



## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Msgr. Frank P. Lane, Parochial Administrator**

### **MASSES/MESSE:**

**Sunday:** 9:30 a.m. at St. John the Baptist

**Monday & Tuesday:** 12:00 noon at St. John the Baptist

**Wednesday:** 6:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist

### **Weekdays and Holy Days:**

(See Mass Schedule inside Bulletin)

### **PARISH OFFICE/STAFF:**

**Aggie Howard**, Executive Assistant, [ahoward@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:ahoward@sjbitaliana.org)

**Victoria Scruggs**, Secretary, [vgammell@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:vgammell@sjbitaliana.org)

Office Hours, St. John the Baptist and Sacred Heart Church:

Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Administration of both parishes is done through the office at St. John the Baptist – 168 E. Lincoln Street. Requests for copies of sacramental records, scheduling of Masses and other sacramental celebrations, hall rental and other non-emergency needs should be made during regular office hours or email [info@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:info@sjbitaliana.org). Please notify the Parish Office of any changes, such as address or telephone, etc., by calling during regular hours or email [info@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:info@sjbitaliana.org).

### **MUSIC MINISTRY:**

**Gina M. Bishop**, Music Director

**John C. Huffman**, Organist

### **BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

Announcements must be submitted in writing by Tuesday at noon.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** We welcome you into our Parish Families. Membership in the parish consists of two parts:

**Registration:** Please fill out form and return to Office.

**Participation:** As a member of the Church, you are accepting the responsibility of weekly worship as well as supporting God's work here through giving of yourself, your time and talents, and a worthy Sunday offering to show your love for God and your gratitude for His many favors.

**RECONCILIATION/CONFESIONE:** One half-hour prior to weekend Mass or by request/appointment.

**BAPTISM/BATTESIMO:** Preparation is required for the reception of the sacrament. Parents are encouraged to call the Rectory and set up an appointment before the birth of their child.

**MATRIMONY/MATRIMONIO:** Arrangements should be made at least six or more months in advance. A marriage preparation program is required.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/INFERMI:** In cases of emergencies, please call anytime. Please notify the Parish Office for Communion calls to the sick, shut-ins. Due to privacy laws, if parishioners wish to be visited in the hospital, they should contact the Parish Office directly and give the information regarding the hospitalization. **If you are scheduled for surgeries or other medical procedures**, please contact the Parish Office in advance so that a priest can administer Anointing of the Sick prior to the procedure.



# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

*Dear Friends in Christ,*



On behalf of my staff, **Ms. Aggie Howard, Mrs. Vicky Scruggs, Mrs. Gina Bishop, Mr. John Huffman,** and myself, may you have a **Blessed and Faith-filled Thanksgiving** holiday!  
**Msgr. Frank Lane**

**Welcome to St. John the Baptist**

**St. John's** is a welcoming community, rooted in the **Italian** traditions, teachings, and beauty of our **Catholic** faith. We recognize that every person is on his or her own journey of faith, and we seek to meet you where you are in your journey. At **St. John's**, the beauty of the **Mass** is embraced, while maintaining a welcoming spirit for our **Italian Village** neighbors and greater **Columbus Community**.

To learn more about the Parish, please visit our website: [www.sjbitaliana.com](http://www.sjbitaliana.com)

*Thank you for choosing St. John the Baptist!*

Please contact St. John the Baptist or Sacred Heart Church if you are interested in becoming Catholic, receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation or Baptism. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 614-294-5319.

For Weddings and Funerals, please contact  
Aggie Howard at [ahoward@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:ahoward@sjbitaliana.org)  
or call the office at 614-294-5319.

**THE PARISH OFFICE** will be closed Wednesday, November 27th at Noon, and Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving. The office will resume December 2, 2024, from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

### THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE 2024

Church	Date	Mass Time
St. John's	Wednesday, November 27th	6:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart	Thursday, November 28th	10:30 a.m.

## LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

	<b>Sunday, November 24, 2024, 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Lector 1 &amp; 2:</b>	Kurt Heininger, Gretchen Heininger
<b>Eucharistic Minister 1 &amp; 2:</b>	Margaret Panico-Harn, Ed Pagnanelli, Margi Baker, AnnMarie Pastore, Andre Myers
<b>Eucharistic Minister 3, 4, 5:</b>	
	<b>Sunday, December 1, 2024, 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Lector 1 &amp; 2:</b>	Nick D'Alberto, Antonio D'Alberto
<b>Eucharistic Minister 1 &amp; 2:</b>	Pat Rossetti, Sharon D'Alberto, Andrea Myers, Margaret Panico-Harn, Ed Pagnanelli
<b>Eucharistic Minister 3, 4, 5:</b>	

**Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:**

**Marian Lights: *Joyce Tisone***  
*by Carl Tisone*

**Blessed Sacrament: *Betty Tiberi***  
*by Chris Soteriades*

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:**  
**November 24**  
St. John the Baptist – 9:30 a.m.  
**+ John C. Ross III**  
*by David & Michelle Ross*  
Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.  
**+ Stephanie Bettini Barbutti**  
*by Bettini Stover*

**Monday:**  
**November 25**  
St. John's – 12:00 Noon  
**+ Rudy Biscuso**  
*by Sos Codispoti*

**Tuesday:**  
**November 26**  
St. John's – 12:00 Noon  
**Living & Deceased Members of St. John's**

**Wednesday:**  
**November 27**  
St. John's – 6:00 p.m.  
**+ Anna Marie Vitullo**  
*by Cirolì Family*

**Thursday:**  
**November 28**  
Sacred Heart – 10:30 a.m.  
**Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart**

**Friday:**  
**November 29**  
No Mass

**Saturday:**  
**November 30**  
Sacred Heart – 4:00 p.m.  
**+ Robert Stefanov**  
*by Joe & Debbie Stefanov*

**Sunday:**  
**December 1**  
St. John's – 9:30 a.m.  
**+ Virginia J. Colarossi**  
*by Lou & Anna Treboni*  
Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.  
**+ Hale D.**

**CONFESSION AND ADORATION**  
Confessions: St. John's – Sunday – 8:30 a.m.  
Sacred Heart – Saturday – 3:00 p.m.  
Sacred Heart – Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**  
Sacred Heart, Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

11/24 Sunday	<p><u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Frank Lane – 9:30 a.m.</u>  <u>SJB Donuts and Coffee – in Sala Hall</u>                  after 9:30 a.m. Mass-12 Noon  <u>SJB Religious Education –</u>                  10:30-11:30 a.m. – Admin. Office, 2nd Floor  <u>KCC Religious Education –</u>                  10:30-11:45 a.m. – Library  <u>SJB LeDonne Group – 10:30-11:30 a.m.</u>                  Marrapese  <u>SJB Italian Language Class</u>                  11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. –                  Italian Cultural Room  <u>KCC Mass – Fr. Francisco Kim – 12:00 p.m.</u>                  Meeting in Sala Hall, 1:00-3:00 p.m.  <u>SJB Social Activity – 12:00-2:00 p.m.</u>                  Library</p>
11/25 Monday	<u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Lane – 12:00 Noon</u>
11/26 Tuesday	<u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Lane – 12:00 Noon</u>
11/27 Wednesday	<p><u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Lane – 6:00 p.m.</u>  <u>OCIA Class – 7:00-8:30 p.m. –</u>                  2nd Floor Library</p>
11/29 Friday	<u>KCC Mass – Fr. Kim – 7:00 p.m.</u>
	<p><u>Altar Guild Reminder –</u>                  Every 2nd Sunday of the Month –                  Marrapese Hall, 10:45-11:30 a.m.</p>
	<p><u>Le Donne Group – Meetings are the last</u>                  Sunday of each month after Mass in                  Marrapese Hall.</p>
	<p><u>SJB Social Activity Council Meeting the</u>                  4th Sunday of each month in the Library,                  12:00-2:00 p.m.</p>
	<p><u>Padre Pio Prayer Group –</u>                  12:30 Rosary, 1:00 p.m. Mass                  Next Meeting – Tuesday, December 17th</p>

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR KNOWN ILL AND ELDERLY IN YOUR PRAYERS\*\***

*\*\*If you know of any additions or corrections, please call the Parish Office. Due to privacy laws, we depend on your input. For Vienna D’Alberto who is residing at the Worthington Christian Village. Also, keep in your prayers, Laura Williams, Guy Williams, John Contino Gary Bosco and Kerree Susi.*

**THE ROSARY BEFORE MASS ON SUNDAY:** We begin the Rosary around 9:00-9:05 a.m., and it takes about 15-20 minutes to pray the Rosary. If you would like information on how to lead the Rosary, please contact Kevin Koesters at 937-902-7446 or via email k.koesters32@gmail.com.

Leaders for November and December are:

- November 24 Al Iosue
- December 1 Valerie Milano
- December 8 Tania Wade

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN’S**

November 17, 2024

Number of Envelopes used Sunday – 31

Reg Env:	\$ 1,710.00
Loose:	\$ 209.00
Total	\$ 1,919.00
Less Diocesan 9% Assessment	\$ - (172.71)
	\$ 1,746.29

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference (\$)</u>
This Week:	\$3,000.04	\$1,919.00	- \$ 1,081.04

**DONATION QR CODE AND WEBSITE INFORMATION**



Please help St. John the Baptist maintain this beautiful 125-year-old building with a donation by using the QR code to donate. Thank you!



**SJB Collection Counters – Monday, November 25, 2024**  
 Marjua Paule and Aggie Howard

**SJB Collection Counters – Monday, December 2, 2024**  
 Nick Persichetti and Aggie Howard

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3. Sign into your online **Kroger** account (or create an account if you don’t have one).
4. In the **Find an organization** field, search for “**St. John the Baptist Italian**” or type in our organization’s number “**YY987**” then click “**Enroll.**”
5. Once you enroll, every time you use your **Kroger Plus** card at **Kroger**, your purchases will earn money for our church!

**Please share this Fundraising Program with your friends and family!**

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION 2024 – 2025**



One of the most important aspects a parish must have to survive is a strong religious education program. **St. John’s Parish** classes started **September 15th** in the secretary’s office on the second floor.

**Grandchildren are welcome if the grandparents are registered in the parish.** Non-Catholic children are also invited. Class begins immediately following the **9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass** and will last **45 minutes**. Please call **Sharon Curtin** at **614-563-8405**, or email at [sharon@mcurtin.com](mailto:sharon@mcurtin.com) for information. Thank you.



**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:** The process in which adults enter the **Roman Catholic Church** is known as **OCIA**, “The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults.” Who is eligible for this process?

**The Unbaptized.** The primary focus of the **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults** is on those who are not already **Christian** and have had little or no religious education.

**Baptized but un-catechized** are those who have been baptized in the **Roman Catholic Church** but need further catechetical instruction to celebrate the **Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist.**

**Those Seeking Full Communion with the Catholic Church** are baptized, practicing **Christians** from another **Christian Tradition** who seek entry, or full communion with the **Roman Catholic Church.**

*If you know someone who might be interested*, please call **Sharon Curtin** at 614-563-8405, or email at [sharon@mcurtin.com](mailto:sharon@mcurtin.com). Classes are held at **St. John the Baptist Church** on **Wednesday evening, 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in the parish library on the second floor, and began on **September 18, 2024.**



This is a newly formed **Italian Club for Young Adults. La prossima is a Young Adult Group** keeping the culture alive through the next generation. A vibrant club for young adults of **Italian descent.**

(<https://linktr.ee/laprossimasocieta>) and the **Instagram @laprossimaorg.**



**FALL CIAO GATHERING: Discover Your Italian Roots!** Join us for our fall genealogy session. We'll start with a guest speaker, followed by a hands-on workshop. During the workshop, we'll guide you through creating a free FamilySearch account to

help you explore and document your family tree. Whether you bring a laptop or simply watch our demonstration, you'll learn valuable genealogy research skills.

**11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

**The Italian Cultural Center, Marrapese Hall**

This event is free of charge, however, to help us make the necessary preparations please **RSVP** to:

**Rich Leto** [rleto98@gmail.com](mailto:rleto98@gmail.com)  
**Tina Solazzo** [zingerts@yahoo.com](mailto:zingerts@yahoo.com)  
**Ida Tiberi-Shook** [shook4@gmail.com](mailto:shook4@gmail.com)  
**Tania Tiberi-Wade** [t.wade73@gmail.com](mailto:t.wade73@gmail.com)

**PAVERS:** The front **Pavilion** of **St. John's Church** is covered with **Pavers**. These **Pavers** are available for purchase and engraving in remembrance of family members and loved ones. For more information, please call the office of **St. John's** at **614-294-5319.**



**COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER SUNDAY MASS IN SALA HALL.**



## SAVE THE DATE

The **Social Activity Council** is hosting/ sponsoring a **Christmas Cookie Exchange!** Mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 15** and start thinking of your favorite cookie recipe to share! We will be exchanging cookies after **Mass** that **Sunday.** More details coming soon! **This Christmas Cookie Exchange is open to ALL who want to participate!**



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST GIVING TREE – The Altar Guild** is once again sponsoring our parish “**Giving Tree!**” The benefitting charity this year is **Little Bottoms Up Free Store.** This is another wonderful opportunity to make a difference in the lives of those in need during the holiday season.

As of **Sunday, November 10**, you will find a **Christmas Tree in Sala Hall** decorated with special ornaments. Each ornament represents an item in need that you can purchase as a gift. If you would like to participate, simply take an ornament from the tree, purchase the specified item, and bring it to the church **UNWRAPPED**, with the ornament attached to your gift, **NO LATER** than **Sunday, December 1**, as all gifts need to be in their possession later that same day so that they have time to organize, wrap, and disburse the gifts in **December.** **ALL** of these items are from these charities’ “**wish list!**” on **Amazon.** Just go to the **Amazon** website and search for the name of the toy you selected to purchase and place your order. Your contributions are genuinely appreciated! Please see a member of the **Altar Guild** if you have questions. **God Bless you all for making a difference this Christmas season!**

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**THANKSGIVING PRAYER:** *Dear Lord, on Thanksgiving Day, we bow our hearts to You in prayer. We give You thanks for all You have done, mostly for the gift of Jesus Christ, Your Son. For beauty in nature, in which we see Your Glory, for joy and health, friends, and family. Amen*

**JUBILEE YEAR ITALY TOUR**

March 20-28, 2025

Rome, Abruzzo & Molise, Naples  
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- Minimum:** 18 people, max 25
- Highlights:** Rome during Jubilee Year
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**AROUND US**

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR:** The Catholic Church dedicates the month of **November** to honoring the dead and relieving the suffering of **souls in purgatory**. Some of the main feast days in **November 2024** include:

- **November 24: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**
- **November 30: St. Andrew**

**CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024 – SPEAKER: FATHER DAVID JOHNSTONE.** Please join us on **Friday, December 6** at **St. Patrick Church** in **downtown Columbus** for a luncheon featuring a talk by **Father David Johnstone**. Fr. Johnstone is **Parochial Vicar** at **St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Worthington**, and **Chaplain** at **St. Francis DeSales High School**. Father Johnstone was one of five newly ordained priests in the **Diocese**, and he will share his unique story. **The Serra Clubs of Columbus** are sponsoring the **December Luncheon**. **Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m., followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Fr. Johnstone's presentation.** **No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers lunch and a meeting.** Bring a friend! Our next meeting will be on **February 7, 2025**, and will feature **Jon Weaver from Catholic in Recovery**, which is a nonprofit organization that seeks to serve those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments. Please mark your calendar to attend.

**“When we learn to serve others, every gesture of attention and care, every expression of tenderness, and every act of mercy become a reflection of God’s love.”**  
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**SERRA CLUB NOW MORE THAN EVER  
NO PRIESTS – NO EUCHARIST!**

**God** is still calling it's up to the whole church to amplify **His** call! Are you looking to get more involved in promoting, encouraging, and praying for vocations? **Serra Club** is a lay apostolate that has been in our diocese for over **40 years**. We are looking for more members to stand alongside our priests and seminarians to support more vocations for the **Diocese of Columbus**. We meet at the **Jessing Center** at the **Pontifical College Josephinum** the **1st Tuesday** of every month at **11:30 a.m. Rosary, Catered Lunch, Catholic** speakers and more. Check out our website [membershipnorth@serracolumbus.org](mailto:membershipnorth@serracolumbus.org) for more information and schedule.



**FEBRUARY MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** will give you and your spouse all the tools for a better, stronger, more loving marriage. **“But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.”** Help your marriage be like the rich soil and attend an upcoming **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** on **February 7th-9th 2025**. Get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. **Location: Procter Camp and Conference Center – London, OH.** Other weekend dates are available on our website. Apply at [WWME.org](http://WWME.org) or call Don and Kim Downs at 614-893-1935 or scan QR code. Early registration is recommended.

**MAJOR RELICS OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS:** The major first-class relics of **St. Thomas Aquinas (which includes the relic of his skull)** will be available for public veneration at **St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43215, on December 7-8, 2024.** This is the first time that **St. Thomas' major relics** will tour the **United States**, through an arrangement between the **Dominican Province of Toulouse, France, and the Dominican Province of St. Joseph (Eastern U.S.A.)**. The relic tour is in commemoration of the **Triple Jubilee of St. Thomas Aquinas: the 700th anniversary** of his canonization in **2023**, the **750th anniversary** of his death in **2024**, and the **800th anniversary** of his birth in **2025**.

**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE:** On the last **Sunday** of each liturgical year, the **Church** celebrates the **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King**. **Pope Pius XI** instituted this feast in **1925** with his encyclical **Quas Primas (“In the first”)** to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to “thrust **Jesus Christ** and His holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, **Christ** reigns as King forever.



**PRAYER:** Almighty ever-living God, whose will be to restore all things in Your beloved Son, the King of the Universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render Your majesty service, and ceaselessly proclaim Your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen



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