

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	03/14	9:00am / 11:15am	4 th Sunday of Lent	2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23 / Eph 2:4-10 / Jn 3:14-21
Mon	03/15	No Daily Mass	4 th Weekday of Lent	Is 65:17-21 / Jn 4:43-54
Tues	03/16	No Daily Mass	4 th Weekday of Lent	Ez 47:1-9,12 / Jn 5:1-16
Wed	03/17	11:00am NBVM	St. Patrick	Is 49:8-15 / Jn 5:17-30
Thurs	03/18	11:00am NBVM	St. Cyril of Jerusalem	Ex 32:7-14 / Jn 5:31-47
Fri	03/19	11:00am NBVM	Solemnity of St. Joseph	2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 / Rom 4:13,16-18,22 / Mt 1:16,18-21,24a
Sat	03/20	No Daily Mass	4 th Weekday of Lent	Jer 11:18-20 / Jn 7:40-53
Sat	03/20	5:00pm (NBVM)	5 th Sunday of Lent	Jer 31:31-34 / Heb 5:7-9 / Jn 12:20-33
Sun	03/21	9:00am / 11:15am	5 th Sunday of Lent	Jer 31:31-34 / Heb 5:7-9 / Jn 12:20-33

Collection

Collection	NBVM	SJB
Budget per Week	[\$1,338.00]	[\$754.00]
5pm & 9am / 11:15am Sunday	\$1,945.00	\$950.00
Building (Savings) Fund		\$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.

"I will thank you in the great assembly; amid the great throng I will praise you." (Psalm 35:18)

Announcements

General:

The **Archbishop's Catholic Appeal** campaign is beginning. Please consider all the blessings the archdiocese has granted to both our 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.

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.

Strong passions are the precious raw material of sanctity. Individuals who have carried their sinning to extremes should not despair or say, 'I am too great a sinner to change,' or 'God would not want me.' God will take anyone who is willing to love, not with an occasional gesture, but with a 'passionless passion,' a 'wild tranquility'. A sinner, unrepentant, cannot love God, any more than someone on dry land can swim; but as soon as a person takes his errant energies to God and asks for their redirection, he will become happy, as he was never happy before. It is not the wrong things one has already done that keep one from God; it is present persistence in that wrong. Someone who turns back to God, as the Magdalene and Paul, welcomes the discipline that will enable him to change his former tendencies. Mortification is good, but only when it is done out of love of God. ... Mortifications of the right sort perfect our human nature; the gardener cuts the green shoots from the root of the bush, not to kill the rose, but to make it bloom more beautifully."

— Venerable Fulton Sheen, from Peace of Soul

Holy Week Schedule:

Palm Sunday Vigil

5pm – Nativity

Palm Sunday

9am – Nativity

11:15am – St. Johns

Holy Thursday

6pm – Nativity

Good Friday

3pm – St. Johns

6pm – Nativity

Easter Vigil

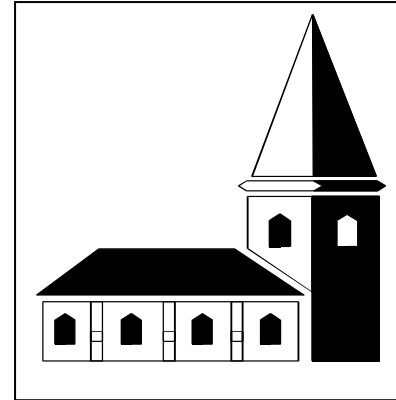
8pm – Nativity

Easter Sunday

9am – Nativity

11:15am – St. Johns

Please contact Ron Haley if you plan on attending at Nativity and Kathy Reandeu if you plan on attending at St. Johns.



Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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4th Sunday of Lent

March 14, 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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