



SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 7:00 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday:

Vigil: 5:00 pm

Tagalog Mass: 7:00 pm

Sunday:

8:00 am

10:00 (Livestream)

12:00 pm

4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

7:00 pm

Wednesday:

Devotion to Mother of Perpetual Help

6:00 PM Rosary,

6:30 Novena Mass

First Friday:

7:00 PM (Livestream)

Holy Day Schedule

Eve of Holy Day: 7:00 PM

Holy Day 7:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:00 PM

Or by appointment by calling the Parish Office

DAILY DEVOTION

6:30 am – Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

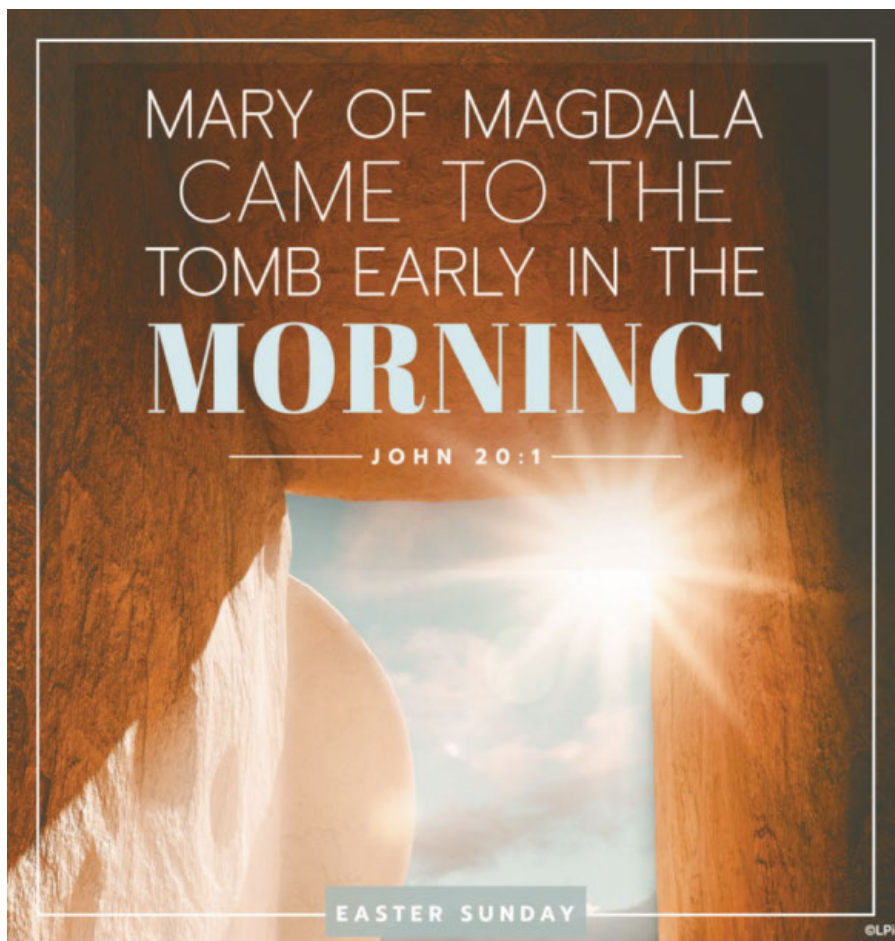
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Rev. Msgr. Wilfredo S. Manrique, Pastor

Rev. Edgar Elamparo I, Associate Pastor



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PARISH VISION & MISSION

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 generation 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

CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENT

Baptism are being celebrated every **Saturday at 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 2:00 pm.** Please make an appointment with the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism interview and to register for the required preparation class. The preparation class is being held every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30PM.

FIRST EUCHARIST: We accept children who are at least in first grade and seven years old. We have two classes: one is every Thursday from 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm and the other is every Saturday from 9:15 am to 10:30 am. Registration starts in late July or early August.

CONFIRMATION: It is a two-year program. First Year Confirmandi meet every first and third Friday while Second Year Confirmandi meet every second and fourth Friday. Both will have a mandatory Confirmation Retreat. Regular Class time is 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm. We accept children who are at least in seventh grade and up to Junior High (eleventh grade). Registration starts in late July or early August.

Marriage: Before planning your wedding, please make an appointment with one of our priest.

Marriage preparation usually takes at **least six months** period to complete.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist make pastoral visit to parishioners who are sick either confined in the hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, care homes, or at the convenient of their own home. Also, it is for parishioners who are homebound, i.e. their health or medical conditions could be compromised when they leave home. Pastoral visit comprise of the respectful distribution of the Holy Eucharist to the sick; and as well, as giving them emotional, social, and spiritual support through profound and thoughtful prayers.

Anointing of the Sick: In this Church's Sacrament, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness or frailty of old age is sufficient. To request, please call the parish office. Outside office hours, kindly **call (408) 966-4612**. In addition, the Sacrament is also conferred during the communal celebration at the morning Mass every first Saturday of the month.

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From the Desk of the Pastor

MESSAGE FOR EASTER SUNDAY 2025

“I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”

(John 10:10)

The Lord is risen from the tomb. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!

For more than 40 days, we dared not sing Alleluia during our liturgies. But today, we are emboldened to sing it once more. Because our Lord has been raised from the dead. And we are glad because of it.

During this Jubilee of Year, our pilgrimage in hope, our journey of life reflects the dying and rising of Christ.

The Passion of our Lord teaches us that even in our darkest moments, God is working to bring about new life. When we face our own crosses, our own burdens, let us remember: we are not alone. Christ walks with us, and He shows us the way through — the way of selfless love. The Paschal event reveals to humanity the very heart of God — a heart burning with mercy and love.

The love that impelled the Father to send His Son into the world to take on human flesh, the love that impelled the Son to climb the tree of the Cross to die for sinners like you and me, must be the same LOVE that undergirds every aspect of our life and action, our thoughts and motives.

Some author said that the most beautiful portrait of God is the man hanging on the Cross. And yet for me, as a pilgrim of hope, the Risen Christ is a beauty to behold.

May this Easter bring about a deeper sense of hope and love for us as we continue our pilgrimage to our divine home.

All of us, priests and staff of St. John the Baptist Parish and School, wish you a glorious Easter with the peace that comes from the heart of the Risen Christ.

Happy Easter.

Msgr. Willie S. Manrique
Pastor

LITURGY & WORSHIP

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20, 2025

First Reading:

He went about doing good
and healing all those oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)

Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice
and be glad. (Ps 118)

Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is
above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.
(Col 3:1)

Gospel:

So she ran and went to Simon Peter
and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved,
and told them,
"They have taken the Lord from the tomb,
and we don't know where they put him." (Jn 20:2)

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Observances for the week of April 20, 2025

- Sunday:** Easter Sunday
Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter
Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter; Earth Day
Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter; Administrative Professionals' Day
Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter; Arbor Day
Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Readings for the week of April 20, 2025

- Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/
Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

He is risen! He is truly risen! This is what the celebration of Easter is all about — the truth that Jesus was crucified for our sins and three days later rose from the dead, conquering death once and for all.

We know it's true, but this Easter Sunday, let's ask ourselves if we live as if it's true. Do we live as witnesses to the glorious reality of the Resurrection?

A witness, of course, is one with first-hand knowledge. Our readings today focus not only on the Resurrection itself, but also on those who were witnesses to it.

In the Gospel, St. John describes the very first witnesses to the empty tomb, Mary Magdalene, John ("the disciple whom Jesus loved"), and Peter. Each had an individual "experience" of the empty tomb. Each went up close to see for themselves what Jesus' love had accomplished.

How can we as Christian stewards all these years later see for ourselves and so become His witnesses? We "see for ourselves" when we prayerfully read the Scriptures knowing they are a living love letter from God with a message to each one of us. We "see for ourselves" each time we receive the precious Body and Blood of our Lord in the Eucharist. We "see for ourselves" when we experience His personal and healing power in our hearts during Reconciliation. We "see for ourselves" when we pour out our lives in loving service to those around us and experience the deep satisfaction that only comes when we are imitating our Savior.

This Easter, resolve to live as if the saving power of the Resurrection is true. Experience Jesus for yourself every day from now on. You will be a powerful witness to the truth that He is risen! He is truly risen!

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For the readings, click on the day of the week or visit

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To learn more about saints, click on the name above or visit

www.franciscanmedia.org and search for a specific saint's name or day.

The O.C.I.A. Corner

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

NEW NAME SAME PROCESS!

ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN!

We want to congratulate those newly Baptized, Confirmed and Receiving Holy Communion for the First Time! They are Christine, Dedeepya, and Brandon, welcome to the Catholic Faith! We also want to Jeff who came in from other faith and received Confirmation and First Communion. Isabelle will be Confirmed by Bishop Cantu on 3 May 2025. When you see them in the Community please welcome them into St John's Parish.

We have no OCIA Session on Easter Sunday, we had the best possible session at the Easter Vigil!

It has been nearly 9 months that they have been on this Journey, but it is not over yet! Starting on 27 April 2025 we will begin our Mystagogy Topics. This is where we learn to live our new faith in and part of the Community. On 27 APRIL 2025, OUR Topic will be Conversion, A Lifelong Process. We must never stop growing in our faith! We need to continue to read and explore new treasures of our Faith. If you want to learn more join us after the 10 am Mass.

On 4 May 2025, our Topic will be The Role of the Laity, did you know that you also have a mission in our faith? Come see what we are to be doing to support the Parish and the Catholic Church.

If you see a topic that interests you, come and join us in Pavalkis Hall, room 2A, after the 10 am Mass. OCIA is open to any parishioner that would like to join us!

For more information either contact the Parish Office at 408-262-2546 or talk with [Dave Meszaros 408-892-0510 or Email mailman6019@yahoo.com](mailto:mailman6019@yahoo.com).

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Easter*



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How can I help SJB?

Are you looking for ways to make a positive impact in our community? Look no further, because Saint John the Baptist Parish is seeking volunteers to share their time, talents, and treasures leading to meaningful change, transforming lives and strengthening our community. Together, we can create a positive impact. By filling out our volunteer forms, you can use your skills and resources to make a difference in the lives of those around us. Join us in building a stronger, more connected and God-faithful community. Let's make a difference together!"

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