

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



FEBRUARY 12, 2023 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....5:30 pm
 Sunday.....9:00 am
 Wednesday & Friday.....7:00 am
 1st Friday-Pine Haven.....10:00 am
 2nd Friday-Prairie Crossing.....10:00 am

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

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Tracy Kissel

Jenny Roatch

Peter Bustos

Norma Horne

Trustees: Toni Sarafin, Trustee Treasurer

Michael Pellegrino, Trustee Secretary

PRAY THE ROSARY DURING THE WEEK:

Monday-Friday at 6:40 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

1st Fridays-6:00 - 6:45 am St. John Evangelist

Sundays 8:00 - 8:45 am St. John Evangelist

1st & 2nd Saturdays-3:00 pm-Blessed Trinity

3rd, 4th & 5th Saturdays-3:00 pm-St. John Evangelist

LAY MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 18/19

MASSES	Saturday, 5:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Lectors	Carter Udovich	Charlotte Bullard Elizabeth Steger
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		Connie Katchkey
Ushers	Bill Rutten Ken Udovich	Peter Guske Steve O'Neil
Sacristan	Diane Torke	Julia Rodemeier Steve O'Neil
Greeters	Udovich Family	Dave & Diane Hart



From Father Schmeckel:

On February 14, we will celebrate the **Memorial of Saints Cyril and Methodius**. These two brothers were from the modern-day Czech Republic in the 800s. They were missionaries and responsible for the translating the Scriptures into the local languages. This was an important step in being able to teach and spread the faith in the local area.



In the old calendar for Mass, **Saint Valentine** was celebrated on this day. There are at least three Saint Valentines. Over the centuries, large parts of their lives have been lost or forgotten. What is remembered is that all of them were martyrs who died for their faith in Jesus Christ during the first few centuries after His Death and Resurrection. I think the martyrdom of all the Saint Valentines is an important connection to February 14th, a day that we celebrate love. In our modern world, we tend to connect love to what makes us feel good. But the lives and deaths of the three Saint Valentine remind us that love and sacrifice (and often suffering) go together. This might seem grim, but it is actually a sign of hope and encouragement. We all know that relationships with our loved ones and our immediate family, friends, and co-workers can be difficult from time to time. But again, the martyrdom of all the Saints reminds us that the suffering does not last forever. Often sacrifice purifies our love for our spouses, family, and friends, and turns it into something enduring and life-giving.

We ask all of the Saints – and especially the Martyrs – to pray for us so that we can love more and more each day – even when it is difficult!

You may have noticed that we have not had **Children's Liturgy of the Word** during Sunday Mass this year. When I came to our parishes, I made the decision to have the children of our parishes remain with us for the entire duration of the Mass. It is a good practice for our young people to keep learning how to pray and participate in the prayers of the Mass. I have found the sounds and noises of children during Mass remind me that the Church is alive. This can sometimes be a good opportunity for each of us to support and encourage young parents who bring their children to Mass as well. And so we heed the words of our Lord Himself when He said, "Let the little children come to me!".

CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER UPDATE:

Tuesday, February 28: Alzheimer's Disease presentation by ADRC. Join us for Alzheimer's/Dementia education, how to identify it, how to respond and why our community is Dementia Friendly. 10:00-11:00 am, Catholic Life Center Meeting Room. Come early for a light breakfast of muffins and fruit at 9:45 am! Please register with Mary at maryw@btsje.org.

MASSES - Weekend of February 18/19: Bring your electronics to Mass and volunteers stationed in the back of Church will provide assistance to help you register on Formed.org and access FREE Catholic programming! Remember, we have a shared subscription with Blessed Trinity Parish and members of St. John Evangelist Parish must use Blessed Trinity – Sheboygan Fall as their parish when signing up. Written instructions are also available in back of church.



ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22:

Ash Wednesday Mass will be celebrated and ashes distributed on **Wednesday, February 22.**

St. John's: 6:45 am & 5:15 pm

Blessed Trinity: 12:10 & 6:30 pm



ANCHOR OF HOPE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE:

Please return your baby bottles to the basket in the Gathering Space by next Sunday, February 19. Thank you to everyone who has already donated.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday	February 11	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Sylvester & Eleanora Regan by Regan Family Trust, †Alfred & Rita Grusznski by Children
Saturday	February 11	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Dorothy Free by Mel & Lorrie Free
Sunday	February 12	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	February 12	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Mary Alice Schleicher by Schleicher Family, †Brian Woveras by Family
Tuesday	February 14	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Donald Dicke by Pauline Dicke
Wednesday	February 15	St. John's	7:00 am	†Fr. Louis Wilimek
Thursday	February 16	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	Special Intention for Elizabeth & Isabella by Mom & Dad
Friday	February 17	St. John's	7:00 am	†Ted Biskup
Saturday	February 18	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Victor & Helen Kampmann by Family, †Veronica Gilles by Ken & Alice Walter
Saturday	February 18	St. John's	5:30 pm	†George Mott by Benishek Family
Sunday	February 19	St. John's	9:00 am	Jen Meyer & Family by Teresa Bettag
Sunday	February 19	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Will be offered at St. John Evangelist Parish on Saturday, February 18 at 3:00 pm and Sunday, February 19 from 8:00 - 8:45 am.



WINTERFEST THANK YOU!: We would like to extend our appreciation for everyone's efforts to make Winterfest a success this year. We are still waiting for official numbers that we hope to share soon. The wine pull was a total hit and dinner with Father in the silent auction brought some excitement to the day. As the chairpeople, we often get the thanks and appreciation, but really the event would not be possible without all of you. Even with a two-year break and challenges with the late timing in planning it was a wonderful event. ~Scott & Shelly Cieszynski



HIGH SCHOOL SPRING BREAK PILGRIMAGE:

Calling all St. John Evangelist High School students (Grades 9-12) to join Fr. Schmeckel on our first ever Spring break overnight pilgrimage retreat! It will be combined with other HS students from Blessed Trinity Parish. The pilgrimage will begin on Sunday, March 26 with 10:30 Mass at Blessed Trinity Parish, followed by a visit to the Holy Hill Basilica and National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians in Hubertus. An overnight in La Crosse will be followed by a Monday visit with Mass and lunch at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Plan to be back by 7:00 pm on Monday, March 27. Cost is \$50. Financial assistance is available. Please email Teresa Bettag, High School Director of Religious Education at teresab@btsje.org with any questions. Permission slips can be found in the back of church or in the Parish Office. Hope you can join us for faith, fellowship, and fun!

2023 CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP

APPEAL: The 2023 Catholic Stewardship Appeal kicked off



last weekend. A video featuring Archbishop ListECKI explaining the importance of the Catholic Stewardship Appeal will be shown **THIS WEEKEND.** St. John Evangelist Parish goal is \$35,190.00. This is the same as the 2022 goal. Thank you to all who donated last year. We are hoping to meet or exceed our CSA goal once again.

EVENTS CALENDAR

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

9:30 - 11 am	Women's Group Walking With Purpose
12:00 pm	AA Meeting Church hall
5:30 pm	Mass

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:00 - 8:45 am	Reconciliation
9:00 am	Mass

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:30 - 11:00 am	Mission Society
6:30 - 8:00 pm	Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

4:00 - 5:15 pm	Religious Education 4K - Grade 6
6:45 - 8:00 pm	Religious Education Grades 7 - 12

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

2:00 - 3:00 pm	Bible Group Church Hall
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7:00 am	Mass
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:30 - 11 am	Women's Group Walking With Purpose
12:00 pm	AA Meeting Church hall
5:30 pm	Mass

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:00 am	Mass
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Treat Yourself with Soup to Go!

Let someone else make the soup, salad, rolls and dessert and bring them to you as you wait in the warmth

of your car feeling good about supporting Fresh Meals On Wheels of Sheboygan County! The third annual Soup on Wheels event offers a wide assortment of gourmet soups made in the kitchens of Destination Kohler, Sargento and Fresh Meals On Wheels. Each quart of soup comes with dinner salad, rolls and homemade desserts for two. Order your soups by **February 13** and at checkout, select the time on **Friday, February 23** that you would like to pick up your food. Then, at your designated time, drive up to Fresh Meals On Wheels, tell them the name on your order, and someone will bring your soup to your car. Your purchase will help provide nourishing meals and friendly visits to senior and homebound Sheboygan county neighbors. The link to order: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/soup-on-wheels-2023-a-benefit-for-fresh-meals-on-wheels-tickets-492064256437?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&mc_cid=9e6b2c2302&mc_eid=1d0c6c01f3



"MEN ON FIRE" MEN'S CONFERENCE:

On **Friday, February 17** from 6:30 - 9:00 pm and **Saturday, February 18** from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at

St. Alphonsus Parish (6060 Loomis Road, Greendale). Men 16+ are invited to join Bart Schuchts, Florida State tight end turned national Catholic speaker, for a transformative two day event. Cost is \$25.00 for adults and \$15.00 for students. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. Please see the St. John Evangelist Parish bulletin board for information on signing up.



HOLY TRINITY PARISH 22nd ANNUAL PERCH FRY:

On Friday, February 17 at Holy Trinity Parish (11928 Marken Road, School Hill). 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.



RETREAT ENCOUNTER
ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE
GALILEE

Called & Gifted

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

Hosted by Sheboygan Catholic County Parishes

God has a purpose for your life — and has equipped you for your mission. In your baptism and confirmation, you received gifts that our world needs. Do you know yours? Discover your unique gifts and learn how God is inviting you to use them through the Called & Gifted Workshop.

Register to participate in the English group or Spanish group — both groups will be taught by teachers live, concurrently, and at the same location. **Get the details and register at: www.archmil.org/called-and-gifted**

Please register **by April 17** to reserve your space.

ST. DOMINIC
2133 N. 22ND ST., SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081



ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE
OFFICE of
Evangelization & Catechesis



ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE

Pray, Reconcile & Rejoice

12 HOURS of Reconciliation

On **Wednesday, March 29, 2023**, area priests will be available for the sacrament of Reconciliation at 11 parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

www.archmil.org/Pray-Reconcile-Rejoice



Scan the code for more information.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOUP SOCIAL:

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their Soup Social on **Saturday, February 18**, after the **4:00 PM Mass**, in Blessed Trinity's Church Hall. Everyone is invited to this event. Join us for delicious soups that will be made by our own Knights' and wives. Following the meal, you are invited to stay for various games to make it a true social event. Freewill offerings will be accepted. Money raised goes into our Chapter's local charity account. Thank you for your support.

St. Dominic Usher's Brat Fry

Date : Sunday February 19th
11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Where: St. Dominic PAC



Please join us for an afternoon of great food, great fellowship, and opportunities to win various raffle prizes throughout the day.

Blessed Trinity Parish



Trivia Night *with Pasta Dinner*



Saturday, March 11, 2023

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, Hard Seltzer, and Wine available at a Cash Bar throughout the 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!
- **NO FOOD OR DRINK CARRY-INS ALLOWED**

Dinner Ticket \$10/person

Trivia Player Ticket \$10/person

**Tickets available beginning February 4/5
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.

LIVING YOUR VOCATION COURAGEOUSLY

17TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
SATURDAY 11 MARCH 2023
A HYBRID CONFERENCE IN PARISHES NATIONWIDE

START WITH CHRIST

The day begins with Mass and ends with a spiritual renewal.

BRING YOUR SONS

And sons, bring your Father. Build a special bond with a powerful Father/Son blessing.

WIVES & DAUGHTERS

Support the men in your life and your parish throughout the morning in prayer.

COURAGEOUS PRIESTS

Our spiritual leaders will hear thousands of confessions and heal thousands of souls.



Bart Schuchts

is the founder of Church on Fire, has been associated with the John Paul II Healing Center since its inception, and has been in ministry for over 30 years.



Kevin O'Brien

is the President of North America Publications and the CEO of Best Version Media. Kevin played pro football from 1993 to 1996 when he began searching for God and rediscovered his Catholic faith.



Mike Sweeney

is a five-time Major League Baseball All-Star first baseman and member of the Kansas City Royals Hall of Fame after a 20-year professional baseball career.



Fr. John Burns

is a priest of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and author of the bestselling book *Lift Up Your Heart: A 10-Day Personal Retreat* with St. Francis de Sales.



Archbishop Jerome Listeck

is the 11th archbishop of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. He studied Canon Law and Moral Theology at the Pontifical University in Rome, and is a retired lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserves.

Please join us at BLESSED TRINITY • SHEBOYGAN FALLS, WI

Contact: Mark Weber
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920-980-2112

Blessed Trinity
319 Giddings Ave.
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085

6:30 Coffee/Donuts/etc.
7:05 Patriotic Rosary
7:30 Holy Mass
8:15 Adoration/Confession
8:45 Emcee/Schedule
8:50 Talk 1 O'Brien
9:16 Talk 2 Sweeney
9:57 Talk 3 Burns

10:38 Break
10:50 Talk 4 LaCoco
11:22 Archbishop Listeck
11:41 Lunch
12:21 Talk 6 Schuchts
1:15 Close O'Brien
1:30 End

REGISTER @ **menofchrist.net**

Women and children may attend Mass and Adoration. Conference is for men/adults.

**MEN OF
CHRIST**
LIVE YOUR FAITH BOLDLY

Dear Padre,

My wife and I are in our mid-fifties; we have a comfortable life, go to church regularly, pray, and generally consider ourselves good Christians. So what's wrong? We feel empty, hollow, and strangely unfulfilled. What can we do?

Barring any other unnamed problem, you and your wife seem to be at a spiritual crossroads. You've come to the disturbing but provocative realization that St. Augustine voiced, saying, "Our hearts are restless until they rest in thee, O Lord." Feelings of emptiness are a gift, a message that God is calling you to something more. It's time for careful discernment.

At stake here is: What is life really about? Up to this point, like many people, it sounds like you have enjoyed a comfortable and productive life filled with many of the good things the world has to offer. But when these prove unable to give lasting happiness, you are finding that true meaning must be sought elsewhere: in a more profound relationship with God. It is no longer a matter of knowing about God but of connecting with God in a close, personal, intimate relationship.

Lent begins in less than two weeks. Perhaps you and your wife can decide how to spend this Lent seeking a deeper relationship with God and God's people. You could join a prayer group or work at a soup kitchen. You could learn about meditation practices or help your parish in projects for the poor. You could spend one hour a week before the Blessed Sacrament. Whatever you decide, welcome this new stage in life to which God is calling you. ●

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org



LIGHTFIELD STUDIOS / SHUTTERSTOCK

MONDAY

February 13
Weekday
Gn 4:1–15, 25
Mk 8:11–13

WEDNESDAY

February 15
Weekday
Gn 8:6–13, 20–22
Mk 8:22–26

SATURDAY

February 18
Weekday
Heb 11:1–7
Mk 9:2–13

TUESDAY

February 14
St. Cyril, Monk and
St. Methodius,
Bishop
Gn 6:5–8; 7:1–5, 10
Mk 8:14–21

THURSDAY

February 16
Weekday
Gn 9:1–13
Mk 8:27–33

SUNDAY

February 19
Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Lv 19:1–2, 17–18
1 Cor 3:16–23
Mt 5:38–48

FRIDAY

February 17
Weekday
Gn 11:1–9
Mk 8:34–9:1

Daybreaks inspires during our Church's holiest seasons.

Leading Catholic voices inspire the faithful with daily reflections & prayers for Advent and Lent. Including: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, Dr. Mary Katharine Deeley, Sr. Dianne Bergant, Fr. Paul Turner, and more at Liguori.org.



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Time dedicated to being with God revives faith, which helps us in the practicalities of living, and faith, in turn, nurtures prayer, without interruption. In this circularity between faith, life, and prayer, one keeps alight that flame of Christian love that God expects of us.

**GENERAL AUDIENCE, SAN DAMASO COURTYARD,
JUNE 9, 2021**