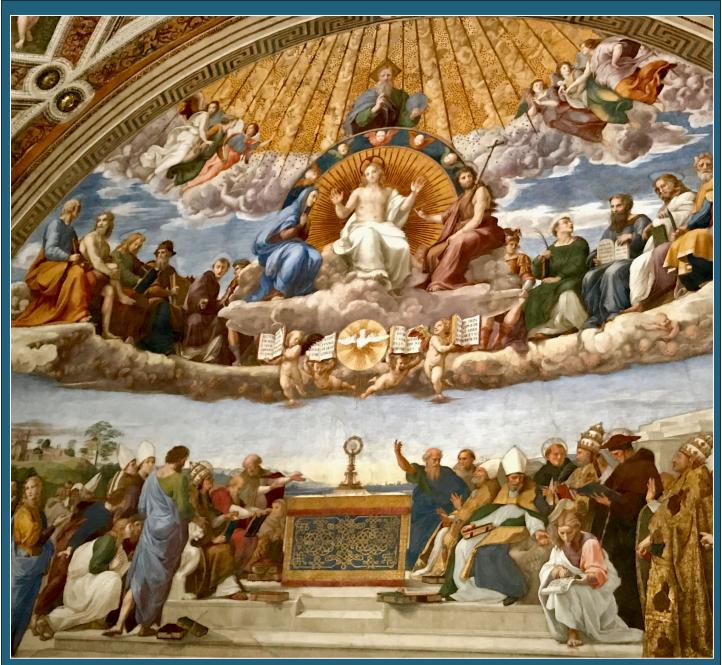
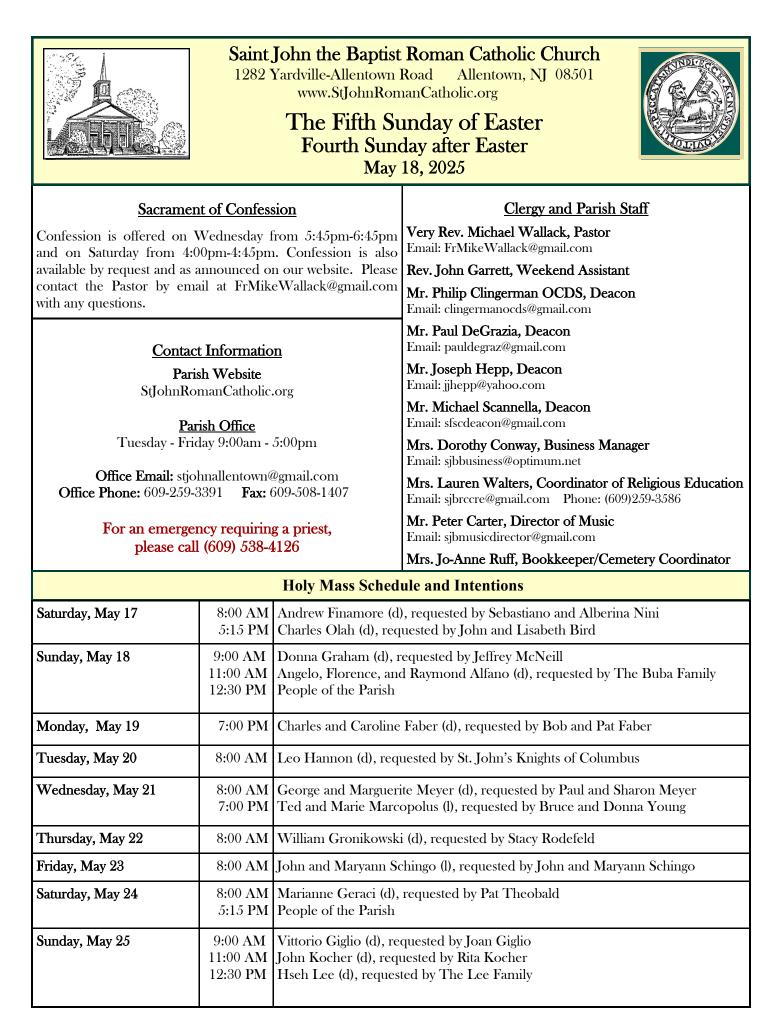


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"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God."

Revelation 21:3



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament



Mondays from Noon until 6:45pm Benediction Holy Sacrifice of the Mass follows at 7:00pm All are invited to come and spend some time with our Lord! For information, contact Margaret Longto at 609-259-2859.

PLEASE NOTE THIS SCHEDULE CHANGE:

Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2025 Adoration is cancelled due to the holiday. The 7:00pm Mass will be celebrated as scheduled.

Local Food Bank Donations for the Poor

Monthly food bank donations of nonperishable and nonexpired food are collected on the first weekend of each month. **The next food bank collection weekend will be June 6-7.** Thank you for your continued generosity to all of those who are most in need.

Saint John the Baptist Church Information Sanctuary Lamp

Offerings for your intentions are available on a weekly basis for the Sanctuary Lamp, which burns night and day before Our Lord, truly present in the Tabernacle.

> The Sanctuary Lamp is offered this week in loving memory of Mark Cellura (d) on the 8th Anniversary of his passing requested by the Parish Office Staff

Weekly Collection

Sunday, May 11, 2025: \$10,620.00 May Maintenance and Repair: \$ 4,292.00 (to date)

We are grateful for the generous donations received in the Mass collections, electronically through Online Giving, and through the mail and direct drop-off.

A Promise to Protect

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the Diocesan Abuse Hotline: 888-296-2965 or via email at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.



A Note From Our Pastor Very Rev. Michael Wallack

My Dear Parishioners,

The Church, like a good Mother, is very wise. She gives us a full seven weeks of the Easter season. We need this extended time to reflect on those lessons Christ taught us in His passion and Resurrection. Plants have to spend time outside to gradually absorb the sunlight and transform it into nutrients. Just so, our souls have to spend time basking in the light of Christ's revelation, so that we can absorb the grace God wants to give us.

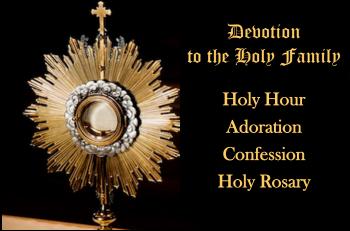
Today especially, we are reminded of the New Commandment that Christ gave us the day before He suffered. We are brought back to that Last Supper, when Jesus was gathered with His closest companions and opened His heart to them. It was the night when His heart overflowed with love as it never had before. It was the night when He revealed the secret identity of every Christian, the distinguishing mark: "This is how all will know that you are my disciples," He said, "if you have love for one another." And not just any kind of love, but Christ-like love: "I give you a new commandment... As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."

Peace,

Fr. Mike

Childrens' Liturgy of the Word

Please note that the weekly Sunday Childrens' Liturgy of the Word at the 9:00am Mass will begin its summer recess next Sunday, May 25. The Childrens' Liturgy of the Word will resume in the fall.



Next Holy Hour: Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Our next Holy Hour (with Adoration, Confession, and the Rosary) will take place this Wednesday, May 21 from 5:45pm until Benediction at 6:45pm. The 7:00pm Traditional Latin Low Mass will follow Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church Knights of Columbus Council 7333 Email: AllentownKnights@gmail.com

Brothers and Parishioners,

Parish Breakfast

The Mother's Day breakfast was our last breakfast for the season. We will resume our monthly breakfast schedule in October. We thank you for your support.

CUF Degree

Congratulations to our new brother Knights who completed their exemplification this past week: Trent LaBlanc, Nick Verveniotis, and Jacob McQuade. Welcome Brothers!

Holy Hour and Rosary

The next Holy Hour will be this Wednesday, May 21 beginning at 5:45 PM.

Super 50/50 Tickets

Super 50/50 winners were drawn at the Mother's Day Breakfast. Three winners shared over \$4000 in prize money. We thank you for your generous support, which funds many of our charitable and scholarship activities. Congratulations to our winners!

Knights Scholarship Program

Please see this bulletin for details. Donations are due by June 8. Please consider helping our deserving students.

Baby Shower

The baby shower is sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society and the Knights of Columbus for local pregnancy centers. The shower is scheduled for June 8. All unwrapped donations are now due. Donations will be boxed and delivered to St. Anthony of Padua on Saturday, June 7.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee has presented its slate of officers for the next Columbian Year. Please look for an email with the nominees. Elections are scheduled for Monday, June 9.

First Way Pregnancy Center

Brothers, we need some help on Friday May 23 at 10 AM to start the flooring project. Please call Bill Henry at 609-649-7604 if you can help.

FUTURE PLANNED ACTIVITIES

GOLF COMMITTEE: The committee is looking for new members. The next meeting is Wednesday, May 28 at 7:00pm.

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION: Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1. Details to come.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS OPENING CEREMONY: Friday, June 6.

40 HOURS: The Parish Annual 40 Hours will begin on Thursday, June 19. Please see the bulletin for more details.

PARISH FAMILY PICNIC: The Picnic is on Saturday, June 21 from 2pm-5pm. Set-up help will be needed.

GOLF OUTING MONDAY SEPTEMBER 22: Wine bottles and basket donations can be dropped off at the Office. Wine should be at least \$15 in value.

Vivat Jesus! GK Richard Ruff

The Sacred Music of the Mass Fifth Sunday of Easter

Entrance Antiphon:	O sing a new song to the Lord		
Kyrie:	Mass VIII	105	
Gloria:	Heritage Mass		
Responsorial Psalm:	I will praise your name forever		
Gospel Acclamation:	I give you a new commandment		
Offertory Antiphon:	Cry out with joy to God		
Offertory Hymn:	Christ the Lord is Risen Today 474		
Sanctus:	Roman Missal Chant		
Memorial Acclamation:	Roman Missal Chant		
Agnus Dei:	Roman Missal Chant		
Communion Chant:	I am the true vine		
Communion Hymn:	Ye Sons and Daughters	837	
Recessional:	Jesus Christ is Risen Today	589	

The Antiphons of the Mass are in the Source and Summit Missal and the hymns are in the St. Michael Hymnal.



Saint John the Baptist Altar Rosary Society

The Altar Rosary Society will be reciting the Rosary 15 minutes prior to all Masses during the month of May. Please join us in praying to our Blessed Mother.



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Saint John the Baptist Conference president1svdp@gmail.com

Anyone needing the support of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society or anyone wishing to donate, please call the Parish Office at 609-259-3391 or contact us through the SVdP email (president1svdp@gmail.com).



The Diocese of Trenton 2025 Annual Appeal

The 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal for the Diocese of Trenton is in progress!

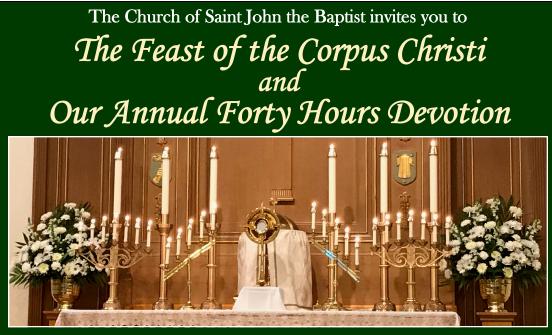
Our 2025 Parish goal is \$37,000 and as of May 9, 86 families or individuals have already pledged \$18,316, which represents 50% of our goal.

The Annual Appeal funds vital ministries in our Parish as well as across the Diocese of Trenton, including seminarian and elderly priest support and assistance to those in need. More information is available in our Church vestibules, on our Parish website, and at the website for the Diocese of Trenton: dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal.



"One day, through the Rosary and the Scapular, Our Lady will save the world."

- Saint Dominic



Thursday, June 19, 2025

7:00pm Opening Mass for Forty Hours - The Feast of Corpus Christi Traditional Latin Solemn Mass and Outdoor Procession Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after Mass and continues through the night.

Friday, June 20, 2025

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues throughout the day and night.

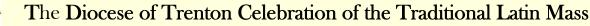
Saturday, June 21, 2025

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues from Midnight to 1:00pm 1:00pm Closing Mass (Ordinary Form)

Please sign up to spend an hour (or more) with Our Lord! For easy online sign-up, please visit StJohnRomanCatholic.org You can also complete the form below and mail or drop off at the Parish!

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH: 2025 FORTY HOURS DEVOTION SIGN-UP FORM

Age:	Under age 18	18 years old or ol	der	(circle one)			
Address:							
Phone:	Email:						
	I will be present to adore	e Our Lord on the f	ollowin	g day(s) and time(s):			
	Thursday, June 1	9: pm	TO	pm			
	Friday, June 20:	am pm	TO	am_pm			
	Saturday, June 21	: am pm	ТО	am_pm			
Please pl	ace this form in the collect	ion basket at Mass, d	rop off i	in a Parish mailbox, or mail to:			
St. John's Ch	urch: 2025 Forty Hours D	evotion 1282 Yardy	ille-Alle	ntown Rd Allentown, NI 08501			





Fourth Sunday After Easter



High Hlass Rev. Michael Barone, Celebrant

> Hass Intention Pro Populo (People of the Parish)

Alusic Intention

Rich and Jo-Anne Ruff (l) on their 40th Wedding Anniversary requested by friends of the Family



"I have yet many things to say to you: but you cannot bear them now. When He, the Spirit of Truth, is come, He will teach you all Truth."

John 16:12-13

Lunch Convivium Today

Please join us downstairs in the Church Hall after Mass this afternoon for a wonderful lunch Convivium. There is no charge, and it is a great opportunity for fellowship and fun! Be sure to visit our Latin Mass showcase for new books, Latin/English and Latin/Spanish Mass missals and covers, the May and June *Benedictus* Missalettes, mantillas and more.

Our upcoming Lunch Convivium schedule is as follows:

Sunday May 18:ConviviumSunday, May 25:No Convivium (Memorial Day)Sunday, June 1:ConviviumSunday, June 8:ConviviumSunday, June 15:No Convivium (Father's Day)Sunday, June 22:No Convivium (Picnic weekend)Sunday, June 29:ConviviumSunday, June 29:No Convivium (July 4th weekend)

The Sacred Alusic of the Alass

Processional:	Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven 423		
Sprinkling Rite:	Vidi Aquam	208	
Introit:	Cantáte Dómino		
Kyrie:	Mass I		
Gloria:	Mass I		
1st Alleluia:	Dextera Déi		
2nd Alleluia:	Chrístus resúrgens		
Credo:	Credo III	213	
Offertory:	Jubiláte Déo		
Offertory Motet:	Jubilate Deo – Mozart		
Sanctus:	Mass I		
Agnus Dei:	Mass I		
Communion:	Dum vénerit Paráclitus		
Communion Motet:	O Filii et Filiae		
	Concordi Laetitia		
Marian Anthem:	Regina Caeli	729	
Recessional:	Jesus Christ is Risen Today	589	

We are grateful to our Sacred Music Director Peter Carter, our Schola Cantorum, and our Choristers for today's beautiful Sacred Music of the Mass. We are also very happy to announce that professional recordings of the Sacred Music from our Traditional Latin Masses and special liturgical events are available on our YouTube channel, *The Schola Cantorum of St. John the Baptist.*

Beginning on Easter and throughout Paschaltide, the *Vidi* Aquam is chanted during the Sprinkling Rite, instead of the Asperges Me prior to the beginning of the principal Sunday Traditional Latin Mass:

Vidi aquam egredientem de templo, a latere dextro, alleluia: et omnes, ad quos pervenit aqua ista, salvi facti sunt, et dicent, alleluia, alleluia.

I saw water flowing from the right side of the temple, alleluia; and all they to whom that water came were saved, and they shall say, alleluia, alleluia.



The Pigil of the Ascension Wednesday, May 28, 2025 7:00pm Low Mass

The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

Thursday, May 29, 2025 7:00pm Solemn High Mass

followed by a dinner reception

JM+JT

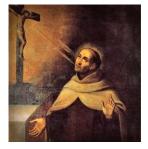


OHM Teresa of Ávila

READINGS:

JAS 1:17-21 IN 16:5-14





OHF John of the Cross

The Carmelite Corner

With zeal have I been zealous for the Lord God of hosts. I KGS 10:19

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

 \dot{V} . Praised be Jesus Christ... \dot{R} . Now and forever!

Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, allelúja: quia mirabília fecit. allelúja: ante conspéctum géntium revelávit justítiam suam. He hath revealed His justice to the Gentiles. Allelúja, allelúja, allelúja.

Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle, alleluia: for the Lord hath done wonderful things, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. [Ps 97:1-2]

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, we continued the renewed energy of joy from last week, basking in the glory of that first Easter morning. The Introit [opening song] from Psalm 97 underscores the newness of creation in the resurrection of Jesus - we are encouraged to glorify the wondrous things He has accomplished by means of our newness of attitude and song. If salt loses its flavor, what use is it [cf. MT 5:13]. We who are Christians should be recognized by the "flavor" of our joy, in front of all of humanity, particularly to those who are not believers. We must glorify the risen Christ by our very lives, and in all situations.

The Epistle of today shifts to James. We are reminded that God is the Father of light - there is no darkness in the lives of those who walk in the light of Jesus Christ as "word" [cf. JN 1:1] and "truth" [cf. JN 14:6]. Christ is the first of many brothers and sisters under the Father. James cautions the Christian to be different from others in the world, which is replete with noise and hostility. We should listen more than we speak - this gets us to hear the Master's voice better; and anger is a powerful negative emotion - and anything that is negative is contrary to the fulfillment of the righteousness of God.

The Gospel of today sees Jesus continuing to prepare the apostles for His impending return to the Father. The separation causes sorrow for them, but Jesus points to the good of the fulfillment of the manifestation of the Trinity, when the Advocate comes and empowers them for ministry. Jesus tells them that the "prince of this world [the devil] is already judged," and they shall be kept strong in the faith against the wiles of this "prince," by the overwhelming truth that the Spirit will impart to them.

Carmelite prayer can never be simply a routine appointment that we make with God - it is so much more than that because of the action of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The Spirit of God who knows the depths of God indwells us, speaking in the heart of each one of us, giving us knowledge of God. We respond through an ever-growing sense of the presence of God and an increasing acceptance of the action of God in our own lives, and in the whole of creation [cf. LK 1:34-37]. To Jesus Christ be all glory, alleluia!

"A praise of glory is a soul of silence that remains like a lyre under the mysterious touch of the Holy Spirit so that He may draw from it divine harmonies."

~ from Complete Works, Volume I, #112), S. Elizabeth of the Trinity (Élisabeth Catez, 1880–1906) OCD, V.

Saint John the Baptist Religious Education Program

We are very blessed to have a flourishing Religious Education Program for CCD students in Grades 1-8 at our Parish! Due to the overwhelming success of our Program, we wish to share a few important announcements for the upcoming 2025-2026 academic year:

Program Options

In-Class Instruction

Our Parish offers in-class instruction for Grades 1, 2, 7, and 8 (the Sacrament preparation years) on Tuesdays according to the following schedule:

Tuesday Classes

Grades 1 and 2: 5:00pm-6:15pm

Grades 7 and 8: 7:00pm-8:15pm

ALL SECOND GRADE CCD STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND IN-CLASS INSTRUCTION.

Online CCD Program

Our online program will be offered to students in Grades 1 and in Grades 3 through 8. The program is coordinated by MyCatholicFaithDelivered.com, which is the Faith and Life Series by Ignatius Press. The same material that is covered in our in-class program is presented in our online program.

Requirements

For new students, we require a copy of their Baptism certificate, as well as documentation of the last level of catechetical instruction completed from a former Parish (if applicable). A signed Parent Commitment Form will be obtained after the parent reviews the Parent Handbook. New students will not be placed in a class or accepted for the online program until these items are received by email at **SJBCCDdocs@gmail.com**. Returning students who have completed the online program for the 2024-2025 academic year must submit their certificate of completion.

Registration and Fees

Registration will open on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 and will close on September 5, 2025. Registration and payment is electronic only, and can be completed on our Parish website, **StJohnRomanCatholic.org.** The 2025-2026 CCD fee schedule is as follows:

One child in the Program	\$150
Two children in the Program	\$275
Three or more children in the Program	\$400

If you have any questions or would like more information about our Religious Education Program, please contact our Coordinator of Religious Education, Mrs. Lauren Walters by email at sjbrccre@gmail.com. Have a wonderful summer!

St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus **Scholarship Program**

St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus Council is again awarding scholarships to deserving eighth graders and high school seniors from our parish.

We will award scholarships in each of the following categories based on the total donations collected and applications received:

- Eighth graders entering a Catholic high school. High school seniors entering a trade school. 1.
- 2.
- High school seniors entering a Catholic college 3.
- High school seniors entering a non-Catholic college. **4**.

We invite our parishioners to support this program. Donations of any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Checks made out to K of C Council 7333, may be put in an envelope with the slip below and placed in the collection basket or dropped off at or mailed to the parish office not later than June 8th.

Please accept my St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus Scholarship Program gift of \$

For donations of \$500 or more, you may designate one of the following if you have a preference:

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Catholic high school ____ Trade school ___ Catholic college ___ Non-Catholic college ___

I wish my gift to be in memory of:

I wish my gift to be in honor of:

Optional: Donor Name: _____ Donor Phone: _____

Checks should be made payable to "Knights of Columbus Council 7333" Please detach this section and place it in an envelope along with your check and put it in the collection basket or drop it off or mail it to the **Parish Office at:**

> **Knights of Columbus Scholarship Sponsorship** 1282 Yardville -Allentown Rd, Allentown, New Jersey 08501



It's Our Annual St. John the Baptist Parish Picnic!



SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025 2:00pm-5:00pm ST. JOHN'S CHURCH CAMPUS



DELICIOUS BBQ BUFFET BOUNCY RIDES FOR THE KIDS GREAT MUSIC FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CLOSE OUR 40 HOURS DEVOTION AND CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI!



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SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH FAMILY NIGHT!

Trenton Thunder vs Williamsport Crosscutters Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 7pm

NFL Night - Special prizes from NFL Teams throughout game Kids 12 and under eat free! Super 50/50 by our Knights of Columbus Our Choir will sing the National Anthem!

Tickets are FREE for our Parishioners!

Send in ticket request below!

Due to high demand, we regret that no phone or email requests can be honored.

FIRST COME - FIRST SERVED UNTIL ALL TICKETS ARE DISTRIBUTED

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH FAMILY NIGHT AT TRENTON THUNDER 2025 PARISHIONER TICKET ORDER FORM

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

NUMBER REQUESTED:

Please complete this form, detach and drop in collection basket, bring to Parish Office or mail to: St. John's Church-2025 Trenton Thunder Game 1282 Yardville-Allentown Rd Allentown, NJ 08501

Tickets will be mailed until Tuesday, August 5. After that, arrangements must be made to pick up in Office.



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