



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan Bautista

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



August 16, 2026

Mass Times

Saturdays 5:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. (*Español*)
Sundays 9:00 a.m.
11:30 a.m.
Weekdays *See schedule on page 5.*

Office Hours

Tuesday–Thursday
10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
Friday
9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30–4:30 p.m.
Sundays 10:15–11:00 a.m.

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Phone: 252-537-4667
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The Sacraments

Los Sacramentos

Baptism

Bautismo

Please contact the office to arrange a pre-baptismal class.

Por favor comuníquese con la oficina para programar una clase pre-bautismo.

Anointing of the Sick

Unción de los Enfermos

Please contact the pastor before surgery, when seriously ill, in the hospital, or homebound.

Por favor comuníquese con el párroco antes de cirugía, en caso de enfermedad grave, o si está hospitalizado o en la casa.

First Reconciliation &

First Eucharist

Primera Reconciliación y

Primera Eucaristía

All children must be in 2nd grade or older and attend Faith Formation classes.

Todos los niños deben estar en segundo grado o un grado superior y asistir a clases de formación en la fe.

Matrimony

Matrimonio

Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the intended marriage to begin sacramental preparations.

Por favor comuníquese con el pastor por lo menos seis meses antes de la boda para comenzar la preparación sacramental.

Confirmation

Confirmación

Confirmation preparation occurs as part of youth ministry and begins in 8th grade.

La preparación para la Confirmación ocurre como parte del ministerio juvenil y comienza en el 8^o grado.

Holy Orders

Orden Sacerdotal

Single Catholic men, ages 16-49, please contact the pastor.

Hombres solteros Católicos, 16-49, por favor comuníquese con el párroco.

Reconciliation

Reconciliación

Saturdays 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sundays 10:15-11:00 a.m., and by appointment.

Los sábados de 3:30 a 4:30, los domingos de 10:15 a 11:00, y por cita.

Contact Information

Información de Contacto

Parish Office: 252-537-4667
administrative.assistant@sjbrr.org

Emergencies: 252-308-8771

Fr. John: fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org

Welcome to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church! *¡Bienvenidos a la Iglesia Católica San Juan Bautista!*

*We are a vibrant Catholic parish encountering Jesus Christ
through Liturgy, Sacraments, Fellowship, and Service.*

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Please contact the office or emergency line when you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital or a nursing facility.
Por favor, comuníquese con la oficina cuando usted o un miembro de su familia sea ingresado en un hospital o en un centro de cuidado.

Parishioner Registration

If you are new to St. John's, or if you have a new phone number, email address, home address, or other information, please contact the office at 252-537-4667 or administrative.assistant@sjbrr.org to register or update your information.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Please reach out to Ceil Tuders (OCIA) at 252-308-8544 or tuderscecelia@gmail.com.



Become Involved

There are many ways to get involved at St. John's! To find out more, please reach out the coordinators of each ministry:

Altar Servers - Fr. John De Guzman, fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org

Cantors/Choir - Katie Ammann, administrative.assistant@sjbrr.org

Food Distribution - Ceil Tuders, parish.council@sjbrr.org

Spanish Mass Choir - Luz Rodriguez, luzrodri74@gmail.com

Lectors - Daphne Browne, dbbrowne68@gmail.com

Ushers - John & Elice Schaeck, toolguyjas@hotmail.com

Youth Ministry - Fr. John De Guzman, fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org

A Note from Our Administrator

Dear St. John's Parishioners,

A Persistent Faith

In today's Gospel, the Canaanite woman refuses to give up. Even when Jesus seems silent and the disciples want her to go away, she keeps asking: "Lord, help me." Her faith is so persistent that Jesus praises her: "O woman, great is your faith!"

Sometimes, we think strong faith means never having doubts or never struggling. But this woman shows us something different: strong faith is refusing to walk away from Jesus, even when we don't understand what He is doing. Keep praying. Keep asking. Keep trusting. God may seem silent, but He is never absent.

Don't Forget: Parish Picnic on August 30!

Don't forget to join us after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 30, for our parish picnic! Come enjoy a day of fellowship, family, and fun as we celebrate the many cultures and traditions that make our parish family so beautiful.

Consider bringing a dish from your culture or a favorite family recipe to share. Please check the bulletin for details on how you can help with food, setup, cleanup, games, and other volunteer opportunities.

And don't miss our raffle for two Carolina Hurricanes tickets! The winner will be able to choose the game. Raffle tickets are available after each Mass leading up to the picnic: \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Many thanks to our parishioner and local dentist, Dr. Eric Nicholson, for his generous donation of the tickets.

We hope to see you there!

Have a great week!

Fr. John

Una Nota de Nuestro Administrador

Queridos feligreses de San Juan,

Una Fe que No Se Rinde

En el Evangelio de hoy, la mujer cananea se niega a darse por vencida. Aun cuando Jesús parece no responderle y los discípulos quieren que se vaya, ella sigue insistiendo: "Señor, ayúdame." Su fe es tan grande y perseverante que Jesús la elogia: "Mujer, ¡qué grande es tu fe!"

A veces pensamos que tener una fe fuerte significa nunca tener dudas o nunca pasar por momentos difíciles. Pero esta mujer nos enseña algo diferente: tener una fe fuerte significa no alejarnos de Jesús, aun cuando no entendamos lo que Él está haciendo.

Sigue rezando. Sigue pidiendo. Sigue confiando. Puede parecer que Dios está en silencio, pero nunca está ausente.

No Se Olviden: Picnic Parroquial el 30 de Agosto!

Los esperamos después de la Misa de las 11:30 a.m. el domingo 30 de agosto para nuestro picnic parroquial. Vengan a disfrutar un día de convivencia, familia y diversión mientras celebramos las muchas culturas y tradiciones que hacen tan bonita a nuestra familia parroquial!

Los invitamos a traer un platillo de su cultura o una receta especial de su familia para compartir. Por favor, lean los detalles en el boletín para saber cómo pueden ayudar con la comida, la preparación, la limpieza, los juegos y otras oportunidades para servir.

Y no se pierdan nuestra rifa de dos boletos para un partido de los Carolina Hurricanes. El ganador podrá escoger el partido que quiera! Los boletos para la rifa estarán disponibles después de cada Misa antes del picnic: \$5 cada uno o 5 por \$20. Muchas gracias a nuestro feligrés y dentista local, Dr. Eric Nicholson, por donar generosamente los boletos.

Esperamos verlos ahí!

En Cristo,

P. John

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 15

5:00 p.m. † Roy Matthews by Nancy Lenz

6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Sunday, August 16

9:00 a.m. † Dely Ombao by Vincent Millano

11:30 a.m. 🙏 Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Tuesday, August 18

9:30 a.m. 🙏 Tom Sparlin by Ceil Tuders

Wednesday, August 19

9:30 a.m. 🙏 Antoinette Labriola by Ron & Sylvia Labriola

Thursday, August 20

9:30 a.m. 🙏 Wendy Edwards by Ron & Sylvia Labriola

Friday, August 21

9:30 a.m. 🙏 Verna Wagner by Ron & Sylvia Labriola

Saturday, August 22

5:00 p.m. 🙏 Jane Hanudel by Joan Haselman

6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Sunday, August 23

9:00 a.m. 🙏 Rev. James Magee

11:30 a.m. 🙏 Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Altar Flowers

The beautiful altar flowers
have been given in honor of

**The Quinceañera
Celebration of
Yarely Fabian Claudio**



Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary lamp
will shine in memory of

**Mary
Boulineau**

from August 16 to 22.

Requested by
the Boulineau Family



In Need of Prayer...

Caitlin Edge
Jennifer Brantley
Kathy Butler
Phyllis Doban
Tom Mason
Ellen Boyd
Tommy Wrenn
Stephanie Murch
Elsie Boone
Leah Everette
Lynn Wray
Joyce Moore
Suzanne Bosse
Heather Hayes
Kileigh Cusimano
Wilson Youngblood
Antoinette Labriola
Tim & Leann Seelman

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Jesse Whitby
Mary Noble
Linda Perry
Mattea Fraenza
Jacob Brantley
Marie Baricko
Kathleen Colbert
Mary Beth Baricko
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Barry Van Scoyoc
Wanda Jenkins
Ron Labriola
Scott Forsyth
John Ledgerwood
Diane Gubbins

Shelly Hatcher
Jeanette Butler
Madison Warner
Kathy Ricket
Jacqueline Jares
Reesie Moore
Barbara Hemm
Kathy Radford
Jerris Peavey
Phuong Nguyen
Angel Frankine
JoAnn Frankine
Joseph Frankine
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Tommy Daughtry
Alfred Leonetti, III
Hiram Rivera

Jerry Schill
Paula Peavey
Stachowski Family
Bonnie Zilhaver
Wilbur Katt
Kathy Mitchell
Deborah Elkins
Ella Garriss
Jennifer Brainerd
Patricia Cassidy
Ellen Kyser
Sylvia Labriola
Robert Portwood
Billy Mueller
Rod Howell
Bob & Debbie Baker
Verna Wagner

To add someone to the prayer list, or to update us on the
condition of a loved one, please contact the parish office.

Parish Financial Stewardship

Operational Budget Needs for 2026-2027

\$246,064.00

Weekly Budgeted Need

\$4,732.00

Weekly In-Pew Offering - August 9

\$2,550.00

Online Offertory - August 3-9

\$52.90

Offering Fiscal Year to Date

\$28,295.53

There is 1 envelope this weekend:
Regular Offertory

ONLINE giving



Donate online to St. John the Baptist

Our parish online giving link allows one-time and recurring gifts, and donors can choose from a drop-down menu in order to give toward the following funds and ministries:

Offertory

Regular church operations, including supplies, liturgical needs, utilities, and salaries.

Building Maintenance Fund

Maintenance and upkeep of church properties and grounds, including HVAC, roofing, and improvements.

Youth Ministry

Supplies and experiences for the parish youth group, consisting of young people in grades 8-12.

General Donations

Unrestricted funds for clergy to determine where it is needed most.

Social Concerns

Local ministry to those in immediate need, often covering a utility bill for families in crisis situations.

Fiscal Year Goal Exceeded

We are in a **new fiscal year** as of July 1. Once final reports are completed, parish data for the 2025-2026 fiscal year will be made available. Thanks to your generosity, we **exceeded our offertory goal** for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The budgeted need for the 2026-2027 fiscal year has gone up slightly due to rising costs of supplies, utilities, maintenance, and other parish needs. We are thankful for the generosity of this parish. This generosity allow us to be able to serve the Lord and His people in this wonderful community.

Moving Forward

We encourage everyone who is able to do so to **increase their parish giving by 10%**. This would allow the parish to reach our fiscal goals with ease and feel secure in our mission moving forward.

SJBYM – Youth Ministry



The youth group is open to
all youth in grades 8-12.
For more information,
or to sign up, please
contact Father John at
fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org.

SJB Youth Ministry Public
WhatsApp group



Youth group members: please
take the **Youth Council Survey**
by the end of this weekend so
that we can plan for the
upcoming school year! Follow
the link in in the WhatsApp
group to respond to the survey.



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The Knights of Columbus is a
Catholic fraternal and service
organization dedicated to charity,
unity, fraternity, and patriotism.
The general meeting is held the
First Thursday of each month at
7:00 p.m. Dues are \$30 per year.

The Knights of Columbus Council 7232 is always seeking
new members! If you are interested in joining the Knights,
please contact one of the officers at the numbers listed.
The Knights do service projects, host parish socials,
fundraise for local causes, and more.

Knights of Columbus **dinner socials** will resume in
September, along with **donut & coffee socials** in October!



Parish Happenings

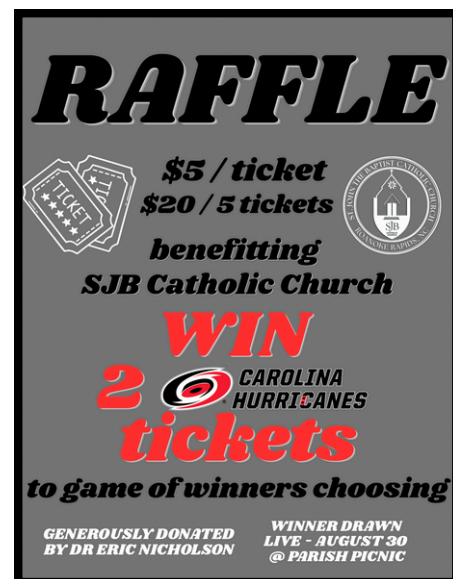
Parish Picnic & Raffle!

Our **parish picnic** will be a multi-cultural celebration starting right after the 11:30 Mass on **Sunday, August 30!**

There will be delicious food, fun games, and great fellowship. Invite friends and family!



This year, we will also have a **raffle** for 2 tickets to a **Hurricanes game!** Raffle tickets may be purchased after any weekend Mass between now and the picnic!



Please reach out to Logan Jenkins at logan.marie.jenkins@gmail.com if you'd like to **volunteer to help with providing food, setup, cleanup, games, serving, or other needs.**

Centennial Glasses



The centennial glasses that were introduced at the 95th anniversary reception are available for purchase for **\$25 per glass**. Please contact the office at 252-537-4667 or administrative.assistant@sjbrr.org to purchase yours.

Aviso - Ujieres y Lectores

Habr  una reuni n para **ujieres y lectores** nuevos y los que regresan, para las Misas en espa ol, el **s bado 26 de septiembre a las 2:00 p.m.** en la iglesia.



Office Update

The parish office will be **closed** on **Wednesday, August 19**. Please call or text the emergency line at **252-308-8771** with urgent sacramental needs.

Parish Happenings

OCIA Sessions

Through OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) you can:

- Become Catholic
- Receive your Sacraments
- Learn more about the Catholic faith

Please come to the orientation meeting on **August 20 at 6:00 p.m.** in the parish office. For additional information, please contact Ceil Tuders at 252-308-8544.



Opportunities for Flower Dedications

There are opportunities to dedicate flowers in honor or memory of loved ones at the statues of the **Blessed Mother & Our Lady of Guadalupe**. Please contact the office at **252-537-4667** to schedule.

*Hay oportunidades para dedicar flores en honor o en memoria de seres queridos en las estatuas de la **Madre Bendita o a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe**. Por favor contacta la oficina para programar a **252-537-4667**.*

Parish Yard Sale

Our next **parish yard sale** will be **Saturday, October 3!** Please start gathering items you'd like to donate for the sale, and bring them to the parish during office hours, or arrange a time with Katie by calling or emailing the office.

Please consider donating these types of items:

- **kitchen items/small appliances**
- **bikes/sports gear**
- **clean clothes in good shape**
- **working electronics**
- **kids' toys and games**
- **baby gear - strollers, cribs, etc.**

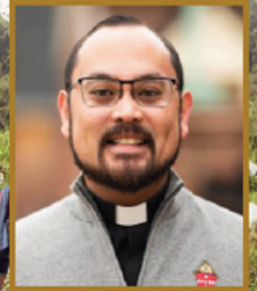


Around the Diocese

JOIN FR. JOHN DE GUZMAN ON THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

APRIL 19-28, 2027

The Zoom meeting has passed, but please talk to Father John or scan the QR code for more information!



JOIN THE
INFO MEETING

Location:
Online Webinar

Date:
August 5th

Time:
6:30 PM

FR. JOHN DE GUZMAN
Chaplain



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The annual African Heritage Mass will be Sunday, August 23 at 4:30 p.m. at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral. Many nations of the African continent will be represented in this faith-filled liturgy, and a celebration will follow.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026

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