

Nativity of John the Baptist

June 24, 2007



Announced Masses

- Sat 6/23/07 4:00 pm Angeline Valeriano/Donata &
Bernie Kratz
- Sun 6/24/07 10:30 am Anna M. Ostruski/Agnes Ruiz & Family
- 12:00 pm Immaculate Heart/Ada Lozada
Decideriro Cortez/Wife & Children
- Mon 6/25/07 8:00 am People of the Parish/Fr. Ken
- Tue 6/26/07 8:00 am Louise Giugliano/Fr. Ken Hallahan &
the St. Joan of Arc Parish Family
- Wed 6/27/07 8:00 am Anna M. Ostruski (1st Anniv.)/Fr. Ken
Hallahan & the SJOA Parish Family
- Thu 6/28/07 8:00 am Stephen Loyden/Tina Connelly
- Fri 6/29/07 8:00 am Joseph Servis/Regina Weirauch
- Sat 6/30/07 4:00 pm Frank & Elsie Spadafora/Dan &
Pat Murphy
- Sun 7/01/07 10:30 am Anna M. Ostruski/Jim & Rose Powell
Ray & Helen O'Shea (Wedding
Anniv.)/family
Madeline B. Hirst/Fr. Ken Hallahan &
the St. Joan of Arc Parish Family
- 12:00 pm Pablo Flores/Familia Flores

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**Entered Eternal Rest
Mary Natalie**

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The People's Tithe
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Sick List

Please pray for those who are ill and those who care for them:

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Congratulations to:

Lisette Arriola	Ismael Cabrera
Louis Cabrera	Jonathan Concepcion
Wilfredo Hernandez	Rene Leon

Who received the Sacrament of
Confirmation on Sunday, June 17, 2007

And to

Arlin Disla	Madellyn Disla
Marllyn Disla	Merelin Disla
Junior Flores	Daniela Gonzalez
Patricia Medina	Lourdes Napoleon
Debbie Ponce	Jose Rodriguez

Evy Tolentino

Who will receive the Sacrament of
Confirmation on Sunday, June 24, 2007



May the Holy Spirit bless
you with every grace and
happiness on your
Confirmation day and always.



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From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

This week, we celebrate a joyful event, the birth of John the Baptist. Usually, we celebrate saints on the anniversary of their deaths, which would be their passage to eternal life. However, John's birth is mentioned in the New Testament and the dramatic story of the muteness of his father, Zacharias, and his name John "Yahweh has shown favor," make his birth an event for the whole believing community to celebrate.

This feast is a reminder to enjoy the good things in life. The birth of a child is usually a joyful event for a family, especially when it is the first child.

We celebrate many baptisms in our parish. It is a pleasure to see so many young couples who are beginning their families and who have great hopes of sharing their lives and their faith with their children.

Children remind us to enjoy life. They are often able to find the enjoyable part of an experience, even the most mundane ones. So often, I have seen children and parents walking down the street. One of the children will suddenly start skipping.

The skipping is a joyful motion, a sign of happiness, frivolity and the pleasure that comes from doing something for its own sake. All of us need to learn from the children that we can derive joy from life and share that joy with one another.

A reminder to enjoy life comes to me each time I do a funeral. This week, I buried Mary Natalie, who grew up in Camden and spent most of her adult life in Fairview.

Although she never married, she was loved by a family of her two sisters and their spouses and children. Mary lived almost to her 87th birthday. She found joy in helping others, cooking Italian foods and nurturing stray cats.

She helped others through the United Way, where she worked for 28 years. She was the first person to lead to the United Way to achieve a goal of \$1 million in donations in one campaign. The previous largest amount had been about \$600,000.00!!

Mary is an example of the way each of us can find a talent or a virtue and cultivate it for the benefit of our own enjoyment and the well-being of others. She loved her job and United Way and did it so well that it took three employees to replace her!!

Please keep Mary in your prayers, and her family, too, that they might cherish her memory.

Peace,
Fr. Hallahan

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Need A Job?

Anyone between the ages of 16 to 70 may sign up now for Work Readiness Skills Training! Basic Mathematics, Basic Communications, Work Readiness and ESL (English as a Second Language) classes will prepare you for possible employment. Job placement offered. Limited space!! Act now!! Sign up as soon as possible. Days: 11 am-3 pm and evenings: 6 pm-9 pm. For more information, call (856) 365-9500, THE CHOICE IS YOURS, INC. No cost for classes.

Stewardship Reflection

Stewards Open Hand To Poor

"The needy will never be lacking in the land; that is why I command you to open your hand to the poor and needy kinsmen in your country." (Deuteronomy 15:11)

For Stewards, caring and sharing define life in the Church, when we give our time, talent and treasure to the poor, we follow the scriptures command and grow spiritually.

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A Family Perspective

The question in today's gospel, "What will this child be?" concerns all parents. We spend years trying to influence and shape the answer, hoping our children will be "strong in spirit", and also "blessing God" like Zachariah.

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Attention Senior Citizens!

There is a short waiting list for Rohrer Towers, for seniors ages 62 and over, who are eligible to live independently. This is subsidized housing and many people who are age 62 and over can qualify, even if they own their own home. You can get an application by calling (856) 854-3700.

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True Love Waits 2

True Love Waits 2 is an update and sequel to the original True Love Waits program. Parents, youth leaders, catechists, and those with a heart for youth—come to this training to gain new tools and information to aid you in speaking to young people about chastity and true love. Training will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton parish hall from 7 to 10 pm. For more information, call Mary Ann at (856) 583-6117.

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Helpers of God's Precious Infants

Please come and join your brothers and sisters in Christ every first Friday of the month to pray the 15 decades of the Rosary for babies' sake! Mass at 6:30 am at St. Peter Celestine, 402 N. Kings Highway, Cherry Hill. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, peaceful procession and solemn recitation of the Rosary in front of The Women's Center, 502 Kings Highway.

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Summer Jobs For Fairview Youth

Summer jobs are available for Fairview youth ages 14-16 from June 25th to August 17th (10 hours/week) through a partnership between Fairview Main Street and Camden Community Connections. Registration is limited. Call Sue Brennan, Fairview Main Street Executive Director, at (856) 966-4003 as soon as possible.