



# **Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church**

**4200 Delor St.  
St. Louis, MO 63116**

Sunday, May 9, 2021



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



From Fr. Mitch

**GOD IS LOVE  
LOVE IS GOD**

I love winning at Spades. I love Cardinal Baseball. I love to play golf. I love Carbonara and Black Forest Cake. I love the ocean. I love my ministry. I love my friends. I love my family. I love my mother. I love Mary. I love Jesus. I love God.

Perhaps love is a many splendored thing, yet we use the word in such a way that its meaning may be lost to us. Today's readings invite us to participate in the love of God revealed through the death and resurrection of Jesus in the power of the Spirit. Participating in God's love is being like God, acting in the image of likeness of God, becoming our true self, reflecting God's glory to the ends of the earth. As much as I enjoy a walk off homer at Busch; as much as I enjoy savoring every last bite of my favorite meal; as much as I enjoy hanging out with friends and family; as much as I appreciate all the opportunities to be nourished by our parish mission; nothing can compare with the deep awareness of God's love fully present in the midst of all those other loves.

God's love for us and our love for God must remain at the center of our lives as the very source of every other love. Without God at the center there can be no real love.

Today we celebrate "Mothers' Day." It is a day to honor our mothers' love for us. Today, more than ever, our mother's yes to our life is understood as a very precious gift. Our mothers have risked everything that we might have life; our mothers have acted like God, sharing the selfless, self-donating, self-sacrificing love of God with us. Our whole life is response to God's love and to our mothers' love. Let us give thanks to God for the gift of our mothers. And let us give thanks to our mothers for the most precious gift of life.

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.



"Annual Catholic Appeal" is underway. 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](http://aca.archstl.org). God Bless You. St. John's Thanks You for your support & continued prayers.

Thank you to those families who have already returned the pledge forms.

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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



**Saturday, May 8**

8 am Mary Heggar †  
4 pm John Goodheart †

**Sunday, May 9**

7 am Elmer, Alita and Bob Mick †  
10 am Parishioners of SJB

**Monday, May 10**

6:30 am Deceased members of the Corona Family †

**Tuesday, May 11**

6:30 am James Roepke †

**Wednesday, May 12**

6:30 am Intentions of the Holy Father

**Thursday, May 13**

6:30 am Scott Polczynski †

**Friday, May 14**

6:30 am Michelle Kossman

**Saturday, May 15**

8 am Ronald Winkler †  
4 pm John Winkler †

**Sunday, May 16**

7 am Parishioners of SJB  
10 am Joe Angeli †

**Observances for the week of May 9, 2021**

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day  
Monday: St. Damien de Veuster, Priest  
Tuesday:  
Wednesday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs;  
St. Pancras, Martyr  
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord [holy day in some U.S. dioceses]; Our Lady of Fatima  
Friday: St. Matthias, Apostle  
Saturday: St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day  
Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord;  
7th Sunday of Easter;  
World Communications Day

**Lectors**

**Saturday, May 15**

4 pm K. Minton

**Sunday, May 16**

7 am C. Engelhardt  
10 am K. Ruggeri



**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  
**Friday:** Eucharistic Procession, 6pm  
**Saturday:** Confessions 3-3:45 pm  
Mass 4 pm  
**Sunday:** Mass 7am and 10am



**Collection for April 2021**

April	
Loose	\$642.00
Adult and Monthly Envelopes	\$12,499.00
Candles	\$349.00
Building & Maintenance	\$454.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,381.00
Easter Offering	\$955.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$195.00
Retired Priests	\$595.00
Holy Land Good Friday	\$402.00
Other	\$40.00
Online Giving (April)	\$3,845.00

*Readings for the Week*

**Readings for the week of May 9, 2021**

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17  
Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a  
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/ Jn 16:5-11  
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15  
Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/ Jn 16:16-20  
*Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/ Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/ Mk 16:15-20  
Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/ Jn 15:9-17  
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/ Jn 16:23b-28  
Next Sunday: *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20  
*Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/ Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/ Jn 17:11b-19



**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**  
**Love in Action**

God is love. God has first loved us and inspires us to love one another. We participate in God's love whenever we extend ourselves for others. God's love is palpable when it is revealed in the corporal works of mercy, love in action. We are grateful to Archbishop Rozanski and the Annual Catholic appeal for the love they have shown us through an emergency grant. Let us return that love through full and active participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal.

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Dear Father Doyen,  
Upon the recommendation of the Annual Catholic Appeal Parish Emergency Fund Committee, I am pleased to approve your request for financial assistance to help with gas line replacement at Saint John the Baptist Parish. An emergency grant of \$18,596 will be transferred to your parish account.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is the most important annual charitable undertaking in our archdiocese. It is through the grace of God, the leadership of clergy and the generosity of our Catholic people that the Appeal has succeeded for over the last sixty years. May God continue to bless you and your parish family at Saint John the Baptist Parish.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski  
Archbishop of St. Louis

*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!!*

 Fr. Mitch will NEVER ask you for anything via text or email. Do not reply to these and do not open any attachments. DELETE! DELETE! DELETE! 

CELEBRATE  
*Mother's Day*



### A prayer for Mother's Day

Lord, we remember the mothers  
who have gone before us.

**For their love, sacrifice, struggle  
and joy, we thank you.**

Lord, we remember the mothers of  
Scripture who are a part of our story  
as we are a part of your story.

**For their courage, faith, love and  
fierceness, we thank you.**

Lord, we remember those who have not  
given birth to us, but are mothers to us.  
**For their gift of themselves that they  
have given, we thank you.**

For the women who struggle with  
fertility, for those women whom  
society labels as less in their childlessness,  
for those women who have lost children.

**For their tears, for their strength,  
for their wisdom, for their lives,  
we thank you.**

In your name we pray. Amen.

*by Claire Schoepp*



### Our Sunday Visitor Scam

It has been brought to our attention that a parishioner at a local Archdiocesan Parish received a phone call from a scammer posing as an employee of OSV. **The scammer explained there was an issue with their online giving donation not going through.**



The scammer offered to correct the issue so the parish would receive their donation and proceeded to ask for the last four digits of their credit card, their social security number and other credit card information. Thankfully, the parishioner was immediately alerted and ended the call.

Please remember that OSV (or other online giving providers) will never call or email you to change or correct an online donation and never give a caller any of your personal information.

### 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, May 11, 2021.**

All are welcome!

Please wear a mask.

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