



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
**ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH**  
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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**

Monday to Friday 9am -12pm and 1pm -3pm

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**May 7 & 8, 2022**

**4th Sunday of Easter**

**Holy Mass Schedule**

Saturday Liturgy: 5pm

Sunday Liturgy: 10am

Tuesday: 6:30pm

Wednesday: Check Holy Mass Schedule

Thursday and Friday: 9am

Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor

8 months in advance

## St. John the Baptist Holy Mass and Event Schedule

Saturday, May 7	10am Synod Meeting held in the Parish Hall 4:30pm Rosary 5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, May 8 <i>Blessed Catherine of St. Augustine</i>	9:30am Rosary 10am Holy Mass 1pm Make Music with Friends held in the Parish Hall
Tuesday, May 10 <i>St. John of Avila</i>	7pm K of C Meeting held in the Parish Hall
Wednesday, May 11	6:30pm Confirmation/First Eucharist Class held in the Church
Thursday, May 12 <i>St. Nereus &amp; St. Achilleus</i> <i>St. Pancras</i>	9am Holy Mass Lay Presided 6:30pm Confirmation/First Eucharist Class held in the Church
Saturday, May 14 <i>St. Matthias</i>	10am Confirmation/First Eucharist Rehearsal 4:30pm Rosary 5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, May 15	9:30am Rosary 10am Holy Mass 2pm Confirmation/First Eucharist Celebration

This coming week Father Antony will be away at the Diocesan Priest's Retreat, so there will not be daily Holy Mass. There will be a lay presided service on Thursday at 9am. Adoration will continue as usual.

### Caring For Your Parish Family



Our Pastoral Care Ministry is growing! Our vision is to have teams that can go to our Care Homes to share their gifts and bring communion to our elderly Parish Family members. We also have many of our Family members who cannot come to Holy Mass for various reasons and we want to make sure they are included in our Parish Mission and Vision. Do you feel called to serve in this ministry? There are many different opportunities: being a phone pal with one of our parishioners, joining a Care Home Ministry team (leaders, lectors, musicians, etc.), taking communion to someone in their home, and praying for our Parish Family.

We are happy to be hosting a **Pastoral Care Ministry Workshop on Thursday, May 19 at 6:30pm.** Those who have decided to join the ministry and those who are discerning are invited to attend. The workshop will include more information about this ministry, training and commissioning. If you would like more information, please contact Gwen Van De Woestyne at the Parish Office.

#### Readings for Sunday, May 15

First Reading: Acts 14.21b-27  
 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145  
 Second Reading: Revelation 21.1-5a  
 Gospel Reading: John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35



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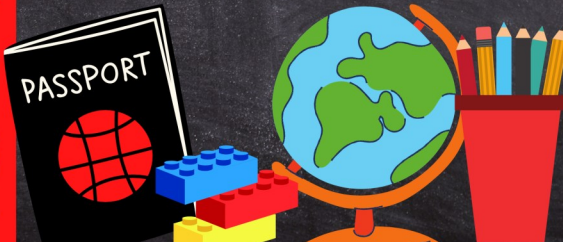
COME AND LEARN ABOUT OUR PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS!

**Tuesday May 10th**

**6:30 - 7:30 PM**

Grab a passport and travel through the school to learn about all of the best parts of SHSC! Engage in stations for kids to explore STEM, Literacy, Technology, French Language, and Play Based Learning! Meet the staff, learn more about our community partners and get to know us!

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



### The Church Wants To Hear Your Voice!

Don't forget to attend the Synod Consultation on Saturday, May 7 at 10am! A light lunch will be served.



### Make Music with Friends



Do you play a musical instrument and like meeting interesting people? Enjoy the spontaneous musical collaboration of a Jam Session!

**Sunday, May 8, 2022 1pm - 4pm** at St. John the Baptist Parish Hall. **Fun, free and entertaining.**

Call 306-421-7538 for further information or just show up with your gear! Musicians, singers, dancers, and guests all welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

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**Baptism Preparation and Celebration**

*"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." —Matthew 28:19*

Our Baptism Preparation and Celebration dates have been changed. The new sessions will be on:

- Wednesday, May 18 at 7pm - Prep Class in the Parish Hall
- Sunday, May 22 at 10am - Presentation of the Parents during Holy Mass
- Wednesday, May 25 at 7pm - Prep Class in the Parish Hall
- Sunday, May 29 at 10am - Holy Mass followed by the Baptism Celebration

Please call the Parish Office to register for the classes.



## Homily Corner

We are in the middle of the joyous Easter Season, celebrating the Risen Lord, and I am happy to be back to sharing my homily with you. Last weekend, we celebrated the 3rd Sunday of Easter. The first reading was Acts 5:28-32, 40b-41, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 30, the second reading was Revelation 5:11-14 and the Gospel reading was John 21:1-19.

In all three readings today, we are experiencing the unconditional love of Jesus. We see the days after the Resurrection, where Jesus is very busy appearing to his family, the disciples, the apostles and his friends. We will see this same theme until the Ascension.

The people's faith has deepened and expanded since the Resurrection. Before the Resurrection, many people believed that Jesus was a miracle worker, but they still had concerns and questions about him. After the Resurrection, they began to believe. Jesus was so busy, reassuring them, helping their faith to grow, by giving them the Spirit of God. Let us look to the opening prayer: "May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, . . ." The youthfulness of spirit that Jesus was sharing is our healing, our joy. And that is the power of the Resurrection. Those people who were believers became disciples.

In the Gospel reading, we see the disciples gathered near the Sea of Tiberias. They are desperate and lost. They had been following Jesus for the past three years and now he had left them. Peter, the leader of the disciples, told them that he was going to go back to his family trade—fishing. They went with him. Now, at that time, fishing was not a high tech endeavor. The fishermen would be out on their boats, casting nets, and the elders of the community would walk along the sea shore and call out to the fishermen. "How is the catch today?" They knew the signs of fish and would help the fishermen. "Move your net to the other side!" As the disciples were fishing, they heard someone call out to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" The disciples did not realize it was Jesus calling to them. He tells them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." There are two theological meanings for the "right" side. The first is literal, that Jesus was telling them to cast their net on the right hand side of the boat. The second meaning is "go the right way" or "do the right thing". The right way is keeping God with you in all that you do. As I said, the disciples were desperate, heart broken, lost, and they did not have God with them. Once they listened to Jesus, they caught more fish than they ever had. They needed help to haul the nets to the shore. When they had Jesus with them, their catch was abundant.

Many times, we cast our nets without Jesus. Some people are believers, but not disciples. When we don't keep Jesus with us, our efforts will be futile. We will not be fruitful. By discerning and praying, our discipleship will grow and by keeping Jesus in everything we do, the Kingdom he established will be enjoyed by all.

This week as you spend time in quiet prayer, ask yourself, "Am I a believer or a disciple of Jesus? Am I allowing the Risen Lord in my net? Am I keeping God in my work, my family, my free time?"

Blessings,

Father Antony



## World Day Of Prayer For Vocations

Sunday, May 8, 2022 is the World Day Of Prayer For Vocations. This Sunday is also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

In this Marian Month, we ask our Mother to intercede for us:

Hail Mary, full of grace; all generations call you blessed.

Hail Mother of God; when asked by the angel to bear the Son of the Most High, filled with faith, you responded: "Let it be done unto me."

Holy Mother of Jesus, at the wedding feast at Cana, you prompted your Son to perform his first sign.

Be with us as we discern our life's work and guide us in the way we are called to follow in the footsteps of your Son.

Holy Mother of the Savior, at the foot of the cross you mourned the death of your only Son.

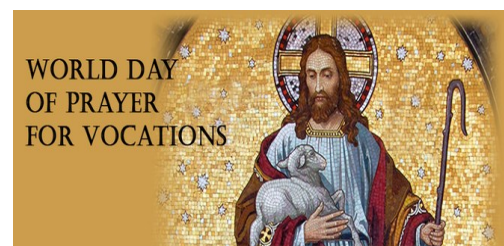
Bless and embrace the loving parents of all priests, deacons, brothers and sisters.

Holy Mother of the Good Shepherd, turn your motherly care to this nation.

Intercede for us to the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers to the harvest in this land dedicated to your honor.

Queen of Peace, Mirror of Justice, Health of the Sick, inspire vocations in our time.

Let the word of your Son be made flesh anew in the lives of persons anxious to proclaim the good news of everlasting life. Amen.



*To the Moms who are struggling, to those with incandescent joy.*

*To the Moms who are remembering children who have died, and pregnancies that miscarried.*

*To the Moms who decided other parents were the best choice for their babies, to the Moms who adopted those kids and loved them fierce.*

*To those experiencing frustration or desperation in infertility.*

*To those who mothered colleagues, mentees, neighborhood kids and anyone who needed it.*

*To those remembering Moms no longer with us.*

*To those moving forward from Moms who did not show love, or hurt those they should have cared for.*



*Today is a day to honor the unyielding love and care for others we call 'Motherhood,' wherever we have found it and in whatever ways we have found to cultivate it within ourselves.*

***May God bless all our mothers with love, joy and wisdom!***

***Happy Mother's Day from St. John the Baptist Parish!!***