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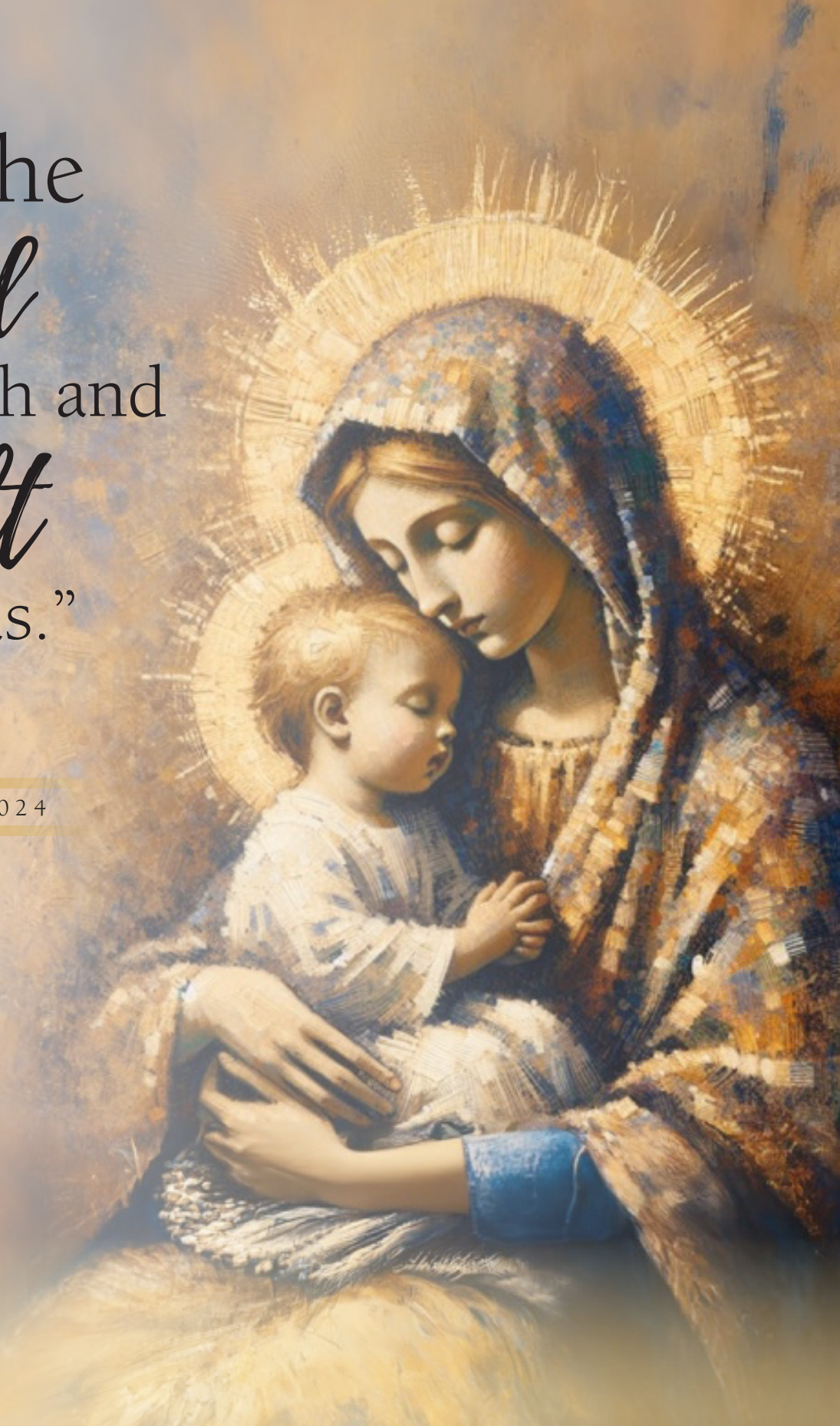
- John 1:14

CHRISTMAS 2024

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



My prayers this holy season are for all of you and your families. I thank you all for your generous support of St. John the Baptist Church throughout the years. May the Incarnate God, Son of Mary, bless you in this holy time and new year. On behalf of my staff Aggie Howard, Victoria Scruggs, Gina Bishop, and John Huffman we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Blessed Happy

New Year!
In Jesus through Mary,
Msgr. Frank Lane



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 or call the office at 614-294-5319.

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

	Sunday, December 22, 2024, 9:30 a.m.
Lector 1 & 2	Gretchen Heining, Ed Pagnanelli
Eucharistic Minister 1 & 2:	Antonio D'Alberto, Al Iosue, Margi Baker, Andrea Myers, Pat Rossetti
Eucharistic Minister 3, 4, 5:	
	Tuesday, December 24, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
Lector 1 & 2	Kurt Heining, Landa Brunetto
Eucharistic Minister 1 & 2:	Gretchen Heining, Al Iosue, Pat Rossetti, Kurt Heining, Andrea Myers
Eucharistic Minister 3,4,5	
	Sunday, December 29, 2024, 9:30 a.m.
Lector 1 & 2	Tania Wade, Gretchen Heining
Eucharistic Minister 1 & 2:	Andrea Myers, Pat Rossetti, Margaret Panico-Harn, Gretchen Heining, Margi Baker
Eucharistic Minister 3,4,5	

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:
Marian Lights: Joyce Tisone
by Carl Tisone
Blessed Sacrament: Giuseppe and Incoronata Solazzo
by Irene Solazzo and Family

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: St. John the Baptist – 9:30 a.m.
December 22 + **Tony Solazzo**
by Irene Solazzo & Family
Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.
+ **Joe Pishitelli (SJB)**
by Judy & Phillip Pishitelli

Monday: St. John's – 12:00 Noon
December 23 **Living & Deceased Members of St. John**

Tuesday: St. John's Christmas Eve – 4:00 p.m.
December 24 + **Carolyn Panico**
by her Family
Sacred Heart Christmas Eve – 9:00 p.m.
Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart

Wednesday: SJB No Mass
December 25 Sacred Heart – 10:30 a.m.
+ **Joe, Aggie, & Doc MacKinnon**
by Fr. Michael Lumpe

Thursday: Sacred Heart – 6:30 p.m.
December 26 + **Steven Emmerich**

Friday: No Mass
December 27

Saturday: Sacred Heart – 4:00 p.m.
December 28 **Deceased Members of the Pawlowski-Patacca Family**
by John & Nancy Pawlowski

Sunday: St. John's – 9:30 a.m.
December 29 + **Tony Caradonna**
by Liliana & Armando Tempesta
Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.
+ **Halie 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.

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.**

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE 2024		
	Church	Mass Times
Christmas Vigil December 24th	Sacred Heart	9:00 p.m.
	St. John's	4:00 p.m.
Christmas Day December 25th	Sacred Heart	10:30 a.m.
	St. John's	No Mass
New Year's Eve December 31st	Sacred Heart	Wedding
	St. John's	12:00 p.m.
New Year's Day January 1st	Sacred Heart	No Mass
	St. John's	11:00 a.m.

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 December are:

December 22 Albert Iosue
December 29 Tania Wade

LA BEFANA CELEBRATION: The Le Donne group will be celebrating the Epiphany with La Befana on Sunday, January 5, 2025, after 9:30 a.m. Mass in Marrapese Hall. Please bring children, grandchildren and enjoy this beautiful Italian tradition.

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S
December 15, 2024**

Number of Envelopes used Sunday – 30

Reg Env:	\$ 6,890.00
Loose:	\$ 1,241.00
Holy Day:	\$ 1,000.00
Total	\$ 9,131.00
Less Diocesan 9% Assessment	\$ - (821.79)
	\$ 8,309.21

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)
This Wk.:	\$ 3,000.04	\$9,131.00	+ \$6,130.96

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, December 23, 2024
Ed Pagnanelli and Aggie Howard
SJB Collection Counters for Monday, December 30, 2024
Maruja Paule and Aggie Howard

The Parish Office will be closed December 24th, 25th and 26th and resume Friday, December 27th for the Christmas holidays.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK	
12/22 Sunday	<p><u>SJB Mass - Msgr. Frank Lane</u> 9:30 a.m. <u>SJB Donuts and Coffee in Sala Hall after 9:30 Mass-12 Noon</u> <u>SJB Religious Education – Admin. Office</u> 2nd floor 10:30-11:30 a.m. <u>SJB Choir – Library</u> 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. <u>KCC Family Event – Marrapese Hall</u> 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. <u>KCC Mass – 12:00 p.m. – Fr. Francisco Kim</u> Meeting in Sala Hall 1:00-3:00 p.m. <u>SJB Social Activity – Italian Classroom</u> 12:30-2:30 p.m.</p>
12/23 Monday	<p><u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Lane</u> 12:00 Noon</p>
12/24 Tuesday	<p><u>SJB Mass – Msgr. Lane</u> NO MASS AT NOON <u>SJB Christmas Eve Mass</u> 4:00 p.m. <u>KCC Christmas Eve Mass</u> 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.</p>
12/25 Wednesday	<p><u>SJB NO MASS</u> <u>SJB NO OCIA Class</u> <u>KCC Christmas Day Mass 11:00 a.m.</u> <u>Fr. Kim – Meeting in Sala 12:00-3:00 p.m.</u> <u>KCC Use of Kitchen and Marrapese Hall</u> 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.</p>
12/27 Friday	<p><u>KCC Mass – Fr. Kim</u> 7:00 p.m.</p>
	<p><u>Altar Guild Reminder –</u> Every 2nd Sunday of the Month – Marrapese Hall at 10:45-11:30 a.m. There are no meetings in May or June.</p>
	<p><u>Le Donne Group – Meetings are the last Sunday of each month after Mass in Marrapese Hall.</u></p>
	<p><u>SJB Social Activity Counsel Meeting – the 4th Sunday of each month in the Library – 12:00-2:00 p.m.</u></p>

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 of grandparents 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 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 sharon@mcurtin.com. Classes will be held at **St. John the Baptist Church** on **Wednesday evenings, 7:00-8:30 p.m.**, in the parish library on the second floor.



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**.



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For more information, contact one of the following:

Rich Leto	rleto98@gmail.com
Tina Solazzo	zingerts@yahoo.com
Ida Tiberi-Shook	shook4@gmail.com
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JUBILEE YEAR ITALY TOUR

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- Rome during Jubilee year
- Abruzzo & Molise: bell foundry, cheese factory, truffle hunting
- Naples: original pizza
- Sorrento & Amalfi Coasts, Paestum, Pompeii, buffalo mozzarella farm, Mt. Vesuvius winery.

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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**.



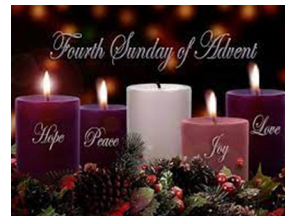
COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER SUNDAY MASS IN SALA HALL

AROUND US

LITURGICAL CALENDAR: The first **24 days** of **December** fall during the liturgical season known as **Advent** and are represented by the liturgical color purple – a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The remaining days of **December** mark the beginning of the **Christmas** season. The liturgical color changes to white or gold – a symbol of joy, purity, and innocence. The month of **December** is dedicated to the **Immaculate Conception**.

YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY FOR THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2024

For Pilgrims of Hope, we pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

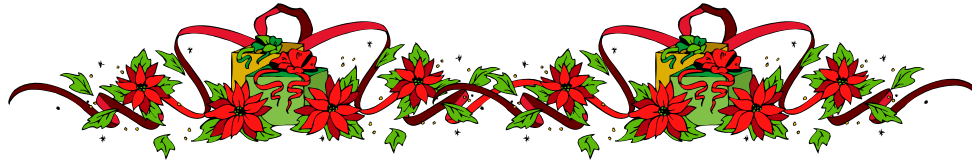
On the fourth **Sunday** of **Advent**, we light the final purple candle to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our **Savior**. This final candle, the “**Angel's Candle**,” symbolizes peace. It reminds us of the message of the angels: “**Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men.**”

CHRISTMAS: Today, the **Church** celebrates the **Solemnity of the Nativity the Lord, the Birth of Jesus Christ, and the First Day in the Octave of Christmas**. Through **Advent**, the **Church** longed ardently for the coming of our **Savior**. Today, she celebrates **His** birth with unrestrained joy. “**The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.**” The **Son of God** became man to give us a share in that divine life which is eternally **His** in the **Blessed Trinity**. **Christmastime** begins on **December 24** with the first **Vespers of the feast and ends on the feast of the Baptism of Christ**. White vestments reappear in our churches as a sign of joy.



PRAYER: O God, who have made this most sacred night radiant with the splendor of the true light, grant, we pray, that we, who have known the mysteries

of His light on earth, may also delight in His gladness in heaven. Who lives and reigns with You in unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen



Saint John the Baptist ~ Christmas Flowers ~ 2024

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In Memory/In Honor of:

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