Pereira

12:00pm ✝ Dr. & Mrs. Jose Sierra, Sr. and Giannina Covi Gasperini

5:00pm ✝ Mary Schote and Marco Frasca

Feb. 15 & 16	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Jo-Ann Tabry	Norah Purcell Claire Brown Mary Joe Cark
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Bowles	Greg Coican	Frank Finlon Leah Finlon
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Callan	Jack Seiler	Janalyn Reeder Garnett Byrd Beverly Green
Sun. 10:30am	Msgr. Dixon	Albert/Valerie Rode	Sue Hooley Lyn Fazioli Tom McCracken
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Kelly	Bob Bulfin	Gail Bulfin Jody Williams
Sun. 5:00pm	Msgr. Sheahan	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 for personal instruction will be 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 March. Please contact Jo-Ann Tabry at joanntabry@gmail.com.

Divine Will Group meets Wednesday evenings from 6-8pm 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.

“Let Your Light Shine!”

Imagine, if you can, the entire world plunged into darkness. Picture a moonless night when all the power plants on earth have become useless. We can identify neither up nor down, nor right nor left. There is only darkness and fear. How we would long for the light of a new day! How joyful we would be as the first rays of morning light broke through the darkness! Our ancestors understood the power of darkness and the saving grace of the morning light. Their lives were completely conformed to the rhythms of day and night - light and darkness.

It is difficult for us to imagine this, because we are so used to touching a switch and dispelling the darkness of night almost magically. But the Old Testament prophets knew that the symbol of light could help them to explain the presence of God's saving power in the world, and that the image of darkness would represent the chaos of evil and the spiritual blindness that people could associate with night.

When the prophet, Isaiah, promised the people of Jerusalem that the glory of the Lord would shine upon them and that nations would walk in his light, he was promising them deliverance from their enemies. He did not know how that light would appear, only that God had promised to deliver them, and Isaiah trusted God to keep his word. It was only with the resurrection of Jesus that the disciples began to realize that the glory of God was Jesus, and that Jesus was the deliverance that had been promised.

Jesus now calls us to be the light of the world! We are called to bring the radiance of Christ to a world that is suffering a great spiritual darkness. However, most of us are so busy with what we call living that we give little attention to our sharing the most important gift on earth - entry to eternal life. There are many people today who, like the Magi, are searching for God - who are looking for a star to follow. It is our privilege to have seen that star. Now we are called to be the light leading others to the glory of God's kingdom.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly



Congratulations!
Our 8th grade parishioners have been notified of their Catholic high school acceptances!

St. John the Baptist Food Drive next Sunday, February 16th

The St. Vincent De Paul Society food bank operates out of Blessed Sacrament Church every Friday afternoon.



They couldn't do it without you! There is no doubt that it means a great deal to these members of God's family. Please be generous!



Reminder:

No Religious Education class next Sunday, February, 16th!
Enjoy your long weekend!

Archdiocesan Council of CATHOLIC WOMEN

Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women invites you to the 21st Annual Scholarship Fund Luncheon and Auction Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 11:30 AM

EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL, 1100 SE 17TH Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

Scholarships are for 8th Grade Girls who want to attend a Catholic High School.

Donation: \$50.00 / person by February 14th, 2020, \$55 after February 14th. For Reservation Information: Contact Suzanne Auer at Keyskitten@aol.com

Importance of Daily Prayer

Praying can be one of the most important daily activities people perform and its importance can not be understated. Praying is a source of understanding, maturation, and comfort. Many times people find that the hectic schedules



they follow leave them little time for reflection. Prayer helps us build a relationship with God and he can guide us through the daily situations here on earth. Talking with God brings comfort in peoples life.