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<u>Weekday Mass Schedule</u> <u>Tues-Wed-Fri-Sat</u> 7AM Holy Hour – 8AM Mass Sunday Obligation Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 7:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration <u>Friday</u> <u>3:00PM to 6:00PM</u>

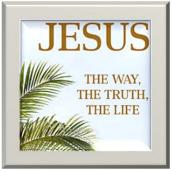
"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you for the glory of

God" states St Paul Romans 15:7.

Our God is a welcoming God and His Son, Jesus, also welcomes everyone into His presence. As parishioners of St John the Baptist parish we too wish to display this same welcoming attitude. And so we say, "Welcome to each of you who visit our Church. Welcome into our lives of faith, of family and of community. May God Bless You with Peace and All Good Gifts!

> May 7, 2023 – Fifth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023 – Sixth Sunday of Easter





May 7, 2023 – Fifth Sunday of Easter "I am the way and the truth and the life"

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that He is about to return to His Father. He also assures them that they also will have a place with the Father. However, like us, they still are not sure what this Father is like. Jesus responds to their lack of understanding and suggests: "Look at me!" His life is lived for others. He is one who cares for those in need rather than walks past them, who forgives rather than condemns, who endures misunderstanding without

retaliating, who tolerates the pettiness of others without being snide. Why is it so hard for us to realize that this is what God is really like?

The Lord Jesus has "called us out of darkness into His wonderful light." We hear Him do that very concretely in the Gospel today. He reassures us with these words: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Have faith in God and faith in me. Where I am you will be. I am the way, the truth, and the life. Whoever believes in me will do the works I do." This is the Word of God that "continued to spread" so that the number of disciples "increased daily." And this increase is what the risen Christ continues to offer the Church through the ministry of priests and deacons.

Bring Home the Word & Magnificat, May 2023

Sunday Readings

<u>Acts 6:1-7</u>

The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly.

<u>1 Peter 2:4-9</u>

Come to him, a living stone....and, like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house. *John 14:1-12*

Jesus said to them, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

<u>Reflection Questions</u>

Want to see God? Observe Jesus.

- How do I imagine God?
- How do I feel about people who think differently about God?

A Word from Pope Francis

One could summarize the diaconal spirituality....of service....ready to say yes, docile, without making life revolve around one's own agenda; and....looking at



everyone, especially those left out, those who feel excluded....To receive not only the needy, but those who have pain....I entrust this to you.

Address to the Permanent Deacons of the Diocese of Rome June 19, 2021 <u>PRAYER</u> Lord Jesus, when there is conflict within our family or community, send your Spirit to guide us to reconciliation and unity, we pray. Amen! Alleluia!

The Redemptorists



Bulletin Reflection:

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his Apostles that He is the

Way, the Truth and the Life.

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Formation:

As Christians, we live in a world that is constantly trying to guide us in a way opposed to Christ. We are faced with decisions that can either help us stay on the narrow path or lead us astray. We have two options: to follow Christ, whether popular or not, or we can do as Pilate did, listen to the crowds and turn our backs on Christ.

General Intercession:

For the youth in our community, that they may listen to Christ always.

We pray to the Lord

May 21 – Catholic Communication

This Appeal contributes to the process of evangelization by fostering activities in relation to television, radio, internet and other media, and through special projects of the Catholic press. 50% of the funds collected remain with our Archdiocese for use in local communication projects.

May 14, 2023 – Sixth Sunday of Easter "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate to be with you always."

Helper We have hopes for ourselves and others. We hope for good health, for fulfilling work, for settled lives for our children. As valuable as such hope might be, that is not what Peter is referring to in today's second reading. He is talking about religious hope.

Religious hope enables us to place ourselves into the hands of God. This kind of hope asks for nothing and expects everything. Why? Because we are convinced that God loves us with a passion we cannot possibly imagine and, therefore, wants what is best for us.

Genuine hope for those who believe in God is hope or trust in God. Period. Trust in God when we have no idea what the future might bring. Trust in God when our best plans crumble before us. Trust in God when we face the terrors of illness and death. This is a trust or hope for which we do not provide God plans to follow so our needs get met as we think they should be. It is a hope that enables us to place ourselves into the hands of God.

Bringing Home the Word, May 2023

Sunday Readings

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people

Another

1 Peter 3:15-18

Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope.

John 14:15-21

Jesus said, "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth....You know it, because it remains with you."

Reflection Questions

For those who believe in God, hope can be defined as trust in God.

- Do I hope and trust in God
- In what circumstances do I need to try harder to hope in God?

A Word from Pope Francis

To have a healthy family, three words need to be used: please, thanks, sorry. We say "please" so as not to be forceful in family life....We say "thank you", yet



how many days go by without uttering this word....? And sorry. We all make mistakes....Don't ever let the sun set without reconciling.

> Address, Pilgrimage of Families Rome, October 26, 2013

<u>PRAYER</u> Lord Jesus, through the Holy Spirit, inspire us to lead holy, faith-filled, generous lives.

We pray in Jesus's name. AMEN! Alleluia!

The Redemptorists

Bulletin Reflection:

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples that He will send the Holy Spirit to remain with them and guide them.

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Prayer

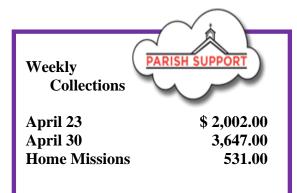
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As Catholics, we should make a habit out of praying to the Holy Spirit for guidance. When we pray to the Spirit, we are asking God to help us make the right decisions in life. If you ever feel stressed or don't know what to do in your life—ask the Holy Spirit for guidance!

General Intercession

For all mothers this Mother's Day, that they may pray to our Blessed Mother and Holy Spirit for

comfort and guidance! We pray to the Lord





Mass Intentions Available. Please stop in the parish office, mail, call or drop in the collection basket to have a Mass said for your loved ones. Mass stipends are \$10

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Sat	May 6	8 AM	😼 Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	May 6	5 PM	🕆 Albert & Angela Wissel
Sun	May 7	7:30 AM	🕆 Arthur J Simon
Tues	May 9	8 AM	Spencer Purdy
Wed	May 10	8 AM	🕆 Helen Amburger
Fri	May 12	8 AM	Verace in our World
Sat	May 13	8 AM	🗸 Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	May 13	5 PM	🕆 Barbara Sloan
Sun	May 14	7:30 AM	Mary Jane Jansing
Tues	May 16	8 AM	🕆 Ben & Amanda Senft
Wed	May 17	8 AM	🕆 James Smock
Fri	May 19	8 AM	Generation Control & Euthanasia
Sat	May 20	8 AM	😼 Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	May 20	5 PM	Emily Mathes
Sun	May 21	7:30 AM	🕆 Eddie Purdy

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	May 13(5 PM)	May 14 (7:30 AM)
Coordinator	Achleigh Simon	Ron Miller
Greeter	Jeremy Simon	Jill Jansing
Lector	Gary Taylor	John Holzer
Eucharistic M	Stephanie Green	Jessica Gorman
	May 20 (5 PM)	May 21 (7:30 AM)
Coordinator	Ted Wissel	Sharon Voegeli
Greeter	Steve Mathes	Bob Voegeli
Lector	Jennifer Tunny	Andy Miller
Eucharistic M	Ron Miller	Andy Miller

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

Rosemary & Idona Newhart Wk of May 7 Ted Wissel & MJ Hunter Sue Gridley & Margaret Jarvis Mary Ann W & Susan Banta Thank you all for your time and hard work!

FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

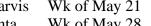
May Needs: Cleaning Supplies & Personal Items – Thank you.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wk of May 14 Wk of May 21 Wk of May 28

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THE CARL ERSKINE STORY

Indiana Special Olympics-ROD are hosting The Carl "The Best Erskine Story. We've Got." Carl Erskine has been a pivotal figure in Indiana Special Olympics history and is living a Perfect Game. The Versailles and Osgood Lions Clubs are sponsoring this event which will be FREE to the public.

May 10, 2023 -7:00 PM Damm Theatre in Osgood

To reserve your FREE Tickets, call Lion Owen Menchhoffer 812-756-0160.

THE BATESVILLE **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

will be having their annual Mother's Day Brunch on Sunday Mary 14. Serving from 7:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

This is a free will offering benefits the Special and Olympics and the Knights of Columbus Charity Account.



May

The months of May & October are special months on the Catholic Church's liturgical calendar, dedicated to the veneration of the Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus.

In recent years we seem to have lost trust in so many ways and in so many things. Who and what can we believe? We have real fears and more questions than answers. Look to Mary. She believed in God's word. She believed in God's Son and journeyed with Him all the way to the cross. She trusted God's promises. Sr Mary Ann Barnhorn, SNDdeN



Rita Bedel Gary & Paige Byard Amy Castner **Tim Castner Todd Castner** Melissa Chapman Elliott Elkins Amv Graham Lily Handt Todd Holzer Seth Hull Keith Jarvis Larry Kendall David Lewis Linda McCain Mark Meister Teresita Noah Tom Noah Eileen Ogden Gary Patton Pavi Pathak Family **Randy Simon Dolores Simon** Pam Thomas Ben Zigan

Denotes Active Service Deployment

Every Friday

3:00 PM to 6:00 PM