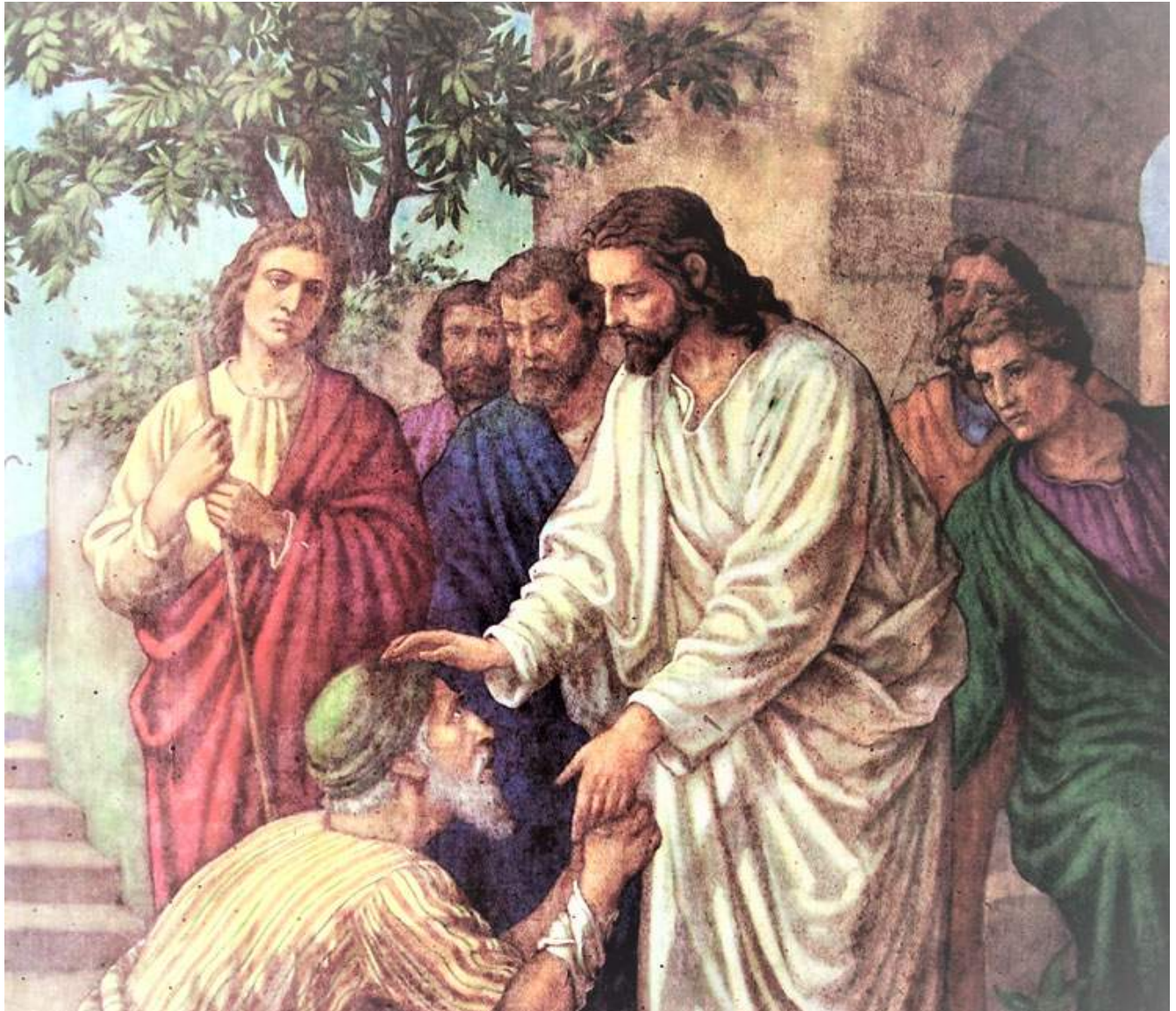


# Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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## September 5, 2021 — Twenty-third 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, September 4**

8:45am **Int.** Blessed Mother and Antoinette Caron  
5:00pm † Betsy Russo and Frank & Mary Hart

**Sunday, September 5**

9:00am † Joseph Allen and John Koons  
10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and Michael Peterson  
12:00pm † Domenico & Carmela Viola and John Menza  
5:00pm † Steve & Jody Langsenkamp and Rev. William Bowles

**Monday, September 6**

8:45am **Int.** Joseph Zaden, † Paul T. Wood and Yolanda Baldi DeBianchi

**Tuesday, September 7**

8:45am † Bill Banister and James Collins

**Wednesday, September 8**

8:45am † Barbara DeReuil, Matilda Blaikie and **Int.** Victoria & Robert Banister (anniversary)

**Thursday, September 9**

8:45am **Int.** Bob & Jane Conti, Ryan Taylor and † Dolores Hudak

**Friday, September 10**

8:45am † Souls in Purgatory and Dolores Hudak

**Saturday, September 11**

8:45am † Sara Martinez and **Int.** Celia Hernandez  
5:00pm † Ed & Agnes Bimonte  
**Int./†** Counihan/Purcell Families

**Sunday, September 12**

9:00am † Monique Hotte and **Int.** Catherine & Ryan Taylor (anniversary)  
10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and † Peggy Bennett  
12:00pm † Geraldine Mullin and Alejandra Castano  
5:00pm † Mafalda & Renato LaMarca and Jeff DePadro

Sept. 11 & 12	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Naughton	Bob Conti	Daniel Toomey Susan Toomey Gigi Wiborg Raphaella Albites
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Kelly	Jack Seiler	Jane Czubay Felipe Echarte Patty Echarte Lucille Gavin
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Naughton	Carol Frei	Adriana Newman Steve Newman Tom McCracken Kari Macdonald
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Morris	Bob Bulfin	Anita Nasser Carol Ricks Jody Williams
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Leo	Denis Merz	Leah Finlon Frank Finlon Dave Cooney

**Respectful Distribution of the Holy Eucharist:**

To achieve a respectful and orderly reception of Holy Communion at Mass, please remain standing in your pew with your mask on and extend your hands to receive the host. After the Eucharistic Minister passes you, lower your mask to consume the host. Thank you for your consideration.

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**“Lean on Each Other”**

Connections between people take place every day. In the field of medicine, insurance companies call it a "medical referral." In the area of love, we call it "matchmaking." In the business world we call it "networking." No matter how you title it, the task of bringing people who need each other together is vital. Day in and day out, we find doctors, spouses, and contractors all through the help of others. Just think about how many times you have helped make these connections happen for people you know.

Time after time, people found their way to Jesus because of other people. In the Gospels, we hear many stories of people who bring the ill and the oppressed to Jesus and he cures them, such as the man in today’s gospel who is deaf and mute. These connections are repeated in so many of the gospel stories. People who believe in the power of Jesus bring others to Him.

Being Christian means more than simply saving our own souls. It is about reaching out and sharing the Good News with others. We are all so very good at referring a doctor to a sick friend, a good cook to cater a meal, or a good repairperson to fix what is broken (sometimes even when we are not asked). Our belief in the power of Jesus in our lives must compel us to bring others to Christ too. Rather than just being recipients of God's grace, we must be the means by which others come to know God's love.

The challenge of the faithful is to remain strong in their relationship with Christ. Many need hope, courage and assistance to find that strength of spirit. We need to stay connected to each other in our faith of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Someone right now needs the Good News. Someone needs the healing power of Christ. Are we willing to bring them the Good News of salvation? Are we willing to bring them to Christ?

Blessings,  
Father Vincent T. Kelly

***Celebrating Labor Day!***



*The Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, September 6th for Labor Day. We wish you a safe and happy holiday weekend!*

**SPIRITUAL RETREAT**



**Our Lady of Florida  
Spiritual Center**  
THE PASSIONISTS  
WITH YOU.

***Looking to get away  
and focus on your  
relationship with God?***

Sign-up for in-person retreats at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center in North Palm Beach. Men from our parish will meet the weekend of **September 17-19**. Women of our parish may select any of the retreat dates. To sign-up online, visit: <https://www.ourladyofflorida.org/retreats/> or contact Stephen Johnson at (828) 289-4445 or [johnson592@yahoo.com](mailto:johnson592@yahoo.com).

**CURIOUS ABOUT THE  
CATHOLIC FAITH?**



- Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about 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 us at [church@stjohncc.org](mailto:church@stjohncc.org) with you contact information or call the Rectory Office at (954) 771-8950.

**Community Blood Drive**

Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 8:30am- 1:30pm  
in the South Parking Lot. All blood types  
are needed. Walk-ins are welcomed.

Appointments are encouraged.

Please visit [www.oneblood.org/donate-now](http://www.oneblood.org/donate-now)  
and use sponsor code #3201.



**Haiti Relief Efforts**

*Thank you for your support of the relief efforts for Haiti! With your generosity, we were able to raise \$11,823 to help so many of the people in Haiti who are in desperate circumstances following the earthquake and hurricane.*

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