

St. John the Baptist Parish is a warm and inviting family, living out our Baptismal call and nourished by the Eucharist, serving the needs of all with joy and gratitude, practicing stewardship, celebrating the sacraments and witnessing God in others.

Welcome

We are so glad you joined us today!

Parish Office Hours

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February 5 & 6, 2022 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 5pm Sunday Liturgy: 10am Tuesday - 6:30pm Wednesday to Friday - 9am Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor 8 months in advance

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Homily Corner



Last weekend we celebrated the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The First reading was Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 71, the Second reading was 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 and the Gospel reading was Luke 4:21-30.

Last weekend we celebrated the Sunday of the Word of God. I explained how when we listen to the Word of God and the homilies, we have to take them

with us and apply them to our lives. We are blessed with many prophets in the Bible, They were the mouthpiece of God and we often see Jesus proclaiming their words.

In today's First Reading, we see part of the prophet Jeremiah's story. The reading begins with God speaking to Jeremiah in very intimate terms about how he was called and chosen even before he was born. We know that like many other prophets, Jeremiah didn't want to be a prophet, but God assured him of his protection and strength. Sometime, we are also reluctant disciples. But when we look at the prophets' stories, we too, should be assured. It is God who calls us and it is him who strengthens us.

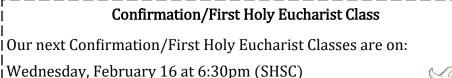
For the past few weekends we have heard from St. Paul in the Second Reading. He has been assuring us that the word of God is love. When we live in the Word of God, we live in love. We are given the power to love our families, our community and the whole world.

And in today's Gospel, Jesus identified his mission when he picked up the scroll and proclaimed the Word of God through the prophet Isaiah. He gave us his Mission Statement when he said, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." We also have the mission to proclaim the Word of God. We received this mission, this calling, when we were baptized. We were anointed to be priest, prophet and king. And as we fulfill our baptismal call, we know that life is not always pleasant. We have difficulties and we are sometimes reluctant to carry on our mission. But as disciples, we should be asking ourselves if we are fulfilling the gifts we were given. What is our commitment to building the Kingdom of God? And we need to remember that we are assured by God, and the Holy Spirit will be upon us throughout our call as prophets. When we pray and proclaim the Word of God, the Holy Spirit is upon us and we will have eternal joy!

This week, as you spend time in reflection, pray about the areas in your life where you are hesitant to follow God's call. Are you utilizing your God given gifts to build his Kingdom?

See you next week as we reflect on the 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

–Father Antony



| | Thursday, February 17 at 6:30pm (St. Mary's)

Both classes will be held in the Church.



The 2021 Tax Receipts are available for pick up at the main entrance of the Church.

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish		
Saturday, February 5 St. Agatha	5pm Holy Mass (Name Tag	g Sunday)
Sunday, February 6	10am Holy Mass (Name Tag Sunday) 11am Baptism Celebration	
 St. Paul Miki & Companions Tuesday, February 8 St. Jerome Emiliani St. Josephine Bakhita Wednesday, February 9 Thursday, February 10 	6:30pm Holy Mass † Robin	Meeting held in the Parish Hall
St. Scholastica Saturday, February 12 Sunday, February 13	7pm SJB Choir Practice 5pm Holy Mass 10am Holy Mass 5pm Holy Mass (Torquay)	Ken McIntyre Olivia Meili Ernesto Recolaso Coleen Pacunayen

Lenten Bible Study

The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy

If God's people had stayed close to him, there might have been no need for the prophets. God sent prophets at critical times to call the people back to their covenant relationship. Prophets proclaimed the consequences of continued sin, called people to repentance, and declared God's faithful love. They also spoke of the future to shed light on current events and to reveal God's plans and purposes.

It is nearly impossible to understand the work and the message of Jesus without the prophetic books. In *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy*, presenter Thomas Smith examines who the prophets were, their role during their time, and the meaning of their messages for our own time. Discover how God is constantly calling you to a deeper relationship as well as the ways you are called to be the voice of God to others.

Participants of *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy* will meet every Thursday to view an engaging video presentation followed by a question and answer group discussion. Our *Prophets Bible Study* will begin on Thursday, February 24. There will be one session, each Thursday at 7:00pm. The sessions will end on April 7.

Registration forms are available at the Parish Office, from Connie at the Holy Mass, and on our website. Completed registration forms along with the \$50.00 early bird (\$60 after February 17) registration fee can be

placed in the collection basket at Holy Mass, dropped off at the Parish Office or you may call the Parish Office to make arrangements to register.





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2022 Lent & Holy Week Schedule

Shrove Tuesday Holy Mass And Palm Burning Tuesday, March 1 at 7pm Ash Wednesday Holy Mass Wednesday, March 2 at 7pm Tuesdays During Lent

- Adoration from 9:30am until 6pm
- Holy Mass at 6:30pm

Wednesdays During Lent

- Holy Mass at 9am
- Adoration from 9:30am until 7pm
- Guided Holy Hour 7pm until 8pm

Thursdays During Lent

- Holy Mass at 12:10pm
- Adoration 1pm until 6pm
- Bible Study at 7pm

Fridays During Lent

- Adoration from 9:30am until 6:30pm
- Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass at 6:30pm

Palm Sunday Holy Masses Saturday, April 9 at 5pm and Sunday, April 10 at 10am

Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday) Mass Thursday, April 14 at 7:30pm Followed By Adoration until 11pm

> **Good Friday Liturgy** Friday, April 15 at 12pm and 3pm

Easter Vigil Saturday, April 16 at 8:30pm Easter Sunday Holy Mass Sunday, April 17 at 10am

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2022 Lenten Season Reconciliation

Friday, March 18 5pm until 7pm Friday, March 25 5pm until 7pm Friday, April 1 5pm until 7pm Tuesday, April 5 7pm until 9pm

*Please note that there will not be Holy Mass this evening.

Friday, April 8

5pm until 7pm

As we journey through Lent, Reconciliation is available on these Fridays evenings. You can receive this sacrament anytime between 5pm and 7pm, including during the Stations of the Cross. One priest will be hearing confessions on these days.

Tuesday, April 5 is our Lenten Season Reconciliation with Adoration evening. We will have more than one priest available for Reconciliation.