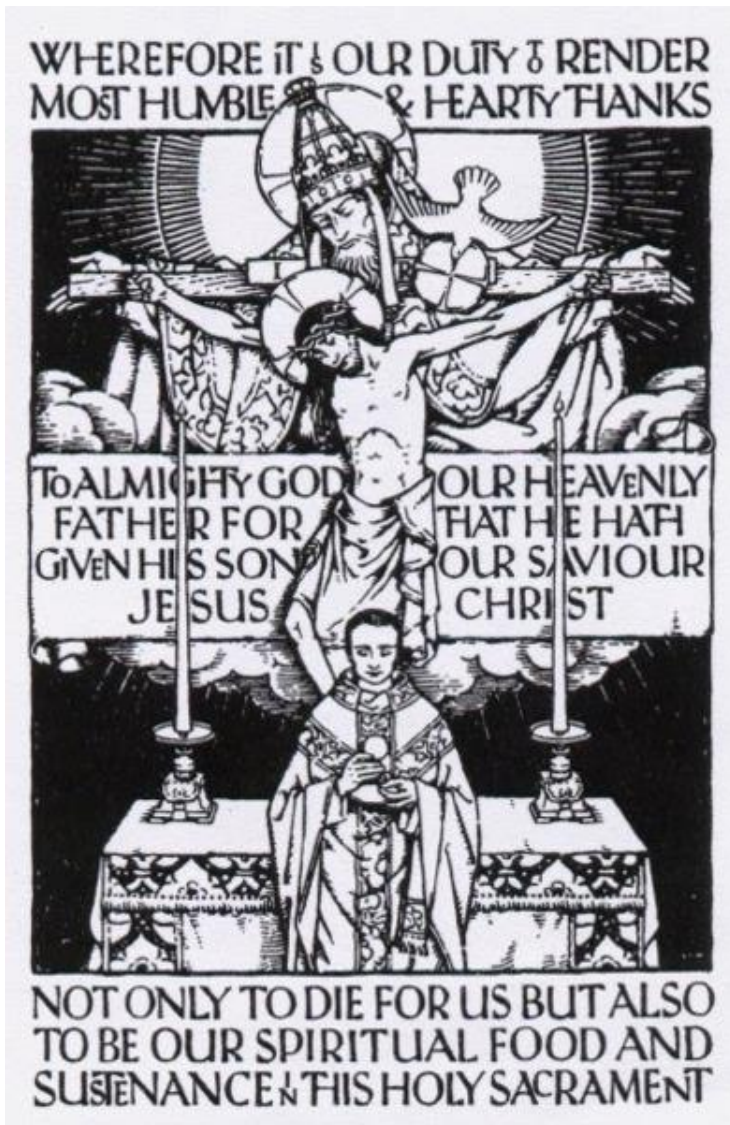


# The Rite of Dedication



The Cathedral Parish of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley  
The Church of Saint John  
Quincy, Illinois  
October 1, 2023

*The custom of solemnly dedicating or consecrating buildings as churches or chapels set apart for Christian worship can be posited to the early centuries of Christianity itself. When we come to the earlier part of the 4th century, as Christianity emerges from the catacombs, allusions to and descriptions of the consecration of churches become plentiful.*

*The service of Dedication is found in Hebrew scripture and is commanded by God: the hallowing of the tabernacle and of its furniture and ornaments (Exodus 40); the dedication of Solomon's Temple (1 Kings 8) and of the Second Temple by Zerubbabel (Ezra 6); its rededication by Judas Maccabaeus; the dedication of the temple of Herod the Great. In Christian scripture, Jesus' attendance at the Feast of Dedication (John 10:22–23) manifests the importance of its annual commemoration. The scriptural references point to the continuity of the early Christians deriving their custom of Dedication from the Jewish antecedents, and developing the same to fit the new Temples that would, eventually, grace every Christian community.*

*The hallowing of a Christian church as a public ceremony proclaims to a local community that there is a permanence, an investment, in spreading the Gospel. When the House of Worship is in the historic, Apostolic Tradition, the building becomes a 'Domus Dei' as the cleansing water of baptism initiates new Christians, the Sacraments are celebrated, and most importantly, the Mystical Banquet where Christ becomes our sustenance, making His dwelling amongst us in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, drawing the Faithful to His throne in the church.*

*In the Ritual used in the consecration of a building, the emphasis is on the removal of the structure from profane and secular use. Proper exorcistic prayers should form part of the ceremony, in driving from the place any invisible forces that would cause spiritual harm. Following this cleansing is the claiming of the building and all that forms its fabric for Christ, by the multiple dedications and signings with the Life-giving Cross and a permanent, prominent, Holy Table for sacrifice. Finally, the seal of Dedication is the solemn Holy Eucharist, the Great Thanksgiving, where Christ will feed His flock in this consecrated place for all time.*

*Following the tradition from the first centuries of the Church, and continued by the Churches of the East and West to this day, relics of the Saints have been included in the Dedication Rite for a Christian altar. This custom developed by catacomb Eucharistic celebrations taking place over the tombs of early martyrs of the Faith~ those who gave witness and life for Christ~ in imitation of the Lord Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross. Where this custom can be retained, it manifests a visible continuity with Historic Christianity, and union with the Church Triumphant. ~Canon Tutor*

# The Rite of Dedication and The Consecration of the Altar

*The Bishop and assistants assemble outside the church and form a procession. They process around the exterior of the church and precincts while the singing of the Veni Sancti Spiritus (**Hymnal 217**) is begun by the congregation. The exterior is asperged while the procession wends its way to the entrance.*

*The Bishop, with crosier in hand, knocks three times on the closed door of the church, and says:*

Open to me the Gates of Holiness, and I will enter and give thanks unto the Lord.

**R/ This is the gate of the Lord, the righteous shall enter it.**

*The doors are opened, and the Bishop then traces the Sign of the Cross with his crosier over the portal while saying:*

+Peace be to this House, and to all who enter here; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

**R/ Amen.**

*The procession proceeds, and the Bishop continues the aspersion of the interior of the church to the sanctuary. The Bishop halts before the altar gates and says:*

The Lord be with you;

**R/ And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts;

**R/ We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

**R/ It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,...

**R/ Amen.**

*Proceeding to the uncovered altar, the Bishop asperges the altar itself. Taking up the Sacred Chrism and anointing the sepulcher, he says:*

Con+secrate and Sanc+tify this sepulcher. In the Name of the Father +, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Ghost +. Peace be unto this dwelling.

*Then the relics are brought to the altar and placed within the sepulcher and are sealed.*

*The Bishop, then taking the Sacred Chrism, goes to the consecration crosses in the church and anoints each one. Having completed this, he proceeds to the altar and anoints the mensa while saying:*

Sanc+tify and con+secrate this stone. In the Name of the Father+, and of the Son+, and of the Holy Ghost+, in honor of God, of the glorious Virgin Mary, and of All the Saints, and in the name and memory of St. John the Evangelist. Peace be with you.

*A brazier is then placed in the midst of the altar and incense therein. Standing before the altar he says:*

O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me.

**R/ And bring me unto thy holy hill and to thy dwelling.**

That I may go unto the altar of God;

**R/ Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**R/ It is meet and right so to do.**

Thanksgiving and honor and glory be unto thee, Almighty God....

**R/ Amen**

*Here is sung **Hymn 126** 'For All the Saints'*

*While the altar is cleaned and vested, the ornaments and lights are placed thereon and all lamps are kindled. After all the lights have been kindled, the Bishop, facing West toward the people, says:*

I Dedicate this Altar and this Temple, together with all the Vessels and Vestments thereof, to the Glory of God and in honor of Saint John the Evangelist; In the Name of the +Father, and of the +Son, and of the +Holy Ghost.

**R/ Amen**

*The Gloria in Excelsis is sung (Booklet Page 2) with the pealing of the church bells.*

* <b>Collect for the Day</b>	See Insert
* <b>First Lesson</b>	See Insert
* <b>The Epistle</b>	See Insert
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* <b>Communion Meditation: "Faith of Our Fathers"</b>	<i>John Barr</i>
* <b>Post Communion Hymn</b>	Hymnal No. 197
* <b>The Prayer of Thanksgiving</b>	Booklet Page 14
* <b>Recessional Hymn</b>	Hymnal No. 600
* <b>The Prayer for Growth</b>	See Insert
* <b>Postlude: "Joyful Celebration"</b>	<i>John Barr</i>

## **The Collect**

O most glorious God, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain, graciously accept the dedication of this place to thy service and grant that all who shall call upon thee here may worship thee in spirit and in truth and may in their lives show forth thy praise; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

## **First Lesson**

1 Maccabees 4: 52-59

Early in the morning on the twenty-fifth day of the ninth month, which is the month of Chislev, in the one hundred and forty-eighth year, they rose and offered sacrifice, as the law directs, on the new altar of burnt offering which they had built. At the very season and on the very day that the Gentiles had profaned it, it was dedicated with songs and harps and lutes and cymbals. All the people fell on their faces and worshiped and blessed Heaven, who had prospered them. So they celebrated the dedication of the altar for eight days, and offered burnt offerings with gladness; they offered a sacrifice of deliverance and praise. They decorated the front of the temple with golden crowns and small shields; they restored the gates and the chambers for the priests, and furnished them with doors. There was very great gladness among the people, and the reproach of the Gentiles was removed. Then Judas and his brothers and all the assembly of Israel determined that every year at that season the days of the dedication of the altar should be observed with gladness and joy for eight days, beginning with the twenty-fifth day of the month of Chislev.

Here endeth the Lesson

***Thanks be to God***

## **The Epistle**

Revelation 21: 1-5

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am

making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

Here endeth the Epistle  
*Thanks be to God*

**The Holy Gospel**  
*Glory be to thee, O Lord*

St. John 2: 13-17

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.” His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

The Gospel of the Lord  
*Praise be to thee, O Christ*

### **The Prayer for Growth**

Gracious Father, Giver of all Gifts,  
Behold our petition and grant to  
Our parish of Saint John  
Growth in holiness and in numbers.  
Shield us as You protected the  
Holy Family by the courage of  
Saint Joseph.  
Inspire in us a tender love for  
Jesus, Our Savior, as steadfast  
As that of His holy Mother,  
Saint Mary,  
That we may proclaim in the  
Power of the Holy Ghost  
To all the world,  
Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

## THOSE FOR WHOM OUR PRAYERS ARE DESIRED

For the Patriarch of the West, the Patriarchs of the East, ++Shane the Primate, +Juan our Presiding Bishop, Patrick our own Bishop, and other ministers.

**And especially to this congregation here present:** as well as all clergy and people of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley, the Traditional Anglican Church, and our sister Churches.

### **For the Sick, Suffering, and Infirm:**

Bishop Daren Williams	Angel Strawn	Mina Geise	Gavin Gotcher
Canon Bart Ryan	Audrey Chapman	Jeff Spear	Tom Frisbe
Br. Ed Arambasich	Robert Nicholson	Rick S.	John Flynn
Jennifer Dixon	Julie Gunnerson	Ann McIntyre	Jim Schaller
Keith Albertson	Kirk Woltman	Mark Trent	Susan Rose
JoAnne Werr	Bob High	Larry Roland	Judi Mohrman
Andy Tappe	Gary Sprouse	Jennifer Perkins	Bill & Barb
Natalia Green	Sue Sprouse	Deborah Lipsky	Velvet Brown
Charlene Copeland	Edward Schwan	Michl Hiatt	Becky Vogel
Tom Lepper	Diane Durbin	Shay Williams	Will Hartig
Ricky Strawn	Rachel Wegs	Tiffany Roach	Eric Graham
Matthew Mast	Joy Williams	Kathy Haugay	Tish
Kristofor Peterson	Isobel McCarthy	Tomo Sakurai	Anne Scott
Frank Blickhan			

### **For the Place Bound:**

Katherine Durst   Anne Hughes   Dean Johnston   Melba Wiseman

### **For Christians suffering persecution throughout the world.**

**For all those serving in our armed forces abroad; all those serving in dangerous civilian occupations,** especially all police, fire, and rescue workers; and all those **harmed by recent natural disasters, diseases, or attacks. We also pray for a just end to armed conflict throughout the world, especially in Ukraine.**

**We also offer our prayers of thanksgiving for our Cathedral family here at St. John's,** especially Julie Williams (10/4) the anniversary of her birth.

**For the repose of the souls of the faithfully departed,** especially Joan Blade; all Christians who have died from recent natural disasters, diseases, or attacks; all who have been murdered in the name of “mercy” or by abortion or infanticide; as well as all the new martyrs throughout the world.



# THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

<b>Monday</b>	<b>6:00 pm Holy Eucharist</b> <i>(Holy Guardian Angels)</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6:00 pm Holy Eucharist</b> <i>(St. Therese of Lisieux)</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>5:30 pm Blessing of the Animals</b> <b>6:00 pm Holy Eucharist</b> <i>(St Francis of Assisi)</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>6:00 pm Holy Eucharist</b> <i>(Sts. Placidus and Companions)</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>6:00 pm Holy Eucharist</b> <i>(St. Bruno)</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9:00 am Holy Eucharist</b> <i>(Our Lady of the Rosary)</i>  <b>6:00 pm Chess Club</b>
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>7:15am Morning Prayer</b> <b>7:30am Low Mass</b> <b>9:00am Sunday School</b> <b>10:00am Choral Mass</b> <b>11:15am Agape Meal</b> <b>1:00pm Children's Cooking Class</b>

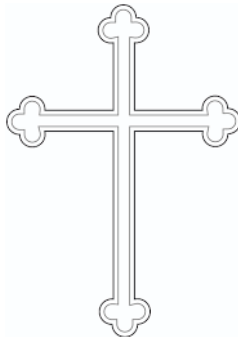
## Announcements:

**Altar flowers** this week are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the ministry of St. John's Cathedral.

Please view the **renewed website** with current calendars, information, and events posted. [www.stjohnscathedralquincy.com](http://www.stjohnscathedralquincy.com)

The **2023 Life Chain** will be held **TODAY** from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm on the south side of Broadway between 14th & 18th Streets in Quincy. Right to Life supporters will again join with pro-lifers in hundreds of other U.S. cities in a nationwide observance of the sanctity of life. Life Chain is a peaceful and respectful public witness by pro-life Americans standing for one hour praying silently for our nation and for an end to abortion. (Those not able to stand for one hour may bring lawn chairs.) Please join the pro-life community in making a visual statement of pro-life solidarity. Pick up your sign at the SW corner of 16th and Broadway between 2:00 and 2:30 pm and stand two arm-lengths apart. The National Life Chain signs are provided for each participant by the Right to Life of Adams County.

The lecture series entitled **Throne and Altar in *Bede's Ecclesiastical History of the English People*** will be presented by Fr Neil J. Roy, STL, PhD, on October 16-19, 2023, at 5:30pm each evening. This series on the Venerable Bede's History of the English Church and People (731) explores some of the towering figures and institutions that helped to shape the Christian Church in Britain from its origins until Bede's own lifetime. The series will also treat the iconography and devotional cultus of Our Lady of Walsingham (1061), a pre-Conquest Madonna still attracting pilgrims and visitors to her Norfolk shrine in the twenty-first century. Refreshments and child care will be provided.



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## **The Relics of the Saints**

*Entombed within the altar today are the 1<sup>st</sup> Class Relics of Five Saints of the Church:*

- *St. John the Evangelist ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Century Apostle and Evangelist*
- *St. John Baptist de La Salle ~ April 30, 1651- April 7, 1719  
Founder of the Christian Brothers*
- *St. Frances of Rome ~ 1384 - March 9, 1440 Advocate of the  
Poor and of Benedictine Oblates*
- *St. Catherine of Siena ~ March 25, 1347 – April 29, 1380  
Reformer and Doctor of the Church*
- *St. Margaret Mary Alacoque ~ July 22, 1647 – October 17, 1690  
Mystic of the Sacred Heart*

*The relics are provided from the collection of the Very Reverend Christian Canon Tutor, OSA, Dean of the Cathedral.*

## **The Shrine of Holy Father St. Joseph**

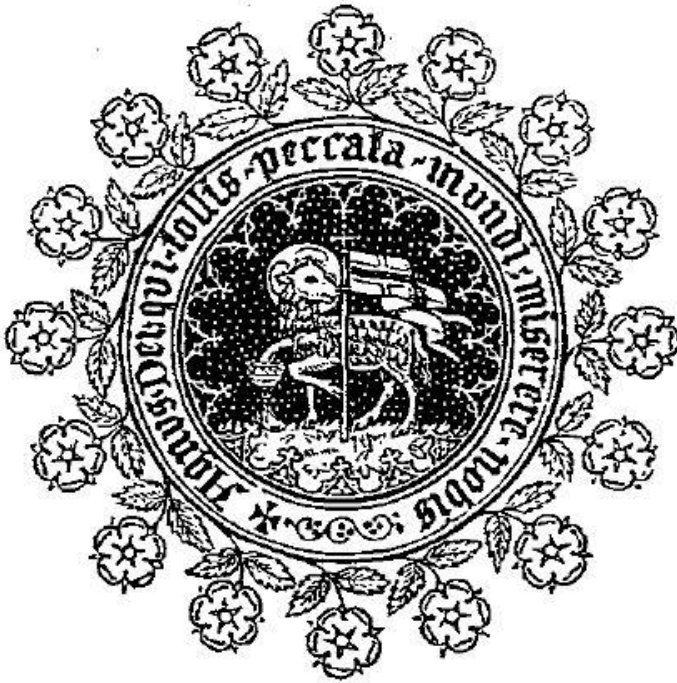
*Guardian of the Holy Family and Protector of the Holy Church  
The renewed shrine of St. Joseph in the narthex was funded through the Memorials of the late Right Reverend Stephen Strawn and the Reverend Deacon Charles Akright. Both clergymen labored to build a spiritual foundation for the Parish of St. John and are true spiritual fathers to the congregation.*

*St. Joseph was chosen by God to be the guardian of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Good St. Joseph is the model for all fathers, and because of his Divine appointment as Guardian of the Holy Family, is also the Provider and Protector of all Christian Families and the Holy Church.*

## **In Thanksgiving**

*The Cathedral Parish of St. John is grateful to Almighty God for His Providence and Mercy in providing for the spiritual and temporal needs of the parishioners of this congregation since 1837. All things have come from the Hand of God; we offer our corporate thanksgiving as stewards of His manifold blessings.*

*Thank you to all of our parishioners who have donated time, talent, and treasure in providing a splendid complex for worship, evangelization and fellowship; may God reward your generosity. For those who have built on this strong foundation, our families, ancestors and friends, and now rest in the Peace of Christ, eternal reward for your labors.*



**Jesus Christ, Yesterday, Today, and  
Forever!**

Welcome to St. John Anglican Cathedral! Whether you are new to the area or a long-time resident, we warmly welcome you to the life of this community of Historic Christian Faith.

***For those who have been Initiated (Baptized and Confirmed/Chrismated) in an Apostolic Catholic Church (Eastern Orthodox, Roman Catholic, Traditional Anglican, Oriental Orthodox, Polish National Catholic, Byzantine Catholic) and are free from manifest grave sin are invited to partake of the Holy Communion. Others are welcome to receive a blessing at the altar rail and may indicate this by crossing arms across their chest.***

The Right Rev. Patrick S. Fodor, D. Min  
The Very Rev. Christian Canon Tutor, OSA  
Mr. James Sohn  
Mr. John C. Fodor  
Mr. Gary L. Blickhan, CPA

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