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The abridged answer to the following question comes from the detailed answer in "The Catholicism Answer Book." A book of the 300 most frequently asked questions by Rev. Father John Trigilio, Jr., PH.D., TH.D. and Rev. Father Kenneth Brighenti, PH.D. Authors of the best-selling book, "Catholicism for Dummies."

Question 42 – Was Mary saved? Did she need to be?

Answer – Mary was saved by her Immaculate Conception in the womb of her mother. All of humanity was saved on Good Friday. It is part of the universal salvific will of God. How it is applied to each individual soul depends on the way that soul cooperates with the will of God and His graces that He bestows upon it.

Mary, who is part of the human race, would have been born with original sin. She would have suffered the consequences of original sin had it not been for the miraculous event of God in which He prefigured His Son's redemption and applied it to the soul of Mary at the very moment of her conception. This is how Mary was saved.

Catholics and non-Catholic Christians alike are saved in the waters of baptism. Baptism removes the stain of original sin. The outward sign of baptism is water, the physical vehicle that transmits the blood of Christ shed on the cross to the soul.

Once the negative is removed, there is room for the positive – grace. Supernatural grace is God's life within the soul, also known as sanctifying grace. The only way sanctifying grace is lost is by personal sin that is mortal. It is restored by the Sacrament of Penance, which applies the blood of Christ through the words of absolution.

For Mary, all this took place immediately upon conception, hence the title Immaculate Conception. It is a doctrine of the Church that when Mary reached the age of reason, she never committed personal sin. So attuned to the life of grace, so close to Almighty God was she, that she never wanted to lose sanctifying grace. As the Archangel Gabriel greeted her when he announced that she would be the mother of God, "Hail Mary full of grace." Saint Therese of Lisieux once explained this miraculous event by stating, "Mary's soul was like a full glass of water that has no room for anything else." Filled with God's grace, there was no room for sin, original or actual. She could then give her son, Jesus, an untainted and spotless human nature.

Saint John the Baptist was possibly the only other human born without original sin; however, he was conceived in the normal fashion every human is. This means that by being human, he inherited original sin upon conception. Scripture tells us that when Mary, who as pregnant with Jesus, visited Saint Elizabeth, who was pregnant with Saint John the Baptist, the baby in Saint Elizabeth's womb leapt for joy. Many theologians contend that this is when Saint John was, in effect, "baptized." God the Father took the saving events of His Son who was in the womb of Mary and applied it to Saint John the Baptist.



St. John the Baptist Parish

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May 9, 2021: 6th Sunday of Easter

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MASSES

Weekdays: Tuesday 5:30 P.M.

Wednesday 8:00 A.M.

Thursday 8:00 A.M.

Friday 8:00 A.M.

Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 P.M.

SUNDAY MASS 10:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Weekdays by Appointment

Saturday 4:30 P.M.

Sunday 9:30 A.M.

BAPTISM: By Appointment

MATRIMONY: Contact the Office 6 months before the celebration

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

Anytime: Please call the Office

ROSARY & ADORATION: Every

Wednesday at 7:30 am before Mass

Funerals

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.

Email: stjohngrandbay@gmail.com



Sixth Sunday of Easter

Today's Readings: Acts 10:25–26, 34–35, 44–48; Psalm 98:1–4; 1 John 4:7–10;

John 15:9–17

TRUE FRIENDSHIP

True friendship takes hard work. Friendship entails walking with another through life's moments of joy as well as moments of deep disappointment and failure. Friendships need constant nurturing. Friends need to be present to one another. Friends need to talk. Friends need to be honestly critical. Friends need time to connect. In today's Gospel, the Lord Jesus calls his followers "friends." If we count ourselves among the followers of the Lord, this means that in baptism we have entered a friendship with the Lord Jesus. In order to nurture our friendship with the Lord, we commit ourselves to walking with him through life's joys and disappointments. Most of us have people in our lives with whom we have lost touch. We know the experience of the diminished bond of friendship. Most of us can also admit that we really have only so much time and energy to commit to nurturing one or a few real friendships. How do we nurture our friendship with the Lord Jesus?



Emily Phillips, Robert Gunter, Jesus Malone, Jackie Alfonso, Leak Maria Church, Tom Thornton, Dee Irwin, Kathie Sema, Ronnie Cauley, Gary Smith, Liz Walker, Willie Thompson, Tracie Moose, Maddie Blake Rivers, Jimmy Summerlin, Becky Thompson, Betty Cauley, Clara Davis, Anita Wright, Doug Jones, Kathleen Borne, Michelle Waite, Martha Delmas, Heather Cotton, Maribeth Thompson, Becky Latner, Laurie Rel, Leigh Taylor, Amy Lacy, Ava Smith, Chip Conklin, Isabel Rel, Pat Potter, Marie Murray, Toby Robison, Linda Graham, Larry Robertson, Margaret Hampton, Frank Pigorsch, Stephanie Ray, Jerry Wigfield, Mike Knowles, Steve Sevier, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloechener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Patricia Davis, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, Frances Walley, Maurine Habley, Ray Thornton, Joe Whitson, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Vicenta Obsenares, Edgar Gunter, Victoria Porter, Jonathan Cruz, Gennie Garret, Bob Echement, Lilly Breaux, James Wink, Mike Wilson, Leyah White.

Pray for the eternal repose of the souls of the most recently deceased members of the parish: John Ramsay, Irene Stone, Bob Heurion, Ida Clark

Pray for the Special Intentions of those serving in the Armed Forces: Brent Smith, Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailey.

Known Birthdays for May 2021

1 st : Dr. Reggie Stewart	16 th : Amanda Oliver
3 rd : Carol Tate	17 th : Elizabeth Ramsay
5 th : Raymond Fontenot	17 th : Joshua Jamero
6 th : Laura Davis	18 th : Christina Kirchoff
7 th : Mary-Kathryn Ladnier	18 th : Daryl Kirchoff
10 th : Charles Krause	19 th : Greg Teofilo
10 th : Higinio Sanchez	20 th : John-Michael Ladnier
15 th : Lynn Consention	22 nd : Emily Riley
15 th : Connor Stanley	26 th : Lynn Goodwin
16 th : Rudy Rel	29 th : Forrest Bourgeois

Known Anniversaries for May 2021

14th: Emily & Don Riley
 21st: Christy & Robert Brown
 21st: Melinda & Terry LeMay

Capital Campaign as of 1-31-2021:

Total Contributions as of 1-31-2021: \$120,668.34 (61.9% Of Campaign Goal)
 Parish Distributions on 1-31-2021: \$4,677.14 for a total Parish Distribution to date of \$23,385.69

Mass Intentions:

Saturday & Sunday Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm – For all the sick, infirmed, and homebound of the parish
 Sunday 10:00 am – For all deceased parishioners

Daily Mass intentions

Week of May 11 thru 14

May 11 – Eternal repose of the souls of Jr. & Ethel Graham, Jimmy & Bea Lepre and all deceased relatives/friends of Linda and Deacon Graham.

May 12, 13 & 14 – eternal repose of the souls of Antonio DeAngelo, Helen DeAngelo & Steven DeAngelo by Thomas DeAngelo.

Week of May 18 thru 21

May 18, 19, 20 & 21 – Eternal repose of the souls of Steve Sema, Sr., and deceased relatives/friends of Doris Sema.

Week of May 25 thru 28

May 25, 26, 27 & 28 – eternal repose of the souls of Ruth Naquin, Adrienne Graham, Donald Naquin, James Cauley, Shirley Cauley, Pamela Varos, and Randy Naquin, by Rhonda and Steve Cauley.

Week of June 1 thru 4

June 1, 2, 3 & 4 – eternal repose of the souls of Curtis Royal, Pauline Anna Royal, Curtis William Royal and Suzanna Royal by Ellen Luguire

Week of June 8 thru 11

June 8, 9, 10 & 11 – eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Kathleen & Steve Sema, Jr.

Lectors for the Masses on the Weekend of May 15 & 16, 2021

5:00 pm on Saturday, May 15th: Ann Jackson
 10:00 am on Sunday May 16th: Autumn Bowden

Note: Please remember that if you cannot lector at the time assigned it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Anyone that is interested in lecturing during Mass at St. John's, please contact Carol Voss at cavoss99@gmail.ocm.

HOMEBOUND MASS FILMING:

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place at the Chapel of the Archbishop and will be filmed at 9:00 am. on Tuesday, May 18, 2021. We will be filming Mass for Pentecost Sunday, The Most Holy Trinity Sunday, The Most Holy Body and Blood (Corpus Christi) Sunday, and The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Times.

NURSING HOME OUTREACH:

Every First Saturday we pray the rosary before the 5 p.m. Mass starting at 4:30,

HOUSE BLESSINGS

We highly encourage **House Blessings**. Please call Father Sherwin to schedule the blessing of your home.

NURTURING OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH THE LORD

If we believe that Christ is truly present in his word, in the Eucharist, in those who minister to us, and in the gathered assembly of believers, we are assured of finding many opportunities to be present to the Lord. So often, we miss these opportunities and our friendship with the Lord becomes strained. Perhaps today is the day to recommit ourselves to strengthening our friendship with the Lord, who chose us in baptism to be his friend. The root of friendship, of course, is selfless love. Today we are called to bask in the love of God—to feel God's loving presence through the experience of worship and the company of those dedicated to sharing in God's love. Let us rejoice in the love shown to us by God.

General Contributions

May 2, 2021
 General Fund: \$.00.00
 Online Giving
 April: \$295.45

Catholic Charities

Family Pledges to date total 32.
 Total amount pledged: \$19,914.00,
 114% of our total goal of \$17,400.00

Announcements for week of May 8, 2021

- 1) **The Ramsay Family** wishes to thank everyone for the prayers and kindness shown them during their time of loss.
- 2) **Special "Congratulations"** to all the graduates this year. From Bryant: Bella Ledbetter, Ty Teofilo and Kassi Reynolds. From USM: Lyman Thomas Ramsay and from Springhill College School of Nursing: Emilee Sprinkle. From Springhill College: Rayan Taylor Ramsay
- 3) **An incredibly special "Thanks"** to the following. The Knights of Columbus Council 15490 of St. Johns for sponsoring the dinner for the youth retreat last week. The altar Sodality for the refreshments after First communion last week. Also, Terry Roberts and Robert Brown for the ground maintenance.
- 4) **Confirmation Class** for May is this Sunday, May 9th at 6 pm in the Education Bldg.
- 5) **Known Birthdays: 10th:** Charles Krause, Higinio Sanchez, **Known Anniversaries this week: 14th:** Emily and Don Riley

