

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: Saturday at 4:00pm at Nativity or by appointment (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: ½ hour before Mass on Sundays

Day	Date	Time	Feast	Mass Readings
Sun	03/07	9:00am / 11:15am	3 rd Sunday of Lent	Ex 20:1-17 / 1 Cor 1:22-25 / Jn 2:13-25
Mon	03/08	No Daily Mass	St. John of God	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab / Lk 4:24-30
Tues	03/09	No Daily Mass	St. Frances of Rome	Dn 3:25,34-43 / Mt 18:21-35
Wed	03/10	11:00am NBVM	3 rd Weekday of Lent	Dt 4:1,5-9 / Mt 5:17-19
Thurs	03/11	11:00am NBVM	3 rd Weekday of Lent	Jer 7:23-28 / Lk 11:14-23
Fri	03/12	11:00am NBVM	3 rd Weekday of Lent	Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34
Sat	03/13	No Daily Mass	3 rd Weekday of Lent	Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14
Sat	03/13	5:00pm (NBVM)	4 th Sunday of Lent	2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23 / Eph 2:4-10 / Jn 3:14-21
Sun	03/14	9:00am / 11:15am	4 th Sunday of Lent	2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23 / Eph 2:4-10 / Jn 3:14-21

Collection

Collection	NBVM	SJB
Budget per Week	[\$1,338.00]	[\$754.00]
5pm & 9am / 11:15am Sunday	\$750.00	\$550.00
Building (Savings) Fund	\$40.00	\$10.00

Liturgical Ministers for – as available

	NBVM Vigil	NBVM Sunday	SJB Sunday
Server			
Lector			
EME			
Music			
Hospitality	n/a	n/a	n/a

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

Wednesday:
Thursday:
Friday:

Bulletin: Announcements need to be received by Wednesday at 7pm for inclusion in that weekend's bulletin. Items can be emailed to nbvm.sjb.bulletin@gmail.com or call Deacon Paul at 503-556-0511 or 503-396-8554.

"Yahweh will ransom the lives of those who serve him and all who take refuge in him will not perish." (Psalm 34:23)

Announcements

General:

The **Archbishop's Catholic Appeal** campaign is beginning. The DVD from Archbishop Samples is being shown today followed by the completion of pledge cards for those who did not respond directly to the archdiocese. Please consider all the blessings the archdiocese has granted to both churches when you make your pledge. Please remember that we are one Catholic Church and this appeal is used for multiple services across Western Oregon to live out the Gospel's message of loving thy neighbor. Thank you for your time! I look forward to the lifting of COVID restrictions so we can raise our voices in prayer and song together at Mass. – Connie Ramos, Pastoral Council Chair, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Next Sunday there is a special collection for **Catholic Relief Services**.

This Lent we will have the **“poor box.”** Because of Covid-19, we won't have the “cups.” Please contribute what you can (ie saving change in a jar or cups from last year). You can also make a larger contribution by check. The Pastoral Councils will discern where the money will go at the conclusion of the Lenten season.

Stations of the Cross – Fridays during Lent at 6:00pm at Nativity and St. Johns. Masks and distancing required. There will be no hospitality afterwards.

There will be no **Lenten reconciliation** service. You can call Father to make an appointment for confession. You can also contact a neighboring parish as well 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.]

Father Mark wants to remind everyone of the expectation that those attending Mass must sign up and wear a mask. Following the guidelines from the Archdiocese is important if we want to keep our churches open.

To maintain safety, there is limited space in the church to ensure safe physical distancing. Therefore, attendance is kept. You need to sign-up to attend a particular weekend Mass. For Nativity contact Ron Haley at 503-396-1212; for St. Johns contact Kathy Reandeau at 503-728-3149. Please note: face masks are currently required. See Fr. Mark for additional information or questions.

Nativity:

Bible Study – Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the hall. Physical distancing is in place. Attendance is limited to about 6-7 individuals. Please contact William Stahl at 503-556-3717 for details.

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

St. Johns:

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

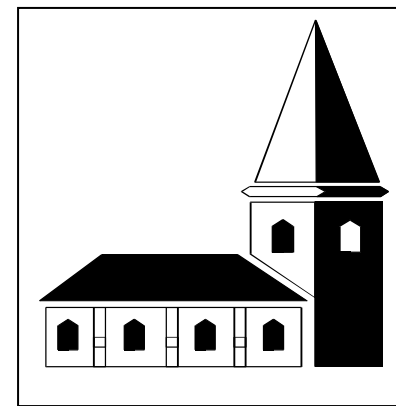
Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the most tender of friends with souls who seek to please Him. His goodness knows how to proportion itself to the smallest of His creatures as to the greatest of them. Be not afraid then in your solitary conversations, to tell Him of your miseries, fears, worries, of those who are dear to you, of your projects, and of your hopes. Do so with confidence and with an open heart."

— St. Damien of Molokai

Lenten Guidelines

Lent begins Ash Wednesday. Christians traditionally observe Lent as a time of fasting and prayer, following the example of Christ and His Apostles. The Church offers these Lenten guidelines:

- 1) Catholics 14 years & older are expected to abstain from (not eat) meat on Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent.
- 2) Catholics between 18 & 59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. To fast means to eat one full meal that day. The other two meals should be less than the normal amount of food unless they are already the minimum portions for maintaining good health. Eating between meals is unacceptable. However, drinks (water, coffee, fruit juice, milk) may be taken.
- 3) Those with questions or doubts following the laws of fasting and abstinence, should consult their pastor or a priest.



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3rd Sunday of Lent

March 7, 2021

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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