

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



JUNE 4, 2023 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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

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PRAY THE ROSARY DURING THE WEEK:

Wednesday & 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

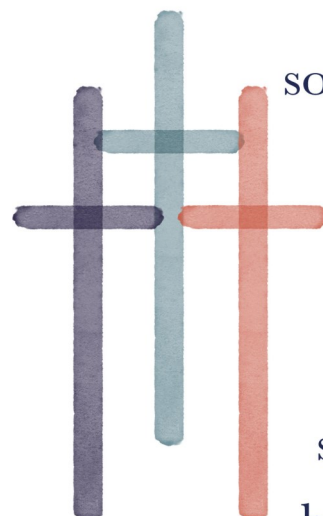
1st & 2nd Saturdays-3:00 pm-Blessed Trinity

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

LAY MINISTERS FOR MAY JUNE 10/11

MASSES	Saturday, 5:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Lectors	Bill Moffatt	Steve O'Neil Colleen Kuhn
Servers		Sophia & Brett Hogan Emma & Liam LaFata
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		Ken Udovich
Ushers	Mel Free	Rich Tauferner Peter Bustos
Sacristan	Connie Katchkey	Nick Cinquepalmi
Greeters	Kluge Family	Peter Bustos

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Will be offered at Blessed Trinity Parish on Saturday, June 10 at 3:00 pm and at St. John Evangelist Parish on Sunday, June 11 from 8:00 - 8:45 am.



For God
so loved the world,
that he gave
his only son,
that whoever
believes in *him*
should not perish
but have *eternal life*.

From Father Schmeckel:

This Sunday we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**. This is our Blessed Trinity Parish patronal feast day, and we are excited to welcome Archbishop ListECKI as the Principal Celebrant for the Mass this Sunday!

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (no. 234) tells us :

"The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them." (no. 234)



In other words, the reality that God is one, but three persons is the basis for everything else that we believe as Christians. Even though the teaching on the Trinity can be complex and difficult to understand, it is good for us to spend time in prayer and study to reflect on who God is.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus speaks about His unity with His Father in heaven and with the Holy Spirit. Jesus shows us the face of God in a new and decisive way. Our Gospel for this Sunday shows us why He does this: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." (John 3:16)

On this Most Holy Trinity Day of Celebration, spend some time thinking about the many times God has stepped into your life and the lives of others and showed His love in a decisive and clear way!

The month of June is traditionally dedicated to **the Sacred Heart of Jesus**. While the secular world celebrates many other things during this month, we as Catholics celebrate the Heart of Jesus. Jesus loves us with a human heart, a heart that knows love in way that is similar to the way we know love. You might consider celebrating the Sacred Heart in some way with your family throughout this month. You could pray the Litany of the Sacred Heart with your family. You might also consider "enthroning" (displaying) an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus somewhere in your home and dedicating a little corner of your house to prayer.

This weekend, we are announcing changes to our Saturday evening Mass of Anticipation for both parishes. These changes will begin on July 1. I encourage you to read the letter explaining these changes that is in the bulletin this weekend. I thank you for your patience as we move towards this new schedule that is intended to help all of us to pray and assist at Mass in a more focused and intentional way.

JUNE WINE & HOSTS: In Memory of LeRoy & Evelyn Andersen by K & S Schmeling.

FINANCIAL: MAY 27/28: Collection: (contribution envelopes, electronic giving and loose offering): \$7,088.96.

ALL PARISH OFFICES CLOSED: The All Parish Offices will be closed at 11:30 am **Thursday, June 8**. If there is sacramental emergency, please contact Fr. Schmeckel at 920-550-1145.

AIR CONDITIONING PROJECT: This summer, we will be adding air conditioning to the Parish Office/Religious Education wing of the church using "Faith in our Future" funds. Please contact Fr. Schmeckel with questions.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday	June 3	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Victor & Helen Kampmann by Family, †Alvin & Loretta Morgan by Paul Morgan Family
Saturday	June 3	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Bill Kriesa by Bette Kriesa Kluge
Sunday	June 4	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	June 4	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†William Lane Jr. by Thomas & Diana Kreutz, †Thomas, Mary & Jerome Buechler by Mary Klover
Tuesday	June 6	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Mary Alice Schleicher by Schleicher Family
Wednesday	June 7	St. John's	7:00 am	†Adamczyk & Waldoch Families by Chuck & Jane Waldoch
Thursday	June 8	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Sr. Juliette by Donna Plageman
Friday	June 9	St. John's	7:00 am	†Frank Plesetz by Kathy & Family
Friday	June 9	Prairie Crossing	10:00 am	†Lorraine Erbstoesser
Saturday	June 10	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Sylvester & Eleanora Regan by Regan Family Trust, †Carol Schuessler by Family
Saturday	June 10	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Lloyd Mahloch by Mel & Lorrie Free
Sunday	June 11	St. John's	9:00 am	Special Intention for Steger Family by Mark & Elly Weber
Sunday	June 11	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners



BAPTIZED IN CHRIST: Luna Adalynn, daughter of Kiefer & Kendall Bennett, and Mary Cecilia, daughter of Michael & Elizabeth Steger, were Baptized at St. John Evangelist Parish on Saturday, May 27. Please pray for Luna, Mary and their families.

EVENTS CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

12:00 pm AA Meeting
Church Hall
5:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

8:00 - 8:45 am Reconciliation
9:00 am Mass (Choir Sings)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

7:00 am Mass

THURSDAY, JUNE 8

2:00 - 3:00 pm Bible Study
Church Hall

FRIDAY, JUNE 9

7:00 am Mass

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

12:00 pm AA Meeting
Church Hall
5:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 11

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



BREWER GAME SPONSORED BY THE PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Join fellow Milwaukee Brewer fans on a bus trip down to a Brewer game on **Sunday, August 27** for a matchup with the San Diego Padres. Cost is only \$60.00 per person and includes a Loge Outfield Box ticket, bus transportation to and from the game, and a box lunch including water & soft drinks. Bus leaves at 11:00 am from the St. John Evangelist parking lot and returns approximately 5:00 pm. Reservation slips can be found on the table in the Gathering Space and on our website. Make checks payable to St. John Evangelist Parish and put "Brewer Game" on the memo line. Slips and payments can be dropped in the collection basket or returned to the Parish Office during normal office hours. Please contact Chris Jennings at 920-918-1022 or cwjennings9@gmail.com with any questions. **All reservation must be in by Saturday, July 1.** Space is limited so sign up today!

THANK YOU!: A big Thank You to those of you who led the Rosary before the weekend Masses this month! Also, thanks to all who prayed along! God Bless you all! ~Rich Tauferner, Rosary Coordinator

MISSION CO-OP APPEAL (MCP) JUNE 10/11:

This years' Mission Co-op Appeal is in support of the **Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara, Tanga Tanzania**, where, because of the extreme poverty, there is a great need for food. The Sisters will also be speaking during Mass about the other work that they are doing in that area and the needs that they have including:

1. Securing resources for the Formation of postulants and novices and ongoing formation of sisters and laity.
2. Securing modern medical equipment to help combat and treat diseases including malaria and HIV.
3. Constructing a new library, laboratory, and dormitory in two of their secondary schools
4. Making provisions for safe clean water in the rural areas for domestic use and livestock.
5. Offering education from kindergarten through high school especially for young women.



A special second collection for the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara and their ministries will be taken up after Communion on the weekend of June 10/11. Checks can be made out to "St. John Evangelist Parish" with "MCP" written in the memo line.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee and our parishes are joining countless bishops, dioceses, parishes, and apostolates to be healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist and sent out in mission "for the life of the world." The goal of this **Eucharistic Revival** is "to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist."

The Eucharist Revival will officially begin in our parishes **NEXT WEEKEND, June 10/11**, The Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). On Sunday, June 11, there will be a Eucharistic Procession, led by Fr. Schmeckel, immediately following the 9:00 am Mass at St. John Evangelist Parish. All are encouraged to participate. Parishioners and guests may want to wear comfortable walking shoes to Mass.



ARCHDIOCESAN EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Saturday, June 10, 2023

Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, Saint Francis

MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP JEROME LISTECKI • OUTDOOR PROCESSION • PRESENTATIONS ON THE EUCHARIST • MORE!

Registration is Now Open!



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HUMAN CONCERNS/SOCIAL JUSTICE EMMAUS MEAL:

St. John Evangelist Parish Human Concerns Social Justice Committee members will once again be serving an 'Emmaus Meal' on Saturday, **June 17th from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** They are seeking volunteers to help serve that meal (held at St. Luke's Methodist Church, 623 Ontario Ave., Sheboygan) and/or to provide desserts. If you missed your opportunity in May and are available to bake or offer a few volunteer hours, please contact Jack & Karen Egan (920-452-7632) or sign up on the board at the church in the Gathering Space area. Thank you!

CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER UPDATES:

- ♦ **On Tuesday, June 6, Principals of Life Insurance, Annuities and Funeral Trusts presented by Bill Ruffen from Better Life.** Learn more about these financial options even if you already own them. He will also touch on ways to pass on money to loved ones, tax free, and maximize the benefit. **10:00-11:00 am, Catholic Life Center-Meeting Room at Blessed Trinity Parish**
- ♦ **On Wednesday, June 7, Walking in the Steps of St. Francis and St. Clare by Susan Vavra.** Learn about these fascinating Saints with us. **10:00-11:30 am, Catholic Life Center-Meeting Room Blessed Trinity Parish**
- ♦ **2023 Jazz Dinner Cruise on Lake Geneva Cruise Line on Friday, September 8.** Cost per person is \$99.00 which includes the bus trip to and from Lake Geneva. There will be time to spend exploring main street, and dinner and jazz on Lake Geneva. Sign-up sheets are available on the table in the Gathering Space and are due by **July 1**.
- ♦ **Summer Potluck Picnic with Games Thursday, June 8, 12:00-2:00 pm at the CLC** Sign up in the Catholic Life Center to let us know you are coming and what you are bringing or contact Mary at maryw@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314. You are also welcome to bring your favorite lawn game.

6 **The Grandeur of God's Creation**

June has arrived and we give thanks. This is the time of year when we can understand what the Jesuit priest and poet Gerard Manley Hopkins meant when he wrote, "The world is charged with the grandeur of God."



These Spring/Summer-like days give all of us the perfect opportunity to see the many extraordinary ways God reveals himself to us. We see the presence of God in the trees and flowers. We feel the presence of God in the warmth of the sun and the gentleness of the breeze. We hear the presence of God in the singing of a bird and the babbling of a brook. Embracing God's grandeur...and sharing it is a gift that we can give to others, especially to the children whose lives we are privileged to touch. Here are some ways to do this:

Look for Signs of Life.

Be on the lookout for birds and rabbits, squirrels and chipmunks and dogs and cats, and parents walking babies in strollers. Consider and explain that all life comes from God, and that God cares for each one of us in the same way that parents care for their children.

Feel the Wind.

Take a walk on a windy day and think and talk about how we experience God in the same way that we feel the wind. We can't see the wind, and we can't see God, but we can feel the wind, and we can feel God's presence in our lives. God refreshes us in the same way a breeze cools us on a warm day. God urges us forward in the same way a strong wind pushes us along. God helps us to accomplish things in the same way that the wind carries a kite into the air.

Walk in the Rain.

This is a great time to think and talk about God's gift of rain! The puddles you splash through will eventually dry up, but the water doesn't disappear. It goes into the air in the form of vapor. When the air gets cold, the vapor forms clouds. When the clouds get too full of water, it rains. The rain creates puddles, and you're back to the miracle of the water cycle.

Laugh and Play.

Don't miss the opportunity to have fun on a glorious Spring/Summer Day. Whether you go to a park, to the beach or play in your own backyard, the chance to play will fill you with a sense of joy that reflects the way that God delights in all of His creation.

Spring and Summertime are truly God's special gifts to each and every one of us. They are gifts that are filled with God's grandeur. This is a great time to share His blessings with others. Enjoy and give thanks for these beautiful days!

~Jeanne Bitkers, Director of Religious Education 4K - Grade 6

CHURCH TOUR AFTER MASS: Our 7-12th grade Director of Religious Education, Mrs. Teresa Bettag, is continuing the class before/after Mass again this summer! **THIS Sunday, June 4** after the 9:00 am Mass join, her for: "The Beauty of our Church" with a church tour included. Hope to see you there!



Love One Another Update

The Love One Another Campaign, strengthened by prayer, will enable us to address urgent parish needs. St. John Evangelist has raised over 80% of our 429,405 goal, but we still need your help to fulfill important projects such as:

- Enhancing adult and youth formation opportunities
- Capital Improvements to our kitchen and re-finishing our parking lots
- General improvements to our classrooms
- Church sound system

Please pray for the success of the Love One Another Campaign.



Sixty percent of the funds from these pledges will go toward the parish needs listed on the left. The remaining funds are for new and expanded Catholic ministries for:

- The poor and those in need.
- Saint Francis de Sales Seminary.
- Catholic schools.
- Vital ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Updated on 6/1/2023

Parish Goal: 429,405

Total Pledged: 352,025

Percent Goal Pledged: 82%

Number Pledges: 40

Average Pledge: 8801

Parish 60% Share: 211,215

CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for your blessings in our life.

We praise you for your goodness and generosity.

Help us to live as stewards of your grace and love that through prayerful work and sacrifice we may bring your love to our families, parish, and community.

We humbly pray for strength and fortitude to follow your great commission: to go make disciples of all people, living our faith through word and deed.

Inspire in your people generous hearts to strengthen the mission of our parish, to serve those in need, to support vocations, and to educate our children through the Love One Another Campaign.

Guide us in this important campaign, watch over our efforts to help build your Kingdom here on Earth, and give us joy in serving You and Your Church now and forever.

Amen.

Dear Padre,

Two relatives of mine died from a disease for which they never sought treatment. Both said, “God will heal me if that is his will.” Wouldn’t God have wanted them to see a doctor?

It is safe to say that God would have them see a doctor. Does doing so compromise our faith in God? No. Throughout all of salvation history, God has relied on human beings to be his instruments, his messengers. While we believe in God, who can and has acted miraculously throughout history, these moments are exceptions, not the rule. Ordinarily, God’s work is done by human hands. The spread of the gospel itself has come about through people who have responded to God in faith.

Part of this gospel story is the healing ministry of Jesus. Christianity has from the beginning taken up Jesus’ ministry of healing and attempted to restore health to the sick, not only through prayer and the sacraments but also through institutions that care for the sick and the dying. Even as we recognize that our primary relationship is with God, we must also see that caring for our lives and our health, gifts from that same God, is a responsible way to receive and be good stewards of these gifts.

Think of the training, knowledge, and experience that doctors, nurses, and all other health-care practitioners have spent years attaining. Is not their work a miracle of God’s love when it brings healing, restoration, and renewal? ●

Excerpted from *Life, Death, and Catholic Medical Choices: 50 Questions from the Pews*; © 2011 Liguori Publications / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
June 5 <i>St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr</i> Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8 Mk 12:1-12	June 6 <i>Weekday</i> Tb 2:9-14 Mk 12:13-17	June 7 <i>Weekday</i> Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a Mk 12:18-27	June 8 <i>Weekday</i> Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a Mk 12:28-34	June 9 <i>Weekday</i> Tb 11:5-17 Mk 12:35-37	June 10 <i>Weekday</i> Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20 Mk 12:38-44	June 11 <i>Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)</i> Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a 1 Cor 10:16-17 Jn 6:51-58

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Today we can ask ourselves...do I, who profess faith in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, truly believe that I need others in order to live, that I need to give myself to others, that I need to serve others? Do I affirm this in words or do I affirm it with my life?

ANGELUS, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, JUNE 12, 2022

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