

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church



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SOLEMN MASS

10:00 am

Voluntary: Cantabile from Sonata No. 2 ("O filii")

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens

Rite of Sprinkling Holy Water: *Vidi aquam*

I beheld water issuing out from the temple, on the righthand side, alleluia: and all to whom that water came were saved, and they shall say: Alleluia. Alleluia. (Psalm) O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, because his mercy endureth for ever. Let Israel now confess that he is gracious, and that his mercy endureth for ever. *Gloria Patri*. I beheld water ...

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us. Alleluia. **R.** And grant us thy salvation. Alleluia.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer. **R.** And let my cry come unto thee.

V. The Lord be with you. **R.** And with thy spirit.

Introit: *Quasi modo*

1 Peter 2:2, Psalm 81:1

As new-born babes, alleluia: desire the sincere milk of the Word. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (Psalm) Sing we merrily unto God, our helper: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. *Gloria Patri*. As new-born babes ...

Kyrie eleison (Healey Willan)

Hymnal 710

Lord, have mercy upon us. (*thrice*) Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in excelsis (Healey Willan)

Hymnal 713

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the
sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

V. The Lord be with you. **R.** And with thy spirit.

Collect

First Reading (*congregation sitting*)

Acts 4:32-35

The company of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things which he possessed was his own, but they had everything in common. And with great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not any one needy among them, for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet; and distribution was made to each as any had need.

At the end of each reading the People respond: Thanks be to God.

First Alleluia: *In die resurrectionis*

Matthew 28:7

Alleluia, alleluia. **V.** In the day of my Resurrection, saith the Lord: I will go before you into Galilee. Alleluia.

Second Reading

I John 5:1-6

Beloved: Every one who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and every one who loves the parent loves the one begotten by him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the witness, because the Spirit is the truth.

Second Alleluia: *Post dies octo*

John 20:26

Alleluia. **V.** And after eight days, when the doors were shut: stood Jesus in the midst of his disciples, and said, Peace be unto you.

Sequence (Hymn 97): "Christians to the Paschal Victim"

Victimae Paschali

Before the Gospel:

V. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. **R.** Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them

when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "You have believed because you have seen me. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

After the Gospel reading:

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon (*congregation sitting*)

The Reverend Monsignor Timothy P. Perkins

Confirmation

V. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

V. Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

R. Now and forever.

V. Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto thee.

The Confirmation

Prayers of the People (*congregation kneeling*)

Confession, Absolution and Comfortable Words

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory Antiphon: *Angelus Domini* (*congregation sitting*)

Matthew 28:2, 5, 6

The Angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and said unto the women: He whom ye seek is risen, as he said. Alleluia.

Offertory Solo: "Let all the multitudes of light"

Johann Sebastian Bach

Let all the multitudes of light, their songs in concert raising,
With earth's triumphal hymns unite, the risen Saviour praising.
Ye heavens, his festival proclaim! Our King returneth whence he came,
With victory amazing.
For us he bore the bitter tree, to death's dark realm descending,
Our foe he slew and set us free, man's ancient bondage ending.
No more the tyrant's chains oppress; O conquering Love! thy name we bless,
With thee to heaven ascending.
O Christ, to thee be endless praise for this thy great salvation!
O holy Father, thine always be thanks and adoration!
Spirit of life and light, to thee eternal praise and glory be;
One God of all creation! --F. B. Macnutt

Offertory Hymn 99: "O sons and daughters, let us sing", vv 1, 4-9

O filii et filiae

After the altar is prepared the priest says,

Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable unto God, the Father almighty.
The People stand and respond:
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands, for the praise and glory of his Name, for
our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up unto the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

R. It is meet and right so to do.

Preface of Easter

Sanctus and Benedictus (Healey Willan)

Hymnal 797

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

Eucharistic Prayer *The People kneel.*

After the Elevations:

Priest: The mystery of faith.

The People with the Priest:

O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us: save us

and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Our Father (*congregation standing*)

The Priest continues: "Deliver us ... and safe from all distress."

The People respond:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Peace and Fraction

The Priest offers a prayer for the peace of Christ, and then says:

V. The peace of the Lord be always with you. **R.** And with thy spirit.

The Peace is not exchanged among the faithful at this Mass.

At the Fraction:

V. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

R. Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (Healey Willan)

Hymnal 712

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that taketh away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

The People respond thrice:

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Distribution of Holy Communion

Holy Communion is offered in one Kind only. The Sacrament can be received either on the palm or on the tongue. Those who wish to receive Communion should wait in the pew until the usher indicates that it is time to come forward. Allow six feet between families at the rail. Those receiving Communion must remove their masks.

Communion Antiphon: *Mitte manum tuam*

John 20:27

Reach hither thy hand, and behold the print of the nails, alleluia: and be not faithless, but believing. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Communion Solo: "We walk by faith and not by sight"

Gordon Slater

We walk by faith and not by sight; no gracious words we hear
From Him who spake as man néer spake; but we believe Him near.
We may not touch His hands and side, nor follow where He trod:
But in His promise we rejoice; and cry, "My Lord and God!"
Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound
To call on Thee when Thou art near, and seek where Thou art found:
That, when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light
We may behold Thee as Thou art, with full and endless sight.

-- Henry Alford

Ablutions Hymn 207: "Come, risen Lord"

Knickerbocker

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*said by the congregation kneeling with the celebrant*)

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Post-Communion Collect

Blessing and Dismissal

V. The Lord be with you. **R.** And with thy spirit.

The Priest gives the blessing. The Deacon dismisses the People, and they respond:

Thanks be to God.

The Last Gospel (*congregation standing*)

John 1:1-14

V. The Lord be with you. **R.** And with thy spirit.

V. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. **R.** Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel reading: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Voluntary: Toccata on "O filii et filiae"

Lynnwood Farnam



Cover: Sebastián Lopez de Arteaga (1610-1656), *Doubting Thomas*, 1643, oil on canvas, Museo Nacional de Arte, Mexico City.

Please do not congregate in the aisles or at the doors after Mass. Visiting should be done outside or at coffee hour.

Saint John the Baptist is a Catholic parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter, using the Divine Worship Missal, authorized by the Holy See for use in the Ordinariate. Those interested in instruction about the Ordinariate, and those interested in entering the full communion of the Catholic Church are invited to speak with Fr Ousley. The Saint John's Rectory (and parish mailing address) is at 502 Ford Street, Bridgeport, PA 19405. The telephone is 215-247-1092. The web site is:
www.sjbbridgeport.org.

CALENDAR

Monday, April 12	Eastertide Feria: Mass, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, April 13	Eastertide Feria: Mass, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, April 14	Eastertide Feria: Mass & Healing, 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 15	Eastertide Feria: Mass, 6 p.m.
Friday, April 16	Eastertide Feria: Mass, noon
Saturday, April 17	Eastertide Feria: Mass, 9 a.m.
Sunday, April 18	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Solemn Mass. 10a.m. (<i>Public & Live-stream</i>)

LESSONS FOR MORNING & EVENING PRAYER

EASTER II	Morning		Evening	
Sunday 4/11	Isaiah 51:1-16	Luke 24:13-35	Exodus 15:1-18	Luke 24:36-49
Monday	Deuteronomy 1:3-18	Acts 1:1-14	Deuteronomy 1:19-end	Acts 1:15-end
Tuesday	2:1-25	2:1-21	2:26-3:5	2:22-end
Wednesday	3:18-end	3:1-4:4	4:1-24	4:5-31
Thursday	4:25-40	4:32-5:11	5:1-21	5:12-end
Friday	5:22-end	6:1-7:16	6	7:17-34
Saturday	7:1-11	7:35-8:4	7:12-end	8:4-25
Sunday 4/18	Exodus 16:2-15	I Corinthians 15:1-26	Exodus 24	John 21:1-14

Collect for Sunday and the Ferias: ALMIGHTY God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive his inestimable benefit; and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

INTERCESSIONS

Sick: Delbert, Patricia, Hyacinth, Terraine, Martha, Charmaine, Angela, Joanna, Philomena, Charles, Kevin, Joy, Dawn, Philip, Jimmy, John, Claire; Marion, Timothy, Marlon, Prentice, Maria, Richard, Victoria, Chester, Robert, Jayne, Haley, Patrick, Lisa, Dennis, Oscar, Damian, Pat, Jason, Elizabeth, Joe, Pat, Marylee, Christine

Clergy: Francis, Benedict, Steven, Nelson, David, Matthew, Thomas, Gregory, Roger

Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St Peter; the unity of the Church; Sacred Heart (Swedesburg), St Aelred's (Athens, Georgia), St John Paul II's (Bethlehem); & for the Pope's Intentions (For Fundamental Rights)

Persecuted Christians

Pursuing higher education: Janice, Bruno, Michael, Lisa, Rachel, William, Caroline

Those with child: Joanna, Kelly, Kristina, Kristyn, Lindsey, Alex

Seeking employment: Philomena, Mark, Ashley

Confimands: Augustine, Charlotte, Mitchell, Robert, Trevor

Birthday: Therese Rawson

R.I.P.: Karl Spaeth, Betty Nolt, Millicent Berghaus

NOTICES

At Mass, among other covid-related adjustments, no collection of alms and offerings will be taken during the Mass: baskets are in the front and back of the church for your offerings. All are welcome at **Coffee hour** after Mass in the parish house: please observe appropriate precautions.

It is our pleasure to welcome to St John's the **Vicar General** of the Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter, Monsignor Timothy Perkins.

Today, for Divine Mercy Sunday, Sacred Heart parish in Swedesburg will have Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament after the 10:15 a.m. Mass. A Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. (the Hour of Mercy) to seek God's mercy for ourselves and for our nation for offenses against life, marriage, and religious liberty. Confessions starting at 2. Benediction will conclude the Holy Hour.

On Zoom this week (links on the parish web site):

Evening Prayer, every day (except today and Saturday) at 5 p.m.

The **Wednesday Bible study** resumes this week, continuing the study of Luke at 11:05 a.m.

The **Thrift Shop** is open Tuesday & Saturday, 10-3.

The regular **confession** times are Sunday 9-9:45 a.m. (Fr Ousley), Monday (Fr Hummel) at 5:30 p.m. and Thursday (Fr Ousley) at 5:30 p.m. Other times by appointment are also possible.

The **Sunday Mass obligation** for members of the Ordinariate at heightened risk of the coronavirus (over 60, other health conditions, etc.) is fulfilled by attendance at Mass or through one of the two following pious practices: *a. Prayerful reflection upon the Sunday Scripture readings, concluding that time by the recitation of the Prayer of Humble Access or the Anima Christi*; (this is fulfilled by devout participation in the live-stream of the Mass) *or b. The recitation of the Rosary as a family*. The Sunday obligation remains uncommuted for others.