

Sacraments:

Infant Baptism -- Parents need to contact the pastor regarding instruction/preparation. The sacrament will be scheduled when the parents and pastor are in agreement that the family is ready for this experience.

Initiation of Adults & Older Children (RCIA): Contact the parish.

Reconciliation: By appointment until further notice (watch bulletin for special reconciliation services).

Matrimony -- Engaged couples need to contact the pastor at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date. They need to participate in a series of instructions. They should make no final decision regarding the wedding date until they and the pastor are in agreement that they are ready for this experience. **Please do not set a wedding date prior to contacting the pastor.**

Sacrament of the Sick and/or Communion for the Sick -- Either the parishioner or a relative should contact the pastor whenever the parishioner is sick and wishes to receive communion or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Confirmation: Adult & Youth; preparation is required. Please contact the parish.

Parish registration: Registration cards are in the vestibule of the church.

Mass Schedules:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm at Nativity

Sunday: 9:00am at Nativity; 11:15am at St. John's

Daily: Wednesday through Friday at 11:00am at Nativity

Holy Days: see bulletin

Rosary: 8:15am on Sundays / 4:15pm on Saturdays

Day	Date	Time	Feast	Mass Readings
Sun	01/23	9:00am / 11:15am	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Neh 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10 / 1 Cor 12:12-30 / Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Mon	01/24	No Daily Mass	St Francis de Sales, Doctor	2 Sam 5:1-7,10 / Mk 3:22-30
Tues	01/25	No Daily Mass	Conversion of St Paul	Acts 22:3-16 / Mk 16:15-18
Wed	01/26	11:00am NBVM	St Timothy & St Titus	2 Tm 1:1-8 / Mk 4:1-20
Thurs	01/27	11:00am NBVM	St Angela Merici, Virgin	2 Sm 7:18-19,24-29 / Mk 4:21-25
Fri	01/28	11:00am NBVM	St Thomas Aquinas, Doctor	2 Sm 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17 / Mk 4:26-34
Sat	01/29	11:00am	Funeral Mass	Ws 4:7-15 / Rv 21:1-5a, 6b-7 / Jn 11:21-27
Sat	01/29	5:00pm NBVM	4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jer 1:4-5,17-19 / 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 / Lk 4:21-30
Sun	01/30	9:00am / 11:15am	4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jer 1:4-5,17-19 / 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 / Lk 4:21-30

Collection

Collection	NBVM	SJB
Budget per Week	[\$1,500.00]	[\$1,000.00]
5pm & 9am / 11:15am Sunday	\$2,364.00	\$1,675.00
Building (Savings) Fund	\$370.00	\$85.00
Catholic Communications	\$235.00	\$100.00

Mass Intentions: The intention for the Sunday Mass is for the whole parish.

Wednesday:
Thursday:
Friday:

Liturgical Ministers for 01/30/22

	NBVM Vigil	NBVM Sunday	SJB Sunday
Server	Ron Haley	Ron Haley	n/a
Lector	Volunteer	Volunteer	Mannie Mustola
EME	Sacristan	Sacristan	Carol Sluder
Music	Volunteer	Volunteer	Stempers
Hospitality	n/a	n/a	n/a

Bulletin: Announcements need to be received by Wednesday at 7:00pm for inclusion in that weekend's bulletin. Items can be emailed to nbvm.sjb.bulletin@gmail.com or call Deacon Paul at 503-396-8554.

"You are my king, my God, my law-giver, the salvation of Jacob."
(Psalm 44:5)

Announcements

General:

A "thank you" to all who help take down the Christmas decorations on January 9.

Martha Cramer's Funeral Mass will be at Nativity Saturday, January 29, at 11:00am. There will be a "viewing" at 10:00am and a rosary at 10:30am.

Reconciliation—Parishioners can call Father Mark to make an appointment. You can also contact a neighboring parish to schedule time with a priest. [St. Frederic – 503-397-0148; St. Wenceslaus – 503-543-2110; St. Rose – 360-425-4660; St. Birgitta – 503-286-3929.]

Nativity:

Bible Study is every Wednesday at 6:00pm in the hall. Topics include a history of the rosary by Fr. Don Calloway and the series Explaining the Faith by the Fr. Chris Alar of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception. One paragraph of the catechism will also be explored each week. For those interested, contact Connie Ramos at 503-998-9172.

Please don't forget to contribute to HOPE, especially during this time.

St. Johns:

Choir practice will be an hour before Mass on Sundays. Everyone interested in singing is encouraged to attend. **Please bring your missals and music issues.**

Don't forget to contribute to Turning Point, especially during this time.

Why do we have an obligation to attend Mass?

“Does it really matter if you miss Mass just once?” a non-Catholic might ask.

Yes, it does matter.

Through His Church, God commands us to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. It is a mortal sin to miss Mass without a grave reason (such as illness, being housebound, a first responder rushing to a call, etc).

You may wonder why the Church commands weekly Mass attendance under pain of sin, rather than simply suggesting it. It’s important to know why—not only to strengthen our own faith, but also in case any curious non-Catholics ask about it.

The reason for the Sunday obligation is that we owe God worship as His creatures. It’s not just a nice spiritual ritual or an outward show of being Catholic. God is our Creator. He made us out of nothing and keeps us in existence through His own power and will. We owe everything to Him, and our regular worship of Him is how we express our innate desire—and our natural obligation—to offer our Creator homage and gratitude.

Furthermore, without His grace and presence in our lives, our souls and therefore our salvation are in danger. He doesn’t need our worship—but we do need Him.

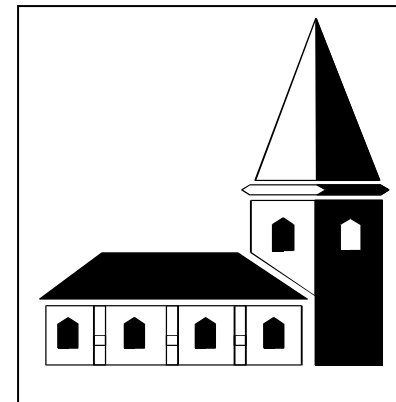
If we ignore God’s command to worship on Sundays, we are putting other things before God, as though He were of secondary importance. And we are destroying our relationship with Him and walking away from the spiritual graces our soul needs to stay alive. As one priest said, skipping Sunday Mass “is somewhat analogous to a deep-sea diver’s putting a crimp in his air line so that no air can come through to keep him alive. By a decision to miss Sunday Mass or a holy day of obligation we suspend the operation of sanctifying grace in our lives. (Fr. Ray Ryland, “Why Is It a Mortal Sin to Miss Mass?” at Catholic Answers).

God knows that, due to our fallen nature, we struggle to do what we should, feel confused about it, and are even tempted not to. That’s why He gives us clear commandments. The Third Commandment prescribes weekly worship of God: “Thou shalt keep holy the Lord’s Day.” And Jesus commanded: “Do this in memory of me” (Luke 22:19).

If Mass on Sunday were just an option—and skipping it were not a sin—can any of us honestly say we would never, ever miss a Sunday Mass?

We—and the Church—know the answer.

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 23, 2022

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The mission of Nativity of the B.V.M. is to know, love, and serve our Lord, by knowing and loving and serving His people, and by being open to our responsibility to all humanity.

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St. John the Baptist

The mission of St. John the Baptist Parish is to be an involved witness to the Gospel, so that each of us may develop more fully our potential for spiritual growth, as we nurture and expand our parish family and help the community around us experience the Lord.

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