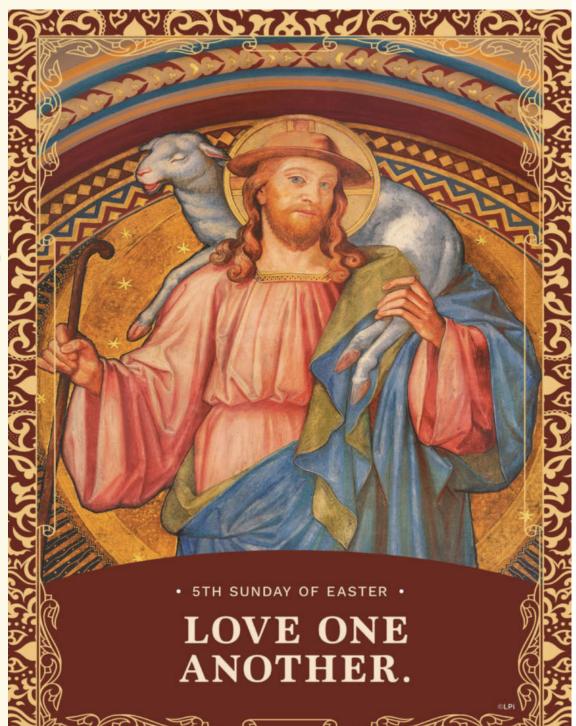


Welcome to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

We are a community where we welcome all as members of the Body of Christ. We are welcoming, faithful, passionate, joyful, authentic, sacramental, loving and charitable.



Mass Times

Weekend Saturday 8:15 am 5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil) Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am 11:30 am, 6:00 pm 1st Sunday of the Month 1:30 pm (Spanish)

Daily Mass Times Mon. - Fri. 6:30 am, 8:15 am

Holy Day Mass Times 6:30 am, 8:15 am, Noon 7:00 pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday 3-4:45 pm

All Other Sacraments Please call the office for information. Please note for marriages please call the office at least 12 months in advance.

Clergy

Fr. Giovanni Gamas Pastor Fr. Jibin Jose Parochial Vicar Fr. Ignatius Haran Pastor Emeritus William Goeke Dennis Gorsuch Jim McFadden Deacons

Parish Office

Mon – Thu: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Closed for lunch from 1– 2pm Fri: Closed all day to the public 307 Montrose Drive, Folsom Phone: 916 – 985 – 2065

> *Website:* FolsomCatholic.org

Gospel Meditation

By Father John Muir

John 13:31-35

I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "As the Father loves me, so I love you" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "Love another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us?
By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: **"Love one another."** So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you."

Questions of the Week

First Reading

Despite facing many hardships, Paul and Barnabas succeeded in preaching the good news of Jesus crucified and risen from the dead. How do you work through personal setbacks?

Second Reading

At the start of his final vision, John sees the age to come in which God comes to dwell with his people on earth and all tears, pain and even death itself is gone. Who in your life needs to hear this incredible message of hope?

Gospel

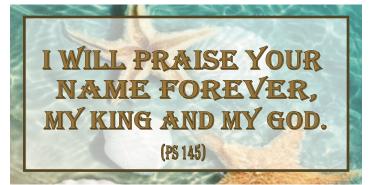
Jesus modeled for his disciples how to love one another. Do you have friends or co-workers who show you how to love others?

May is Dedicated to: The Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings & Observances for the week of May 18, 2025

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27 / Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1) / Rv 21:1-5a / Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35 Monday: Acts 14:5-18 / Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 / Jn 14:21-26 Tuesday: St. Bernardine of Siena Acts 14:19-28 / Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 / Jn 14:27-31a Wednesday: St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions Acts 15:1-6 / Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 / Jn 15:1-8 Thursday: St. Rita of Cascia Acts 15:7-21 / Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 / Jn 15:9-11 Friday: Acts 15:22-31 / Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 / Jn 15:12-17 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10 / Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 / Jn 15:18-21 Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 / Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4) / Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 / Jn 14:23-29



Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for May For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

Live the Liturgy Inspiration For the Week

If you love like me, Jesus tells his disciples, they will know you are mine. We shouldn't leave any room for doubt in the minds of each and every person we encounter. Let the whole world know: we love like Christ, and we belong to Christ.

WELCOME



At St. John the Baptist Parish, we welcome all as members of the Body of Christ.

Sunday Pastoral Care Ministry

Contact: Dan or Kathleen Dunne sundaypastoral@folsomcatholic.org

The Sunday Pastoral Care Ministry is looking for parishioners to bring Communion to the homebound and residents in senior communities. By serving just one Sunday a month for about two hours after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, you can be a vital link between them and the church. Individuals, couples, and families are all welcome to participate, and training is provided. If a scheduling conflict arises, volunteers can easily swap with others. Many of the homebound once actively served the church. Now, they rely on us to bring Christ's presence to them. In turn, they bless us with their faith and prayers. If you feel called to this ministry, please contact Dan or Kathleen.

Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center

Annual Summer Fiesta Sunday, June 1, 2025, 11:00 am – 4:00 pm Contact: Sandra Gill 916-725-4720, ext. 302

Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center in Citrus Heights will hold their annual Summer Fiesta Event. Hamburger or Chicken Lunch, \$10 each. Meal includes green salad, potato salad, corn on the cob, & dessert. Mass, Games, Face Painting, Music by Red Rooster Band and Raffle! Purchase tickets by phone, on site or online at christthekingretreatcenter.org. For more information contact Sandra Gill.

Sacramento Classic: Priests & Seminarians Basketball Game Tuesday, June 24, 2025 Doors open at 6:30pm / Game at 7:00pm Christian Brothers High School Gym 4315 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Sacramento, CA

The Office of Vocations invites you to join Bishop Jaime Soto, the priests and seminarians of our diocese for an evening of community and joyful fellowship to support vocations. Come and cheer for your favorite players! Last day to purchase tickets online is: Friday, June 13, 2025, after this date, tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis until sold out on the date of the event. Tickets: \$15 Adults / \$60 Group of 6 Adults / \$5 Students K - College / Children under 5 are free https://scd.formstack.com/forms/basketball

Religious Education for 2025-26

Contact: Shannon Langer, slanger@folsomcatholic.org or Marcie Enriquez, menriquez@folsomcatholic.org

Registration is open for next year! Please note that IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR PROGRAM, the registration form will say "New Parent Registration." If you are returning, please use the "Returning Family Registration." For new families, we do need copies of baptismal certificates. You can also find the forms on the parish website. Please contact Shannon or Marcie for questions.

Vacation Bible School 2025

Contact: Shannon Langer, slanger@folsomcatholic.org or Marcie Enriquez, menriquez@folsomcatholic.org

Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to join us as we explore "True North" for Vacation Bible School this summer! The dates are July 28-August 1 and registration will begin in June. As usual, we are looking for volunteers from 6th grade and up to help run the program! Please contact Shannon or Marcie.

National Eucharistic Revival

The culmination of the three-year National Eucharistic Revival led by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops draws to a close on June 22, 2025, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. The St. Katharine Drexel Pilgrimage Route from Indianapolis to Los Angeles begins on May 18, 2025. The Route is planning to make many unique stops, including a visit to the Tomb of Archbishop Fulton Sheen in Peoria, Illinois, the Shrine of Blessed Stanley Rother in Oklahoma City, and missions in Southern California. Please join by praying with the pilgrims during this 36-day pilgrimage! For information, visit: www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/

Promote Your Business While Supporting Our Parish Donna Touros 916-284-4438, Dtouros@4lpi.com

Ad sales from business owners help cover the printing cost of our church bulletin. Contact Donna Touros from LPi, our bulletin printer. It is the support of the business community that helps to make our church thrive. Please consider purchasing an ad.

PRAYER



At St. John the Baptist Parish, time in conversation with our Lord is at the center of our lives.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 18th

7:00am Beatriz LeCam (thanksgiving)
9:00am Sue White (100th birthday) Isidoro Alcordo+
11:30am Joseph & Purificacion Siruno+ Phil Latronica+
6:00pm Amber Merrill+ Marcus Tafoya

Monday, May 19th

6:30am 8:15am

Tuesday, May 20th

6:30am Vittorio Radaelli⁺ 8:15am Adam Perez (*birthday*)

Wednesday, May 21st

6:30am Helen Starosciak⁺ 8:15am Romeo L. Cabusas⁺

Thursday, May 22nd

6:30am 8:15am Carol Anderson+ Joy Bryla+

Friday, May 23rd

6:30am 8:15am

Saturday, May 24th

8:15am 5:00pm Bud White+& Sue White (100th birthday) Carol Anderson+

Intercessory Prayers Prayers for the Sick

We pray for our sick parishioners, family and friends, and those in need of					
healing of the body and soul.					
Albertano Estudillo	Geri Moore	Nelson Montes de Oca			
Amber A. Mundo	Haley Simmons	Robert Wright			
Andrew Speer	Juan Jose Romero	Rosa Ostolaza			
Bill Kaulaĥao	Kathy Halloran	Ross Thayer			
Bill Peterson	Kim Leonard	Steve Pierce			
Brent Kapaun	Kyle Pasterski	Ted O'Conner			
Dandy Lee	Maribel Reyes	Teresa Cheshynska			
Fr. Francisco Mabanta	Michelle Hendricks	2			

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of all who have recently died, our family members, friends, and parishioners. May they rest in peace.

Larry Populorum Albert Trevizo Rosa Ostolaza Anita Matranga-Jones Lolita Ledda Tan Rosemary Gudino Solomon Ś. Sundram Bobby Livingston Loretta Carrasco Bud White Madalyn Carranza Tai Nguyen Carl Ehrhardt Mary Ann Lavagnino Virginia Miller Cesar Seguritan Osmar Rodarte Wesley Hampton David Boldt Patricia Doctolero **Emv Revese** Patricia Scott Judge John V. Stroud **Roger Payne**

Prayers for Our Troops

We pray for our military personnel abroad and at home, and for their families.

Andrew Pecha Brandon Heffel Carl Crossman Darryl Hudson David Tressler Dominik Torres Dylan Flynn Edward Garcia Eliseo Rios Joaquin Cruz John Lopez Joshua Penman Marc Jules Ocampo Michael Dalupan Noah M. Karakas Samuel R. Rodriguez

Prayer Requests

Please call our Parish Office. Names will appear for two months. Please visit the Parish Office for Mass Intentions.



Adoration

The Adoration Chapel hours are: Mon-Thu 9am - 8pm, Sat 9am - 5pm and Sun 7am -11am Friday Adoration is in the church: 9am to 7pm

The Adoration Ministry has immediate need for dedicated adorers for these hours listed. To sign up please contact Veronica Thomas at adoration@folsomcatholic.org

Monday:	10-11 am	2 - 3 pm	5 - 6 pm	6 - 7 pm	7 - 8 pm	
Tuesday:	10-11 am	12-1 pm	2 - 3 pm	4-5 pm		
Wednesday:	4-5 pm	5 - 6 pm	6 - 7 pm	7 - 8 pm		
Thursday:	9 - 10 am	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	12 - 1 pm	6 - 7 pm 7 - 8 pm	
Friday:	12 - 1 pm	1- 2 pm	2 - 3 pm	3 - 4 pm	4 - 5 pm 5 - 6 pm	
Saturday:	9 - 10 am	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	12 - 1 pm	1-2 pm 2-3 pm	3 - 4 pm
Sunday:	8 - 9 am	9 - 10 am	10 - 11 am			

SPIRITUAL GROWTH



At St. John the Baptist Parish, we foster a commitment to lifelong spiritual growth.

Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Celebrations Around the Diocese Jubilee Day For Creation Celebration

Saturday, May 24, 2:00-3:30pm St. Patrick's Church (Small Hall) 235 Chapel Street, Grass Valley

This will include three speakers, including Kim-Son Ziegler from St. Anthony's parish in Sacramento, highlighting their efforts to decarbonize their parish, plus handouts on tax credits/rebates to help save money, save energy and save the earth. As a designated Jubilee pilgrimage site, there will also be a tour of St. Patrick's church and the historic cemetery. Light refreshments provided. RSVP desired but not required: bobbie@h2tonps.org

Jubilee Celebration Mass for the API Communities: Indonesian Catholic Community May 25, Sunday, 2pm St. John Vianney Parish, Rancho Cordova

The Jubilee Celebration for Asians & Pacific Islanders will take place throughout the Jubilee Year with Bishop Rey Bersabal celebrating Masses at various API communities in our diocese. The first Mass will be with the Indonesian Catholic community. All are welcome to join and celebrate the API Catholic communities.

Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession

June 19-21, See event website for schedule

Celebrate this Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope by participating in our Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession. Participate by water or observe the procession. Details on ways to participate can be found at the event website: www.scd.org/JubileeEucharisticProcession

Jubilee Sacred Heart Pilgrimage Thursday, June 26 - Friday, June 27

Sacred Heart Parish, Susanville

Sacred Heart Parish in Susanville is hosting a pilgrimage walk to celebrate the Jubilee Year as 1 of the 12 pilgrimage sites. The walk begins on Thursday and ends on Friday, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The pilgrimage walk will take place on the Bizz Johnson Trail from Westwood to Susanville with an overnight camp at the midway point. The walk will conclude at Sacred Heart followed by Mass with Auxiliary Bishop Rey Bersabal. For information visit sacredheartpilgrimage.net.

WINGS

Contact: Trista Gooderham wings@folsomcatholic.org

Join the women of WINGS! We will be reading a book called *Searching For & Maintaining Peace*, listening to a corresponding podcast and meeting for a light breakfast and discussion. Visit folsomcatholic.org/wings for the podcast and book links.

May 19, 6pm: End of Year Celebration + Exploring Saints That Maintained A Deep Inner Peace // Part Three

Respect Life Ministry

Planned Parenthood Abortion Business 201 29th and B Sts, Sacramento Contact: Deacon Danny Patterson 916-733-0133, dpatterson@scd.org St. Johns Contact: Joanne Dudgeon respectlife@folsomcatholic.org

"The bible teaches that God has placed within every human being some sense of right and wrong. We can, however, ignore the voice of our conscience, and over time we can become so hardened by sin that we almost can't hear its voice. This is one reason why Christians need to take a stand in what is right and not let evil go unchallenged."

Come join us at the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic to pray for the lives of unborn children and their moms and their dads.

Thursdays, there are carpools from St. Johns at 9:30 for two hours from 10:00am-noon. Contact: Joanne at the email above.

Companioned Prayer Ministry Contact: Bill Stobbe or Dcn. Bill Goeke companionedprayer@folsomcatholic.org

We are excited to now offer two prayer circles for Lectio Divina and Companioned Prayer. In addition to our Tuesday morning meetings at 9:45, we now also have Friday evening sessions at 7:05 PM. Both are in the main church chapel. You can attend either or both! Deacon Bill will be leading Friday evenings. Any questions, please let us know.



CHARITY

At St. John the Baptist Parish, we bring Christ's light to all through service to others.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Online Donations

To make a donation, update a weekly donation or donate to our maintenance fund scan the OR code and follow the directions.



Second Collection

This weekend our second collection is for our Youth Ministries.



By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

I once wrote an article about several women residents of a local nursing home. In researching the piece, I discovered that they had grown up in the same neighborhood as my grandmother, and that one of the women was, in fact, my grandmother's dearest childhood friend. When I visited this woman to take her photograph, she took a long look at my face, and I could see in her eyes that she was reaching back in her memory across the years.

She said: "You resemble her." I wept on the way home.

My grandmother died when I was nine, and for the last several years of her life she suffered from Alzheimer's disease. I have always deeply grieved the time we lost, the relationship we could have had. I have hazy fragments of memory from before her illness that lead me to believe we loved each other very much. Being told I look like my grandmother by someone who knew her well — being identified as belonging to her in some way — was one of the more beautiful things to happen to me.

When we love someone, we want to be associated with them. We want to be recognized as theirs somehow. And if we love Christ, we should want to be known as belonging to him. We should want those who see us to know we are his. The only way we can resemble Jesus is through love. It is his most recognizable quality, his most famous trait. This is how all will know that you are my disciples.

As Catholics, we are always talking about finding ways to live our faith boldly, unapologetically, publicly. Good — we should! But if we want people to know we are Catholic, we should love them. Bravely. Recklessly. Sacrificially.

As he loves us.



KID'S CORNER

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."



Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Jesus gave his disciples a new rule. He told them they had to love each other, just like he loved them. What did Jesus mean? Jesus was very patient with his friends. He forgave his friends when they let him down. Jesus comforted his friends when they were afraid. Most of all he helped them grow closer to God.



Dear God, help me to love my friends like Jesus did.

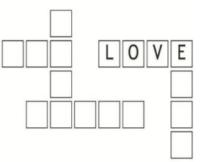


I will follow Jesus and forgive those who have hurt me.



Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares.

You must love each other.





PARISH MINISTRIES

Our parish is enriched with many ministries, please consider learning about and engaging in one or more of our ministries. For information email the contact listed.

Welcoming Ministries

New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry Joyce Starosciak, parishionerwelcome@folsomcatholic.org

Greeter Ministry Lori Hopper, greeters@folsomcatholic.org Ushers

Stanley Posis, ushers@folsomcatholic.org

Prayer Ministries

Companioned Prayer Michelle Hendricks, companionedprayer@folsomcatholic.org 9:45 am, Church Chapel Tuesdays: Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Circle

Divine Mercy Devotion / Cenacle

Leilani Badley, divinemercy@folsomcatholic.org -Chaplet / Rosary / Morning Prayer -Cenacle - Leilani Badley -Cenacle-Spanish - Nury Pun, misericordiadivina@folsomcatholic.org

Eucharistic Adoration

Veronica Thomas, adoration@folsomcatholic.org Sign Up for adorers is in the vestibule

Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests)

-English – 1st Wednesday of the month, 10am Sally Gomez, mariancenacle@folsomcatholic.org -Spanish – Every Saturday Carmen Gaytan, cenaculomariano@folsomcatholic.org Our Lady of Fatima

Henry Altamirano, olfatima@folsomcatholic.org

Parish Committees/Councils

Finance Council Patty Robertson, financecouncil@folsomcatholic.org Liturgy Committee Barbara Bowden, liturgycommittee@folsomcatholic.org

Pastoral Council Shannon Frazier, pastoralcouncil@folsomcatholic.org

Faith Formation

Christian Initiation for Adults Are you interested in Baptism? Shannon Langer, slanger@folsomcatholic.org Religious Education Shannon Langer,

slanger@folsomcatholic.org **St. John Notre Dame (School Ministry)** Keith Martin, Principal info@sjnds.org

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers Hugo Schmidt, altarservers@folsomcatholic.org Children's Liturgy during Mass Rachel Boyd, clow@folsomcatholic.org Extraord. Ministers of Holy Communion Steve & Mary Anne Ashley,

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Patti Midtlyng, lectors@folsomcatholic.org Liturgical Environment Arlette Peterson, liturgicalenv@folsomcatholic.org Music - See choir director after Mass.

Spiritual Growth Ministries

Adult Scripture Study Parish Office, info@folsomcatholic.org Couples for Christ Myrah Empleo, cfc@folsomcatholic.org Faith Untapped Parish Office, info@folsomcatholic.org Lay Mission Project Laura Wicklman, laymission@folsomcatholic.org Praise & Worship

David Brauer, paw@folsomcatholic.org

SJTB Men's Ministry Tyler Boyd, mensministry@folsomcatholic.org WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Trista Gooderham, wings@folsomcatholic.org

Youth/Young Adults Ministries Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org

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Beatriz LeCam, ministeriopastoral@folsomcatholic.org

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Prayer Shawl Ministry Catherine Scott, prayershawl@folsomcatholic.org

Prison/Restorative Justice Ministry -Folsom Prison - Fr. H. Gomez, 916-985-2561 x 4206 -CSP Sacramento - [vacant/TBD],

Catholic Chaplain , 916-985-8610 x6425

Respect Life Ministry Joanne Dudgeon, respectlife@folsomcatholic.org

Senior Visitation Charlene Agles, seniorvisitation@folsomcatholic.org

St. Vincent de Paul (311 Montrose Dr.) Mercy Knight, svdp@folsomcatholic.org

Additional Ministries

Children's Babysitting at Mass

Parish Office, info@folsomcatholic.org Family Fellowship Rachel Marsh,

familyfellowship@folsomcatholic.org Gift Shop

Connie Aley, giftshop@folsomcatholic.org

Security Ministry Jim Miller, safety@folsomcatholic.org

Women's Game Day Wednesday, Garden Room, 11- 4:30pm

Parish Office, info@folsomcatholic.org

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June 1	May 20			
June 8	May 29			
June 15	June 5			



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