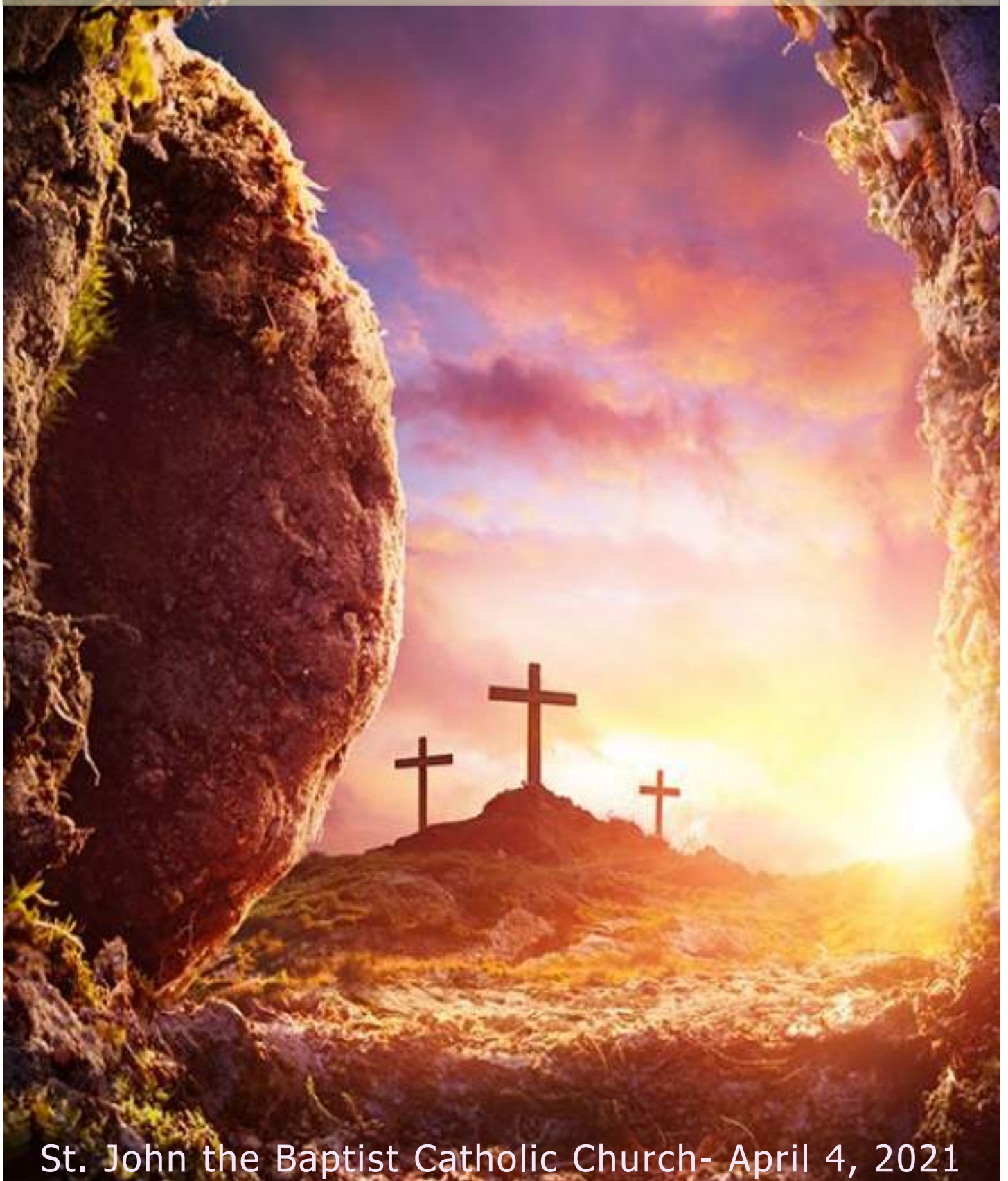


EASTER SUNDAY



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church- April 4, 2021

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Fort Lauderdale, Florida



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 3 (Holy Saturday)

Vigil Mass † Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Sunday, April 4

7:30am **Int./†** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

9:00am † Bill Clark and Ramón Cernuda

10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
Int./† The Macdonald Family

12:00pm **Int.** Catherine Magistro and
† Sheilah McLaughlin

5:00pm † Steve & Jody Langsenkamp and
Reyes-Moroz Family

Monday, April 5

8:45am **Int.** Francis Devine, † Michael Bienes,
Kathy Butler Manthey and Valerie Rode

Tuesday, April 6

8:45am **Int.** Nora Purcell, † Kevin Senecal,
Gloria & Fernando Guerrero and
Valerie Rode

Wednesday, April 7

8:45am **Int.** Eileen Lenzner, † Dorothy Baldwin,
Pio Ieraci and Paul F. Dwyer

Thursday, April 8

8:45am † Souls in Purgatory, James Pancallo, Sr.,
Gloria & Antonio Pereira and Valerie Rode

Friday, April 9

8:45am † Butler/Horan Family, Stephen Javor and
Int. Robert Miethe (Birthday)

Saturday, April 10

8:45am **Int.** Blessed Mother, Ted Manchester and
† Robert Miethe, Sr.

5:00pm † Betsy Russo, Angelina Ulliana and
Rita Gretina

Sunday, April 11

9:00am † Dorothy & John Cooney, Sr. and
Pat & George Millington

10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and
† Alice Pisco

12:00pm **Int.** Michael Peterson and
† Victoria de Serrano

5:00pm † Mafalda & Renato LaMarca and
Rev. Ronald Bagienski

April 10 & 11	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Weismann	Jim Corrigan	Jane Conti Mary Joe Clark Michele Menno Rosina LoTempio
Sun. 9:00am	Msgr. Sheahan	Jack Seiler	Renata Cammarata Garnett Byrd Becky Poljak Steve Cooney
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Kelly	Tom McCracken	Bertha Martos Kari Macdonald Cesar Coral Veronica Coral
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Naughton	Tom Gavigan	Carol Ricks Jody Williams Pete Manfredi
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Callan	Hellen Allen	Catherine Miethe Louise Cole-Reeser Dave Cooney

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The Women's Guild will host a speaker after mass on Wednesday, April 14th at 9:15a.m. Angela Curatelo will speak about the Respect Life Ministry. All members of the parish are welcome to attend.

St. John the Baptist Women's Guild
Officers Installation Mass and Breakfast
Wednesday, May 12th at 8:45am

The Annual Installation Mass will be at 8:45am followed by breakfast at the Coral Ridge Country Club.
Reservations are required. Please see the flyers near the exits for more details.

“The Great News!”

There is Good News out there and do we need it! The good news, in fact the GREAT news, is that Jesus has arisen from the dead. After being brutally punished, crucified, killed and buried the Son of God arose “glorious and immortal” on Easter Sunday morning. To assure verification of this fact, Jesus appeared over the next days to various people in different circumstances until slowly awareness of the resurrection from the dead by the one who foretold that He would rise after three days became the conversation of the land. From disbelief to belief, the people, believers and unbelievers, put all the pieces together and now that they saw Him alive again. Their moderate faith became rock solid because the basis of that faith had been that their Messiah had power over death, especially his own.

In spite of seemingly irrefutable evidence of Jesus’ resurrection, His enemies aggressively put a different spin on the event saying that His body had been stolen. They could not accept the fact that they were part (albeit the negative part) of the most sensational event in human history, that Christ would die for the redemption of all mankind and in acknowledgement of His role would come back to life. Imagine the exuberance, zeal and affirmation of the members of the early Church. What seemingly was a disastrous ending to an ideal of hope now comes alive again with intensity beyond comprehension. The divine contribution to the fledgling Church had been verified: now the human element must take that ideal and journey through the centuries.

Today the Church continues as the presence of Christ on earth. After He had clarified the ideals He wished His followers to adopt, He gave them tangible practices which are now the sacraments. Centered on the Mass, which is the re-enactment of the Calvary experience, these sacraments are the external expressions of our inner faith. They combine the human need with the spiritual association. They are the frequent guideposts, which bring us closer to the Lord and Savior, Jesus. We are uniquely a sacramental people who wander together through the years under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

The great news today for each of us is that the Risen Christ wishes to be an affirming part of our life’s journey. Through difficult challenges He will lead us as long as we keep that flame of faith alive in our hearts. No matter what obstacle may be presented to us, and many will, as long as we focus in faith on the promise that just as Jesus arose from the dead to eternal glory, we too will unite with Him in everlasting happiness. What optimism, confidence, determination and peace we can have in view of today’s feast of ultimate Resurrection. Make Easter a cause of renewed hope in our lives.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.



Today we thank you for your continued support of our parish and invite your special giving as an Easter gift to the Lord. As Scripture says: “What return can we give to the Lord for all he has given us.” Thank you for your thoughtfulness. There is only one collection for Easter.

Happy Easter to all! We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song! St. John’s parish community welcomes all who have come to worship together. It is heartening that, irrespective of culture, language, educational or economic level, we pray together and celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY is a time in which we prayerfully reflect on the unlimited mercy of God being offered to each one of us. On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11th, at 3pm a special Holy Hour to commemorate the Divine Mercy devotion will be held. All are invited to participate.



Easter Flowers

Thank you to all who provided the beautiful floral decoration today in honor of the Feast of the Resurrection. Your remembrances will be kept on the altar during the Easter season.



Our compliments on the parish participation during the services of Holy Week. What a beautiful way to show praise to our Lord, our Savior!