

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, November 20, 2016

NOVEMBER 20 2016 | OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Above Jesus on the cross there was an inscription that read,
“This is the King of the Jews.”

~ Luke 23:38

Mission Statement

St. John's Parish family prayerfully worships, studies, teaches and lives our faith in Jesus Christ.



I would like everyone in the parish to begin a Novena (*nine days of prayer, but please continue after nine days*) invoking the Holy Spirit's guidance and direction in the bringing forth and the selection of our new Director of Sacred Music and our new Preschool Director and Teacher long term sub. Please include prayers for all of our staff as well as our parish, that we will all become living disciples of Jesus Christ.

Dearest Holy Spirit, confiding in Your deep, personal love for me, I am making this novena for the following request, if it be Your Holy Will to grant it: (*mention your request: invoke to Holy Spirit's guidance and direction in the bringing forth and the selection of our new Director of Sacred Music and our new Preschool Director and Teacher long term sub. Please include prayers for all of our staff as well as our parish, that we will all become living disciples of Jesus Christ.*)

Teach me, Divine Spirit, to know and seek my last end; grant me the holy fear of God; grant me true contrition and patience.

Do not let me fall into sin. Give me an increase of faith, hope and charity, and bring forth in my soul all the virtues proper to my state in life.

Make me a faithful disciple of Jesus and an obedient child of the Church. Give me efficacious grace sufficient to keep the Commandments and to receive the Sacraments worthily.

Give me the four Cardinal Virtues, Your Seven Gifts, Your Twelve Fruits.

Raise me to perfection in the state of life to which You have called me and lead me through a happy death to everlasting life.

I ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

The Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

With Heartfelt Sympathy



Remembered with Love

Please pray for Robert Wermerskirchen and his family. Roberts's Funeral Mass was here on Tuesday, Nov. 15th.

Welcome to St. John's

We are happy that you are here. If you are just visiting for today, we wish you God's guidance on your journey. If you are seeking a church home, we would be honored to welcome you into our parish community. If you are interested in joining our parish family, parishioners are available after Mass to answer any questions and provide assistance with registrations. If you are over the age of 23 we ask you to register. You may also stop by the parish office during office hours (8am - 4:30pm M-Th.) to register or go online at www.sbjordan.org, about, new members.

Pray for Our Sick

Maureen Halloran (Michelle Bisek's sister), Don Undesser, Dellie Breeggemann, Pam Jemmings (Marcy Pauly's sister), Josephine Deutsch, Rhonda Zweber, Laura Wolf, Marion Pearson, Griffin Dahmen, Carol Segler, Elizabeth Maresch, Sue Stifter, Les & Maria Thill, Roger Neumann, Lexyn Grof, Diane Roszelle, Sean Dennehy, Florence Stocker, Phil Chavez, Mike Mohlin, Audrey Kaiser, Paul Bendzick, Theresa Leshner, Glenn Nemanic, Bob Quist, Monica Morgan, Hippy Wagner and Jerry Hoy.

Please call the Parish Office to be included in or taken off the above list.

Prayer Line

If you have a special prayer need, please call to be included in our prayer line. You may contact Viv Sunder at 492.2964 or Caroline Lehnen at 492.3363.

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Open hours that need to be filled:

Thursday, 1:00pm
Friday, 2:00am, 3:00am
Saturday, 6:00pm

If you would like an open hour, please call Sue Pieper at 952.492.3340.

Adoration Chapel will closed Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 24th at 8:00am and reopen Friday, November 25th at 9:00am.



St John's Thanksgiving Mass

Our Mass will take place on Thanksgiving Day morning at 8:15am. The offertory will cover the cost of food from Second Harvest for the Jordan Food Shelf. Wishing you and your family a Thanksgiving full of joy, laughter and good food. Happy Thanksgiving!

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Food Shelf News

The Food Shelf is located at 131 East First Street and is open every Saturday from 9:00am to 1:00pm. We collect items for the food shelf at any time. Items can be placed in the wooden box in the gathering area which is located across from the elevator. Decembers "hot item" is Chicken Noodle Soup. Thank you for all your generous donations!



Catholic Heart Workcamp

Katie Hall, 15 years old, daughter of Jeff and Alyssa Hall. Katie has one sister, Megan. By going on the Colorado Mission Trip, Katie hopes to learn more about God and His reasons for putting us on this earth. She would also like to see how other people live differently than her.

Jordan Lions Christmas Baskets

The Jordan Area Lions Club is organizing its annual Christmas Basket for the Needy Program for our Jordan residents. Please call the Parish office at 952-492-2640 before December 1st if you or someone you know would like to receive a basket. All names will be kept confidential.

Stewardship Update

Thank you to everyone who has turned in their Total Stewardship Commitment Forms! We have received over 140 of them with 63% of parishioners choosing to give above their current level of giving. Please remember to return your forms into the parish office before Thanksgiving so we can have an accurate picture of giving levels before we start budgeting for fiscal year 2017/2018. Everyone who returns in their forms will receive a window decal that says "Supporter of the Ministries of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church" with our church logo. These window decals were donated to St. John's by a generous parishioner.

Knights of Columbus Corner

Hope everyone has a blessed and safe holidays. Take time to give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received through the year.

Meeting on December 13th at 7:00pm - Christmas Party Potluck - members please bring a guest. (wife, girlfriend, family member or a friend)

Vivat Jesus, Gene Eichten, Grand Knight



Development of the Unborn Child



Week 34 - When I move my foot or my hand, Mom can feel it, and sometimes Dad can even see a bump move across Mom's tummy. That's my foot making that bump!

8th Annual Drive

"Blankets Because We Care"

Please help us keep our brothers and sisters warm this winter by donating your new, used or handmade blankets and jackets.

Jason & Jennifer Schmit and family will again be taking any gently used or new blankets and coat donations to Sharing and Caring Hands. Any monetary donations will be used to buy fleece to make additional blankets or will be donated to Sharing and Caring Hands. Show how you care and please help out those in need this Christmas season! Please put your donations in the box labeled "Blanket Donations" at St. Wenceslaus in New Prague, Sweeney Elementary (Shakopee), St. John's School, Jordan Middle, & Elementary School, and Radermacher's (monetary donations only). Also, please feel free to drop off any donations at our house (1109 Rose Court Jordan, MN). We would also be happy to pick any donations up as well - just call! (952-457-9877). Donations will be accepted through January 20th. Thanks so much for your generosity and God Bless!

BeFriender Ministry Logo

The BeFriender logo, a symbol rich with meaning, captures the essence of Befriender Ministry. The picture tells the story.



As we look at the picture, we see the words that remind us that this is the ministry of being a friend. It is not about counseling or performing tasks. It is the ministry of being a listener, a companion on the journey. It does not take the place of family or friends. It provides a different kind of safe listening place. It comes into being for a specific purpose and for a limited time.

The symbol of life-giving water suggests refreshment, cleansing, and healing. From the Gospels we learn that after his baptism in the Jordan River, Jesus went forth in public ministry to proclaim the saving power of God and to offer a healing, compassionate presence. All baptized Christians are called to ministry.

The image of the hands is in a mutual, sturdy grasp, suggesting trust and support. The connection is firm, yet gentle, allowing freedom of choice for both the BeFriender and the one being visited.

Wheat is a sign of nourishment and the Eucharist or Holy Communion. It is also a part of the Gospel story of the loaves and fishes. This story encourages us by letting us know that though the need is great, with God's help, there is enough. BeFrienders and those they visit often experience a communion in the sharing of the story. The wheat shafts are touching both hands because in this mutual relationship, both are nourished. They also experience a deep connection with one another and with God.

Finally, the picture is in the shape of a church window. BeFriender Ministry is a way of being church with and for one another. Questions? Please contact Connie Hennen at 952.492.6810.

St. John's School

Autumn greetings!

St. John's School is looking for a substitute for our preschool teacher, Mrs. Hentges who will be on maternity leave from Jan to May. If you know someone who is a licensed teacher and might be interested in a long term substitute position, please ask them to contact the school office!

We are looking for a volunteer to teach Junior Achievement for our 6th grade class this year. It is an excellent program and only consists of 6 lessons. There is online training available and the lessons are very well scripted.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with childcare during our Wednesday morning JMOMs group from 9-11am. If you love little children, this is the volunteer opportunity for you!

Thank you to Catholic United Financial for the \$1,000 donation from the matching grant breakfast!

Dr. Bonita Jungels, Director of Education & Evangelization

Faith Formation

Waiting on A Friend

The Church has designated November as a time to pray for the souls in Purgatory. For some of us the concept of Purgatory is met with mixed feelings, maybe because of words describing it as a place of "purgation and temporal punishment". Although these words are true, they prevent us from seeing the beauty of Purgatory and it's purpose as a result of God's Mercy. I was listening to Relevant Radio and I heard a priest compare what would happen to a soul that entered heaven directly with that of our physical reaction to leaving a movie theater on a sunny day in the middle of the afternoon. After being in a dark theater for a couple of hours, the brightness of the light outside is painful to our eyes and we need time for our eyes to adjust. The same is true with our human souls that have dabbled in sin and have attachments to earthly things; the soul needs time to adjust and prepare for God's love. That's Purgatory. If we were given a direct ticket to Heaven, God's love would be too pure and too bright; it would be too much for the soul. I have heard it said that it could actually kill the soul.

Maybe that's why conversion and turning away from sin is a slow process. Our baby steps are allowed to reflect the beauty of God's patience, "The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9. Oh, the beauty of God's patience and love; just like the Rolling Stone's song, *Waiting on a Friend*, God is waiting with full anticipation for our souls to be ready for His love in Heaven!

Youth Group This Sunday, 7th & 8th Graders

Youth Group is this Sunday for 7th and 8th Graders from 6-8pm in upper youth room. Bring your friends; anyone is invited! We will have pizza, games and time to talk about our faith.

Parish Directory

Pastor, Rev. Timothy Yanta, Direct: 952.492.4560
Emergency 952.492.2640 (press 3),
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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8am-4:30pm
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Faith Formation

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Lay Leadership Positions

Trustees

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Finance Council

Mark Zimitsch, mk82nav@comcast.net

Pregnant? Need Help?

Call Parish Office or Deb Pauly at 952.492.2745

Sacraments

Confession

Tuesday 5:45 - 6pm, Friday 8:45am, First Saturday at
7:45 - 8am, Saturday 4 - 4:30pm

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month. Please contact the parish office for more information, and plan ahead.

Marriage

Contact Parish Office at least eight months in advance.
Pre-marriage preparation required.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the parish office anytime.

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Liturgical Ministers, Nov 26 & 27, 2016

Greeters (Jean Myers office@sjbjordan.org)

5pm Ruth Shottliff, Hedy Joachim, Reaney Becker
8am Linda Stemig, Jerry & Lisa Neisen
10am Jim & Jane Donna, Michael Hennen

Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Karen Umphress (karen@tnkent.com)

5pm **Lector:** Robin Nawrocki **Ministers:** Brad Heitkamp, Kay Hartmann, Mary Pekarna, Francis Schatz, TW Schlag
8am **Lector:** Eric Hjerpe **Ministers:** Sue Pieper, Kate Pieper, Jen Noyes, Tom Robling, Mary Johnson
10am **Lector:** Zach Schmit **Ministers:** Krista Halvorson, Barb Simonson, Gary Simonson, Nan Brandtner, Joe Hernandez, Dave Brandtner (Choir)

Communion to Homebound (Lisa Austen 492-6040)

Schule Haus Betty Huebner
Homebound Mark & Ann Holzer
Friendship Mnr/St. Gerts Julie Beckius
Valley View/Oak Terrace Lisa Austen

Ushers (Al Menke 612-247-0297)

5pm Tom Klehr, Dave Worm
8am Greg Zahler, Geno Taddei
10am David Brandtner, Harlan Segler

Mass Servers (Jean Myers 492-2640)

5pm Leo Colling, Jordan Austen
8am Brooke Vohnoutka, Rebecca & Melissa Melin
10am Mona & Charlotte Driemeyer, Kaitlyn Mahoney

Sacristans (Jackie Wolf 492-3378)

5pm Brenda & Loren Boeckmann
8am Mark & Jackie Wolf
10am Brian & Lisa Wolf

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, Nov 20, 2016

Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10am Mass

Jewelry and Advent Sale After Masses

8:00am Mass, Fr. George Grafsky
8:30am - Noon Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
10:00am Mass, Fr. George Grafsky
6:00 - 8:00pm Youth Group 7-8th Grade (Youth Room)

Monday, Nov 21, 2016

Tuesday, Nov 22, 2016

5:45pm Confessions, Fr. Bruno
6:15am Mass, Fr. Bruno
7:00pm Ava Maria Cenacle (Chapel)
7:00pm Parish Council Meeting (School Conference Room)

Wednesday, Nov 23, 2016

SJB No School, No Faith Formation

8:15am Mass, Fr. George Grafsky
Thursday, Nov 24, 2016, Happy Thanksgiving

Parish Office Closed, No School

8:00am Adoration Chapel Closes
8:15am Mass, Fr. George Grafsky

Friday, Nov 25, 2016

Parish Office Closed, No School

8:15am Mass, Fr. George Grafsky
8:45am Confessions, Fr. George Grafsky
9:00am Adoration Chapel Reopens

Saturday, Nov 26, 2016

4:00pm - 4:30pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass


Sunday, Nov 27, 2016, First Sunday of Advent

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

Communion Antiphon

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

Mark 11:9, 10



When the Son of Man comes in glory, may we be among those who have fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, and clothed the naked. For Jesus tells us clearly that it is those who have demonstrated good stewardship by sharing their gifts with the less fortunate who will receive God's blessing and inherit the kingdom.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28

Thanksgiving Day (suggested):

Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 -- 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Nov 20, 2016

8:00am Parish
10:00am † Harold Lambrecht

Tuesday, Nov 22, 2016

6:15pm † Fr. John Riley; † Dan Geis

Wednesday, Nov 23, 2016

8:15am † Michael & † Victoria Kutchmarch

Thursday, Nov 24, 2016

8:15am † Albert Koenig

Friday, Nov 25, 2016

8:15am † David Jelen; † Janis Ballard

Saturday, Nov 26, 2016

5:00pm † Bud Geis (BD)

Sunday, Nov 27, 2016

8:00am Parish
10:00am † Audrey & † Kilian Spieker (WA)

