

EVENTS CALENDAR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9:30 - 11:00 am Women's Group
12:00 pm AA Meeting
Church Hall

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:00 am Reconciliation
9:00 am Mass
10:00 am Sunday Social

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

6:30 - 8:00 PM Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:00 am Mass
4:00 - 5:15 pm Religious Education
4K - Grade 6
5:15 pm Pet Blessing
6:30 - 7:45 pm Religious Education
Grades 7 - 12

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

6:00 am - 9:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration
Church

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:00 am Mass
7:30 am First Friday Social

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:30 - 11:00 am Women's Group
12:00 pm AA Meeting
Church Hall

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:00 am Reconciliation
9:00 am Mass



MOTHERS' MINISTRY:

Mothers of young children are invited to join other moms and their kids on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month anytime from 9:00 - 11:00 am at varying parks in the area! Connect with other Catholic moms as the kids play. Any questions, please contact Maria Schuette at 920-309-2418.

October 13 and 27: Cleveland Park in Sheboygan

HUMAN CONCERNS/SOCIAL JUSTICE RESPECT DIAPER DRIVE:

A playpen will be set up in the Gathering Space to collect diapers to be distributed to Mary's Room and Anchor of Hope has a special need for clothing for newborns and clothing sizes 5 or 6 for older children.. Please bring all diapers by Tuesday, October 31. Any questions, please contact Mary Jo Widder (mwidder@att.net) or Sharon Reilly (reillys53044@gmail.com).



ROSARY LEADERS:

The month of October is the month of the Holy Rosary. We are looking for individuals or couples to say the rosary 20 minutes prior tot the weekend Masses in October. If you are able to help out, please contact Rich at 920-918-5066.

Sunday, October 1: Rich Tauferner

Sunday, October 8: Peter Guske



WINTERFEST 2024: St. John Evangelist Parish 39th Annual Winterfest is scheduled for **Sunday, January 28, 2024**. We are currently looking for a few people to help chair areas of the event. We are looking for Chairpersons for the kitchen, for beverages, and for donation procurement. We need to have all chair people in place by October 15 to move forward with this event. If you are able to help or can suggest others who may fill one of those roles, please contact Shelly Cieszynski at cieszyns@yahoo.com or the Parish office at 920-452-9623.

CONFIRMATION MASS: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST 2:00 PM:

On **Sunday, October 1**, Thirty students from St. John Evangelist and Blessed Trinity Parishes will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at a Mass for those who are being Confirmed, their Sponsors and their Families at Blessed Trinity Parish. The Most Reverend James Schuerman, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will preside, and Reverend Jonathon Schmeckel will concelebrate the 2:00 PM Mass and Confirmation Celebration. All are invited. Please keep this wonderful group of students in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.



Ethan "St. Sebastian" B.
Paige "St. Teresa of Avila" B.
Brooke "St. Kateri Tekawitha" C.
Brynne "St. Teresa of Avila" C.
Tyler "St. John the Evangelist" D.
Anne "St. Therese of Lisieux" D.
Nolan "St. Andrew" G.
Elizabeth "St. Elizabeth" G.
Kendall "St. Camillus de Lellis" G.
Angeline "St. Veronica" G.

Megan "St. Francis" G.
Luke "St. Isidore" H.
Hadley "St. Catherine" H.
Dustin "St. David" H.
Maya "St. Rose" K.
Trey "St. Francis of Assisi" K.
Tre "St. Sebastian" K.
Madison "St. Rita" M.
Aidan "St. Andrew" M.
James "St. Sebastian" N.

Stephanie "St. Sophia" P.
Logan "St. Bernard" R.
Tyler "St. Sebastian" R.
Emma "St. Cecilia" R.
Julia "Natalia" S.
Sebastian "St. Christopher" S.
Samuel "St. Sebastian" S.
Ryan "St. Oscar Romero" S.
Elizabeth "St. Elizabeth" W.
Nataly "St. Catherine" Z.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2023

At Baptism, the Trinity-Father, Son and Holy Spirit-adopts us into God's royal family, erases the stain of original sin, and comes to dwell within us. Confirmation is one of mission, where God again chooses us to be sent as missionaries to the world. We are strengthened and sealed with the gifts (and fruits) of the Holy Spirit. It is a call to greatness, as we strive to live holy lives by professing our Catholic faith with courage, boldness, and JOY. Please pray for these young adults that they may respond to the call and presence of the Holy Spirit and continue to serve God and others.

~Teresa Bettag, Director of Religious Education Grades 7 - 12



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 7 - 12 TIME CHANGE:

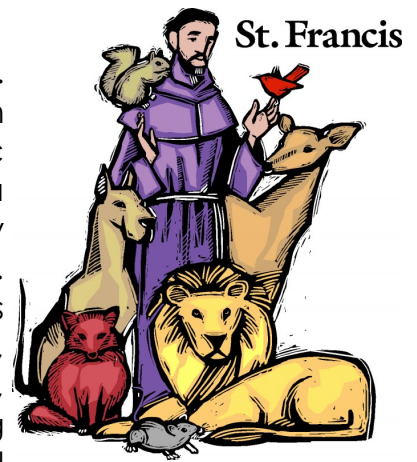
Beginning with the class on **Wednesday, October 4**, the class time for the Religious Education students Grades 7 - 12 will change back to **6:45 - 8:00 pm**. This change is permanent. Please contact Fr. Schmeckel or Teresa Bettag with any questions.

BINGO HELPERS: We are in need of additional helpers to assist with bingo at Rocky Knoll on the 1st Wednesday of every month. The bingo committee is also in need of some prizes to give out. Snack size candy bars are always welcome. Please put any donations in the Multipurpose room on the "Bingo" shelf. Please do not donate religious metals or cards. Contact Bette Kreisa Kluge at 920-912-4075 to volunteer.

SAFEGUARDING ALL GOD'S CHILDREN: All staff and volunteers who work with or have contact with children under the age of 18 years old, must attend a Safeguarding class. Safe Environment Education training session information can be found here: <https://www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding/Safeguarding-Events.htm>. **There will be a Safeguarding session at Blessed Trinity Parish on Monday, October 23 at 6:00 pm.** Please contact the Parish Office at 920-452-9623 or stjohnnev@btsje.org if you have any questions about signing up your Safeguarding status.

St. Francis of Assisi - Patron Saint of Pets & Animals

This Wednesday, October 4 we will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, one of the best-known Saints in modern history. St Francis was born in Italy in 1182, to wealthy Catholic parents. After living a life of comfort and leisure he became a soldier. When he returned home he renounced a life of luxury and began to spend time caring for the poor and serving God. While praying at a country chapel in San Damiano, Italy his it was said that Francis heard the voice of Christ speak to him saying, "Francis, go and repair my house that is falling into ruins". So, Francis and a few followers spent the next few years rebuilding ruined churches in the area. He also requested and received permission from the Pope to begin an Order of Brothers at that time.



St. Francis had a great love for all of God's creatures and was known to practice his preaching by giving talks to the birds. It is said that he was so compelling that the birds would fly down from the trees and perch on his shoulders to be able to hear him better. Another story about St. Francis involved a hungry wolf who had killed many people in a town for food. The townspeople were going to hunt for the wolf and kill it. Instead, St. Francis went out and talked to the wolf, telling him to never again kill anyone. The wolf obeyed and even became the town pet.

Hoping to inspire people with the beauty and humility of the first Christmas, St. Francis also created the first ever Nativity scene, complete with living animals! People liked the idea and even now at Christmastime, you'll find a replica of the Nativity in our Churches and in many Catholic homes.

Today, many people bring their pets to the church to be blessed on St. Francis' feast day because of his love for animals, and because pets are very special "family-members". Here at St. John Evangelist Parish, Fr Schmeckel will bless pets at 5:15 PM on Wednesday, October 4th on the church grounds. We invite you to join us. Details can be found on the flyer attached to/enclosed in this Bulletin. Please bring your pets on a leash or in a carrier and bring something with you to clean-up if needed. This special blessing will be cancelled because of inclement weather occurs. You will be contacted with a Flocknote by 4:00 PM if necessary. If you have questions please send e mail to: jeanne@btsje.org or call the parish office 920-452-9623. All are Welcome!

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMITTEE: We are looking for a few more people to join the Religious Education Committee which next meets on **Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00 pm** in Classroom #8. Meetings are monthly and last about 30 - 45 minutes. If you would like to join or would like more information on this committee, please contact Fr. Schmeckel. Everyone is welcome!

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, October 28th 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 are available to bake or offer a few volunteer hours, please contact Sharon Reilly (920-980-9622) or sign up on the board at the church in the Gathering Space area. Thank you!

MISSION SOCIETY: **Tuesdays** from **8:30 - 11:00 am.** Quilting is done in the Mission room located on the lower level (enter through the Religious Education doors and go down the stairs). Everyone is welcome!



CHOIR: The choir season has begun. Practices are **Tuesdays** from **6:30 - 8:00 pm.** New members are always welcome. Contact Zach at zach@btsje.org with any questions.

CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER UPDATES:

Tour Meals on Wheels: On **Tuesday, October 10** from **11:30 am until 1:30 pm**, tour Meals on Wheels and their beautiful property (1004 S. Taylor Drive, Sheboygan). After the tour, enjoy a delicious lunch. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Please register with Mary at 920-467-4616, Ext. 314 or maryw@btsje.org by **Noon on October 2.**



Graceful Aging: On **Tuesday, October 17** from **6:00 - 7:00 pm** in the Catholic Life Center Meeting Room at Blessed Trinity Parish. Learn about nutrition and movement that helps us stay healthy. Register with Mary at 920-467-4616 Ext. 314 or maryw@btsje.org.

Eucharist: Source & Summit of Christian Life: On **Thursday, October 26** from **10:00 - 11:00 am** at St. John Evangelist Parish. What do Catholics really believe about the Sacrament of the Eucharist, and why has it become the center point of the Mass and our lives as Catholics?



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
St John Evangelist Parish - Kohler
THURSDAYS Starting October 5th
6:00 am until 9:00 pm
Enter through Canopy Doors

ALL ARE WELCOME! COME AND ADORE HIM!

Everyone who signed up will receive an Adoration Guide. Contact Susan Vavra (iamgtv@gmail.com) with any questions or to be added to the list.

Blessing of Pets



As we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, you are invited to join us for a Blessing of Pets.

When: Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 5:15 pm

Where: Meet at the Church Canopy entrance to the North of the Religious Education Doors.

(Please park on the street or on the West side of the parking lot)

Please bring your pet on a leash or in a carrier. Please bring something with you to clean up after your pet if needed.

In case of inclement weather, a Flocknote will be sent before 4:00 pm.

CLC Calendar

October 2023



October 3	- Veteran's Day Project , 10:00-11:15 am, CLC-MR
October 6	-First Friday Coffee after 7:00 am Mass, SJE-Gathering Space
October 7	-Saturday Morning Women's Group, SJE-Gathering Space 9:30-11:00 am
October 7	- Young Adult Mass at Camp Y-Koda , Lohmann Lodge, 6:30 pm
October 9	-Adult Card Party, 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
October 10	- Meals on Wheels Tour and Lunch , registration required, 11:30 am-1:30 pm
October 11	- Eucharist: Real Presence by Bishop Barron, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-PMR
October 11	-Movie Matinee, <i>Coco</i> , 1:30-3:30 pm, CLC-PMR
October 12	-Second Thursday Coffee after 9:00 am Mass, CLC-PMR
October 14	-Saturday Morning Women's Group, SJE-Gathering Space, 9:30-11:00 am
October 14	- Eucharist: Sacred Meal by Bishop Barron, 5:15-6:00 pm, SJE-Rm. TBD
October 17	- Graceful Aging by Crista Larsen, 6:00-7:00 pm, CLC-PMR
October 18	- Reboot Featuring Chris Stefanick , 7:00 pm, St. Dominic's Parish, Register at www.reallifecatholic.com
October 19	- Tiny Saints Story Time , 10:00-10:45 am, SJE-classroom #8
October 19	-Adult Card Social, 6:30-9:00 pm, BT-Church Hall
October 21	-Saturday Morning Women's Group, SJE-Gathering Space, 9:30-11:00 am
October 22	- Eucharist: Sacrifice by Bishop Barron, 10:15-11:00 am, SJE-Rm. TBD
October 23	-Adult Card Party, 1:00-4:00 pm, BT-Church Hall
October 24	- Senior Safety , presented by the Sheboygan Falls Police Department, 6:00-7:00 pm, CLC-PMR
October 26	- Eucharist: Source and Summit of Christian Life , 10:00-11:00 am, SJE-Rm. TBD
October 28	-Saturday Morning Women's Group, SJE-Gathering Space, 9:30-11:00 am
October 31	-Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice, 10:00-11:00 am, SJE-Rm. TBD

Upcoming Dates

November 2	- Walk through the Mass: Exploring the Sacred Eucharist , 10:00-11:00 am, SJE
November 7	-Christmas Card Making for Pine Haven, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-PMR
November 11	-Adoration Video and Presentation, after 4:00 pm Mass at SJE
November 14	-Curves presentation at 508 Broadway St., Sheboygan Falls, 1:30-2:30 pm
November 16	-Thanksgiving Potluck, Noon, SJE-Gathering Space
December 5	-Advent Program by Fr. Bob, 6:30-7:30 pm, SJE-Rm. TBD
December 12	-Advent Program by Fr. Bob, 6:30-7:30 pm, SJE-Rm. TBD
January 5/6	-Woman's Retreat, Friday night-Blessed Trinity, Saturday-Lakeland College

Register for events or call with questions – Mary at maryw@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext 314.



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