

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



JANUARY 30, 2022 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH OFFICE

Hours: Monday–Friday 7:30 - 3:30 PM

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Please contact the Parish Office to:

- 1. Join the Parish**
- 2. Schedule a Baptism**
- 3. Schedule a Mass Intention**
- 4. Any other questions or concerns**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	January 29	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Gil & Gen Hefling by Hefling Family, †Judy Kelley, Jamie Veldboom & Stacy Kelley by Kelley Family
Saturday	January 29	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Deceased Members of the Pellegrino Family
Sunday	January 30	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	January 30	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Paul Richter by Richard & Ken Schmeling, †Clara Weyker by John & Lisa Reiter
Tuesday	February 1	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Van Treeck Family by Rammer Family
Wednesday	February 2	St. John's	7:00 am	†Gerald Simon by Jason & Brenda Simon
Thursday	February 3	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Fred & Sylvia Mueller by Donna Plageman
Friday	February 4	St. John's	7:00 am	†Randy Brotz by Jerry Slavens
Friday	February 4	Pine Haven	10:00 am	†Bernice Mett
Saturday	February 5	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†James Klopff by Family, †Lori Pribek by Steve & Kim Harder
Saturday	February 5	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Sue Madigan
Sunday	February 6	St. John's	9:00 am	†Ruth LaCroix by Family
Sunday	February 6	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners



PARISH SOCIAL: There will be a Parish Social **NEXT Sunday, February 6** immediately following the 9:00 am Mass. Please stop by for a sweet treat and coffee. The social is hosted by the Catholic Life Center.

FIRST FRIDAY SOCIAL: The Catholic Life Center will host a First Friday Social after the 7:00 am Mass on Friday, **February 4**. Please stay for a sweet treat and some coffee.



Circle of Grace - Safeguarding All God's Children



One of the important duties in these uncertain times is our obligation to protect our children and youth and keep them safe. Since 2005 the students in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Parish Religious Education programs, Catholic Schools, and here at St. John's, have had "safe environment program" lessons to help them recognize, react, and report behaviors or situations that make them feel uncomfortable or unsafe. Today, in our parishes and schools, we continue to work to create environments that enable our children and youth to live, learn, and grow in faith in as safe an environment as possible.

During the month of February all children in our St. John Evangelist Parish 4K through Grade 6 Religious Education program will participate in "Circle of Grace" Lessons. Taught in the framework of our Catholic faith, these lessons bring God and our Catholic beliefs into the center of child protection. During class time students will be reminded that:

- God is "present" because God desires a relationship with us.
- Having faith may not take away all of life's struggles, but God promised to always "be present," providing guidance and comfort in our time of need.
- God helps us know what belongs in our "Circle of Grace" when we experience the peace, love or contentment that occurs when something or someone good comes into our lives.
- God also helps us know what does not belong in our "Circle of Grace" when we feel uncomfortable, uneasy, or afraid.
- God desires to help us when we are hurt, scared, or confused (unsafe).
- God helps us know when to ask for help from someone we trust.
- God gives us people in our lives to help us when we are troubled or struggling with a concern.

Although we will be sharing this information with children in Religious Education classes, we are also asking parents, as the primary and most important teachers of their children, and others such as grandparents, godparents, relatives, friends, to help us provide for the safety of children by reminding them that:

- They are made in the image and likeness of God.
- God wants them to be safe even more than can be imagined.
- God gives them parents/trusted adults to help if something bad does occur.

just as we will be doing during class time on Wednesday afternoons.

Please help us by sharing these very important concepts with the children whose lives you touch, and as always please keep them and all their teachers and caregivers in your prayers. God bless you and your loved ones!

~Jeanne Bitkers, Director of Religious Education 4K-Grade 6, jeanne@btsje.org; 920-452-9623

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Until we have more Adult Volunteers and more children at Mass we are going to discontinue doing Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sundays at the 9:00 AM Mass.

We currently have several adults who will work with children on some Sundays in the future, but none are available to do so at this time. In addition, we must follow the Archdiocesan Child Abuse Prevention (Safeguarding) rules. This means that we need at least a small group of children in a classroom with one adult. We are hoping that we will have enough adult volunteers and more interested children/parents very soon so we are able to begin Children's Liturgy once again. Please let us know if you have questions or suggestions, or if you are interesting in volunteering to assist in some way.

Children's
Liturgy



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE GRADES 7 - 12:

Our Religious Education students had off from class this past week, as our usual schedule for the year is three classes per month from Sept. through April. Truly, we don't have all that much time each week and throughout the year to impart our treasured Catholic faith to our students, though we try our best and rely greatly on the power of the Holy Spirit. Parents and their example of practicing the faith remains the single most important factor in predicting a child's future faith life. The church recognizes parents as the primary teachers for their children and even calls the family a "domestic church!" Our Religious Education program strives to supplement and reinforce what is being modeled in the home, so here are some powerful tips as we help one another in our desire for holiness and ultimately, heaven!



1. Go to Mass every Sunday!! Demonstrate the priority of putting Jesus first! It matters! Our third commandment reminds us "to keep holy the Sabbath!" This is the single greatest factor in future faith engagement in children!
2. Pray at home. Pray as a family before meals, even while dining out! Pray before bedtime. Let your children see you pray. Ask God to bless your children with a lifelong, active, deep faith! Faith is only one generation from extinction and so we MUST pass along this treasure that will help guide them throughout the joys and sorrows of life.
3. Talk about faith. Weave faith into everyday moments of life. Reinforce basic tenets of our faith and share your own faith-stories are powerful.
4. Service. Yes, words are important, but deeds speak volumes! Serve others as a family. Reach out and serve others and model charity in action. We always get back more than we give!!
5. Go to Confession at least once a month. Avail yourselves of this sacrament of healing. The power of this encounter with Jesus, not only absolves us of our sins, but also bestows graces that strengthen us to live our Christian journey well and overcome sins and temptations.

What a blessing to have this extended family of faith here at St. John Evangelist, where we really never take a week off from learning and practicing our faith! See you at Mass!

~ Teresa Bettag, Director of Religious Education Grades 7 - 12, teresab@btsje.org

CHURCH TOUR: Please join us in the Narthex after 9:00 am Mass on **Sunday, February 6** for a church tour of St John Evangelist! One of the first ways that we encounter Christ is through beauty and so please spend some extra time after Mass to learn more about the beauty of St. John's! Everyone is welcome! We hope you can stay and learn and enJOY!! Sponsored by 7-12 grade Religious Education students with tour given by Teresa Bettag. Please contact Teresa if you have any questions at teresab@btsje.org. Hope to see you all there!



JANUARY WINE & HOSTS: In Loving Memory of the Dohms & Kaboord Families by Dan & Diane Dohms.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Will be offered at St. John Evangelist at 3:00 pm on Saturday, January 29.



CHOIR: Practice is on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Everybody is welcome to join in. No musical experience is necessary. We hope to "hear" you there!

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE: Mathew Stark passed away on January 21. A private family service will be held. Please keep Mathew and his family in your prayers.



FINANCIAL: JANUARY 22/23: Collection: (contribution envelopes, electronic giving and loose offering): \$2,076.00.

LAY MINISTERS FOR WEEKENDS JANUARY 29/30 & FEBRUARY 5/6

MASSES	Saturday, January 29, 5:30 pm	Sunday, January 30, 9:00 am	Saturday, February 5, 5:30 pm	Sunday, February 6, 9:00 am
Lector	Susan Vavra	Abbagail Bishop	Cate Smith	Melanie Pellegrino
Lay Distributors of Holy Communion		Nick Cinquepalmi		Mel Free
Ushers	Volunteer Volunteer	Rob Holzrichter Aaron Justinger	Randy Miller Volunteer	John Debrauske Jim Sarafin
Sacristan	Diane Torke	Nick Cinquepalmi	Connie Katchkey	Nick Cinquepalmi

ST. JOHN EVANGELIST STRATEGIC PLAN:

Thank you to all parishioners who provided thoughts and input during the strategic planning listening sessions over the past year. The parish strategic plan is completed, approved, and ready for action. There will be an opportunity to attend a zoom session on **Thursday, February 3 at 6:30 pm**. This link (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88155076943?pwd=VXZBL2xXcjAxM1RqRWt4V0ZYdkZDdz09>) is on our website (stjohnkohler.org). The session will be kept under an hour and no pre-registration is required.

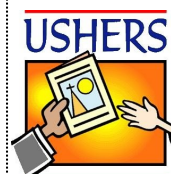
**Special
MEETING**

Copies of the plan are available in the Gathering Space and on our website. The success of this plan requires the participation of all parishioners, and we look forward to answering your questions. Please contact Julia Rodemeier (julia.rodemeier@gmail.com), Tom Reilly (treilly53044@gmail.com), or Dave Madigan (dogfamily66@gmail.com) with any questions.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOUP SOCIAL: The Knights of Columbus are hosting their first ever Soup Social on **Saturday, February 19** after the 4:00 pm Mass at Blessed Trinity Parish. Everyone is invited to this event. Join us for delicious soups that will be made by Blessed Trinity's Knights' and wives. Following the meal, you are invited to stay for various games to make it a true social event. Free-will offerings will be accepted. Money raised goes into our Chapter's local charity account. Thank you for your support.

URGENT NEED USHERS!:



We are in need a few more Ushers for the Saturday Mass. All training is provided. If you are interested, please contact Aaron Justinger at amj91@att.net or the Parish Office at 920-452-9623 or stjohnnev@btsje.org. Thank you to all the current ushers who have and continue to serve.

LET'S TALK:



St. Anne Society's Wednesday morning coffee gatherings (Let's Talk!) has begun again on Wednesdays. Please join us as we get together for casual conversations, coffee, and friendship in the Church Hall at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome!

Blessed Trinity Parish

Trivia Night with Pasta Dinner



Saturday, March 12, 2022

319 Giddings Avenue, Sheboygan Falls in Church Hall

- Come early for a Pasta Dinner served from 5:30-6:30 PM in our newly renovated Church Hall, then stay for Trivia Night starting at 7:00 PM
- Or just come for Trivia Night starting at 7:00 PM
- Cash prizes for 1st and 2nd place teams
- Gift basket awarded to the best team table decorations
- Soda, Beer, and Wine available at Cash Bar throughout evening
- Grab your friends, decorate your table, and test your trivia knowledge!
- There is no minimum age limit to play (for example, a group of high schoolers could form a team)
- Don't have a team? No problem, we can put you on one!

Dinner Ticket \$10/person

Trivia Player Ticket \$10/person

**Tickets available beginning February 5/6
after the weekend Masses or at the Parish Office
(115 Summer Street, Mon-Fri 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM)**

All pre-determined teams (from 2 to 8 people)
should buy their tickets as a group.

HOLY TRINITY PARISH 21st ANNUAL PERCH FRY:



FISH FRY

Holy Trinity Parish (11928 Marken Road, School Hill) will be hosting their 21st annual perch fry on **Friday, February 18**. Carry outs will be available from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm then from 3:30 - 7:00 pm. Dine in is available from 3:30 - 7:00 pm. There will also be grilled cheese plates available as well as assorted homemade tortes. Please call 920-773-2380 for carry outs. A flyer is on the bulletin board with more information.



Archbishop's Catholic Schools Dinner: Please join the Archbishop on, **Thursday, March 10**, at the Hyatt Regency, 333 West Kilbourn Avenue, Milwaukee. Cocktail reception begins at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Funds from the dinner directly benefit the program Grant Initiatives for Today's Students. To register for the event please visit: archmil.regfox.com/schoolsdinner2022. For more information contact Paige Rohr, Associate Director, Catholic Schools Development at 414-769-3451 or rohrp@archmil.org.

FOOD PANTRY: Please bring your non perishable food items to the multipurpose room by **Sunday, January 6**. Please do not bring any paper products including bathroom tissue, paper towels, and napkins or pasta and pasta sauce. Donations will be delivered to the Sheboygan Falls Food Pantry on **Monday, January 7 by 9:30 am** by Sheryl Dyksterhouse. Thank you to everyone who has donated and to all the people who have taken the donation this past year.



FISH FRY: St. Peter Claver Parish, 1439 S 12th St, Sheboygan will serve lightly breaded fish on **Friday, January 4** in Van Treeck Hall, Lower Level from **4:30 to 7:00 pm**. Come and enjoy fish with fries or potato salad, coleslaw or applesauce. Also available grilled cheese sandwiches, grilled cheese and ham sandwiches, desserts and beverages. Carry outs available.



BISHOP BARRON'S THE CREED: Will be shown at St. John the Baptist (115 Plymouth Street, Plymouth) This series began on Tuesday, January 18 and is every other Tuesday evening from 6:30 - 8:00 pm and continuing on 2/1/22, 2/15/22, 3/1/22, 3/15/22, and 3/29/22. It is not necessary to attend all six sessions. Preregistration is encouraged. For more information, please visit sjbpymouth.org/the creed or see the flyer on the table in the gathering space.

The Catholic Life Center

Mission: *"To engage and unite our intergenerational faith community in learning and fellowship."*

Sponsoring parishes: St. John Evangelist, Kohler and Blessed Trinity, Sheboygan Falls

Contacts: John O'Dell, Director, 920-467-4616, ext. 315 and

Mary Waitkus, Associate, 920-467-4616, ext. 314



We are resuming a modified list of activities at the Catholic Life Center.
Due to COVID-19, we have implemented changes to our events to reflect the current
Guidelines issued by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.
Call Mary at 920-467-4616, ext. 314 with questions.
Please do not attend if you are not feeling well.



Watch for Health and Wellness Topics

Tuesdays 10:00-11:00 am in the CLC-MR



Healthy Eating on February 1st

Nourish Farms from Sheboygan Falls will discuss how to eat for energy and health.

Managing Stress, Part II on February 8th

Discuss a stress reducing lifestyle. Build on stress reducing strategies.

Managing Stress Part III on February 15th

Discuss 3 ways to approach a stressful situation. Create a plan. Practice Strategies.

****Please RSVP the Friday before each to Mary at maryw@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.**

Bishop Robert Barron's *The Mass Continued*

Wednesdays 10:00-11:00 am in the CLC-MR

Walk through the Liturgy of the Mass with Bishop Barron.

February 2 – Lesson 3 God Speaks Our Story

February 9 – Lesson 4 Responding to God

February 16 – Lesson 5 Preparing for Sacrifice

February 23 – The Real Presence Creates Communion



Afternoon/Evening at the Movies

Featuring the film, *The Lost Valentine*

Caroline's pilot husband was declared missing in action 60 years ago during WWII. She returns to the train depot where she said good-bye to him every Valentine's Day. A jaded reporter was given a special assignment to cover her story and searches for answers. A heartwarming film.

Wednesday, February 9th from 1:30 – 4:00 pm in the CLC Meeting Room at BT AND

Thursday, February 10th from 6:30 – 9:00 pm in the LL Conference Room at SJE

Starring
Betty White
and
Jennifer Love



First Friday and Second Thursday Coffee

Join us for coffee, pastries and good company!

Friday, February 4th after the 7:30 am Mass at SJE Gathering Space
Thursday, February 10th after the 9:00 am Mass at BT Gathering Area



Winter Weather Policy

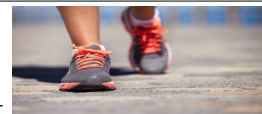
CLC events and meetings will be cancelled if a winter storm warning, a blizzard warning or a wind chill warning is in effect as of 6:00 am for the morning events and as of noon for the afternoon and evening events.

If the school district is closed, CLC events and meetings are also cancelled.



Walk the Walk

Join us for our walking program! This adult only program is held every Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 – 8:30 am in the old school's former gym at Blessed Trinity. You must be able to climb/descend 40 steps each way to the school gym. Bring gym shoes and a water bottle! We will warm up with a few exercises before we start to walk, ending with cool down exercises! Class will be led by Diane Hart/SJE member.



Any questions, call the Catholic Life Center at 920-467-4616: Mary, ext. 314 or John, ext. 315.

Upcoming CLC Events

- February 1 - Healthy Eating by Nourish Farms – 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- February 2 - Bishop Robert Barron's *The Mass* – 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- February 4 - First Friday Coffee after 7:00 am Mass, SJE Gathering Space
- February 8 - Managing Stress Part II – 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- February 8 - CLC Committee Meeting – 6:30-7:30 pm, CLC-MR
- February 9 - Bishop Robert Barron's *The Mass* – 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- February 9 - Movie Matinee, *The Lost Valentine* – 1:30-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- February 10 - Second Thursday Coffee after 9:00 am Mass, BT Gathering Area
- February 10 - Movie Night, *The Lost Valentine* – 6:30-9:00 pm, SJE-LLCR
- February 14 - Senior Card Party – 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- February 15 - Managing Stress Part III – 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- February 16 - Bishop Robert Barron's *The Mass* – 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- February 17 - Card Social – 6:30-9:00 pm, CLC-MR
- February 23 - Bishop Robert Barron's *The Mass* – 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- February 28 - Senior Card Party – 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- March 4 - First Friday Coffee after 7:00 am Mass, SJE Gathering Space
- March 9 - Movie Matinee – 1:30-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- March 10 - Second Thursday Coffee after 9:00 am Mass, BT Gathering Area
- March 10 - Movie Night – 6:30-9:00 pm, SJE-LLCR
- March 14 - Senior Card Party – 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- March 17 - Card Social – 6:30-9:00 pm, CLC-MR
- March 28 - Senior Card Party – 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR

CLC-MR and CLC-AR refer to the Catholic Life Center Meeting Room and Assembly Room in our facility adjacent to Blessed Trinity Church. CLCG refers to the Catholic Life Center Former School Gym. SJE-LLCR refers to the St. John Evangelist's Lower Level Conference Room.

Dear Padre,

There are so many preachers urging us to “reform our lives.” Most of this preaching centers on asking forgiveness for personal sins. Isn’t there more involved?

Consider that the reform more Christians should be focusing on is the social reform that fosters equality among human beings.

A central conviction of all Jesus’ followers is that every person of whatever race, gender, class, nationality, or any other distinction is fundamentally equal in dignity to every other person. That is why we vigorously support the unborn, the disabled, the mentally challenged, the poor, and the elderly. Every



human is a creation of God, created in God’s image. No one is better or more worthy than another.

This was certainly a key conviction of the Second Vatican Council: “With respect to the fundamental rights of human persons, every type of discrimination, whether social

or cultural, whether based on sex, race, color, social condition, language or religion is to be overcome and eradicated as contrary to God’s intent” (Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World [*Gaudium et Spes*], 29).

If you wish to truly reform yourself, make a commitment to overcome discrimination on all levels, which is so obvious in our country’s division between rich and poor. Get involved with social causes that help the poor, the unborn, the oppressed, and the elderly. Become a beacon of hope this new year.

Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSSR

Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

The great biblical tradition enjoins on all peoples the duty to hear the voice of the poor. It bids us break the bonds of injustice and oppression which give rise to glaring, and indeed scandalous, social inequalities. Reforming the social structures which perpetuate poverty and the exclusion of the poor first requires a conversion of mind and heart.

JOURNEY TO THE PHILIPPINES, JANUARY 16, 2015

Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 31

St. John Bosco,
Priest

2 Sm 15:13–14, 30;
16:5–13

Mk 5:1–20

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 1

Weekday

2 Sm 18:9–10, 14b,
24–25a, 30–19:3

Mk 5:21–43

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 2

The Presentation
of the Lord

Mal 3:1–4

Heb 2:14–18

Lk 2:22–40 or
2:22–32

Thursday

FEBRUARY 3

Weekday

1 Kgs 2:1–4, 10–12

Mk 6:7–13

Friday

FEBRUARY 4

Weekday

Sir 47:2–11

Mk 6:14–29

Saturday

FEBRUARY 5

St. Agatha,
Virgin and Martyr

1 Kgs 3:4–13

Mk 6:30–34

Sunday

FEBRUARY 6

Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 6:1–2a, 3–8

1 Cor 15:1–11

or 15:3–8, 11

Lk 5:1–11