

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	05/15	9:00am / 11:15am	5 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 14:21-27 / Rev 21:1-5a / Jn 13:31-33a,34-35
Mon	05/16	No Daily Mass	5 th Weekday of Easter	Acts 14:5-18 / Jn 14:21-26
Tues	05/17	No Daily Mass	5 th Weekday of Easter	Acts 14:19-28 / Jn 14:27-31a
Wed	05/18	No Daily Mass	St John I, Pope & Martyr	Acts 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8
Thurs	05/19	No Daily Mass	5 th Weekday of Easter	Acts 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11
Fri	05/20	No Daily Mass	5 th Weekday of Easter	Acts 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17
Sat	05/21	No Daily Mass	5 th Weekday of Easter	Acts 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21
Sat	05/21	5:00pm NBVM	6 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 15:1-2,22-29 / Rev 21:10-14,22-23 / Jn 14:23-29
Sun	05/22	9:00am / 11:15am	6 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 15:1-2,22-29 / Rev 21:10-14,22-23 / Jn 14:23-29

Collection

Collection	NBVM	SJB
Budget per Week	[\$1,500.00]	[\$1,000.00]
5pm & 9am / 11:15am Sunday	\$1,430.00	\$535.00
Building (Savings) Fund		

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

Wednesday:
Thursday:
Friday:

Liturgical Ministers for 05/22/2022

	NBVM Vigil	NBVM Sunday	SJB Sunday
Server	Ron Haley	Ron Haley	n/a
Lector	Brenda Plourde	Gary Schiedler	Mannie Mustola
EME	Sacristan	Sacristan	Suzy Breeden
Music	Volunteer	Volunteer	Stempers
Hospitality	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.

"God has become king over the nations; God has seated himself on his throne."
 (Psalm 47:9)

Announcements

General:

There will be no daily Mass until the Wednesday, June 22.

Reconciliation— During Father Mark's absence, you can 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:

There will be a **hospitality meeting Monday, May 16, at 10:15am** to discuss plans for a summer garage/rummage sale fund raiser.

If you are able and willing to provide hospitality after Mass, please remember to sign up on the bulletin board inside the hall.

Bible Study will be on summer hiatus until September. Bible Study this fall will focus on the Gospel of John and the Catechism. If you have any questions, contact Connie Ramos at 503-998-9172.

St. Johns:

Grounds and lawn cleanup – There will be a “work party” Saturday, May 21, starting at 10:00am, to work around the church to take care of the lawn and landscaping.

Turning Point – please donate unexpired canned goods.

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

Are priests ever allowed to break the seal of confession?

No.

Are you surprised at the brevity of the answer?

There's really nothing more to the answer than a direct NO.

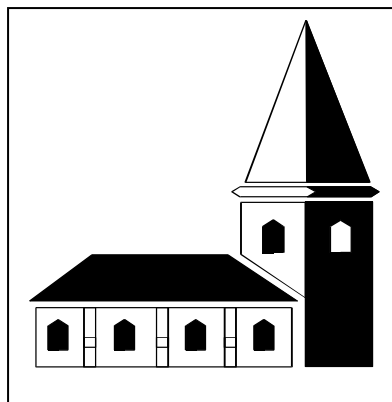
The Church takes the seal of the confessional with the utmost seriousness. Anything a priest is told in confession must remain secret. A priest cannot reveal it, no matter the circumstances and no matter the sin. The identity of the penitent—if the priest knows it—must also be kept confidential.

No one—not even public officials, law enforcement, judges, nor a superior—no one can legitimately demand information about a person's confession from a priest. The priest is obliged to keep the seal, even if he is threatened with prison, torture, or death.

Indeed, history tells us of priests who have gone to their deaths rather than break the seal. In the 14th century, the king of Bohemia, suspecting his wife of adultery, tried to force her confessor to reveal her sins. The confessor—St. John Nepomucene—refused to say a word, and was eventually thrown into a river and drowned.

He remains one of the most famous defenders of the confessional, a priest who illustrated in the fullest way just how serious his obligation is.

When a man chooses to become a priest, he knowingly takes on the obligation to die rather than break the seal. Knowing about this obligation can teach us to appreciate a good priest even more than we did before.



Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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5th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 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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