THE NATIVITY OF
SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 24th, 2018 Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Readings: pgs. 747-750 (Sat); pgs. 750-752 (Sun)

Ordinary of the Mass: pg. 850 Kyriale Simplex Mass I (8am); pg. 873 Missa de Angelis (5pm and 11am)

Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas: pg. 1000

Entrance Antiphon: He will be great...(Sat); From my mother's womb...(pg. 963 #208)

Entrance Hymn: From All Your Saints in Warfare (+vs. G) #160

Responsorial Psalm: Since my mother's womb, you have been my strength. (Sat); I praise you, for I am wonderfully made. (Sun)

Creed: Credo I (only sung at 11am) pg. 896

Offertory Hymn: The Great Forerunner of the Morn #144

Communio: Blessed be the Lord...(Sat); You, child...(pg. 964 #210)

Communion Choral Hymn: Ut queant laxis-Guido d'Arezzo

Communion Hymn: Ave Verum Corpus #132

 Marian Antiphon: Salve Regina #124

Recessional Hymn: Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones #118
Saturday June 23rd
7:30am - Mass - Extraordinary Form
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass- (Deems Peterson+)

Sunday June 24th  Nativity of St. John the Baptist
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass- (Verna Mohart)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass- (St. Mary Parishioners)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Intentions of Pat & Patti Hart)

***PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR DAILY MASS THIS WEEK***
(All weekday Holy Masses will be in the Extraordinary Form)

Monday June 25th  Saint Gulielmi
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am- Mass - (Felicia Davis)

Tuesday June 26th Saints John & Paul
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Angela Zaner)  Adoration After Noon
5:30 pm - Vespers (C)  Mass today until 6:00pm
6:30 pm - Choir practice (C)
6:30pm - Scouts

Wednesday June 27th
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Lawrence Fischer+)
5:30pm - Vespers (C)

***Adoration will begin after noon Mass today through Thursday evening @ 4:30pm for this week only

Thursday June 28th  Saint Irenaeus
10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Toni & Eliot Michael)
5:30pm - Vespers (C)
8:00pm - Venture Scouts (FH)

Friday June 29th Saints Peter & Paul
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass- Ex. Form - (Elaine Spence+)

Saturday June 30th
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - Extraordinary Form
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass- (Glenna Coleman)

Sunday July 1st Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass- (Linda McDermott+)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass- (Mary DeAngelo)
4:30pm - Confessions / 5:00pm - Mass - (Shirley Fraher+)
July 30 & July 1, 2018
1st Week

**Altar Servers:**
5:00pm - Volunteers
8:00am - T&T Spooner
11:00am - N Smith, E Diamond

**Lectors:**
5:00pm - T. Douglas
8:00am - J. Richter
11:00am - E. Ball

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:**
Patty Rittel, Jeffery Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Betty Underwood, Annie Moran, Alice DeMoss, Jeff Gray, David Barrett, Smith Family, Mary Pappas, Rick Gard
Jim Rittel, Anthony Rizzi, Morgan Rangel, Joel Rivera, Bob Trusty, Patty Vasquez, Tony Mesa, KE Hun Ngo

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:**
SFC. Christopher Kinnaman - Wainwright, Fairbanks AL. (Grandson of Betty Kinnaman)
Fr. CPT. Brian Klingele - Kreech AFB & Nellis AFB, Nevada, (Nephew of Ken & Karen Klingele)
Cpl Trevor Melton - Camp Pendelton, CA (Grandson of Marilyn Pontalion)
Rev. Joseph Reardon - Bahrain (Persian Gulf)
Command Chaplain
SSGT Christopher Wood - Cherry Point, NC (Grandson of Jean Wilcox)

**Readings for the Week of June 24, 2018**

**Sunday:** Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40 [33a]/Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday:** 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29

**Friday:** Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17
Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:
1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

**St. Mary’s Catholic Church 2018 Annual Fund Campaign Update**

**Total Pledges:** 75
**Parish Participation:** 28.1%

**GOAL**
$400,000

**$165,370**

The **Annual Fund Campaign** is an effort to raise enough money to cover all expenses of the parish in the coming fiscal year which begins on July 1. This includes, among other things, parish salaries, maintenance and upkeep of the church and parish grounds, and funding various parish ministries, such as ROJA, Parish School of Religion, and youth group. Your support is crucial.

Collection: 6/17/2018: 3,069
Year to date total: 113,474
In the Church’s liturgical calendar, as a rule, Sundays are more important than the celebration of saints, so that we typically do not celebrate a saint’s feastday on a Sunday. When a saint’s feastday falls on a Sunday, the Sunday takes precedence. Every Sunday is a “little Easter” on which we celebrate the Lord’s Resurrection.

But today is an exception. We celebrate the Nativity of the Birth of Saint John the Baptist, even though his feastday falls on a Sunday. The Sunday does not take precedence; Saint John the Baptist does. Why is he of such great importance? As he himself said: “I am not the Christ” (Jn 1:20). The priests and levites pressed to know the identity of St. John the Baptist: “And they asked him, ‘What then? Art thou Elias?’ And he said, ‘I am not.’ ‘Art thou the prophet?’ And he answered, ‘No.’ They therefore said to him, ‘Who art thou? That we may give an answer to those who sent us. What has thou to say of thyself?’ He said, ‘I am the voice of one crying in the desert, Make straight the way of the Lord’” (Jn 1:21-23).

Saint John is of such great importance because he is the one who made Jesus known. Without Saint John, we would not have known Jesus. Dom Proper Guéranger explains in The Liturgical Year:

Jesus alone is light, the light without which earth would remain dead; and John is but the man sent from God, without whom the light would have remained unknown (Jn. 1: 4-10). . . . At the beginning of the fourth Gospel . . . John is brought forward . . . as one closely united with the operations of the adorable Trinity, in the universal economy of the divine Incarnation: “There was a man sent from God whose name was John,” said the Holy Ghost; “he came for a witness, to give testimony of the light, THAT ALL MIGHT BELIEVE THROUGH HIM” (Jn 1: 6,7). ...

The Sacred Scripture tells us that Saint John the Baptist was born about six months before Jesus. Our Lady visited her cousin Elizabeth immediately after the Annunciation. “Mary remained with her about three months” (Lk. 1:56) and then, we are told, “Elizabeth’s time was fulfilled...and she brought forth a son” (Lk. 1:57). The date for the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist is therefore about six months before the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord.

May Saint John the Baptist continue from heaven his mission of making known Jesus to every heart. May he intercede for each of us so that our faith may grow, so that “He may increase” and we may decrease (cf. Jn. 3:30).

**Registration is now taking place for ‘At the School of Mary’, St. Mary’s summer catechesis program for youth ages 5 through 12 years on July 9th – 13th from 8:30am – 11:30am. Youth ages 13 and up are encouraged to sign up to be assistant helpers. Registration forms can be found at the entrances of the church or you may register online at: saintmarysparish.org/about-us/school-mary

Come and learn about the beauty of our faith at the feet of our Lady!

Conducted by the Labor Mariae Sisters, Nathan & Angelina Gearke, and Sister Colette Marie, O.S.F.

**MUSIC NOTES:** After Communion, we will hear the traditional hymn for this feast: 'Ut queant laxis'. Benedictine monk Guido d'Arezzo (ca. 991-1033), used this chant to develop the first methods of writing music in neumes (square notes). He took the first syllable of each measure to name the notes in a scale, because those were successively higher pitched. If you took them all out, they would form a scale: UT queant laxis REsonare fibris, MIra gestorum, FAmuli tuorum, SOLve polluti LAbii reatum, Sancte Iohannes. This left us with 'Ut, re, mi, fa, sol, la' for the first solfege scale, which was later adjusted to 'do, re, mi, fa, sol, la' and 'ti' was added after 'la' later on.
**A BIG THANK YOU** to all who purchased tickets for the recent quilt raffle!
Also, thank you to the quilting ladies for selling tickets after the Masses and at our recent parish events. I would like to include a special thank you to my husband Howard Huey for his help in getting all things ready every weekend! May God bless you all!

The winner of the quilt was Mikaele Talato. Congrats Mike!

~ Darlene Huey

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***Please note that the weekday Holy Masses will be celebrated at 8:00am this week instead of the usual 12 noon time. There will not be a NOON MASS THIS WEEK.***

On Thursday, June 28th, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will end at 4:30pm. The Sisters will still be singing Vespers at 5:30pm on that day.

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**Bunco!**
Please mark your calendars for upcoming Ladies Bunco Nights.
Saturday, June 30 / 6:00pm
Saturday, July 28 / 6:00pm
Location: Fitzgerald Hall
Cost: $5.00 per person / Cash prizes!
Please bring a snack to share. Sandwiches will be served. Bring a friend!

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Some parishioners have expressed an interest in the possibility of carpooling to the Pitching for Priests ball game at the Community America Ballpark on Friday, July 6th. If you would be interested in carpooling or being the designated driver for others to the ball game, please call Debbie in the parish office this week. 252-0121 ext 110

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If you or your family would like to make a donation toward the altar flowers (and those for the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph) in memory of, or in honor of a loved one or special event such as an anniversary or birthday, please call the parish office. 252-0121 ext 110.

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Please continue to pray for our spiritually adopted babies. **Month 4:**
Well, I now weigh six ounces and mom can feel my movements. I have fingernails, eyelashes, and my own unique fingerprints, which will remain the same for the rest of my life. My taste buds are working and my sense of hearing is developing. I have soft hair all over my body. I can touch my hand to my face and grasp my feet. Basically, there will be no major new developments from here on. I just need nourishment, protection, and love...and prayers.

"It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish." Mother Teresa