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Basilica of Saint John the Baptist



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Office Hours

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Second Sunday of Easter - April 7, 2024

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 PM (Basilica) (November 1 - April 30) Sunday - 8:30 AM (Saint Peter Church) (November 1 - April 30) Sunday - 10:30 AM (Basilica) (November 1 - April 30)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

is available on Saturday's at the same location at the 4:00 PM Mass from 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM, and by appointment.

Holy Days

Vigil - 6:00 PM (St. Peter) Day - 8:30 AM (St. Peter) Day - 12:10 PM (Basilica)

Daily Mass

Tuesday at 6:00 PM (Gallagher Center Chapel) Wednesday at 8:30 AM (Gallagher Center Chapel) Thursday at 8:30 AM (Gallagher Center Chapel) Friday at 8:30 AM (St. Peter)

A Prayer for Our Parish

O God, You enlighten us with your charity, and enliven us with your grace; You guide us by your wisdom and give us hope for the future; You call us each by name. As parishioners of the Basilica of St. John the Baptist and St. Peter Church, You have brought us together for Holy Mass. May our prayers and praises be pleasing to You. Transform us by Your mercy, and make us one in Your love. Help us to use the gifts You have given us to proclaim Your Gospel, and to serve our neighbors, so that one day we may share together the good things You promise to those who love You. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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PRELUDE Chorale Prelude on *Duke Street*

Charles W. Ore Charles Callahan

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

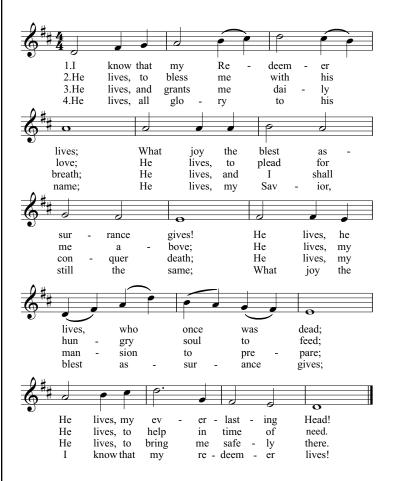
Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation.

Alleluia!

Introductory Rites

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

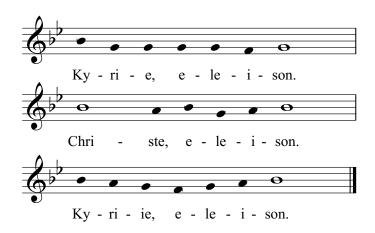
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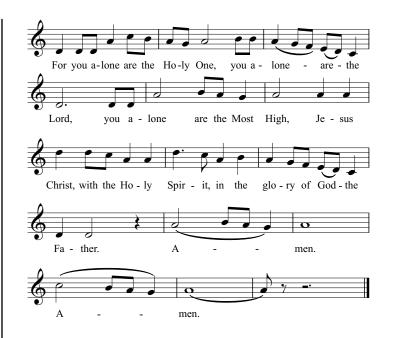
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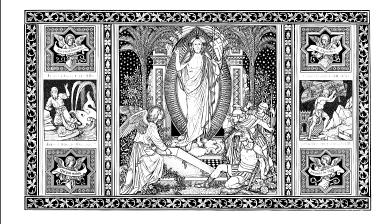
Acts 4:32-35

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

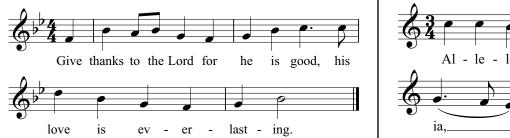
The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



John 20:19-31



Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." Let those who fear the Lord say, "His mercy endures forever. R

I was thrust down, thrust down and falling, but the Lord was my helper. The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my savior. There are shouts of joy and salvation, in the tents of the just. R

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done, A marvel in our eyes. This is the day the Lord had made; let us rejoice in it and be glad. R

SECOND READING

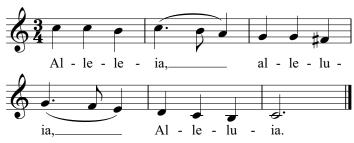
I.John 5:1-6

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John:

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God



The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

GOSPEL READING

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(All bow at the following words up to: and became man.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgi Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

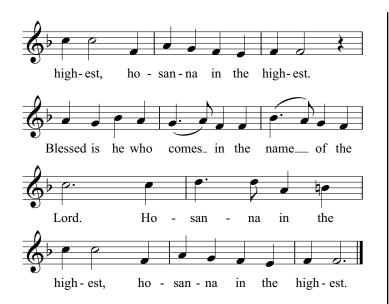
Please respond: Lord, Hear our prayer.



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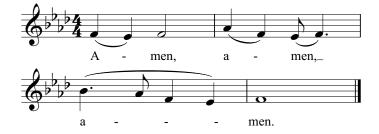


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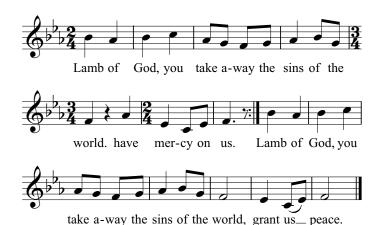
Communion Rite

LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

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When receiving Holy Communion, please bow your head before receiving the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence. Upon returning to your pew, please kneel or be seated until all have received communion.

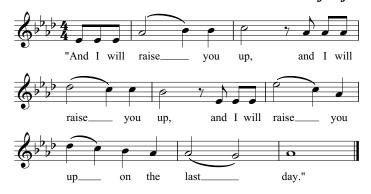
COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place on the nails, and do not be unbeliving but believing.

Alleluia!

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

I Am the Bread of Life



Concluding Rite

RECESSIONAL

Sortie on *Easter Hymn*Noel Goemanne

Household of God - by Father Misbrener

A reflection for Divine Mercy

Dear Friends:

Christ is Risen!

How can anyone argue against Divine Mercy Sunday?

Divine Mercy is hope wrapped up in a loving God, ever ready to embrace us and forgive even our greatest sins. Believing in God, but not in Divine Mercy would be a depressing and burdensome faith to bear.



At the core of the gospel story of the good thief is unconditional love and compassion. Today, you will be with me in paradise. Not, okay your sins are forgiven; now do this and this and this, and you will be saved. But, today--now--you will enter into glory with me. Welcome!

Divine Mercy is often associated with the visions and private revelations of St. Faustina. Pope St. John Paul II had a great devotion to this Polish nun. When he declared the Second Sunday of Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday, many took it as a papal decree to promote the devotions descripted in Faustina's "Diary," such as venerating the Divine Mercy Image and praying the chaplet.

As Catholics, many have a soft spot for devotions and devotionals. It's part of our hands-on sacramental nature. But we are also a diverse bunch. What speaks to one may not speak to another. Devotions and belief in private revelations--even if approved and recommended by the Church--are not mandatory. Offering a special Mass that includes the Divine Mercy devotions for those who wish it is a good thing.

Presenting the devotions as an obligatory form of worship for the Second Sunday of Easter, also called Thomas Sunday, is not. Even some Divine Mercy websites are careful to stress that this Sunday is not meant to be a "party for devotees." They focus, they say, should be on bringing hardend sinners back into the fold.

Perhaps we, as a Church, need to spend less time worrying about bringing back "hardened sinners," and more time showing mercy toward those struggling to stay despite hurts and rejection. We need to reach out to those who have one foot out the door, or who have already had the door closed on them.

As we meditate in gratitude for God's generous mercy shown to us, we should look honestly at the mercy that we show to others. Our God is a God of mercy. Are we a Church of mercy?

Happy Easter

Father David
Priest & Sinner

Thank You!

Special thanks to everyone who made our Holy Week and Easter celebrations in the Basilica and St. Peters beautiful. From Bobby Sullivan and our parish choir, who worked several months and many hours to prepare for our fine Liturgical celebrations, to all who cleaned and decorated the churches (Tammy Bukoffsky), and to all of our ministers who helped in the liturgies. Thank You very much! If you notice the floor of the basilica, it is cleaned and polished, thanks to Ben Turner. We have the same floor in the basilica as the Cathedral of St. John in Cleveland. I inquired what they used in cleaning the floor at the Cathedral, and we are now using the same cleaners.

All of our beautiful liturgical celebrations and decorating doesn't happen by magic. We have a core group of volunteers who help. Thank you to everyone who assisted in making our Easter celebrations beautiful.



Food Pantry

Due to the increase in food cost and increased need, your donations are appreciated more than ever. The following items are always needed: plastic grocery bags, soup, saltine crackers, graham crackers, canned vegetables, canned fruit, macraonie and cheese, pork and beans, peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna fish, ramen noodles, pasta, pasta sauce, ravioli, beefaroni, canned beef stew and canned chili. Food donations are to be left at the Altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Cash/check contributions are also welcome! Thank you for your support.

Friendship Sunday

Join us for Friendship Sunday!

Hosted by The Holy Name Society

April 14th after the 8:30 AM Mass St. Peter Social Hall

Let's come together for a delightful morning filled with warmth, laughter, and of course, friendship! Following the 8:30 Mass on Sunday, April 14th, we invite you to join us in the St. Peter Social Hall for Friendship Sunday.

Indulge in a delicious spread of donuts, accompanied by refreshing juice and coffee. It's the perfect opportunity to mingle, connect, and strengthen the bonds of our Downtown Catholic Community.

We look forward to seeing you there as we celebrate the joy of friendship within our parishes. Don't miss out on this wonderful occasion to share smiles and stories with fellow parishioners.

See you on Friendship Sunday!

Our Parishioners

Congratulations to Quinn Alexis Stump (Basilica) and to her parents and godparents, on the occasion of her Baptism this past weekend. May God, who begins His good work in you, bring it to fulfillment.

Priestly Ordination

Our Transitional Deacon, Reverend Mr. William N. Wainio will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 10:30 AM in Saint Columba Cathedral, Youngstown, Ohio.

Saints Alive!

ALTAR ROSARY GUILD FUNDRAISER UPDATE:

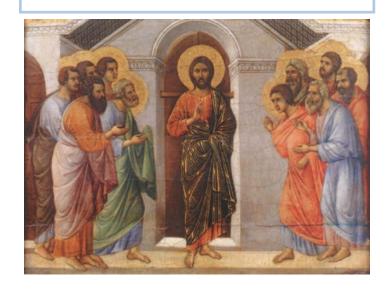
Saturday, April 27, 2024 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Kent Stark Conference Center

Thank you to our new sponsors, Dr. Mike McCabe, in honor of Ann McCabe, Julie & Joe Strancar, Fr. David M.Misbrener, Martin & Elizabeth Misbrener, Stefen & Lisa Woods. The Altar Rosary Guild is grateful for your generosity! We are also humbled and thankful for the many friends, family, and parishioners who have donated financially or items to make this evening a success.

Altar Rosary Guild will be in the back of the churches today after all masses to sell raffle tickets at \$5 each. The cash raffle has been a long time favorite fundraiser, and has been integral in funding candles, hosts, altar wine, and other sacramental items, so we appreciate your generosity. There is an additional payout this year; the winner will be drawn at the event, but the winner does not need to be present to win. Good luck!

We appreciate our parishioners who have turned in their reservations for Saints Alive! Our goal is 200 guests, so please RSVP today! Deadline for RSVP for Saints Alive is April 15.

Questions? Email Ruth Bazzoli at cantorofgrace@gmail.com



St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Parish Activities

Annual Parish Pizza/Picnic Sunday, June 30th - 11:45 AM Basilica Side Yard

The above are free events for all Parishioners

Please make reservations through:

Pamela Pope

Coordinator - Parish Activities 330-454-8044 x 404 Email:bsjspcpa@att.net

Organ Recital

In April of this year, "Cecilia" - the Basilica Organ - will turn 20 years old! Internationally known organist, Ken Cowan will play a recital on the Basilica organ at 3:00 PM on Sunday, April 21, 2024. Ken is a phenomenal organist and played a program at the Basilica during



the Convention of the *American Intitute of Organbuilders* - an organization for which our own organist and director of music/liturgy served as Executive Director for twenty years. Please mark your calender to join us for what will be a fantastic program.

Wine & Cheese will be available after the program.

Sunday, April 21, 2024 at 3:00 PM



St. Peter School April 2024



GRADE 5 MAKING SMOOTHIES

Our 5th graders have been doing a cooking/ nutrition class every Wednesday for the last several weeks with Mrs. Elizabeth Schweigert, Extension Agent through Central State University. They have enjoyed learning about foods and what is good for them. In these pictures they got to ride a bike to run the blenders to make their own smoothie. Thank you to Mrs. Schweigert for coming and teaching our students about nutrition.





SOLAR ECLIPSE DAY OFF

All of the Stark County schools including
St. Peter School will be closed for the Solar
Eclipse on Monday, April 8th. The Parish has
given glasses to us for every student in the
school that will go home with them on Friday,
April 5th so that they are able to view the
eclipse safely! We say thank you!!!



Religious Education

"God looks after every soul as if it had no equal."

-St. Therese of Lisieux

CCD Program (Grades K-8)

Upcoming:

⇒ April 28 – Final Session

Sacramental Preparation

First Holy Communion

Upcoming:

- ⇒ April 20, 9:00AM-2:00PM Jesus Day Retreat
- ⇒ May 2, 6:00PM First Communion Rehearsal
- ⇒ May 4, 4:00PM Sacrament of First Holy Communion

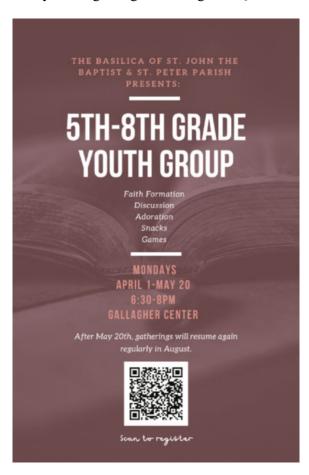
Confirmation

Upcoming:

⇒ April 9, 6:00PM – Sacrament of Confirmation

Middle School Youth Group (Grades 5-8)

5th-8th graders are invited to join us for youth group on Monday evenings! Register through the QR code below.



Young Adult Group (Ages 18-35)

THANK YOU to those who attended our kickoff event on Saturday, March 16!

Please join us this Wednesday, April 10th at 6:00PM for our next YA gathering! See the dates for upcoming gatherings below and scan the QR code to join the GroupMe for more updates.



Join the Young Adult GroupMe Here





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This Week Saturday - April 6 4:00 PM (St. John) ★ Beverly Tomer Sunday - April 7 **Second Sunday of Easter** 8:30 AM (St. Peter) Mary Anne Bagley (Molly Moriarty) 10:30 AM (St. John) Bob Schirack (Judy Schirack) Lamp (St. John) Special Intention (St. Peter) Vince Tonielli Lamp (Anita & Joe Moeglin) Monday - April 8 NO MASS PARISH OFFICES CLOSED Tuesday - April 9 6:00 PM (Basilica) NO MASS 6:30 PM NO CHOIR REHEARSAL (St. John) Wednesday - April 10 8:30 AM (Chapel*) Christopher Cooper 9:00 AM (St. John) Food Pantry - OPEN Thursday - April 11 8:30 AM (Chapel*) Very Reverend Ronald M Klingler 11:00 AM (St. John) Samaritan's Table Friday - April 12 8:30 AM (St. Peter) For our Parishioners Saturday - April 13 4:00 PM (St. John) Eva Everett Sunday - April 14 Third Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM (St. Peter) George Keeton (Jack & Dorothy Dempsey) 10:30 AM (St. John) Mary Alice Hoover (Friends) Lamp (St. John) Special Intention

*Chapel - Gallagher Center Chapel

Special Intention

(St. Peter)

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Liturgical Ministries

April 6 & 7		
Lector		
8:00 PM	(B)	
8:30 AM	(SPC)	K Sigler
10:30 AM	(B)	B Kopko
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
8:00 PM	(B)	Deacon Wainio, D Becherer, J & L Clancy
8:30 AM	(SPC)	Deacon Wainio, B & V Calzola, G Foltz
10:30 AM	(B)	Deacon Wainio, B & N Matthews, C Sbraglia
Servers		
8:00 PM	(B)	J & K Bing
8:30 AM	(SPC)	J Rohr, Alyson Rohr, B Nikishin
10:30 AM	(B)	L & R Roach
Rosary		
4:00 PM	(B)	T Suttle
8:30 AM	(SPC)	M Kirsch
10:30 AM	(B)	D Kaminski
Cantor:		J Graysmith
		April 13 & 14
Lector		
8:00 PM	(B)	T Y Willaman
8:30 AM	(SPC)	G Gooper
10:30 AM	(B)	D Smith
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
8:00 PM	(B)	B Hart, J & L Clancy
8:30 AM	(SPC)	S Peffer, G Foltz, C & F Frenz
10:30 AM	(B)	L & M Bolek, P & B Richardson
Servers		
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Votive Candles

Candles are available in front of the Altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary in both churches. The candles are \$3.00 each. If you do not have cash for the collection box, you may write a check (payable to the **Altar Rosary Guild**) for the entire month. The money is used to buy additional candles. Thank you.

Before Mass

Be thoughtful, Be silent, Be reverent, Speak with the Lord

During Mass

Allow the Lord to speak to you

After Mass

Speak to one another

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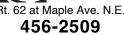












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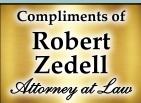
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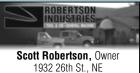
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