

# JUNE 24 – JULY 7, 2018

## SPECIAL NEEDS

Jack D  
 Pat D  
 Tim S  
 Frank V  
 Ken G  
 Dennis B  
 Helen G  
 Bernie R  
 Helen R  
 Debbie S  
 Mary  
 Lois H  
 Bill L  
 Thelma L  
 Zak T  
 Paul H  
 Rosemary & Joe  
 Stephen  
 Hannah  
 Jenna S  
 Dick  
 Gene & Stacey  
 Bob  
 Katie  
 R.S.  
 Kara S  
 Bella G  
 Angela P  
 Antionette G  
 Maria M  
 John S  
 Tangie C  
 Ed  
 Dan A  
 Connie M  
 Sr. Mary V.E

## ILLNESS

Irene  
 Delores C  
 Francesca  
 Jim G  
 John M  
 Kathy P  
 Chris F  
 Cori F  
 Anna Marie K.P.  
 Michelle  
 Bonnie  
 Russ  
 Karen  
 Kathy F  
 Lynn  
 Loretta K  
 Eleanor M  
 Glenn



Mollie

## HEART

Tom C  
 M.T.

## HOSPITAL

Chase

## CANCER

Katie A  
 Ken  
 Germaine  
 Tom S  
 Bob V  
 Millie  
 Mary S  
 Kathy B  
 Karen  
 Joseph C (teen)

## FAITH & FAMILY

Courtney & Nichlos.....Wedding blessings  
 S family  
 Allen & Missy  
 Anna  
 Prayers to help solve family crisis

**July 2018:  
 Month of the  
 Most Precious  
 Blood**

## St. John the Baptist: More than a prophet

While Mary was chosen to bear and mother the Son of God, John the Baptist was chosen to prepare the way for the Lamb of God and to announce him to the world.

"John surpasses all the prophets of whom he is the last," remarks the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

"He inaugurates the Gospel, already from his mother's womb welcomes the coming of Christ, and rejoices in being 'the friend of the bridegroom,' whom he points out as 'the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world' " (No. 523).

Filled with the Holy Spirit, John poured out his life for the kingdom, his own death foreshadowing the crucifixion of the King of Kings.

The feast celebrating John the Baptist's birth is also a celebration of the prophet's role in paving the way for the new birth granted to all those baptized into Christ. Called by God, John knew who he was because he always saw himself in relation to Jesus.

When the Triune nature of God was revealed at Jesus' baptism in the River Jordan, it was John who, reluctantly, performed the baptism. That revelatory event marked the beginning of Jesus' public ministry and John's declaration, as a self-described "best man" of the Bridegroom, "He must increase; I must decrease" (Jn 3:30).