

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Founded 1841—Completed 1867  
*A parish of the Roman Catholic  
Diocese of Steubenville*

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**Faith - Tradition - Family**

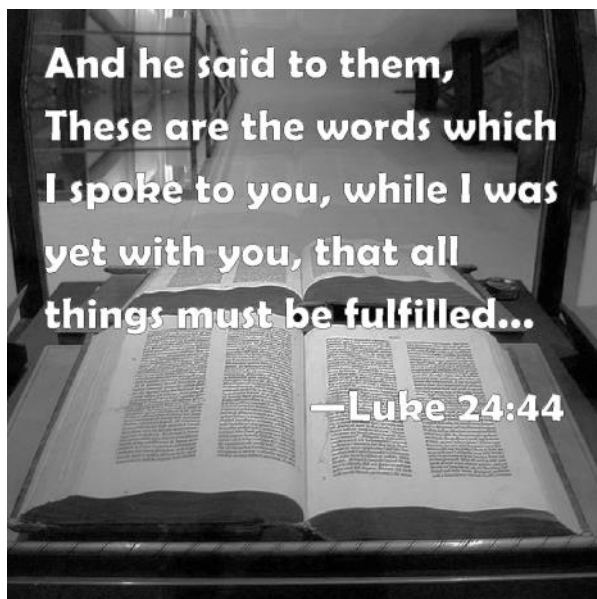
## Good News!

By: FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

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**THIRD SUNDAY  
OF EASTER  
APRIL 14, 2024**

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Spiritual writers tell us that a sure sign of life lived with faith in God is peace, the inner kind of peace that enables you to rest in it with no worry or anxiety. When the risen Lord appears in the midst of the disciples just back from Emmaus and says to them first off, “Peace be with you,” that’s the sort of peace he’s talking about and wishing for them.

Such peace doesn’t seem to be something easy to come by, something that simply plops into the lap of your soul. More than anything it seems to be the fruit of prayerfulness—sometimes praying the rosary or other traditional prayers and sometimes just simply sitting in the quiet, in the midst of love without having to say any words.

There is something about surrendering to God’s love over the course of many lived days that eventually brings us to that sort of trusting peace.

The thing about such peace is that only you know if it’s genuine. When you feel peace when life turns topsy-turvy, that’s God peace. When life is progressing smoothly, it’s not easy to know if that’s God’s peace or just a life without turbulence. But if you’re at peace when everything else around you is not, that’s when you know it’s the presence of God that has you all wrapped up in worry-free wonder.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>Saturday</b>	OLM	04/13	4:00	P.M.	+Linda Huck (Hugh and Kelly Arnold)	
	SJB	04/13	6:00	P.M.	+Alice Lang (Birthday) (Bob and Peggy Byers)	
<b>Sunday</b>	SJB	04/14	7:30	A.M.	+Leo and +Lucy Huck Family (Family)	
	OLM	04/14	9:30	A.M.	+Arthur and + Helen Perry (Ron and Linda Miller)	
	SJB	04/14	11:00	A.M.	+Leora Arnold (Arnold Huck)	
<b>Monday</b>	SJB	04/15	8:00	A.M.	No Morning Mass	
	SJB	04/15	6:00	P.M.	+Brooke Way (Richard and Brenda Arnold Family) +Penny Schwendeman (Clem Schwendeman)	Confirmation with Bishop Paul J. Bradley
<b>Tuesday</b>	SJB	04/16	8:00	A.M.	+Patricia Gaydosik (Bernard and Marilyn Schilling)	
	OLM	04/16	5:00	P.M.	+Jerry Huck (Glen, Darla, and Dallas Schwendeman)	
<b>Wednesday</b>	SJB	04/17	8:20	A.M.	+Kevin Arnold (Family) +Mary E. Huck (Mike and Marilyn Schaad)	School Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	SJB	04/18	8:00	A.M.	+Larry Schaad (Mary Brooker Family)	
	OLM	04/18	5:00	P.M.	+Patricia Gaydosik( Heather and Marilyn Peters)	
<b>Friday</b>	SJB	04/19	8:00	A.M.	+Earl and +Justine Tornes (David Schaad Family)	
<b>Saturday</b>	OLM	04/20	4:00	P.M.	+Alfred Tornes (Richard and Melissa Tornes)	
	SJB	04/20	6:00	P.M.	+Donna Klinger (Tom and Martha Fliehman)	
<b>Sunday</b>	SJB	04/21	7:30	A.M.	+Anna Mae Brooker (CWC)	
	OLM	04/21	9:30	A.M.	+Nathan Heiss (Charlie and Dorothy Huck)	
	SJB	04/21	11:00	A.M.	+Amy Smith (Anniversary) (Jerry Smith and Family)	

*"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."*

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Saturday 6:00 p.m.	Raegan and Orion Flinn	Eugene Huck	Theresa Sauer
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Owen Henry, Connor McCartney	Kelly Miler	Veronica Bosner
Sunday 11:00 a.m. First Communion	Coletyn Dyar, Dalton Schott, Eli Eichmiller	Virginia Dyar	*****

<u>COLLECTION</u>	<u>D.P.S.C.</u>	<u>BINGO</u>
Total Collection for weekend \$3,159 Needed to meet parish needs \$4,750  Thank you for your generosity!	2024 Collected to date \$18,565 2024 Goal \$43,047  Thank you for your generosity!	March 31 (Bingo was not held due to Easter)  If you are unable to work, please try to find a replacement

<u>ST. JOHN BINGO WORK SCHEDULE</u>	<u>C.W.C. BINGO CAKES</u>	<u>PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY</u>
Apr 14 Group 8 with Russ Lang Apr 21 Group 1 with Jeff Brooker Apr 28 Group 2 with Jessica Henke May 5 Group 3 with Ryan Lauchard May 12 Group 4 with Derrick Pottmeyer May 19 Group 5 with Kenley Schwendeman May 26 Group 6 with Jeff Canterbury	April-Group E with Susan Arnold  Meetings held the 2nd Monday of each month, (September through May) 6:30 p.m. in the Sr. Center	Please pray for all of the men and women who are serving our country in the military. May God watch over them and keep them safe.

<u>READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND</u>	
Acts 4:8-12 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18	Please have all bulletin information to the Rectory no later than 10:00 p.m. on Monday

### LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR JUNE-AUGUST

We are about to begin the Liturgical Minister schedule for June through August. If you would like to be an altar server, lector or eucharistic minister, please call the Rectory (740-896-3566) or email at stjohnchurchtown@yahoo.com. If you would like to be removed from the schedule, please let us know as soon as possible.

### EUCHRE

Euchre will be held at 1:00 p.m. at the Sr. Center on April 24th. All are welcome.

### THANK YOU

The family of Evelyn Neill would like to extend their gratitude to everyone who blessed them with cards, food, masses and prayers during the recent passing of Evelyn. God bless you all!

### SCHOOL REGISTRATION

School Registration for the 2024-25 school year has begun at St. John Central School. St. John Central has been providing a quality education for our students for over 60 years. Our school is fully accredited, and we offer a complete academic program from Early Learning and Pre- Kindergarten at the preschool through K-8 at the grade school. For registration materials or additional information, please call the school office at 740-896-2697.

### A NIGHT AT THE RACES

The Knights of Columbus 4617 will once again host A NIGHT AT THE RACES - Saturday, May 4, at the K of C Hall. Guests should pull out their derby attire and big hats for this adults-only night of wagering on horse races, great food, drinks, and fun while supporting our building capital improvement fund. Tickets are \$35/each or \$280/table (8 people). Doors Open @ 4:00, Heavy Appetizers By BIG FOOD LITTLE KITCHEN (Katie Wainwright-Tucker) @ 5:00, and Races Begin @ 5:30. BET ON THE KENTUCKY DERBY plus 10 other races for a total of 11 horse races throughout the night. The last race of the night will be an Auction Race where individuals or groups will bid to own 1 of the 10 horses in that race. All guests throughout the night can bet on any of the horses in the races, bets are \$2/horse. In addition to horse racing, there will be other games of chance. There will also be a BIG HAT & BEST DRESSED contest. Your ticket includes the appetizers and 2 drinks + Cash Bar to follow. For tickets or information contact Taylor Pottmeyer @ 412-215-6470.



### SHOP SWAP AND STROLL

Shop Swap and Stroll is scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month, during the months of May, June, July and August. This event is for farm market, craft, food truck, flea market and yard sale vendors. Each event will have a theme. May will be Summer Safety. There is no cost to participate as a vendor, although the Village of Lowell requires a small fee to set up as a food truck vendor. Donations are welcome and appreciated. Collected donations go to upkeep and maintenance of Lowell's Buell Island Park. The next Shop Swap and Stroll is scheduled for May 1st at Lowell Buell Island Park, Lowell Ohio, 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. For more information, private message the committee on Facebook messenger and a committee member will get back to you.

### CWC MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET

The CWC Mother Daughter Banquet will be held on May 13th at the Sr. Center. Mass will be held at 6:00 p.m. with the dinner to follow. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. RSVP to Tonia Skinner by May 6th (740-350-5355).

### CWC CONVENTION

The Annual CWC Convention will be held on Wednesday, June 5 at Holy Family Church in Steubenville. Be thinking if you want to attend. Reservations are due by May 20. The entry fee will be covered by the CWC. For questions or to register, please contact Marilyn Zoller (896-3626).

### K OF C FRATERNAL BENEFITS EVENT

Knights of Columbus 4617 will host a Fraternal Benefits Event, Monday, April 15, 2024 starting at 7:30 pm at our hall in Churchtown. All members and non-members are welcome to attend and see what insurance & financial investment opportunities the KofC can offer! Our regular monthly meeting will follow the presentation.

### SPRING FESTIVAL

The Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption, Marietta is hosting a Spring Festival from 11 AM to 6 PM on April 21. There will be a variety of kids games and raffles for all to enjoy including a Spaghetti Dinner, featuring Monsignor Luciana's famous sauce. Cost of tickets are \$15.00 for an adult, \$12.00 for a child (includes kid games) and 3 and under are free. To purchase advance tickets, contact Matt Miller at 330-243-5500.

### PCES 5TH GRADE YARD SALE

Parkersburg Catholic Elementary School 5th grade will be having a yard sale on Saturday, April 20 at 3201 Fairview Avenue, Parkersburg, WV. Donation drop off will be 5:00-7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday the week prior to the sale. Proceeds will benefit the 5th grade class trip.

### PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

The Diocese of Steubenville presents Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress on July 17-21. Come make history with us in Indianapolis at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, where we will gather at the feet of Jesus for the first time in nearly a century, boldly anticipating a new Pentecost. Your trip includes bus transportation with Steubenville and Cambridge departure points, lodging, daily transfers between hotel and event locations, and breakfast daily. Price is \$799 per person, double occupancy (single rates available). For more information and to register call Wendt Touring at 740-282-5790.

### FIRST COMMUNION LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Altar Servers: Eli Eichmiller,  
Coletyn Dyar, Dalton Schott

Lector: Virginia Dyar





**New Parishioners**

Welcome!

You can register by calling our Parish Office.

**Prayer Network:** Call

Mary Brooker 740-896-2002

Elaine Wells 740-896-3112

to place a prayer request on the prayer line or to join in the prayers for those in need.

**Becoming Catholic (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults):** For those interested in becoming Catholic, contact the parish office.

**Care for the Sick or Homebound:**

Call the Parish Office or Marilyn Kern to set up Communion visits or to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

**Pastoral Musicians**

Valerie Strahler,  
Crystal Lang

**Scrip Coordinator**

Betina Lang

**PSR Coordinator**

Andrea Ralston

**Pastoral Council**

Chairperson Maria Huffman

**Parish Finance Council**

Chairperson Russ Lang,  
Casey Lang, Rachel Schott,  
Jeff Canterbury, Pam Brooker

**Cemetery Association**

Andy Miller, Kevin Brooker,  
Dean Hart, Howard Brooker

**Club of Catholic Women**

President Marilyn Zollar

**St. John Central School**

(740) 896-2697

Mrs. Karen Pottmeyer  
Principal

**Knights of Columbus**

Council 4617

Grand Knight Taylor Pottmeyer

**St. John School Foundation**

Gary Arnold, President

**Diocesan Catholic Charities & Information**

Referral Line:

1-800-339-7890

# CONGRATULATIONS

*to the following individuals who will be  
Confirmed on Monday, April 15, 2024  
By Bishop Paul J. Bradley*

*Adalyn Eichmiller*

*Eli Eichmiller*

*Raegan Flinn*

*Owen Henry*

*Sydney Lang*

*Finnegan Lauchard*

*Aubrey Lee*

*Isaac Lee*

*Jackson Long*

*Connor McCartney*

*Addisyn McNabb*

*Brynlee Pottmeyer*

*Emily Schaad*

*Morgan Warner*

*May God's Spirit of love, rest on you from above.  
As you pledge your faith in Him,  
may He continually walk closely by your side,  
as your Savior, Friend, and Guide.*