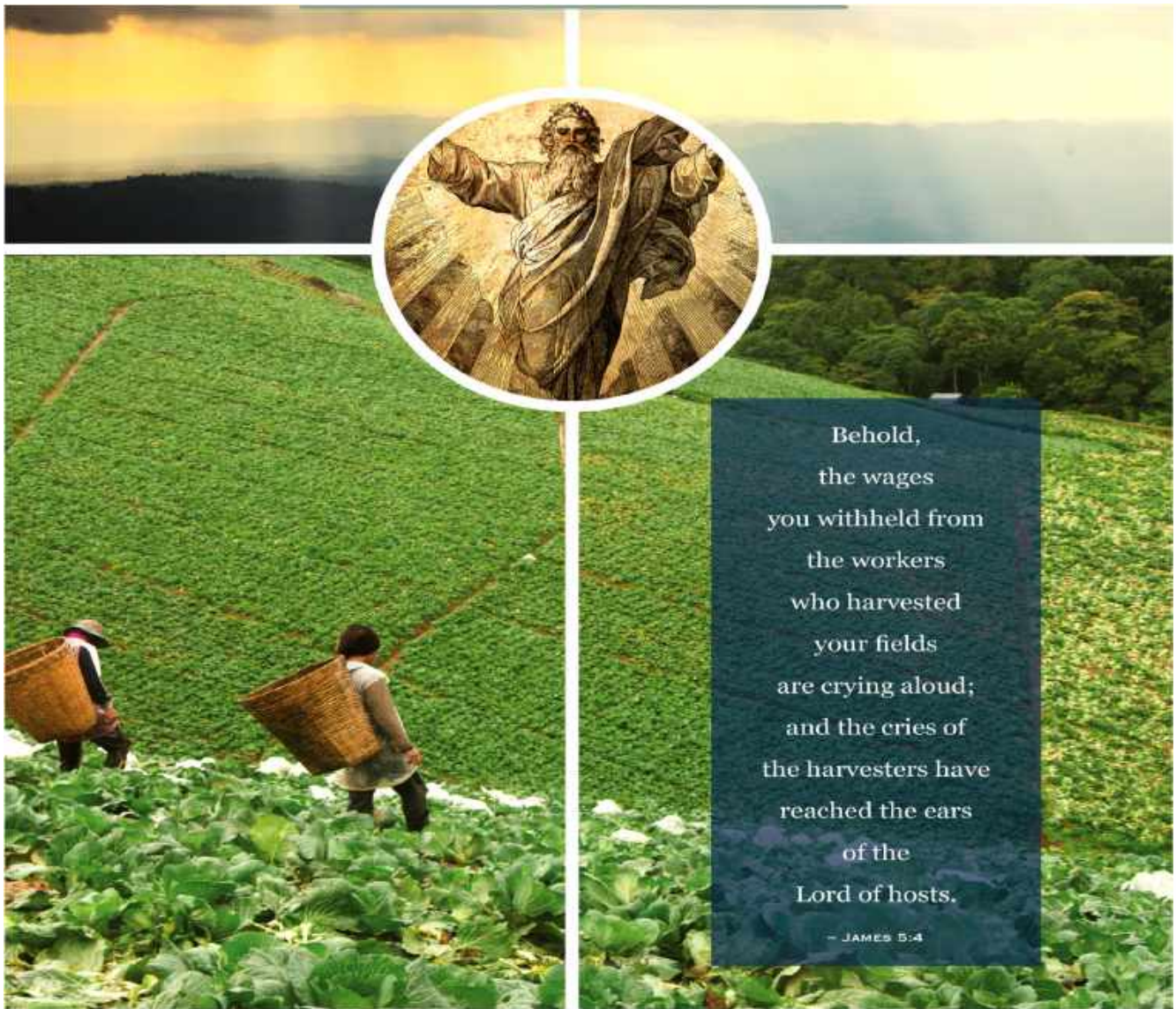


Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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September 26, 2021 — Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Behold,
the wages
you withheld from
the workers
who harvested
your fields
are crying aloud;
and the cries of
the harvesters have
reached the ears
of the
Lord of hosts.

— JAMES 5:4

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

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 25

8:45am ✠ Souls in Purgatory, Bill Banister, James Collins, and Walter Zapoluch
 5:00pm ✠ Dr. Robert Dublis, Thomas Biancardi, and Kathleen Weaby

Sunday, September 26

9:00am **Int.** Ken & Mary Pat (Bailey) Burke and ✠ Bruce Campbell, Jr.
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Rosanne Polyachyk
 12:00pm ✠ Marge Klein and **Int.** Theresa Peterson
 5:00pm ✠ Richard Hull and Dolores Hudak

Monday, September 27

8:45am ✠/**Int.** Counihan/Purcell Families, **Int.** Bill & Betsy Banister, ✠ Joanne Byrne Weakley, Yolanda DeBianchi, and Kathleen Weaby

Tuesday, September 28

8:45am **Int.** Denis Merz, ✠ Souls in Purgatory, Alida Garoffalo & Erasmo Gonzalez, and Demetrio & Sergio Castillo

Wednesday, September 29

8:45am ✠ Jack Cooney, Maria Teresa Ciaccia, Elba Garoffalo & Raul Vera, and **Int.** Fr. Gabriel Cillo

Thursday, September 30

8:45am ✠ Dr. Joseph Tripp , Bill Joyner, **Int.** Cancer Patients and Janice March

Friday, October 1

8:45am ✠ Butler/Horan Family, Bill Banister, Palmira Sequeira and Ronald Nelson

Saturday, October 2

8:45am ✠ Yolanda DeBianchi, Janine Mendekburg, Gudrun Stemmler Mcgee and **Int.** Blessed Mother
 5:00pm ✠ Betsy Russo and Sean Dublis

Sunday, October 3

9:00am ✠ John J. & Marion Egan and Gretchen Hayes
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✠ Peggy Blaikie and Kathleen Weaby
 12:00pm ✠ Kelly Bauman Healy and Leone Viola & Maria DiVasto
 5:00pm ✠ Steve & Jody Langsenkamp and Shawn Conrey

Oct. 2 & 3	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Msgr. Sheahan	Mary Joe Clark	Raphaella Albites Jane Conti Alicia Holloway Michele Menno
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Kelly	Bill Rotella	Rebecca Poljak Colette Wolf Garnett Byrd Renata Cammarata
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Morris	Tom McCracken	Bertha Martos Adriana Newman Steve Newman Kris Ahern
Sun. 12 Noon	Fr. Lleo	Dean McGrady	Jody Williams Gail Bulfin Danielle Manfredi Pete Manfredi
Sun. 5:00pm	Fr. Kelly	Denis Merz	Louise Cole-Reeser Catherine Miethe Helen Allen



All are welcome in God's house. What a happy invitation in the hymn we sing so frequently. The Lord invites us to visit him especially in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Why not invite a friend or neighbor next time you come to visit the Lord?

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.



PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

In your loving kindness, O good and gracious God, you sent your Son to be our shepherd and guide. The priests of St. John the Baptist continue Christ's ministry of working in the vineyard by sustaining and guiding your holy people. Bless our priests. Let your Spirit uphold them always in their service to the people of this parish. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

“Body and Soul”

Life is quite complex in that it is a vibrant spirit in a limited bodily form. This suggests that the ‘tension’ between a fragile body and an eternal power-source will always exist while we live. However, there must be a balance and support between these two unique accommodating elements. Given the complexity of this dual system, each with its own demands, we attempt to reconcile them and make our living as peaceful and as simple as possible.

Outside influences so often intrude on our plan of peaceful coexistence and cooperation of body and soul. Thus we need to be alert, take precautions, and follow the desired plan of God for each of us. Being realistic whatever comes to us in the way of challenge should be seen as that: a challenge to be faced.

Our life is a journey which demands perseverance, persistence and positivism. We need to react to “whatever hand we are dealt.” It is of little avail to look for excuses and seek to justify our inadequacies. Likewise, there is not much use in comparing ourselves with others. Each of us has our own share of challenges to surmount. For all of us, there will be good times and bad. We all cope with what is “on our plate.”

Sharing the experiences of life in a supportive fashion is paramount. That is why we were placed on the earth at the same time and place. Otherwise our journey to eternal life might have been set in isolation. The balance of family and friends will be an affirmation of our personhood, a resource to help us on the way, and, at times, a constructive redirection of our limitations.

Our influence on another, or their influences on us, can be enormous especially in a constructive tone. A good example is the greatest teacher of all time, Jesus Christ.

In the final analysis, how we lead each other to God is an essential role of life. Therefore, our appropriate emphasis on the soul, the eternal portion of our being, can and will help others in their quest for everlasting salvation. Today, may we appreciate our own life as the conduit to eternal life and help others to secure a comparable goal.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

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

Adoration begins after the 8:45am Mass and concludes at 1pm. Please wear a face mask and be mindful of social distancing. Confessions will be Thursday, September 30th, from 4-5pm in the Parish Hall.



**Women's Guild
Membership Coffee**

The Women's Guild Membership Coffee will be held on **Wednesday, October 13, at 9:30am** in the Parish Hall. Reservations are required to ensure social distancing. Please call Rosemary Lindsey at (954) 771-5076 no later than October 8 to make your reservation. Masks are required to be worn, except while eating.



**Celebrate
Respect Life
Month!**

You're invited to join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month this October with the theme “St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!” Learn more at www.usccb.org/respectlife.

**Respect Life Baby Supply Drive
Hosted by Religious Ed**



Drop of donations in the Parish Hall from 8:15am to 11:30am
October 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31
Items needed:



Baby towels, pacifiers 0-3 months, onesies 3-6 months, PJs NB 3-6 months, baby socks & mittens, baby wash/shampoo/lotion, burp/wash cloths, baby bathtubs, diapers, wipes, monetary donations.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.)



We warmly invite those interested in learning about the Catholic faith to join our RCIA program. We are privileged to have Ellen Henehan as our RCIA Coordinator this year.

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