

*St. John the Baptist Catholic Church*

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*Prepare for the  
Lord's coming*



First Sunday  
of  
*Advent*



## Mission Statement

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



Did you know that Jesus Christ is coming? How does the certain understanding of this change us and what is our response?

These are the questions we must ask ourselves during this season of Advent, for it is the fundamental purpose of this time of preparation. Advent is a wake-up call for all us to come completely alive and prepare ourselves for Jesus Christ's arrival. The Catechism states: This call to conversion is something that we must live daily, not just during Advent. It is through this "daily conversion" that our lives become manifestations of the theological virtues (faith, hope, and love) allowing us to await Christ's Second Coming with eager anticipation and great hope. Failure to reform our lives should create in us fear, namely that fear of what might be lost.

The real beauty of this season of Advent is that it can be that "moment of conversion." Advent, by its very nature, reminds us of our need for conversion, and it serves as a time of preparation and reflection. Christ provides us with the "gifts" to prepare ourselves in the Sacraments of the Church. Most local parishes will have penance services during the Advent season. Our penance service will be on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. I hope that you will mark your calendar and use this opportunity to participate in this very special sacrament of preparation. And what better way to prepare yourself and your family than by the Sacrament of Reconciliation? If you cannot make this time, please look at our bulletin or Advent calendar and choose one of the many other times that we offer this beautiful reconciling gift on a regular basis, here at St. John the Baptist Church.

Advent is also a wonderful time to try making daily Mass a regular practice. It is important and a spiritual obligation to make all Sunday Masses and one of the Masses on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception which is Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, a Holy Day of Obligation. I encourage you to please also try to make room in your busy schedule to come to a daily Mass during Advent, and hopefully this will become a regular practice and source of spiritual renewal for you and your family throughout the year.

Finally, Advent is a time to break away from the businesses of life, not add more to it. Please make time to pray, spent some quiet time with our Lord. Silence is the place where God can be found.

So let us prepare ourselves to meet the Newborn King with our hearts cleansed and recreated anew, saying with deep and true meaning: *Come Lord Jesus, come!*

Fr. Yanta

### 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](http://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 be closed Christmas**, Friday, December 23rd at 8:00am and reopen Tuesday, December 27th at 7:00pm.

**Adoration Chapel will be closed New Year's**, Friday, December 30th at 8:00am and reopen Tuesday, January 3rd at 7:00pm



St. John's welcomes Everet, son of Tony & Kimberly Gehling, who was baptized here on Sunday, November 20, 2016 by Fr. George Grafsky.

## 1st Sunday of Advent

### JCCW Breakfast & Boutique

Wanted: Baked Goods

Do you enjoy baking? Or, do you enjoy having someone do the baking for you? Either way, the JCCW would enjoy a baked good donation for the annual JCCW Breakfast and Boutique Sale on Sunday, December 4th. Please bring your donation to Louis Hall on Saturday, December 3rd. You can even say you baked it as you peel off the store sticker. Your secret is safe with us!

### Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

A great time was had by all at the Annual Guess Who's Coming To Dinner Potluck last Saturday evening in Louis Hall. We were entertained by the Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission trip participants. They gave a presentation on their upcoming trip and then acted as game show hosts for the Not-so-Newlywed Game. We had four teams: a father-son, best friends, and 2 married couples. The winners were Mark & Sue Zimitsch with answers like Star Trek, William Shatner, and chocolate covered cherries.

The dinners throughout the year are small parties at people's homes. The dates for 2017 are: January 9, February 13, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9 (cookout for all), August 13, September 10, October 8, and November 11 (potluck for all). If you're interested in joining us please contact Sue Zimitsch at 952-500-8472 or by email [smzimitsch@comcast.net](mailto:smzimitsch@comcast.net).

### 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.

### Knights of Columbus Corner

A big thank you to everyone that helped out with the pancake breakfast. And thank you to those who came and supported us and enjoyed the meal!

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 35: It's getting snug inside your womb! Your baby's kidneys are fully developed, and his liver can process some waste products. Your baby is the size of a honeydew melon.

### 8th Annual Drive

#### "Blankets Because We Care"



*Please help us provide for our brothers and sisters! Please consider donating your new or used blankets, coats, hats, mittens or new hygiene items (toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, etc.).*

We (Jason & Jennifer Schmit and 7 kiddos) have been collecting and making blankets for Sharing and Caring Hands for the past 7 years. Over the past two years we have tried to collect even more for those in need. So now this year we will be accepting any hygiene items in addition to any gently used or new blankets, coats, or winter gear. We will then bring them to Sharing and Caring Hands in January. 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 boxes 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, feel free to drop off any donations at our house (1109 Rose Court Jordan, MN). We would also be happy to pick-up any donations as well, just call! (952-457-9877). Donations will be accepted through January 20th.

Thanks so much for your generosity and God Bless!



Once again St. John's JCCW is sponsoring the Giving Tree during Advent.

Here are some ideas for anyone wishing to do some early gift shopping: men's flannel shirts, boxer pajama pants, windpants in mens XL/XXL, mens & women's jogging suits XL/XXL, teens, boys & girls sweatshirts/sweatpants/hoodies in all sizes; teen board games of any kind; mens, womens and kids tube sox; calendars; picture (coffee table) books; wristwatches; perfume/cologne gift sets, gift cards; handheld electronic games; blow dryers, curling irons, non-violent or educational toys/games/movies; stocking hats, mittens, gloves.

Then select a tag from the tree that corresponds with the gift you've already purchased. or select a tag from the tree, purchase that item, gift wrap and securely attach the tag. Bring the WRAPPED gift to church by Dec. 18. Gifts will be donated locally to area nursing homes, the CAP Agency in Shakopee, and the Juvenile Alternative facility.

We welcome helpers to sort and deliver the gifts after the 10:00 mass on Dec. 18th. A great way to get Confirmation service hours.

## St. John's School

During the two weeks prior to Thanksgiving, St. John's School ran Guatemala Change Wars to raise money for the School Sisters of Notre Dame School Missions in Guatemala. S. Helen kicked off our event by visiting with students on Monday afternoon to share about Guatemala including why we raise money and how they use the money we send. Each classroom then spent the next two weeks collecting change in a classroom jar for Guatemala in hopes of collecting the most money and winning a popcorn party. The twist comes in when students put dollar bills (even 5s and 10s!) into other classroom jars. The paper money gets counted against the classroom total. Students used those first school day minutes sneaking bills into other classroom jars and trying to protect their own classroom jars! We completed our change wars with a raffle (students buy tickets and that money is included in our fundraising) in which students win paper prizes such as lunch with a teacher, spirit wear day or bring your favorite stuffed animal. At the same time we shared Thanksgiving dessert in gratitude for all we have been given. We don't have our totals yet; last year we raised over \$1,500 for Guatemala!

*Dr. Bonita Jungels, Director of Education & Evangelization*

## Faith Formation

### Serving the Community

This year our 9th and 10th graders and Family Formation/School Families are serving the community through various service projects. Two weeks ago our 9th and 10th graders made sandwiches with Hope Lutheran for The Sandwich Project. This is a grassroots organization that hand delivers sandwiches to the homeless on the streets of Minneapolis. With Hope Lutheran we made 1,500 sandwiches!

The same night a small group of our 10th graders went to Loaves & Fishes with Denise Weber in Eagan and served meals to 61 families. Loaves and Fishes is a non-profit organization that serves food to those in need in more than 20 locations in the metro area. They serve wholesome meals, growing many of their own fruit and vegetables and working with local organic farmers. Almost all the kids said that getting to meet the people they served was the favorite part of the night.

In October our 7th - 10th graders went to Feed My Starving Children and helped make close to 30,000 meals that were sent to Haiti. Our Family Formation and School Families made 193 homeless kits for People, Inc. that were delivered to the homeless in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

### First Saturday Series | Saturday, December 3 Cathedral of St. Paul

Thanks to all who came to Elizabeth Kelly last weekend! Looking for more inspiration? The Cathedral of St. Paul will have Sister Amelia who will give two talks: *An Advent Full of Grace* and *Patience and Perfection*. These are wonderful events the Cathedral does the First Saturday of every month. Mass is at 8am, followed by the Rosary at 9:10am, First talk at 9:30am, Confession/Adoration at 10am and final talk at 11am. Free and open to the public.

## Parish Directory

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### Faith Formation

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### Lay Leadership Positions

#### Trustees

John Breunig, 952.492.6317  
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### Parish Council

Mike Behr, behrmt@frontiernet.net  
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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.

## Ist Sunday of Advent

### Liturgical Ministers, Dec 3 & 4, 2016

#### Greeters (Jean Myers office@sjbjordan.org)

5pm Tracy Elke & Family  
8am Bonnie & Lauren Mahowald, Rita & Dennis Tauer  
10am Brian & Lisa Wolf & Family, Jesse Coghill, Carol Segler

#### Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

##### Karen Umphress (karen@tnkent.com)

5pm **Lector:** Gary Simonson **Ministers:** Ed Breimhorst, Joan Breimhorst, Kay Hartmann, Jim Schwingler, Joe Hernandez

8am **Lector:** Jen Noyes **Ministers:** Ruth Pieper, Megan Pieper, Jerry Seifert, Carol Seifert, Claire Robling

10am **Lector:** Sheila Schmitz **Ministers:** Vernon Wick, Becky Wick, Brenton Wick, Margaret Hedstrom, Carol Segler, Shannon Wick (Choir)

#### Communion to Homebound (Lisa Austen 492-6040)

**Schule Haus** Terry Holzer

**Homebound** Al & Katie Busch

**Friendship Mnr/St. Gerts** Roger & Angie Schoenbauer

**Valley View/Oak Terrace** Chris & Dave Holzer

#### Ushers (Al Menke 612-247-0297)

5pm Earl & Judy Pint, Sam Colling  
8am Steve Stemig, Brian Buesgens  
10am Randy Breeggemann, John Breimhorst

#### Mass Servers (Jean Myers 492-2640)

5pm Kaela & Emily Reinhart, Anna Stocker  
8am Joelle & Ava Weber, Katie Hall  
10am Joe Hernandez, Amber & Evan O'Brien

#### Sacristans (Jackie Wolf 492-3378)

5pm Ed & Joan Breimhorst  
8am Bryan & Lois Baker  
10am Deb & Lance Krzmarcik

### Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday, Nov 27, 2016, First Sunday of Advent

8:00am Mass  
10:00am Mass

#### Monday, Nov 28, 2016

6:30pm Adult Bible Study, Quick Journey Through the Bible  
6:30pm Maintenance Meeting

#### Tuesday, Nov 29, 2016

5:45pm Confessions  
6:15am Mass  
6:30pm Pre-K-K Dinner (Upper Gathering Area)  
7:00pm Ava Maria Cenacle (Chapel)  
7:00pm Faith Formation Core Team Meeting (School Conference Room)

#### Wednesday, Nov 30, 2016

8:15am Mass  
10:30am Mass, St. Gertrude's  
6:00pm Harmony Choir Rehearsal  
7:00pm - 8:30pm Faith Formation 7-19 Grade

#### Thursday, Dec 1, 2016

8:15am Mass  
6:00pm Catholic United Financial Meeting (Louis Hall)  
7:00pm Small Group Bible Study  
7:00pm Parent Association Meeting (Tap Room, Jordan)

#### Friday, Dec 2, 2016

##### Parish Office Closed

8:15am Mass, 1st Friday  
8:45am Confessions

#### Saturday, Dec 3 2016

7:45am Rosary  
7:45am Confessions  
8:15am Mass, 1st Saturday  
9:00am Catholic Watchmen  
10:00am - Noon Kids Christmas Singing Rehearsal (for the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass)  
4:00pm - 4:30pm Confessions  
5:00pm Mass

#### Sunday, Dec 4, 2016, Second Sunday of Advent

##### Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10am Mass

##### JCCW Breakfast & Boutique

8:00am Mass  
10:00am Mass

### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

**Wednesday:** Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday:** Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 -- 10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Sunday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

### Communion Antiphon

Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.  
Cf. Psalm 85:8

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, Nov 27, 2016

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

#### Tuesday, Nov 29, 2016

6:15pm † Jerry Moriarty (BD)  
† Lee & Shirley Hentges (WA)

#### Wednesday, Nov 30, 2016

8:15am † Robert & † Mable Krzmarcik  
10:30am † Fr. Timothy Power

#### Thursday, Dec 1, 2016

8:15am † Evelyn Seifert

#### Friday, Dec 2, 2016

8:15am † Connie Johnson

#### Saturday, Dec 3, 2016

8:15am † Johanna Hovland  
5:00pm † David Jelen

#### Sunday, Dec 4, 2016

8:00am † Betty Sunder (DA)  
10:00am Parish

