



MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Parish Community of Saint John Baptist de la Salle recognize that we are chosen by Christ and have as our mission to bring forth the fruits of the True Vine in response to the needs of our Parish Community through the recognition of active Parish Organizations and the cultivation of persons and groups not yet sharing in the mystery of the True Vine, Jesus Christ. *"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."*

--John 15:5

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE

16555 Chatsworth Street, Granada Hills, CA. 91344

**April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Rev. Ramon Valera.....Pastor
 Rev. Monsignor Robert Milbauer.....Pastor Emeritus
 Rev. Tovia LuiAssociate Pastor
 Deacon Sam FriasDeacon
 Deacon Dan Revetto.....Deacon
Parish Office: 818 363-2535

PARISH OFFICE: 10738 Hayvenhurst Ave.
 Granada Hills, CA. 91344
SCHOOL OFFICE 16535 Chatsworth St.
 Granada Hills, CA 91344
School Office: 818 363-2270

Eucharistic Celebrations (Mass)

SATURDAY: 5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY: 7:00 am , 9:00 am , 11:00 am, and 1:00 pm
DAILY: Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: Please check bulletin or web page

St. John Baptist de la Salle Parish Website: sjbdls.com
St. John Baptist de la Salle School Website sjbdls.org

Parish Business Manager: Mrs. Janie Choate
 363-2535
Religious Education Director: Mrs. Sandy Cole
 368-1514
Religious Ed email: RE@sjbdls.org
School Principal: Mrs. Patricia Melch
 363-2270

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm In Seton Hall
Reservations REQUIRED

Watch Sunday 9:00am Mass Live Stream at: tinyurl.com/SJBDLSMASS

Baptisms: For infant Baptism, contact the Parish Office at least two months in advance.
 Baptism for ages 7 and above, contact the School of Religious Education Office.
A Godparent must be a practicing and confirmed Catholic and, if married, married in the Catholic Church.

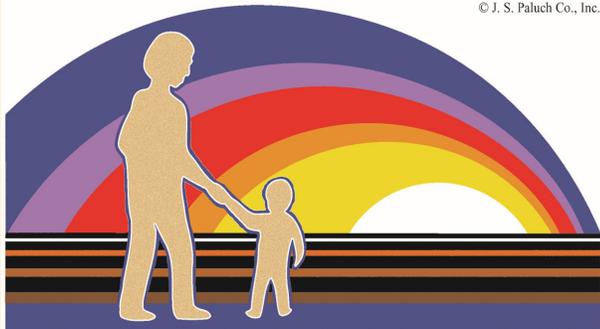
Marriages: Visit the Parish Office on Mondays 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 or call for an appointment. At least six months advance notice is required.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you or a family member are in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the church office at 818 363-2535. Please do not wait until the last moments of life to call.

Information on the Priesthood, Diaconate or Religious Life: Contact Fr. Stephen Davoren 213 637-7755 or frsdavoren@la-archdiocese.org

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See what love
the Father has bestowed on us
that we may be called the children of God.
— 1 John 3:1

**Presider Schedule
May 1st & May 2nd**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Fr. Ramon
Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Fr. Ramon
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Msgr. Milbauer
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Fr. Kirsch
Sunday	1:00 p.m.	Fr. Tovia

This schedule is subject to change

OSV Online Giving

Go to www.osvhub.com/sjbdls/funds

- First Online Donation:** Follow the following steps:
Select which fund you want to donate to by clicking on the Give Now spot on the fund you want to donate to. Example: Weekly Contributions. Click on the (v) for additional options. Enter your gift amount (Example: \$20.00, etc.) Gift Type (either **One Time** or **Recurring**) Frequency (Choose from Weekly Biweekly, etc.) State Date you want donations to start. Click Continue, enter your Information. Enter payment information (Choose either Checking Account or Credit Card), Enter Payment Address Click on save my payment.
Enter your new password. (It will be needed every time you log in.)
Click on submit gift. Click back to Fund List to donate to other funds or Log Out.

Church Offices are closed to the public.

Telephone calls and emails will be replied to accordingly, Monday through Thursday.
The Church Office is closed on **Friday's Saturday's, and Sunday's.**

A safe pasture for caregivers

This has been a particularly difficult year for doctors, nurses and medical technicians and personnel who have borne the weight of this pandemic in their heroic and tireless care of the patients and victims of COVID-19.

So who cares for them when they've become exhausted, demoralized, terrified for their families, and overwhelmed by the death around them? How do they deal with their resentment — and their guilt at feeling resentful — and their anger at the unmasked carelessness of so many?

At the outset of the pandemic, several psychiatrists created the Physician Support Line, a free peer-to-peer national phone line. Volunteer psychiatrists staff the phone line seven days a week. Any physician from any state can call in without giving a name and talk for as long as they need (other medical specialists are directed to similar resources). They can talk about helplessness, rage, depression, anxiety, loneliness, insomnia and — often — the uncomfortable sense that they no longer recognize themselves.

One of the volunteer psychiatrists, Dr. Elissa Ely, writes in The Boston Globe [December 3, 2020]: "In a way, we do very little: we just listen. But the listening is luxurious, almost antiquated, because it comes without productivity requirements and without 15-minute curfews. We listen short and listen long, sometimes with respectful inquiries into self-care, sometimes with attempts to help formulate the crisis that brought a caller to dial that day, sometimes with coping strategies — because even crisis physicians forget how to cope during a crisis."

Every one of us is called to the work of the "good shepherd," to imitate Jesus' example of selfless, compassionate servanthood, being the voice of Christ in our words of comfort and solace. "Good shepherding" is to be attentive to the cry of the lost, the despair of the broken, the plea of the needy and to respond those cries and pleas with mercy and justice. The psychiatrists who give of their time and expertise to help struggling and overwhelmed physicians have taken on the vocation of "good shepherding" envisioned by Jesus: to seek out and bring back the lost and forgotten; to enable all to move beyond their fears and doubts to experience God's loving presence in their lives; to willingly pay the price for justice and mercy for all members of the "one fold."

THE GLORY OF GOD

The glory of God is humanity fully alive.

—St. Irenaeus

Please pray for the sick

Maria Theresa Villafior	John Canty
Adory M. Pacheco	Augusta Abato
Lucille Gogo Iriarte	Eli Norris
Arsenia P. Patino	Msgr. Jim Gehl
Claire Villarosa	Eric Burgwald
Ronald & Valerie Brown	Richard Haro
Kit Buhion	Brumbough Family
Tinou Pereira	Francis Jacob III
Publio Junco	Lorraine Clark
Vicki Kopplin	Annie Hartt
Mala Fisher	Terry Ryan
Fe Arce	Anna Weiner
Arnel de Leon	Rodolfo Quilon
Jeanett Fuente	Estelita Quilon
Debi Zamora	Elvie Co
Deborah Morrow	Gabriel Mowery
Mercedes Schultz	
Ed Graziani	
Chris Francis	

**and all those in our
Prayer book.**



"United Together in Prayer"

We ask you, as the People of God,
to unite in a special prayer for
victims of child sexual abuse

"A Prayer for Healing Victims of Abuse"

*Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform brokenness into wholeness.*

*Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility
and grace, to act with justice.*

Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.

*Grant that all harmed by abuse may
find peace and justice.*

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

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ATTENDING MASS

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Mass Intentions For The Week



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Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Geraldo Solomon
	9:00 a.m.	De La Salle Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	Willie Hamburger
	1:00 noon	Ernie Norris
Monday	7:30 a.m.	Edward Merva
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Fidel Mariano
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Ana Rubio
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Imelda Comes
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Romulo Erive
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Aida Gonzales

DE LA SALLE CHURCH SCRIP FUNDRAISER

We carry scrip (gift cards) for many department-stores including Macy's, J.C. Penny's, and Target. We also carry scrip for specialty stores including Bath and Body, Bed, Bath and Beyond, Starbucks, and Sees Candy. For your dining needs we have scrip for many fine restaurants including, Yard House, Chipotle, Chili's, Macaroni Grill, Olive Garden, Outback, Black Angus, and Denny's. We have fast food restaurants: Pizza Hut, Taco Bell, Subway, El Pollo Loco, Jack in the Box, Del Taco, Burger King, Wendy's, Arby's and Carl's Jr. too. You may also purchase scrip for Exxon-Mobil, Chevron, Shell, and Arco gas stations. We also have Vons, Smart and Final, and Walmart/Sam's too.

Thank you for supporting the Scrip Ministry.



Men's Group

All men are welcome to join us for our Thursday night meetings. That's right Thursday nights on Zoom. Our men's group is meeting for fellowship and spiritual growth. Join us as we learn about and discuss our faith as well as pray together. Our meetings are at 7:30 p.m. Email Tim at: Timcastagnola@gmail.com

In Memoriam

let us pray for all who have died,
that they may rejoice with the Risen L

Miriam Jugueta Baliwag

May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Religious Education News!

Trust walk

NEW 2021 – 2022 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

New Religious Education Registrations are being accepted on a first come basis.

If you are interested in the following Religious Education Programs:

- The Sacrament of Confirmation for Adults or High School students.
- The Sacrament of Communion, 1st grade through High school.
- The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults/Children. This process is available for those who are unbaptized or baptized who want to become Catholic or for baptized Catholics who want to receive First Communion and Confirmation.
- Continued Religious Education for Elementary and Middle School students.

For registration details, please email the SRE Office at: re@sibdls.org

Include your contact information, the program you are interested in (see description above), the grade of your student, or if you are inquiring about an adult program.

Note, during COVID 19 guideline restrictions the S.R.E. Office is closed, however, emails will be responded to, Monday through Thursday.

Called to be shepherds

Adult: Whom are you shepherding in your life right now, and who shepherds you?

Child: Who has been like a shepherd to you by their example? For whom could you be a shepherd?

PARENTING POINTERS

The image of the Good Shepherd as a portrait of God's love for US is one of the most beloved in Scripture. Jesus knows all his sheep, cares for them, and will lay down his life for any of them. How amazing it is to know that Jesus loves and cares for us so much, and that we are all treasured, not for what we possess or what we create, but simply for being one of his flock.

Envelope Reminder

In order to receive proper credit for your contributions, please use your preprinted envelopes that you receive in the mail. If you forget your envelope, please write your envelope number on your check.

A minor miracle that literally stops traffic on a busy city street:

An elderly man and woman wait at the corner. They are incalculably old — white hair and bent over, with shaking hands and unsteady limbs. They move cautiously toward the curb, then step down together. The man takes the woman's arm, holding it closely and tightly as she shuffles into the street, despite his own unsteadiness.

The light changes before they make it across. Cars begin honking. But the man never wavers, never takes his eyes or his arm from his wife. He carries her and supports her, even though his own legs are not as sure or as steady as he would like.

And she leans on him with total faith and confidence, as if he were the very rock of safety itself. Her trust makes him stronger than he realizes. Together they make it across, through the traffic, buoyed up by each other and their faith in each other's love.

The impatient drivers and preoccupied passers-by miss the miracle that has taken place in their midst: perfect trust and steadfast love right there before them in the couple's linked arms and shaking hands.

[Adapted from Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace by Kent Nerburn.]

*The Gospel of the good shepherd is told on a busy city street: the trusting love of a long-married couple struggling through a world moving so fast mirrors the care of Jesus the compassionate shepherd. The work of "good shepherding" is entrusted by the Risen Christ to every one of us. To be a disciple of Jesus is not simply to be a "hired hand" who acts only to be compensated, who is concerned only with his/her own welfare. To follow Jesus is to recognize and honor the sacred dignity that everyone possesses because they, too, are embraced in the limitless love of God. "Good shepherding" is neither dominating or patronizing nor is it for the weak and self-absorbed; "good shepherding" is selfless and generous work that realizes with gratitude that we are sometimes the "shepherd" able to serve and lead and sometimes we are the struggling and lost in need of "good shepherding" ourselves. Christ calls each one of us to imitate his loving servanthood in the **image of the "good shepherd"**: to bring compassion and healing to the sick, the troubled and abused; to bring back the lost, the scattered and the forgotten; to enable our brothers and sisters to move beyond their fears and doubts to embrace the mercy and love of God.*

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**Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses 7:00 a.m., 9:00a.m, 11:00a.m., and 1:00p.m
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.**

As soon as the Mass begins the doors will be closed and no one will be allowed entrance.

Archbishop Gomez has dispensed all Catholics in the Los Angeles Archdiocese from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass as long as the current health situation exists.

No one should attend Mass if they are feeling sick or have been in proximity to someone with COVID19 symptoms or someone who has been out of the country in the last 14 days.

Individuals who are 65 years or older and those with compromised immune systems are encouraged to watch the 9:00 a.m. Mass via live stream

(or the recorded version later) at tinyurl.com/SJBDLS.MASS. You can also visit our

Website, sibdls.com to get to our livestream mass.

**For sacraments, weddings, funerals, etc.,
call the Parish Office Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Communion

Ushers will be in the side aisles directing each pew to go forward to Communion. Please remember to always keep 6 feet social distancing. There will be another usher to direct you to a blue tape on the floor and then you will proceed to the blue tape box to receive communion in your hand only. Step to the next blue tape box and lift your mask to consume the Eucharist.

You will then be guided to the middle aisle to return to your seat.

After Mass, your will follow the ushers direction to the exit door.

Sacred Heart
Retreat House

Virtual Retreats, Gift Shop ...and More!

The Sacred Heart Retreat House has been a profound source of spiritual blessing for countless parishioners over many decades. The pandemic forced them to close their grounds to the public, yet these dear Carmelite sisters are devoutly working hard to continue providing Catholic spiritual resources for men and women alike! Follow this link: <https://sacredheartretreathouse.com> to explore their virtual retreats, events, podcasts, gift shop and more. We recommend you sign up for their **E-Newsletter** (see top toolbar on their home page) to receive updates and news—including when they can open their lovely campus once again! Until then, please consider connecting with them on-line in this manner for your own spiritual benefit and to support their mission of “Promoting a Deeper Spiritual Life Among God’s People.”

PARKING SAFELY AND LEGALLY

Please park only in marked stalls. Do not park in the aisles not marked, as we must, by law, have access for emergency vehicles. There is "No Parking" against the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton building or in between the school and the Hospitality Pavilion which is marked "No Parking." Only people with handicapped signs from the DMV are to use the handicapped parking places marked on the North side of the school. The front of the rectory and church on Chatsworth Street is marked by the city "no parking." You may be ticketed if you park there. Also, the Fire Department has specifically asked us to remind parishioners there is by law "No Parking" 15 feet on either side of the fire hydrant on Hayvenhurst Ave.

We know you realize how important it is to be on time for Mass. Please arrive early enough to safely and legally park and still be to Mass on time.



YOU MAY BE PHOTOGRAPHED OR RECORDED

Your presence at the 9:00 a.m. *Sunday Media Mass* or at any mass or event that is using our *Media Ministry*, implies consent to permit St. John Baptist de la Salle to photograph, record, film, or videotape your likeness and to publish it on our website and elsewhere. By your presence you agree to release St. John Baptist de la Salle from any liability resulting from publication of your likeness.

RESPONDING TO THE CALL

Do we truly know the voice of Christ? Do we truly respond to the voice of our shepherd with our own distinctive voice? How often we attempt to imitate those around us, appropriating the response of another member of the flock to Christ. Perhaps we need to balance the image of being sheep of one flock with the image from the second reading, which tells us that we are all children of God. What child has precisely the same interaction with parents as his or her siblings? Instead, they frequently do and say things to distinguish themselves in the eyes of their parents.

Whether we use the image of children or of sheep to understand our relationship with Christ, we believe that we are all known and called by name. With this great gift comes a responsibility: to respond to the call with our own distinctive voice, to take time to discern exactly what our call is, to determine precisely what the will of the Father is for each of us.

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Easter Hope in Troubled Times

These times are frightening, Lord. Headlines daily deliver troubling news. If we dwell there, Father, we will lose all hope. Thank You for Your protection and the promises we have in Your word. Nothing can separate us from Your love and the victory achieved by Christ at the cross. He is our hope and ever present help in trouble. Thank You, Father. We have no need to fear. You will never leave nor forsake us.

Forgiveness and Freedom

Dear Lord, may I realize afresh today what Your death and resurrection mean for me. Forgiveness ... Freedom ... and the ability to walk with You through this fallen world into eternity. May I always find my satisfaction in You and Your willingness to offer Yourself to me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND DIRECTORY

Altar Servers	Ministry Office	368-1514
Anointing of the Sick	Parish Office	363-2535
Baptisms	Parish Office	363-2535
Bereavement	Parish Office	363-2535
	Tracy Flores	363-2535
Bible Study	Tim Castagnola	620-9569
Catholic Men's Group	Tim Castagnola	620-9569
	Terry Castagnola	601-6684
Eucharistic Ministers	Ministry Office	368-1514
Finance Council	Fr. Ramon Valera	363-2535
Hospitality	Ministry Office	368-1514
Lectors	Ministry Office	368-1514
Legion of Mary	Elisa Pazirandeh	368-1514
	Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	
	Virgie Blanco	368-1514
	Friday, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	
Liturgy Committee	Parish Ministry Office	368-1514
Marriage Ministry	Elizabeth Moreno	363-2535
Media Ministry	Don Jacob	363-2535
	media@sjbdls.org	
Music Ministry		
	Director: Angelo Francisco	818 445-8771
	dls.musicministry@gmail.com	
Adult Choir Rehearsal:	Thursday, 7:15 p.m.	
Youth Choir	Kim Consaga	(805) 428-7919
Handbell Choir	Tim Castagnola	832-9687
One Body in Christ Charismatic Prayer Group		
	Fr. Ramon	
	Rhomie Ramirez	818 618-6515
Parish Pastoral Council	Fr. Ramon Valera	363-2535
Parish Ministry Office	Mrs. Cole	368-1514
Respect Life Ministry	Nancy Corbett	929-6213
Religious Education Office		
	Director: Mrs. Cole	368-1514
	Adult Education	
	First Communion	
	Elementary (Grades 3-5)	
	Liturgy of the Word	
	Family Ministry	
	Middle School	
	O.C.I.A./O.C.I.C.	
	Confirmation	
St. John Baptist De La Salle School		
Principal: Mrs. Patricia Melch		363-2270
	School Website: sjbdls.org	
	Pre-Kindergarten thru Grade 8	
	16535 Chatsworth Street	
	Granada Hills, CA 91344	
Sacristans	Kathy & Joe Bilotta	363-2535
Seniors	Marty Spehar	514-6572
St. Vincent de Paul		363-2535
St. Vincent de Paul large item pick up call	(800) 974-3571	
Ushers	Ellen Celaya	363-2535

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