

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, January 1, 2017



Mission Statement

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



We are looking for two members for our St. John's Finance Council. Would you be interested in serving God and your church? Here are some of the talents that would help in the service as a Finance Council member:

- 1) first and most importantly, be a disciple of Jesus Christ. There's a lot of trust needed to open up our hearts to God's will. This is especially needed because you will be working with a negative budget every year.
- 2) someone who is willing to sacrifice their time for the good of another
- 3) the ability to look at finances and have a good overview of how to use finances in regards to the common good of the parish and to make prudent plans to spread the Gospel message for generations to come.
- 4) someone who has the ability to persevere through difficult times and does not come with an agenda. It is important that you can work with others and also maintain confidential information.

Please open yourself up in prayer to the service of your parish, perhaps it is the Financial Council, but if not, I know God is calling you to service in other areas...what will that be in 2017?

Have a blessed New Year!
Fr. Yanta

End of Year Giving

When writing out checks for your end of year giving, please keep in mind that checks received in January with a December date will be posted on the date received and credited to your 2017 giving. Many times throughout the month of January the parish office receives checks dated for December. We will not be posting those checks to the prior month (December).

Checks need to be in the parish office by Thursday, December 29th to count towards December giving, or received through the collection plate on/or before December 31st. Thank you!

Wedding Banns

Congratulations to Kelsey Pekarna & Tyler Dabu who were married here Saturday, December 31st., by Fr. Yanta.

Thank You!

Thank you for the donations to our building fund in memory of Hippy Wagner.

Dear beautiful prayer group at St. John the Baptist, I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the prayers you gave my beloved husband Jim. He had 19 years of life after his diagnosis of kidney cancer. Prayer is powerful. Blessing to you all, Adrienne Klehr.

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.

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, Monica Morgan, Jerry Hoy, Michael Weedman, Katie Hofacker, Angie Schoenbauer, and Virgil Hoffman.

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

A long term sub is needed for January, February and March for Tuesday's at 7:00am.

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

Adoration Chapel will be closed for New Year's

We will close at 8:00am, Friday, December 23rd.
We will reopen at 7:00pm, Tuesday, January 3rd.



With Heartfelt Sympathy



Remembered with Love

Please pray for Mike Scanlan and his family. Mike's Funeral Mass was here on Friday, December 23rd.

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Weekly Stewardship Report

Information not available at time of publication. It will be included in next week's bulletin. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Severe Weather

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and School will follow the weather cancellation and dismissal decisions (including late starts, early dismissals and full day cancellations) of the Jordan Public School district. When school is closed, all parish and school activities held in the building during that day and evening (including Saints Squad) will be cancelled and the building will be locked. Off-campus Masses will be cancelled as well. Daily Masses, funerals and weddings at St. John's will still go on as planned but people should keep safety in mind and use best judgment in making decisions regarding travel to these events during a winter storm. This message will be communicated in a timely manner as deemed necessary via the School Reach, Call-me-all, email and social media.

Prayer Shawls Available

Are you looking for a special gift? Prayer Shawls make the perfect gift! We have several available for sale in the parish office. The suggested donation is \$20. Stop in and get yours today!

Do we have your email?

Don't miss out on important updates and changes! Send the parish office an email at office@sjbjordan.org and indicate "add me" or "update me" on the subject line. Thank you!

Rachel's Vineyard

Pope Francis said, "God forgives always." If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child or children to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreat is February 24-26, 2017. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313, or see www.rvineyardmn.org.

Knights of Columbus Corner

Monday, January 9, 2017 at 7:00pm will be the District meeting at Our Lady of the Prairie Church in Belle Plaine. Our next Knights of Columbus meeting will be here on Tuesday, January 10th at 7:00pm.

Happy New Year to everyone from the Knights of Columbus! Vivat Jesus, Gene Eichten, Grand Knight



Old Items for Sale

Kathy Lopic has offered to help with the selling of unneeded and unused items from the attic over the old rectory and in the dungeon. These items haven't been used for years and are currently just collecting dust. Following is a list of the items that have been identified as being able to be sold:

4 ft long cast iron radiator, pair of round back wood chairs, pair of slat back wood chairs, (3) brass coffin stands, (6) milk glass light shades, 7 ft pew, (2) base cabinets, (2) old wood ladders, (8) double arch windows with 4-pane base windows, (3) molding boards, arched window topper with glass, arched window topper all wood, homemade wood arch (approx 7 ft tall and 5 ft wide), reel for carpet runner, (4) tall & narrow wood doors (glass has been painted over) and miscellaneous doors.

The items will be sold at Kathy's antique store called Water Street Antiques (240 Water Street, Jordan). A binder with photos and descriptions will be available (in the church office) to any parishioners interested in buying any of the above items. Many of the large items will be kept in the attic until they are sold.

Kathy usually charges a 30% consignment fee and has agreed to only charge us 10%. Any items of sacramental value will not be sold; they will continue to be stored upstairs in the attic. If you have any questions or would like to look at any of the items, please call Michelle in the parish office at 952.492.4572 after the holidays.

January Cursillo Ultreya

Western Ultreya will be held on Sunday, January 8th, 2017 at St. Hubert Catholic Community in Chanhassen. Witness speakers, Paul & Michelle Tisl. Please join us at 7:00 PM in the North Fellowship Hall. Rosary will be prayed in the family room beginning at 6:30.

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. 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!

St. John's School

Happy New Year from the St. John's School staff! We are so grateful for your support. We wish you a New Year filled with Christ's blessings of hope, peace, joy and love!
 Dr. Bonita Jungels, Director of Education & Evangelization

Faith Formation

To the outside world Christmas is already a distant memory. But as Catholics we celebrate Christmas for 12 days following. As we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary I thought I'd share a reflection from Mother Angelica about the motherhood of Mary. As you read this think of how Mary and Joseph went from house to house seeking shelter to give birth to our Lord and Savior. How they faced rejection after rejection and were forced to seek shelter in a cave: "Our Lady was a mother like no other; so pure, so holy. So ground in the Will of the Father. 'Be it done unto me,' was uttered by Mary in all circumstances. Her spirit was alive in the Will of the Father so that disappointment fell away and she was untouched by the poverty and rudeness of those around her." May we pray to Mary this day to give us the grace to be so focused on the Will of the Father that we are untouched by life's disappointments and the rudeness of those around us! And don't forget to celebrate! The joy of being Catholic is when the Church tells us to feast, we should feast...and now is a time to feast!

Thanks to All the Families Who Sang Carols at Schule Haus!
 On December 21st Family Formation and School Families gathered at Schule Haus to spread Christmas joy. They sang Christmas carols and played bingo with the residents. Thanks to all who participated! Our next Family Service Project will be on January 18th as we write letters and make Valentines for the residents of Schule Haus. All are welcome to join us in Louis Hall at 6:30pm.

Tickets On Sale for Our Women's Luncheon with Laura Sobiech!

Tickets will be on sale for open seats for St. John's Setting the Table Luncheon after Masses next weekend, January 7th & 8th. Cost is \$25 a ticket with proceeds benefiting our students who will be attending Steubenville and Catholic Heart Work Camp this Summer. The afternoon will include a wonderful lunch, a raffle and Laura Sobiech. Laura is a Minnesota native whose son battled cancer and attracted international attention with his song, *Clouds*.

On January 8th, we celebrate this on the Feast of Epiphany when Wisemen brought gifts for Jesus, the newborn King. What gift will you give Jesus? Fill this out and place it in the Present box sitting by the manger scene in the Church on January 7th & 8th.

My gift to Jesus:

From: _____

Examples: Help Mom & Dad around the house, read the bible every day for 10 minutes, etc.

Parish Directory

Pastor, Rev. Timothy Yanta, Direct: 952.492.4560
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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, Jan 7 & 8, 2017

Greeters (Jean Myers office@sjbjordan.org)

5pm Pete & Kelly Holzer & Family
8am Gene & Karen Eichten, Karen Kreuser, Jerry & Lisa Neisen
10am Jason & Jen Schmit & Family

Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Karen Umphress (karen@tnkent.com)

5pm **Lector:** Kathy Colling **Ministers:** Kay Hartmann, Jim Schwingler, Joe Hernandez, Judy Tuma, Robin Nawrocki

8am **Lector:** Jackie Wolf **Ministers:** Ruth Peiper, Megan Peiper, Jerry Seifert, Carol Seifert, Claire Robling

10am **Lector:** Mark Fuhrman **Ministers:** Vernon Wick, Brenton Wick, Shannon Wick, Chuck Schmitz, Sheila Schmitz, Becky Wick (Choir)

Communion to Homebound (Lisa Austen 492-6040)

Schule Haus Char Koepp

Homebound Lance Krzmarcik

Friendship Mnr/St. Gerts Cliff & Mary Klehr

Valley View/Oak Terrace Lisa Austen

Ushers (Al Menke 612-247-0297)

5pm Steve Hennen, Gene Steckman
8am Frank Kipp, Francis Schatz
10am Mike Behr, Joe Menke

Mass Servers (Jean Myers 492-2640)

5pm Jordan Austen, Leo Colling, Marcus Kraskey
8am Rebecca & Melissa Melin, Brooke Vohnoutka
10am Ramona & Charlotte Driemeyer, Morgan Eckman

Sacristans (Jackie Wolf 492-3378)

5pm Ed & Joan Breimhorst
8am Mark & Jackie Wolf
10am Deb & Lance Krzmarcik

Communion Antiphon

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.
Hebrews 1:1-2

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Jan 1, 2017

8:00am Parish
10:00am Robert & Mariam Cordova Family

Tuesday, Jan 3, 2017

6:15pm † Al (DA) & † Agnes Breimhorst

Wednesday, Jan 4, 2017

8:15am † Nick (DA) & † Clara Lambrecht

Thursday, Jan 5, 2017

8:15am † Fr. Bruce Peterson

Friday, Jan 6, 2017

8:15am † Fr. Timothy Power
10:30am † Mike Scanlan

Saturday, Jan 7, 2017

8:15am Catholic Watchmen
5:00pm † Barbara Schatz

Sunday, Jan 8, 2017

8:00am † Joseph & † Frances Yanta (WA)
10:00am Parish



Weekly Schedule

Sunday, Jan 1, 2017, Mary, Mother of God

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

Monday, Jan 2, 2017

Holiday, Church & Building Closed

No School

Tuesday, Jan 3, 2017

5:45pm Confessions
6:15pm Mass
6:45pm BeFrienders Meeting
7:00pm Adoration Chapel Reopens
7:00pm Ava Maria Cenacle (Chapel)
7:00pm School Advisory Council Meeting
(School Conference Room)

Wednesday, Jan 4, 2017

8:15am Mass
1:30pm Card Club (Parish Dining Room)
6:30pm Family Formation
7:00pm Faith Formation 7-10th grade

Thursday, Jan 5, 2017

8:15am Mass
7:00pm Small Group Bible Study

Friday, Jan 6, 2017

Parish Office Closed

8:15am Mass, 1st Friday
8:45am Confessions
10:30pm Mass, Schule Haus

Saturday, Jan 7, 2017

7:45am Rosary
7:45am Confessions
8:15am Mass, 1st Saturday
8:45am Catholic Watchmen (School Conference Room)
4:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass

Sunday, Jan 8, 2017, The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass
6:00pm Youth Group, 7-12th grade (Youth Room)



Today's second reading reminds us that through Christ we have been delivered from the old law and have become sons and daughters of God. New Year's Day provides a perfect opportunity to ask ourselves the question: Does my life reflect my gratitude for all that my loving Father has given me?

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 -- 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12