




**Saint John the Baptist
Catholic Church
4200 Delor St.
St. Louis, MO 63116**

Sunday, April 11, 2021



2nd Sunday
OF EASTER

“Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.” - Jn 20:29BC

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We come together to worship God, serve our neighbors, and make disciples.



From Fr. Mitch

THE GIFT OF DIVINE MERCY

We have sung the Easter Alleluia for eight days, rejoicing in God's gift of eternal life revealed in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Today we celebrate Divine Mercy

Sunday. Why this shift from Easter Joy to Divine Mercy? Together, resurrection life and God's mercy are the hope which is ours every day in Christ Jesus. When we sing the Easter alleluia, we know the suffering is not ended. Our children are still struggling in school. Our grandchildren are still healing from broken bones and broken hearts. Our mom is still dying. Our dad is still looking for work. Our sister is still in the hospital.

Easter joy could not be real except for the presence of God's mercy also and always flowing through our bones. Jesus conquered death through his death on the cross; Jesus brought an end to sin by taking our sins into his own dying body. And our confidence in our eternal life flows from his victory over death, from his empty tomb, from his promised Holy Spirit. The joyful alleluia is only possible because of the wellspring of mercy that gives birth to our hope even in the midst of suffering. God's mercy is not only about the forgiveness of sin; of course we need to be forgiven. Yet that is only the beginning of God's mercy. This mercy of God is the source of compassion, of empathy, of vulnerability in relationship, of love for our neighbor.

St. Faustina teaches us the abundance of this Divine Mercy which flows from the Sacred Heart of Christ, which flows from his wounded side, which makes its way into every ounce of our being. By placing our trust in Jesus alone we become wellsprings of this Divine Mercy in the world. This Divine Mercy prompts us to stand confidently with one foot in earth and one foot in heaven. We are able to touch the wounds of the world because we are also touching the medicine which heals those wounds. As God's mercy flows through us we become the body of Christ, we become life for the world.

Let us proclaim, with one voice, our Easter Joy and praise for Divine Mercy.

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Bulletin Notices

Must be presented in writing or email before 3:00 pm on Friday.

Mass Schedule

Weekend 4:00 pm Saturday

7:00 & 10:00 am Sunday

Weekday 6:30 am

(Monday ~ Friday)

Saturday 8:00 am

Holy Day As announced in bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 pm

At other times upon request

Sacrament of Baptism

Pre-registration necessary.

Call the rectory for info packet.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the rectory at least 6 months in advance.

Call the rectory for info packet.

New Parishioners

Please register as soon as possible after any of the Masses or contact the rectory.

Devotions in Honor of the

Sacred Heart of Jesus

First Friday after the 6:30 am Mass

First Friday Rosary and Benediction 6:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesday after the 6:30 am Mass

Rosary

After 8:00 am Mass Saturday

9:40 am Sunday

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday, April 10

8 am Cecelia Hawkins †
4 pm Parishioners of SJB

Sunday, April 11

7 am Steve Mann †
10 am Jane & Alan Roth, Walter Christ, Dakota Roth †

Monday, April 12

6:30 am In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
for a favor received

Tuesday, April 13

6:30 am Intentions of the Holy Father

Wednesday, April 14

6:30 am Dominic Pham †

Thursday, April 15

6:30 am John A. Kveton †

Friday, April 16

6:30 am Angela Duda †

Saturday, April 17

8 am Deceased Members of the Corona Family †
4 pm Cecelia Hawkins †

Sunday, April 18

7 am Parishioners of SJB
10 am Tony & Ralph Michaels †



Lectors

Saturday, April 17
4 pm N. Beasley
Sunday, April 18
7 am L. Ross
10 am D. Folz



This Week at SJB

Monday: SVdeP, Parish Center, 1pm
Tuesday: Lectio Divina, Parish Center, 6:45pm
Parish Missionary Disciples, Parish Center, 8pm
Wednesday: Prayer Group, Rectory, 7pm
Thursday: Quilters, Cafeteria, 8am
Casseroles/Salads by 10am, Rectory
33 Days of Prayer, Parish Center, 7pm
Saturday: Confessions 3-3:45 pm
Mass 4 pm
Sunday: Mass 7am and 10am

Observances for the week of April 11, 2021

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)
Monday:
Tuesday: St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr
Wednesday:
Thursday:
Friday:
Saturday:
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter



Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of April 11, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/
1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/
Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/
Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/
Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/
1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Lectio Divina

Are you interested in praying with scripture and sharing faith? Come pray the ancient Lectio Divina form of prayer 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center this

Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

All are welcome!
Please wear a mask.
Need more info?
Call Rose (457-1132) or Dana (477-6635).

****** Is This Your Month?******

Please bring Casseroles and Salads for St. Patrick's Center to the Rectory by 10am this Thursday. Thank you for your dedication to help feed those in need.

Watch St. John the Baptist livestream Mass every Sunday at 10 AM.
Follow us on Facebook.

Don't have Facebook? On SJB's website, click on the Facebook feed located toward the bottom of the home page on the left-hand side.

A community of religious women will be coming to St. Louis in July of 2021 to establish their presence in the archdiocese. They are looking to rent, for at least one year, a 7-8 bedroom residence. It would be helpful to have a location that is on a public transportation route to St. Louis University. If you are aware of a possible residence that they can call their convent, please contact Sister Marysia Weber, R.S.M. at consecratedlife@archstl.org.



“Annual Catholic Appeal” begins next weekend April 17-18 and continues the following 2 weeks. Please consider making a pledge or payment to the appeal. Checks may be made payable to ACA. Return either to ACA Office or use our collection basket. Find more info & pay online-visit aca.archstl.org. God Bless You. St. John’s Thanks You for your support & continued prayers...

Please bring one food item (can/box) to Mass each week to support our local food pantry.

Needed items include: Pasta, pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, canned or boxed ‘ready’ meals, and soup.

*Drop donations in the boxes at the entrances of church.
Thank you!!*

**National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows
Not All Factual – But All True: The Story of the Old
Testament**

Presenter: Mark Etling, Ph.D.

Tuesdays, April 13, 20, 27 & May 4, 10– 12 Noon

When reading the Old Testament the most important questions isn’t “Did it really happen?” The most important question is “When and why was it written?” In this series we will search for the context and meanings of the stories that helped shape our faith. Cost: \$40 for series; \$10 per session, For more information, call 618-394-6281.

Register online at <https://snows.org/scripture-study-mark-etling/>

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Alleluia! Forgiveness has risen from the grave! What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. When experienced, we are moved to do all in our power to avoid sin and embrace the loving presence of our risen God. God stands ever ready to receive us and wants nothing more than for us to come home. How reluctant we are to believe this truth! We want proof, tangible evidence and absolute assurance that what we have been told is true. Jesus has risen from the dead and brings us peace. It is the gift of wholeness and holiness that is breathed upon us by God’s life-giving and healing mercy. May the rays of love that flow from the heart of Christ pierce ours!

Mother's Day Quilt Raffle

The quilters are having a quilt raffle!



Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. This quilt also comes with a bonus matching pillow.

Besides the quilt, there are 3 other items included in the raffle, so you have 4 chances to win! The quilt will be on display in the back of church April 24-25 and May 1-2. You can purchase tickets then, contact any quilter or

call Cathy Stephens (314)313-4817.

The winning ticket will be pulled Thursday, May 6th.



Thank you to those of you who have been able to either mail-in or drop off your Sunday Collection envelopes. Also, thank you to those of you who have recently signed up for On-Line Giving. For anyone

interested in signing up, you may do so on St. John's website. Click on the "Donate" tab and follow directions from there to register.

SAVE THE DATE!

**The Run for Life and Learning,
benefiting Birthright STL June 5, 2021**

Join us for the in-person, socially-distanced event at Creve



Coeur Lake on June 5. Or participate on your own anywhere, any time from June 1 through June 6.

To register or donate, visit runsignup.com/run4lifeandlearning.

Please contact us at run4lifeandlearning@gmail.com for sponsorship opportunities. Proceeds enable women who are financially stressed by an unplanned pregnancy to continue their education.



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