

THE EUCHARISTIC COMMUNITY AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JEAN BAPTISTE

Bread Broken for a New World

PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 8-9, 2019

ACTS 2:1-11 1 CORINTHIANS 12:3B-7,12-13 JOHN 20:19-23

GATHER HYMNAL #972

The Pastor's Reflections

On the occasion of the Feast of Pentecost, instead of my usual reflection, I'm going to ask you to join in a prayer with me. But before I do so, I want to share a bit about my relationship with this faith community.

Last week, on May 31st, I celebrated my 44th anniversary of ordination. Nineteen of those years have been spent as pastor of St. Jean's. Since the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament arrived to begin ministry here in 1900, I'm the

longest serving pastor. That being said, I must confess that I have been trained for very little of what I had to do.

I had no financial training. I had no administrative training. I had no training in construction and maintenance. But most of my years as pastor have been spent struggling to keep the parish afloat financially, and restoring and repairing the buildings of the parish campus. I used the only training I did have, theology, counselling and music, as the foun-

ation for the real work I was commissioned to do, to be a pastor. But I must confess, that I was a fundraiser and contractor 80% of the time – a pastor 20% of the time.

It may seem that I'm confessing my personal shortcomings as a pastor. To a certain extent I am. At the same time, I'm proud to say that I was never left alone to "fight the good fight." I had my community of priests and brothers who supported, advised and comforted me through many years of nervously acting on hunches, and endless multi-tasking.

There were many dedicated and loving people, who held me up. It was this army of angels, the priests, brothers, sisters and men and women of the parish, who ensured that the mission

continued when their pastor was just keeping his head above water. They are the inspiration of my prayer today.

Very early on I realized that the parish isn't the pastor. The parish, or Eucharistic Community as I often refer to it, is the Spirit-led people of God. After 44 years as a priest, and 19 years as pastor of Saint Jean's, I can attest, without any hesitation, that a pastor's primary mission isn't maintenance or fundraising.





The pastor's mission is to be a lightning rod for the Holy Spirit, instructing, empowering and anointing the people of the faith community for their ministry. So today, with all my heart I pray:

**Lord Jesus,
you told us that you came
to spread fire on the earth.
Send your Spirit to each of us today.
Send us the Paraclete,
the counselor and consoler,
the intercessor
and divine teacher you promised.**

**Come, Holy Spirit,
blow your mighty wind over us.
Fan away all our doubts,
all our fears, and the hesitation
that separates us from your power.
Rain down your tongues of fire.**

**Lifting up our hands in praise
and prayer we join Mary in her hymn:
"May it be done to me
according to your word."
We join in Jesus' prayer:
"Not my will but yours be done."
Creator Spirit,
we offer ourselves to you.
Form us anew.
You are the potter, we are the clay.**

**Today, Lord Jesus,
we consecrate ourselves to you
and your mission.
We promise, from this day on,
to spread fire on the earth.**

---Father John

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT DAILY

MASSES

WEEKDAYS

7:30 – 12:15

SATURDAY

12:15 – 5:30 Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

9:00 – 11:00 – 5:30 – 7:30

HOLY DAYS

7:30-12:15-7:00pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

RECITED ON WEEKDAYS

8:00 AM and 5:00 PM

SUNDAY

5:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

WEEKDAYS

11:45 until 12:10

SATURDAY

11:45 until 12:10

5:00 until 5:30

ROSARY

WEEKDAYS AND SATURDAY AT 11:55

NOVENA PRAYERS

St. Anne – Tuesday after the 12:15 Mass

St. Peter Julian Eymard –

Thursday after the 12:15 Mass

JOIN OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Please register at the parish house, 184 East 76th Street any day during office hours from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM daily or fill out a registration card found at the rear of the church.

BAPTISM & MARRIAGES

To schedule a baptism or a marriage please contact the parish office to speak with Fr. John Kamas.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please call the parish office to schedule a home visit with one of the priests. 212-288-5082 Ext. 10

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP

Every Sunday, the Our Lady of Peace Prayer Group leads an hour of intercessory prayer from 12:30pm until 1:30pm in the church. Everyone is invited to join them.

We ask all parishioners to submit the names of friends or relatives who need prayers for whatever reason. You may bring your intentions to the group personally on Sunday, or leave them with the parish receptionist who will pass them on to the group. Praying for each other is a powerful ministry.

Please consider joining the group for the prayer. But also remember to bring your intentions to them or to the rectory office.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Time and Venue:

The Charismatic Prayer Meeting will be held every Sunday from 2:30 PM-4:30 PM in Wave Café of the High School, 173 East 75th Street. You may enter through the ramp on 76th Street at the east end of the rectory building .



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? ARE YOU AN ADULT DESIRING FIRST COMMUNION AND/OR CONFIRMATION?

Make an appointment with Joan Prenty, Director of Religious Education, through the Parish Office by calling 212-288-5082 ext 30. Leave your contact information and she will get back to you to set up an appointment.



MUSIC OF THE LITURGY

The scripture readings may be found in
GATHER at No. 972

PALM PROCESSION HYMN: *No. 476 "Send Us Your Spirit"*

KYRIE

GLORY TO GOD

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *"Lord Send Out Your Spirit And Renew The Face Of The Earth."*

SECOND READING

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING

CREED, NO. 143

INTERCESSIONS

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:
"Jesus, Send Your Spirit Lord"

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

ACCLAMATION

*When We Eat This Bread and Drink This Cup,
We Proclaim the Death of the Lord
Until He Comes Again*

THE GREAT AMEN

MUSIC AT COMMUNION:
No. 806 "Eat This Bread"

BLESSING and DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL:
No. 474 *"Come, Holy Ghost"*

"A person who sings prays twice." -St. Augustine

*Richard Owen, Jr.,
Director of Music Ministries & Organist
email: owenrick@aol.com*

7:30 PM

Processional: No. 476 "Send Us Your Spirit"

Offertory: "Jesus, Send Your Spirit Lord"

Je - sus, send your Spi-rit Lord, as You prom - ised us,
we are ask - ing You, O Lord, O Lord, pour out your
fire on the earth, Je - sus, my life is in your hands.
A. T. & B. Je - sus!

Communion: No. 806 "Eat This Bread"

Recessional: "Spirit Of God"

Spi-rit of God, breath of our life, Spi-rit of God, fill us with fire.
Spi-rit of God, com-fort our souls. Come make us whole.
1. Spi - rit, come and vi-sit us, Spi - rit, come and fill our hearts,
Spi - rit, come and give us life. Come, we long for You.

2. Come, O holiness of God, come anoint us with your love,
Come, and fill us with your truth. Come, we long for You.

3. Spirit, come and make us one, Spirit, come and make us yours,
Spirit, come and make us new. Come, we long for You.

WHEN WE BREATHE TOGETHER
(A Blessing for Pentecost)



This is the blessing
we cannot speak
by ourselves.

This is the blessing
we cannot summon
by our own devices,
cannot shape
to our own purposes,
cannot bend
to our own will.

This is the blessing
that comes
when we leave behind
our aloneness,
when we gather
together,
when we turn
toward one another.

This is the blessing
that blazes among us
when we speak
the words
strange to our ears

when we finally listen
into the chaos,

when we breathe together
at last.

From "Circle of Grace by Jan Richardson



Our registered parishioners have already received letters from Cardinal Dolan and me announcing the Appeal which begins every January and concludes after Easter.

This year our parish goal has been set at \$103,000. So far, 96 parishioners have responded to the Appeal, and have donated \$38,505.00. Thank you so much.

We encourage everyone to give something to the Appeal. The number of participants in the Appeal is more important than the amount we give. We love our parish and want to support our community first and foremost. At the same time, we're part of a greater community. That's why we have the Appeal each year – to support evangelical endeavors outside our parish by helping to fund parishes that are in financial trouble and to support the regional grade schools in the diocese.

If you haven't given to the Appeal before, seriously consider filling out a registration card and making a donation to this year's Appeal. Thank you for the powerful support you have given to the Parish of St. Jean Baptiste. Thank you in advance for your support of this year's Cardinal's Appeal.

--Fr. John

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday collection: Checks: \$ 5,868.00
Cash: \$ 3,175.00
WeShare: \$ 1,470.00
Total: \$ 10,513.00

The total collected for Ascension amounted to: \$1,610.00

In general, our weekly giving has been going down. The result is that we are several payments behind on our monthly Archdiocesan tax of \$30,000.

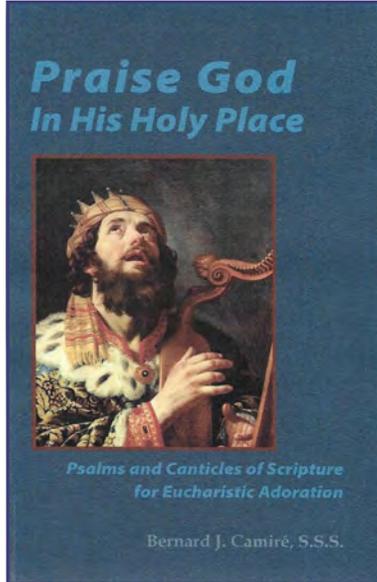
Once we start to slip it is very difficult to catch up. Our summer collections tend to be painfully low so we encourage you not to forget Saint Jean's when you go away on weeks and vacations. We have a little less than \$500,000 in savings. We try very hard not to dip in. Our goal is to collect a minimum of \$10,000 a week.

Some financial information:

The rental of our facilities helps us cover the remainder of our expenses: payroll, heating, electric, gas, telephone, insurance, diocesan assessments and repairs but it's not enough to enable us to put some money aside in any regular way.



NOW FOR SALE AT THE RECTORY



Now For Sale at the Rectory

We are pleased to offer a new book by our own Father Bernard Camire, S.S.S.

Praise God in His Holy Place
Psalms and Canticles of Scripture for
Eucharistic Adoration

Adding the psalms to one's prayer life is an enriching experience. They offer "the power to raise minds to God, to evoke in them holy and loving thoughts, to help them give thanks in time of favor, and to bring consolation and strength in adversity."

The cover of the book shows King David strumming the harp while at prayer. There is a long and well-founded tradition that David was a musician and a poet. In fact, at least seventy-three of our Bible's one hundred and fifty psalms have been attributed to him. The psalms have been in use through the centuries among Jews and Christians alike. These ancient prayer-poems reflect every imaginable life situation in which communities and individuals find themselves.

Not surprisingly, the Christian church has adopted the psalms as her official prayer.

210 pp. \$15. Available in the Parish Office.

NEW YORK COMMON PANTRY

Dear Father Kamas,

I am very grateful for your continued support and gift of 45 lbs. of food and 3 bags of coats donated on 3/8/2019.

Thanks to our generous donors and supporters like you, New York Common Pantry distributed over 6 million meals in the past fiscal year. Our case managers and onsite partners accessed over \$8 million in new resources for people in need, in addition to providing almost 7,000 individuals with services including clothing, showers, haircuts, laundry services and mailing services. We are forever grateful for your commitment to help our fellow New Yorkers escape poverty and live a life of dignity that they deserve.

While these are essential services to provide for our guests we still have more to do. One out of every five children and one out of every six women in New York City rely on soup kitchens and food pantries, and more than 1.3 million New York residents remain food insecure. With your support, we can reach more families in need and achieve our mission to reduce hunger while promoting dignity and self-sufficiency for all we serve.

In these challenging economic times, the work we do at the New York Common Pantry is more critical than ever. With cuts in government funding for social services looming, we will see an increase in our pantry participants. We are committed to serve everyone who walks through our doors and acknowledge that we can serve them better with your support and partnership. We cannot thank you enough for all that you do for our neighbors in need.

Sincerely,
Stephen Grimaldi
Executive Director



St. Jean's is one of the early benefactors of the program and continues to support the distribution of healthy, nourishing food to those in need.

Through the month of June and July, the food pantry is collecting ketchup, mustard, BBQ sauce, mayonnaise, canned beans, chips, pretzels, canned vegetables (corn, peas, etc.), and canned fruit. Please assist the work of the Pantry by leaving the donations at St. Joseph's altar.

THE NEW SCOOP ON THE VAULT

We've extended the scope of the project to include the replacement of the entire sidewalk of our property beginning at the south boundary of the church along Lexington Avenue, and continuing to the boundary of the Siena building near Third Avenue. The sidewalk at Lexington and the corner of 76th street is in especially poor condition and should have been part of the scope from the beginning.

Since we'll be replacing the entire sidewalk we have the opportunity to embed heating coils in the new sidewalk. These will be heated by steam generated either from our present boilers or a new very small boiler. The ability to heat the sidewalk will cut down tremendously on labor costs during snowfalls and will also be a safety benefit.

We've learned recently that we need to replace our oil tank. This is opportune, actually, because we had decided to convert the church's three boilers to a dual system of natural gas and oil. Since oil will be our back up, we can replace the old 3,000 gallon tank with a smaller 1,100 gallon tank.

Presently, we're awaiting the final engineer's proposal for the Department of Buildings. We've been told that it should be completed some time in June. No one can give us an estimate of how long the proposal will languish at the DOB.

The actual work should take between 6 to 8 weeks. At some point during the summer we should be able to determine if we can pull the project off this year, before the Winter arrives, or be forced to move it to the Spring of 2020.

If we need to put it off until next year we'll have more time to fundraise. The good news is that over the Easter holidays our donations for the project have climbed to \$428,140. When the new estimates come in from the engineers and contractors we'll publish the revised goal.

This week vault donations amounted to: \$10,140.00

We're still encouraging donations.

Checks can be made out to St. Jean Baptiste. Just note that it's for the Vault Project. I wish I could hug everyone in the parish. Thank you for your support.

---Father John

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP



Following the 11:00AM Mass each Sunday we invite everyone in the church to gather for coffee, juices, bagels and fellowship in the High School Auditorium. Enter the Auditorium through the large doors behind the organ area. We look forward to having you join us.

VOLUNTEERING



It has been said that volunteering benefits the volunteer as much as the organization.

It makes one happy and provides a sense of purpose. Think about how you can give some time to St. Jean's and give us a call (212)288-5082 ext. 10 or e-mail us at sjbrcc@yahoo.com. We would certainly welcome your help in any number of ways.

CALLING ALL SENIORS!

All are welcome at the **Senior Luncheons** which take place every Wednesday at 1:00 PM in the Great Hall of the Community Center. Donation: \$3.00.

BIBLE STUDIES



The **Tyndale Bible** generally refers to the body of biblical translations by **William Tyndale** (c. 1494-1536).

Tyndale's Bible is credited with being the first English translation to work directly from Hebrew and Greek texts. Furthermore, it was the first English biblical translation that was mass-produced as a result of new advances in the art.

Join us for a morning of Bible reflection and fellowship as we explore the Gospel of John, Tuesdays from 10 AM until 12 noon in the Eymard Room. The fee is \$30.

Weekend Bible Study comes to St. Jean Baptiste. Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, an eight week series, on Sundays from 12 noon until 2 pm in the Eymard Room. Registration fee is \$25.

To Register for either class, contact Joan Prenty at 212-288-5082 ext. 30 or email her at stjeanbaptisteregionused@gmail.com.

Family Life

ST. JEAN BAPTISTE TODDLER GROUP



Registration is now in progress for September 2019 - June 2020 session of our St. Jean's Toddler Play Group.

Children from 18 months to 4 years are welcome.

We offer a loving atmosphere where the little ones can come and have their first school experience, making new friends and learning how nice it can be to go to school.

Call the Director, Pauline Reenock, at (212) 472-2853 ext. 2 or (212) 288-5082 ext. 41 for more information and to arrange a visit.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Religious Education classes are available for children preparing for First Holy Communion, Confirmation and their continuing religious education.

To register for Religious Education, new families will need a copy of the child's baptismal certificate. For more information call Ms. Joan T. Prenty, Director of Religious Education, at 212-288-5082, ext 30, or email her at: stjeanbaptistereligious@gmail.com.

Deepen Your Faith

at
St. Jean Baptiste
184 E. 76th Street
NYC

Religious Education for Children - REGISTER NOW
Wednesdays 4 - 6 pm

Also Available

**New Weekly Sunday 9:30 am Children's Mass*

**Monthly Family Mass*

Adult and Children's Choir

Bible Study for Adults

Spirituality and Social Justice

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
(Sacramental Preparation for Teens and Adults)

Baptism Preparation

For further information and scheduling please call

Joan T. Prenty, Director of Religious Education
at 212-288-5082 ext. 30

or check out our website
stjeanbaptisteny.org

***Note: Family and Children's mass have concluded for the summer and will continue on September 8, 2019.**

COMMUNITY CENTER SCHEDULE

JUNE 3- JUNE 9

MONDAY:

9:00-1:00 **Toddler Program** (Toddler Center)
4:00-7:40 **Broadway Babies** (Great Hall)

TUESDAY:

9:00-1:00 **Toddler Program** (Toddler Center)
3:15-5:00 **Broadway Babies** (Toddler Center)
4:00-7:40 **Broadway Babies** (Great Hall)

WEDNESDAY:

9:00-1:00 **Toddler Program** (Toddler Center)
1:00-2:30 **Senior Luncheon** (Great Hall)
3:00-5:00 **Broadway Babies** (Toddler Center)
4:00-6:00 **Broadway Babies** (Great Hall)
6:00-10:00 **AAII Meeting** (Great Hall)

THURSDAY:

9:00-1:00 **Toddler Program** (Toddler Center)
6:00-10:00 **Elegant Dance** (Great Hall)

FRIDAY:

6:00-8:00 **OA Meeting** (Room #2)
6:00-10:00 **Manhattan Dance** (Great Hall)

SATURDAY: NO EVENTS

SUNDAY: NO EVENTS

The Center is available for seasonal and special events, parties, business meetings, wedding receptions, lectures and birthdays. For

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, June 9

PENTECOST SUNDAY

9:00 Mara Brunetti Zocche
11:00 Victor Bellutta
5:30 Maria Christina Pertierra
7:30 Peter Gaine

MONDAY, June 10

7:30 Corazon O. Qui
12:15 Vincent McDonnell

TUESDAY, June 11

SAINT BARNABAS

7:30 For the Parishioners
12:15 For all enrolled In the Shrine
of St. Anne

WEDNESDAY, June 12

7:30 The Zocche Family
12:15 Blanca Lilia Perez Vuida
De Castaneda

THURSDAY, June 13

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

7:30 James & Bridie McKiernan
12:15 Marcia H. Gamliel

FRIDAY, June 14

7:30 Special Intentions
12:15 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, June 15

12:15 Antonio Pereira
5:30 John P. Hagan

COUPLES CONNECT!



A fellowship of **married catholic couples** (the number of years do not matter), who seek to grow in faith, strengthen their marriages and fulfill their vocation according to God's plan. We socialize in a very friendly

environment, without clergy present. Please bring healthy finger food to share, but mostly good spirit and your spouse!

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 7-9PM

Place: SJB Parish House
184 East 76th Street

Contact: Kate Owen: Klisowska@aol.com

USHER/GREETER NEEDED



Ushers/greeters are needed for
ALL THE WEEKEND Masses but...

**WE ARE ESPECIALLY IN NEED OF
ADDITIONAL
USHERS AND GREETERS
FOR THE 5:30 AND 7:30 MASSES ON SUNDAY.**

Please contact the Parish Office if you
are willing to help. 212-288-5082 ext. 10.

PARISH STAFF

John A. Kamas, SSS Pastor
Bernard Camiré, SSS, Parish Associate
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Richard Owen, Jr., Director of Music Ministries
Francisco Francisco, Facilities Manager
Antonio Boccia, Director of Community Center & Rentals
Manuel Batista, Technical Director of the Theater
Joan Prenty, Director of Religious Education
Pauline Reenock, Director of the Toddler Program
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Jay Mitchell, Trustee

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James Hayes, SSS, *Chaplain, Mt. Sinai Hospital*
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