

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	05/09	9:00am / 11:15am	6 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17
Mon	05/10	No Daily Mass	St Damien o Molokai	Acts 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tues	05/11	No Daily Mass	6 th Weekday of Easter	Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11
Wed	05/12	11:00am NBVM	6 th Weekday of Easter	Acts 17:15,22—18:1 / Jn 16:12-15
Thurs	05/13	11:00am NBVM	Our Lady of Fatima	Acts 18:1-8 / Jn 16:16-20
Fri	05/14	11:00am NBVM	St Matthias, Apostle	Acts 1:15-17,20-26 / Jn 15:9-17
Sat	05/15	No Daily Mass	St Isidore the Farmer	Acts 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23b-28
Sat	05/15	5:00pm NBVM	Ascension	Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Mk 16:15-20
Sun	05/16	9:00am / 11:15am	Ascension	Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Mk 16:15-20

Collection

Collection	NBVM	SJB
Budget per Week	[\$1,338.00]	[\$754.00]
5pm & 9am / 11:15am Sunday	\$1,635.00	\$620.00
Building (Savings) Fund		\$25.00
Catholic Charities	\$148.00	\$25.00

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 503-396-8554.

"Wait quietly for Yahweh, and keep hoping in him; do not be agitated about the man who forges his own prosperity nor about one who brings his wicked schemes to success."

(Psalm 37:7)

Announcements

General:

The office and the back room of Nativity were broken into on Wednesday. As there were no signs of forced entry to the hall building itself, it is believed that the individuals entered during daily Mass when the hall is normally unlocked. A report was made to the police. Changes will be made regarding how parishioners can access the restrooms so that the building can be kept secure during Mass.

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 Reandeu at 503-728-3149. Please note: face masks are currently required. See Fr. Mark for additional information or questions.

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 – 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.

Holy water is so customary for Catholics that we sometimes don't question why the Church uses it or the significance behind it. We most commonly use holy water when we walk into church and dip our fingers into a font to bless ourselves.

So what does holy water actually do, and why is it important?

Holy water is one of the Church's most essential sacramentals. It's blessed by God through a priest, with a rite of blessing that includes prayers of exorcism. This blessing elevates the water to a sacramental that helps us receive God's grace when used faithfully. Not only is holy water used to give grace to God's children, it is also used to help defend us in spiritual warfare.

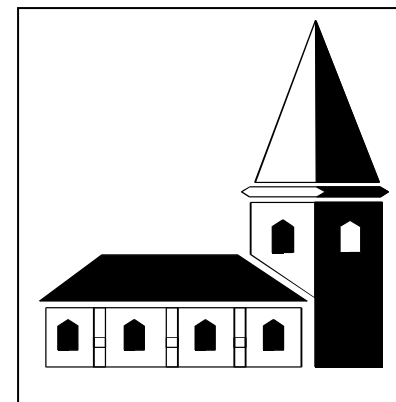
Because of its power, holy water is used in almost every sacrament. For instance, in the Sacrament of Baptism, the priest pours holy water over an infant's or new convert's head. Holy water is also used for Anointing of the Sick. In weddings, the priest uses holy water to bless the couple's rings. At funerals, the priest sprinkles holy water over the deceased person's coffin.

So how can we truly appreciate holy water and enjoy the benefits of it? By incorporating it into our daily lives.

In addition to using holy water to bless ourselves when we enter a parish, we should also use it to bless our homes, our families, our work spaces, and anything that you use with the goal of glorifying God in your daily life.

To learn more about the use of holy water in the Catholic Church, check out Rev. Henry Theiler's book [Holy Water and Its Significance for Catholics](#).

Catholic Company



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6th Sunday of Easter

May 9, 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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