

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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Established December 31, 1906



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### APRIL 18, 2021

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
OF EASTER



Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." - Lk 24:45-46

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**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** Active parish membership is both necessary and helpful to all involved when seeking sponsorship certificates, Marriage or Baptism preparations. Please call the rectory at 610.432.0034 or email [stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com) to register or to report address or phone number changes.

**MARRIAGE:** Engaged couples must contact a priest at least 6 months in advance of the requested wedding date in order to make proper arrangements for the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

**BAPTISM:** Parents please email the Rectory Office at [stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com) 3-4 months prior to expected birth of your child to register for the Baptism and Baptism Prep Class.

**HOSPITAL VISITS:** Please have someone notify the Rectory when you or a family member is hospitalized.

**PAST PASTORS:**

Rev. Msgr. Robert F. Kozel

Rev. Dominik P. Kalata

Very Rev. Dr. Robert B. Kosek, C.R.S.P. (Barnabite)

Rev. Gregory R. Karpyn

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday to Friday –9:00AM—2:00PM

Office Closed - Saturday, Sunday, Holy Day and Holidays

**DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN:**

Please visit website at [www.allentowndioocese.org/](http://www.allentowndioocese.org/)

Please read St. John's current and past bulletins online by just logging on to: [WWW.PARISHESONLINE.COM](http://WWW.PARISHESONLINE.COM)

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR**

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC

To speak directly to the V.A. Coordinator please call:

**DIRECT LINE ~ 1-800-791-9209**

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR**

Ms. Pamela Russo, M.S.W., M.S.

610-871-5200 Ext. 2204

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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, April 18, 2021 ~ Third Sunday of Easter**  
9:00AM ~ Birthday Blessings for **Eva Labram**  
By Mom & Dad

**Monday, April 19, 2021**  
8:00AM +**Theresa Wittman** by *Rose Mrazik*

**Tuesday, April 20, 2021**  
8:00AM +**David Vlahovic** by *Family*

**Wednesday, April 21, 2021 ~ St. Anselm**  
8:00AM +**Jon Kazimir** by *M/M Jozef Kazimir*

**Thursday, April 22, 2021**  
8:00AM +**Pauline Day Gaugler** by *Daughters,  
Joanne and Rosemarie*

**Friday, April 23, 2021~ St. George, Martyr**  
8:00AM ~ **Easter Remembrances**

**Saturday, April 24, 2021 ~ St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen**  
4:00PM +**Barry Lagler** by *M/M P. Andryshak*

**Sunday, April 25, 2021 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
9:00AM ~ Birthday Blessings for **Daniel Labram**  
**And Esi Lagbo** by *Celestine Labram*

**SANCTUARY LIGHT OFFERINGS**

\$5 for +**Mary Panik** by *husband, Stephen Panik*

\$5 for +**Paul & Margaret Kolumber** by *Daughter,  
Paulette*

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

**W**e, the Family of St. John the Baptist Catholic Community called by God and redeemed by Jesus Christ to be holy through the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments; to be faithful through Prayer, Scripture and Worship; to be Ministers and Witnesses with our Time, Talent, and Treasure; seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all things as we move forward on our journey to Eternity."

**DO NOT FORGET TO PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING OF THE PARISH**  
*Especially those in the hospitals and nursing facilities. Also, for those confined to their homes with an illness or disability.*

**MASS SCHEDULES: -**

**8 00AM ~** Daily (Monday to Friday)  
**4:00PM ~** Saturday  
**9:00 AM ~** Sunday  
Vigil 7:00PM & Noon— Holy Days of Obligation

**CONFESSIONS:**

Before 8:00AM Mass ~ Monday to Friday or  
Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM

**St. Elizabeth Church, Whitehall** is holding a Steak Sandwich Sale on Saturday, April 24, 2021. To order Call 610-349-7791. Orders must be placed by April 19th. Cost is \$10 for regular steak sandwich and \$11 with cheese.

**Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service**

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 1-800-276-1562

**PARISH STAFF**

**PASTOR:** *Rev. Speratus Kamanzi, AJ*  
**SECRETARY:** *Mrs. Pat Noga*  
**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY:** *Mrs. Loretta A. Dashner and  
Mrs. Lisa Capece*  
**PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON:** *Miss Amy Zvitkovitz*  
**AUXILIARY PRESIDENT:** *Mr. William Drost*  
**DATA ENTRY COORDINATOR:** *Mr. Ray Fernandez*  
**WELCOMING MINISTRY:** *Mrs. Pat Noga*  
**SEXTON:** *Judith Smith*  
**LECTOR COORDINATOR & SAFE**  
**ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR:** *Mrs. Michele Mrazik  
Grasso*

**WE WELCOME ALL VISITORS TO OUR CELEBRATION**



While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Catholics, our non-Catholic guests are welcome to receive a blessing from the priest or deacon during Communion. Join the Communion line with your arms crossed over your chest to receive your blessing. **GOD BLESS!**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**"Lord, let your face shine on us."**

**A REPORT ON OUR STEWARDSHIP**

<b>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</b>	April 11, 2021	July 1, 2020 to Date
	<b>\$3,174</b>	<b>\$116054</b>



**Lottery Calendar Winners**

Congratulations to our recent winners:

- April 5 - Janet Nickisher
- April 6 - William Eibach
- April 7 - Unsold Ticket
- April 8 - Unsold Ticket
- April 9 - Bette Blum
- April 10 - Dr. Richard Solga
- April 11 - Rose Koenig

**PARISH EVENTS/UPDATES**

- May 1 - Take Out Turkey Dinner - 4-6:30PM
- May 11 - Auxiliary Meeting - 7PM
- May 20 - Knitting & Crochet Group - 11AM-1PM

**SPECIAL COLLECTION  
APRIL 24 & 25, 2021**

**For the Formation Program and Mission of the Apostles of Jesus**

**Envelopes are located at the entrances of the church. They can be dropped in the collection basket. Thank you for your donation.**

**Reflection on the Gospel**

Jesus's passion and resurrection transformed the table of Jesus the prophet into that of Jesus Christ the Lord and made it the spring board for the church's universal mission. If we agree to be disciples who take seriously Jesus's Easter greeting of "Peace be with you!" and who offer this peace to one another around the eucharistic table, we need to create a space in our lives and our hearts where such peace with God and with our sisters and brothers can truly be at home.

Living Liturgy, Third Sunday of Easter 2021



**TAKE OUT  
TURKEY DINNER  
MAY 1, 2021  
4-6:30pm  
\$12.00**

Purchase tickets in the main vestibule before and after weekend masses. (NO SALES AT THE DOOR) Tickets are also available in the rectory during business hours Monday-Friday from 9AM-2PM.

MENU - Turkey, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy,



Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent food drive for the Chew Street Soup Kitchen. The food was delivered on Saturday, April 17th.

<b>MASS</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b>
April 24, 2021	Jim Talianek	Leon Sostak	
April 25, 2021	Lisa Capece	Maria Skladany	

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