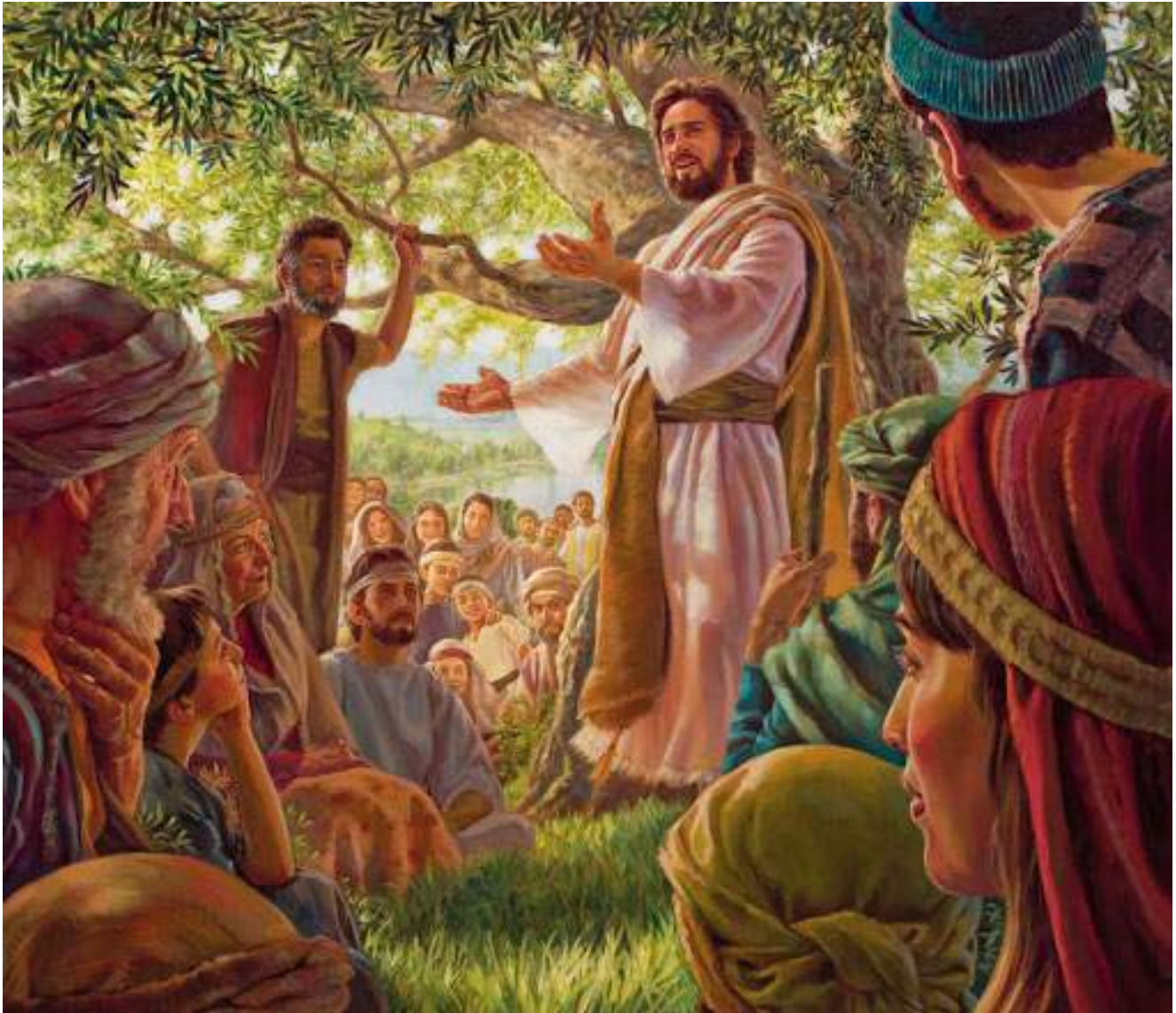


# Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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## July 18, 2021 — Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Parish Clergy

Rev. Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly, Pastor  
Reverend Patrick Naughton

**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: 9:00, 10:30, Noon & 5:00pm

#### **Daily Masses:**

Monday-Saturday: 8:45am

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday, July 17**

8:45am ✠ Millie J. Valderrama, Marie J. Dworsky, Donald Jackson

5:00pm **Int.** Betsy Banister (Anniversary) and ✠ Ed & Agnes Bimonte

**Sunday, July 18**

9:00am ✠ Maria & Jose Pereira and Rose Goodman

10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Millie J. Valderrama

12:00pm ✠ Jean Marie Ridders and **Int.** Charles & Theresa Peterson

5:00pm ✠ William L. (Billy) Cannon and Jeff DePadro

**Monday, July 19**

8:45am ✠ Millie J. Valderrama, Paddy O'Toole, Diana & Madelyn Magistro and

**Int./✠** Counihan/Purcell Families

**Tuesday, July 20**

8:45am ✠ Gennaro Di Sanzo, Sgt. Max Bunyan, Millie J. Valderrama and Vicky Holtz

**Wednesday, July 21**

8:45am ✠ Millie J. Valderrama, Odette Assile, Anne DePadro Bloom and Jenine De Laguarigue

**Thursday, July 22**

8:45am ✠ Souls in Purgatory, Ziska Family, Elizabeth Callan and Millie J. Valderrama

**Friday, July 23**

8:45am ✠ Millie J. Valderrama, Bill Banister and Pedro Cerna Gill and Attilio Silvestri

**Saturday, July 24**

8:45am ✠ Demetrio & Sergio Castillo, Bohdan Moroz, Patricia Goid and Catherine Yardley

5:00pm ✠ Rita Gretina and Elizabeth Marsh

**Sunday, July 25**

9:00am ✠ James Marion McReynolds, Jr. and John Koons

10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Marie J. Dworsky

12:00pm ✠ Evelia Valdes, Maria Mercedes Quesada, and Maria Mercedes Balverde

5:00pm **Int.** Ken & Mary Pat (Bailey) Burke and ✠ Wanda Dzienkowski



July 24 & 25	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Jo-Ann Tabry	Mary Joe Clark Rosina LoTempio Michele Menno Gigi Wiborg
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Naughton	Jack Seiler	Garnett Byrd Daria Pekic Steve Cooney Becky Poljak
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Morris	Tom McCracken	Bertha Martos Kris Ahern Adriana Newman Maureen Buffington
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Lleo	Dean McGrady	Carol Ricks Pete Manfredi Jody Williams
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Naughton	Christopher Reeser	Denis Merz Frank Finlon Leah Finlon

# 4 WAYS TO GIVE

**IN PERSON**  
Drop your gift into the offering basket during mass

**BY MAIL**  
Mail your gift to: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
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**ONLINE**  
Go online to:  
[www.stjohncc.org](http://www.stjohncc.org)  
Click "Giving" and follow the instructions to give online

**BY TEXT**  
Text "Give" to (954) 466-8950 to get started

**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.

### “Fulfilling Liturgy”

What makes a ‘beautiful’ liturgy in Church? What ingredients contribute to your prayer experience being one of fulfillment and joy? What is the purpose of liturgy anyway? Maybe I should answer these questions in reverse. Liturgy is the community worship of God- reflecting substantially the official prayers, scripture readings, hymns and the homily. Liturgy is the community at worship so the involvement of participants is important. All present should feel an integral part in participating and not assume they are attending a concert or presentation. Everyone, as much as possible, should make an effort to follow the theme, the readings and the songs.

Do all of these items make a good, meaningful and fulfilling liturgy? Depending on how they all weld together and elicit a response of joy, hope and prayerfulness does a liturgy have impact. The atmosphere of warmth which the leaders create is so important. These leaders include the Celebrant, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Boys, Ushers, Greeters; Musicians and the Neighbors. All are involved in instilling a warm and friendly environment.

The major theme-setter however appears to be the homily. Maybe it should not be so, but the words of the Celebrant apparently condition the participants: Ever give a homily? Try it at home sometime. Maybe it will be better than is offered from the pulpit on Sunday. Homilies have changed since Vatican II being more contemporary in tone. Believe it or not the clergy do attempt to offer a stimulating message based on the Sunday readings, but it is not always easy to arrive at the right combination of thoughts and words. Others may undoubtedly do a better job, but for right now, this is the best.

A receptive atmosphere is crucial if a homily is to have its impact. If you are not prepared to hear and absorb, the greatest preacher in the world could not reach you. *You must be open, relaxed, undistracted and desirous of hearing the word of God. If you are so disposed, the message will get through to you.*

In your next liturgy, try to condition yourself to the presence of God, participate as best you can, absorb the words spoken and resolve to improve as a person. By doing this regularly, your spiritual level will undoubtedly improve.

Blessings,  
Father Vincent T. Kelly

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Register now for 2021-2022!

Online registration available at

<https://parishtrack.aquinas-sta.org/ccd>

Classes begin with the 9am Family Mass, followed by an hour of classroom instruction. We are planning for our first class to be August 29th.

Early Registration fee of \$60 must be paid by August 27th at noon. A late registration fee will apply after this date.

### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



### 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. Please email [church@stjohncc.org](mailto:church@stjohncc.org) or leave your name and contact information with Rectory staff.



*Looking at the past invites consideration of the future.*

Many past and present members of St. John’s provided the beautiful resources we now enjoy. It is becoming that we now assure their continuance into the future. Please provide in your estate plan for a remembrance for St. John’s. Join our Legacy Society. Call the rectory for more information at 954-771-8950.