



# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 26, 2026 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## I AM THE GATE.

— JOHN 10:9 —



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### PARISH VISION

We are called to active discipleship to live the values taught by our Lord Jesus Christ through acts of faith, hope, and charity. As active disciples, we engage in a “mission” mode of evangelization, forming disciples and inspiring others to do the same.

### STRATEGIC VISION

We are a thriving community of disciples who see their role in the life and evangelizing mission of the Church, sustaining a parish school that continuously grows and increases its enrollment every year, and supporting a facility that architecturally highlights the beauty and spirituality of its broader community.

### MISSION

*We seek to be a community of active disciples who:*

- *Are diverse, inclusive, and collaborative (Welcoming)*
- *Continuously grow and share their faith with all generations of spiritual seekers (Word)*
- *Are involved in a creative, vibrant liturgy (Worship)*
- *Are involved in areas of service that impact its broader community and the world (Witness)*
- *Have a strong sense of stewardship, evident in the parish’s healthy finances, committed organization, and self-sustained ministries (Strengthening)*
- *Are unafraid to grow by remembering the past, celebrating the present, and believing in the future*

### Mass Schedule

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil | 05:00pm,

Tagalog | 07:00pm

Sunday | 08:00am, 10:00am -  
(livestream), 12:00pm, 04:00pm  
(Vietnamese) & 07:00pm

#### Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday | 07:00 am

#### First Friday Mass

07:00pm (livestream)

#### Reconciliation

Saturday | 03:00pm or by  
appointment

#### Devotion to Mother of Perpetual

Wednesday | 06:00pm, Rosary at  
06:30pm

#### Daily Devotion

06:30am Rosary & Divine Chaplet

#### Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hours with your personal  
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### PARISH REGISTRATION



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parish community.  
Scan to register as a  
new parishioner.

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**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP**

FOR THE WEEK OF 04/18/26 - 04/19/2026

Target Weekly Income	\$ 12,000.00
Sunday Church Collection	\$ 8,375.00
Novena	\$ 318.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,693.00</b>
<b>Variance</b>	<b>\$ - 3,307.00</b>

*Thank you for your continued generosity and support  
of our parish mission.*

**THE O.C.I.A. CORNER****The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults**

On 26 Apr 2026, our Topic will be “Your Spiritual Gifts,” What are they, how do we use them and why are they important? Come and join in the discussion on this important Topic.

On 3 May 2026, our Topic will be “Discernment,” So how do we make decisions on big or important, even life changing, questions in our life? Do we ask God for help in making those decisions? Come and let us look at how we should approach making those decisions!

If you see a Topic that interests you, OCIA is open to anyone in the Parish that would like to attend to learn more about their faith. If you think you might be interested in the Catholic Faith, come join us and see if it answers your questions. For more information contact the Parish Office at 408-262-2546.



## **PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**APRIL 26, 2026**

**GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY**

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN PRIESTS' RETIREMENT  
COLLECTION FUND**



**My dear St. John the Baptist Parish Community,**

May the peace of the Good Shepherd be with all of you.

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, which is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. This is the Sunday we take up a second collection for the Diocesan Retired Priests' Collection Fund. On one end, we pray for vocations that the "Lord of the harvest will send more laborers into his vineyard." On the other end, we pray for our retired priests in the Diocese.

I am quoting at length the email sent by our auxiliary bishop, Bishop Andy Ligot, regarding these causes which we mark on the Fourth Sunday of Easter.

"This is a most important diocesan-wide collection, dedicated entirely to the care and support of our retired priests, those who have generously given their lives in service to the People of God.

As we know well, the priesthood is not merely a profession but a lifelong vocation of sacrifice, fidelity, and love. Many of our retired priests have spent decades celebrating the Sacraments, accompanying families in moments of joy and sorrow, forming communities, and shepherding souls. Now, in their later years, it is our turn—as a diocesan family—to care for them with gratitude and dignity.

Please allow me to highlight several important reasons why this collection is of prime importance:

**1. Increasing Healthcare Needs**

As our brother priests advance in age, they often require more comprehensive medical care, including regular treatments, medications, assisted living, and, in some cases, long-term care. These costs continue to rise significantly each year, and the Retirement Fund helps ensure that their needs are met without compromise.

**2. Dignified Living and Care**

Our retired priests deserve to live their later years in dignity, peace, and security. The fund supports housing, daily living needs, and specialized care where necessary, ensuring that they are not left to face these challenges alone.

**3. A Growing Number of Retired Clergy**

With more priests reaching retirement age and fewer active priests available to support them directly, the burden on the Diocese increases. This collection helps sustain a stable and reliable support system for our retired clergy.

**4. Gratitude for a Lifetime of Service**

This collection is not simply financial; it is an expression of gratitude. Our people are given the opportunity to give back to those who have faithfully served them for so many years. It is a tangible way of honoring their sacrifices and ministry.

**5. Stewardship and Priestly Fraternity**

Caring for our retired priests is a responsibility we share as a presbyterate and as a diocesan Church. It reflects our unity, our fraternity, and our commitment to one another, especially to those who have gone before us in ministry.

**6. Entirely for Our Diocese**

All funds collected remain within the Diocese of San Jose and are used exclusively for the benefit of our retired priests. This ensures transparency and reinforces to our faithful that their generosity directly supports their own spiritual fathers."

Please give generously to this Second Collection. It is a beautiful way of saying Thank You to the shepherds who have served our Parish and the Diocese. May Christ the Good Shepherd acknowledge you as one of his flock and one day welcome you into the heavenly pasture. A Blessed Easter Season to you.

*Monsignor Willie*

## Mass INTENTIONS



### Saturday, April 25 - 7 am

**(I)** Eric Escuadro (Bday), Merla Pates (Tks), Marcus Jun Dumlao (Tks), Claire Lobyoc (Tks)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Fred De Asis, Mila Abseta, Wilfredo Arcegono, Pascal Noh, Michael Dittmer  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Randy Anthony Herrera, Maria Wong, Frank Lao, Flora Castrence, Alberto Camero, Jesus Grabriel, Go Tiong An, Ron Gaudinez

### Saturday, April 25 - 5 pm

**(I)** Eric Escuadro (Bday), Merla Pates (Tks), Marvin Buan (Tks)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Fred De Asis, Ellie Cerezo  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Tony & Doris Changmine, Frank Lao, Go Tiong An, Jesus Grabriel, Ron Gaudinez

### Saturday, April 25 - 7 pm

**(I)** Divinia Ordiales (Sp Int), Mike Lord Raymundo (Sp Int), Francisco Raymundo (Sp Int), Merla Pates (Tks)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Fred De Asis, Cesar Benitez  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Philip Tran, Go Tiong An, Ron Gaudinez

### Sunday, April 26 - 8 am

**(I)** Claire Lobyoc (Bday), Merla Pates (Tks), Adrienne Sybesma (Tks),  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Fred De Asis, Mila Abseta, Pascah Noh  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ophelia Paule, Philip Tran, Maria Wong, Go Tiong An, Ron Gaudinez

### Sunday, April 26 - 10 am

**(I)** Merla Pates (Tks)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Fred De Asis  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Frank Lao, Anna Nguyen Thi Mau, Vincente Nguyen Minh Dau, Vincente Nguyen Minh Tu, Cecil Holts Smith

### Sunday, April 26- 12 noon

**(I)**  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Fred De Asis, Arthur Basco, Frank Carroza, Anita Afurong, Dodoy Cortero, Benjamin Cacao  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Randy Anthony Herrera, Grace Denina, Francisco Raymundo, Francisco Ruiz, Alfredo Ugto, Sr., Aida Halili, Angelita Aquino, Ron Gaudinez

### Sunday, April 26- 7 pm

**(I)**  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Fred De Asis, Sandi Domingo  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Percival Celi, Rosario Celi, Efren Celi

### Monday, April 27 - 7 am

**(I)**  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Fred De Asis, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Mila Abseta, Nam Nguyen, Pascal Noh  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Maria Wong, Paul Lai, All Souls in Purgatory

### Tuesday, April 28- 7 am

**(I)** Marisa Lim (Bday)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Fred De Asis, Frank Carroza, Arthur Basco, Mila Abseta, Iwan Lee, Lee Foe Ling, Pascal Noh  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Dominic & Mary, Timothy Vu, Mary Theresa Lan

### Wednesday, April 29 - 7 am

**(I)** Latrisha Ilas (Bday)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Frank Carroza, Fred De Asis, Arthur Basco, Mila Abseta, Pascal Noh  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Florentina Badajos, Francisco Arcegono, Yolando Ogario

### Wednesday, April 29 - 6:30 pm

**(I)** Latrisha Ilas (Bday)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Arthur Basco, Trecia Reyes, Lilibeth Reyes, Nick Arimboanga  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Agustun Bacana, Juana Javarez

### Thursday, April 30 - 7 am

**(I)** Emer Gerard Velasco (Bday)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Fred De Asis, Arthur Basco, Mila Abseta, Frank Carroza, Pascal Noh  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Noriel Montiero, Mylin Berber, Cristyl Beltran, Betty Abellaniza, Myrna Fuertes

### Friday, May 1 - 7 am

**(I)**  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Fred De Asis, Arthur Basco, Frank Carroza, Mila Abseta, Pascal Noh  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Isidoro Torres, Jeromy Kyle Edusada, Eusebio & Rosa Arcegono, All Souls in Purgatory

### Friday, May 1 - First Friday - 7 pm

**(I)** Randy & Ditas Alabado (Tks)  
**(H)** Fr. Jaime Mendoza, Fred De Asis, Arthur Basco, Frank Carroza, Wille Arcegono  
**(D †)** Msgr. Pat Brown, Ron Gaudinez, Geofredo Joey Dorado, Domingo & Juliana Gloria Dorado, Anita Tiburcio, Jeromy Kyle Edusada

## Observances for the week of April 26, 2026

**Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
**Tuesday:** St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest  
**Wednesday:** St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church  
**Thursday:** St. Pius V, Pope  
**Friday:** St. Joseph the Worker; National Day of Prayer  
**Saturday:** St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Easter

St. John the Baptist Parish welcomes multiple Mass intentions. While there is no required stipend, parishioners may make a freewill offering. All requests will be combined with others.

“DISCLAIMER: If we don't mention your request, it doesn't mean it's invalid. What matters is your heart. Your intentions are always heard by God, even if unspoken. Please inform us immediately if this occurs, and we will honor your request. Thank you.

MASS INTENTION



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## *Renewed at the Table of the Lord*

*Liturgical Renewal Phase 1 – Introductory Rites: Welcoming & Participation  
Sunday after Easter, April 12, 2026 – July 1, 2026*

### WEEK 2

#### **We Are Not Spectators: Your Vital Role at Mass**

Have you ever thought of yourself as having a ministry at Mass? If you answered no, think again. Every person who gathers for the Eucharist has a vital role to play. The Second Vatican Council called this the **ministry of the assembly**—and you are part of it!

When we come to Mass, we are not simply individuals attending a private devotion. God invites us to gather together to worship as one family. This is why our participation matters so much. When you stand, you stand with your brothers and sisters. When you respond, your voice joins the voice of the whole Church. When you sing, you are not performing: you are praying.

**Full, conscious, and active participation** does not mean everyone must be a lector or choir member. But it means something deeper than simply going through the motions on the outside. Think of two people at Mass: one sings every song, knows every response, and greets everyone warmly. Another sits quietly, head bowed, perhaps unable to sing that day — because something in the readings has quietly broken them open. Which one is participating more fully? We cannot tell from the outside. What the Church is asking of us is not a performance but an interior offering. It means coming to Mass as we truly are tired, grateful, broken, searching, and hopeful before the Lord. The more humbly and authentically we bring ourselves to the Eucharist, the more we are transformed by it.

**Preparation**, then, is less about arriving ready to do everything right and more about arriving willing to be honest before God. A few simple actions can help. First, arrive at least five minutes before Mass starts to quiet your heart, set aside the noise of the week. Second, join in the responses and songs. Your voice matters, even if you think you cannot sing well. Third, when we move together, those shared postures are not mere formality; they are a sign of our unity as one Body in Christ.

This week, reflect on how you participate at Mass: Are you fully present? Do you respond and sing? Do you let the Mass shape your week? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you discover the beauty of being an active member of the assembly—the Body of Christ.

## THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

## Feast of St. Peregrine (Healing Mass)

Thursday, April 30 at 7:00 PM • Church  
With procession and blessing of oils

## Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker

Friday, May 1 • Mass at 7:00 AM

## First Friday Mass

Friday, May 1 at 5:30 PM  
(Adjusted schedule due to Confirmation Mass at 7:00 PM)

## Mother's Day Novena

Envelopes are now available from the ushers

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## Feast of Our Lady of Peace &amp; Good Voyage (Antipolo)

Tuesday, May 5 at 7:00 PM  
Procession and fellowship to follow.

## Annual Parish Fiesta – June 24

Vendor opportunities available.  
Contact Maricris Benitez or the Parish Office.

## TREE OF LIFE

## Sacred Heart Shrine – Tree of Life

Reserve a leaf engraving  
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## PARISH OPPORTUNITIES

## We are seeking volunteers for:

- Pastoral Council
  - Finance Council
  - Parish Leadership Team
  - Campaign Advisory Team
- Contact Msgr. Willie or Fr. Victor

## COMMUNITY NOTICE

## Monday Bingo

Monday Bingo is paused until further notice.  
Thank you for your understanding.

## Feast of St. Peregrine



Patron saint of those suffering from cancer and other life-threatening illnesses



**April 30, 2026, Thursday**  
**Mass @ 7:00 pm**

With a procession and concluding prayer at the St. Peregrine Shrine (in front of the rectory)

Blessed oils will be distributed.

## Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker

May 1st



## FIRST FRIDAY

May 1st  
at 5:30 pm



## Mother's Day Novena

Envelopes now  
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St. John the Baptist Parish

# FEAST OF OUR LADY OF PEACE AND GOOD VOYAGE (BIRHEN NG ANTIPOLO)



**May 5, 2026**

**Please join us for the:**

**NOVENA PRAYER AT  
THE DAILY MASSES &  
ALL WEEKEND  
MASSES:  
April 26-May 4, 2026  
Church**

**FEAST MASS:**  
May 5, 2026, Tuesday  
7:00 PM  
Church  
Procession follows

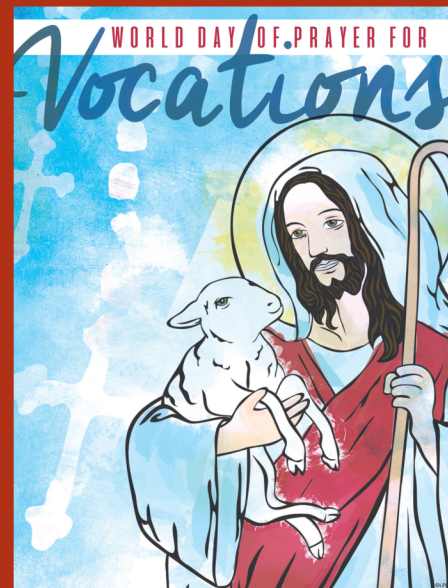
**FELLOWSHIP &  
RECEPTION:**  
May 5, 2026, Tuesday  
After Mass & Procession  
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The first Thursday  
of May is the  
**NATIONAL DAY  
OF PRAYER.**

This is a great  
reminder to pray  
for our nation, our  
leaders, our media,  
and each other!



Annual Parish Fiesta  
June 24



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