

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



JANUARY 21, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

2nd & 4th Saturday	4:00 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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Rick Michaletz

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Michael Pellegrino, Trustee Secretary

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, 3rd, & 5th Saturdays-3 :00 pm-Blessed Trinity

2nd & 4th Saturdays-3:00 pm-St. John Evangelist

Readings for The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

"The kingdom
of God
at hand.



Repent
and believe
in
the gospel."

Mark 1:15

Bulletin Submission Deadline: All requests for bulletin articles must be received by Wednesday noon to be included in that weekend's bulletin. Any articles received after that will be included as space permits. For holiday weeks, the deadline may change. Thank you for your understanding.

From Father Schmeckel:

Next Sunday, **January 28 is Winterfest at Saint John Evangelist Parish after 9:00 AM Mass until 2:00 PM!** There will be plenty of opportunities for food, drink, prizes, games, and for the wine pull! We need your help to make this event successful, and a good opportunity for our community to gather together. If you haven't already signed up to help or to contribute, click https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B44A9A82BA0F85-46883314-winterfest#, or call the parish office (920-452-9623) to do so! Hope to see you there!



There are many things on the calendar for us to pray for this week.

January 22 is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. The Bishops in the United States have designated this as a day of prayer, work, and fasting for the protection of life in all stages.

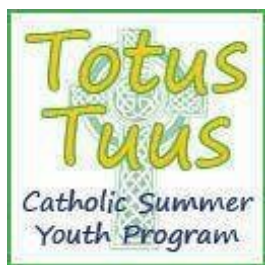
January 23 is the Memorial of Saint Marianne Cope. She was a Sister who continued the tireless work of Saint Damian of Molokai. Both of these heroic saints spent their entire lives caring for the abandoned lepers on the Hawaiian Island.

January 24 is the Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales. He was the Bishop of Geneva, but because of the Protestant movement, he lived most of his episcopacy in exile. He devoted his entire life to teaching the Catholic faith to those who had left for other denominations, giving in-person spiritual direction, and by writing many spiritual books, including his classic, "Introduction to the Devout Life". He is the patron of our Archdiocese of Milwaukee Seminary. This is a good day for us to pray for more vocations to the priesthood from among the men of our parishes.

January 25 is the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul. We celebrate the moment when St. Paul encounters Jesus and turns from persecuting Christians to a great Apostle and Evangelist.

January 26 is the Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus. These two were co-workers of Saint Paul in his missionary work and travels. This celebration reminds us that Saints often beget more Saints. If we take seriously our call to holiness, we can help those around us also become holy!

Let's ask these many great Saints to pray for us this week.



TOTUS TUUS (JUNE 23 - 28, 2024): We are excited to announce that we will be hosting the Totus Tuus Parish Summer Program, a week-long "parish mission" for Catholic youth entering the 1st through 12th grades from **June 23-June 28** here at St. John Evangelist Parish. This Religious Education Summer Program is dedicated to the proclamation of the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith. A trained group of young adult "missionaries" will engage the youth of the parish with inspiring, interactive teaching as well as skits, songs, and games throughout the week. Daily Mass and opportunities for Adoration, the Rosary and other Worship experiences will also be provided.

- ♦ Elementary age students (children entering grades 1-6) will meet Monday, June 24th- Friday, June 28th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- ♦ Middle and high school age students (youth entering grades 7-12) will meet from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday, June 23rd - Thursday, June 27th.

Mark your calendar. More information will be coming soon!

MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday	January 20	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Victor & Helen Kampmann and Thomas McPherson by Family, †Lori Pribek by Steve & Kim Harder, †Jamie Veldboom & Stacey Kelley by Ken Kelley
Sunday	January 21	St. John's	9:00 am	†Bruecker & McGinnis Families by Bill McGinnis
Sunday	January 21	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners
Tuesday	January 23	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Sr. Joan Emily by Donna Plageman
Tuesday	January 23	Blessed Trinity	6:00 pm	†Joan Otto by Ron & LoAnn Lorenz
Wednesday	January 24	St. John's	7:00 am	†Reilly & Kubiak Families by Tom & Sharon Reilly
Thursday	January 25	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Merle & Audrey Fuhrmann by Karen Gilsdorf
Friday	January 26	St. John's	7:00 am	†Morris Swenson by K & S Schmeling
Saturday	January 27	St. John's	4:00 pm	†Paul Vavra by Elly & Mark Weber
Sunday	January 28	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	January 28	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Alfonse Reiter by Jim & Lisa Reiter, Special Intention for Allison Norman's Birthday by Kathy

NEW TUESDAY EVENING MASS AT BLESSED TRINITY: Will be held every Tuesday evening at 6:00 pm.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Will be offered at St. John Evangelist Parish on Saturday, January 27 at 3:00 pm and on Sunday, January 28 from 8:00 to 8:45 am.

LAY MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 27/28

MASSES	Saturday, 4:00 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Lectors	Carter Udovich Susan Vavra	Erin M. Colleen Kuhn
Servers	Volunteer Volunteer	Volunteer Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Judy Loth	Clyde or Sharon Kometer
Ushers	Ken Udovich Randy Miller	John Multer Volunteer
Sacristan	Connie Katchkey	Julia Rodemeier Steve O'Neil
Greeters	Judy Grey	Diane Torke

FINANCIAL: JANUARY 13/14,

2024: Collection: (contribution envelopes, electronic giving and loose offering): \$6,743.62.



LOST & FOUND: Is located in the kiosk in the Gathering Space. If you have lost anything, please check the marked drawer. All items left in the drawer by noon on **Wednesday, January 24** will be packed up and donated to St. Vincent de Paul.

EVENTS CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

8:30 - 11:00 am Mission Society
5:30 pm Emmaus 90
6:30 - 8:00 pm Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

6:00 am - 9:00 pm Adoration

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

7:00 am Mass


SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

3:00 pm Reconciliation
4:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

8:00 am Reconciliation
9:00 am Mass


WINTERFEST DONATIONS: We are looking for donations for the silent and bucket raffles, kids games, and wine pull for this year's Winterfest. If you would like to donate, please either drop off the item(s) in the Parish Office during office hours or place them downstairs in the kitchen area. Please contact Shelly Cieszynski at 847-309-8178 with any questions.



TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!
BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

CATHOLIC MEN'S PROGRAM

@Blessed Trinity CLC
Doors open 6:45am with
lite breakfast/fraternity
program 7am-8:30am



All men 18/over invited
contact Mark Weber 920-980-2112



BORN TO ETERNAL

LIFE: Bernice Haack, lifelong Kohler resident, passed away January 4, 2024. A funeral Mass was held at St. John's on Wednesday, January 17. Please keep Bernice and her family in your prayers.

Save the Date!

Young Adult Mass & Social

at St. Dominic Church
Sheboygan, WI



Join us for food,
fellowship, and fun! Please
bring a side to share.

Date:

Saturday, January 27

Time:

6:30 PM Mass
Social & Volleyball
to follow

Location:

St. Dominic Church
2133 N 22nd Street
Sheboygan, WI 53081

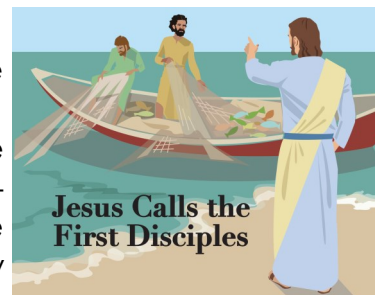
Questions? Contact Jacqueline at jguilbeault@sjbpymouth.org

Hosted by Sheboygan County Adult Faith Formation

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 7-12 UPDATE:

Today we celebrate the 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time and hear the familiar story of Jesus calling his first disciples (Latin for "students") and the start of his ministry in Galilee. This story is found in all three synoptic Gospels, but this year we hear Mark's version (1:14-20). We know that Peter and Andrew and James and John are two sets of brothers, who were both in the fishing trade. They made their living catching fish and yet when Jesus called them to follow Him, they dropped their nets and left everything to follow Him! A present day example of this might be Jesus going into a school, factory or office complex and asking us to leave our desks, jobs, careers....would we drop everything and go? We are blessed here at SJE to have such a "beauty full" church with gorgeous stained glass windows. One of those windows, the second from the sanctuary on the west side, is titled "Come follow me and I will make you fishers of men." In the center panel, we see Jesus flanked by Alpha and Omega letters, the beginning and the end of the Greek alphabet, and He is holding a scroll which reads "I am the Truth." For a devout Jew, which all of the 12 Apostles were, this would signify Divinity, for when Moses asked God to reveal His name in the burning bush, (Ex. 3:13), God replied "I Am who I Am." Below Jesus are James and John who are dropping their net with the catch of fish. The panel to the left of this shows Peter holding the keys to the Kingdom (Mt. 16:18), with what looks like St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican above him. This represents that out of the 12 Apostles, Peter was chosen to be the leader, our first Pope, since Jesus came not just to save us, but also to give us a Church! We know that St. Peter was very human and impulsive at times, but Ven. Fulton Sheen said that Peter was chosen because "a chain is only as strong as its weakest link." This should give us all hope and gratitude that God can use us in our brokenness and weakness to do great things! The right panel shows St. Andrew holding an X-shaped cross, which is the instrument of his eventual martyrdom, and above him a fishing boat, which is a symbol of the Catholic church. If you count, in all three panels, there are 12 apostles present! If possible, spend some time this week and contemplate this stained glass window and ALL of the symbolism contained within it. Every day SJE is open, through the canopy doors, from 7am-12n Mon.-Fri. (on Thursdays, it is open from 6am-9pm due to Adoration!), so feel free to stop in for some quiet time of prayer and reflection. God is still calling each one of us to "come follow Him." One caveat though, is that WE are the bait!! Yes, we are called to be that juicy, succulent little worm on the hook to go out into the world and continue making disciples of all nations (Mt. 28:19) just like the original 12 disciples did long ago. This is our call too, but be not afraid for God is with us and within us and He is the best fishing guide ever!! See you at Mass!

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



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CHARITY CLUB:

The next Catholic Women's Charity Club meeting is February 7th at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church in Van Treeck Hall at 1:00 p.m. It is their annual "Wear Red Bring White" (paper towels, toilet paper, facial tissue, etc.) meeting. Dr. Louie Coulis will present heart health information. All Catholic women are welcome. Come join us.



Welcome

WELCOME TO THE PARISH:

Please welcome Brian & Kelly Zick and their children Benjamin and Emily to the parish.

WINTERFEST

Saint John Evangelist Parish

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Sunday, January 28, 2024



Silent Auctions! Bucket Raffles!
Instant Raffles throughout the
day!



**Children's
Games (located
in the Religious
Education wing)**

**50/50 Raffle
And Wine Pull!**



Volunteers Needed: Visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B44A9A82BA0F85-46883314-winterfest#/> or contact the office to volunteer.

Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKi cordially invites you to the

2024

ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE



PALLIUM *Lecture*

"How Catholic Art Saved the Faith – The Triumph of Beauty and Truth"

A tour-de-force visual presentation by Dr. Elizabeth Lev

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024

6 p.m. Private Wine and Cheese Reception • 7 p.m. Presentation

Brookfield Conference Center • *Brookfield, Wisconsin*



REBOOT WITH CHRIS STEFANICK: Which had been rescheduled to Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at St. Dominic Parish has been **cancelled**. If you already purchased tickets to the event, please watch the bulletin for information on how to get a refund.

CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER UPDATE:

- * **Bishop Barron's "The Mass" Series** began this past Tuesday. This 6-part series will be shown each Tuesday (except Tuesday, February 7) from 10:00 - 11:00 in the Catholic Life Center Meeting Room at Blessed Trinity Parish.
- * **Decorate Bags for Meals on Wheels Service Project** - On **Tuesday, January 23** from 10:00 - 11:30 am at St. John Evangelist lower level.



- * **St. John's & Blessed Trinity Senior Singles 55+** - Next brunch is on **Thursday, January 25 at 10:30 am** at River Park Restaurant in Sheboygan Falls. If interested, please RSVP to Sharon Temme by Monday, January 22 at temmesharon197@gmail.com or 920-467-2298.

- * **Cell Phone Workshop** - Will be held on **Tuesday, January 30** from **3:00 - 5:00 pm** in the Catholic Life Center Meeting Room at Blessed Trinity Parish. Registration is required since seats are limited. Please contact Mary Waitkus at maryw@btsje.org or 920-467-4616 ext. 314 to register.



CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER CARD COLLECTION: The Catholic Life Center is collecting the front of greeting cards (preferably non-Christmas) to use in service projects for Meals on Wheels and Pine Haven. You can drop off any card fronts in the Parish Office.

Dear Padre,

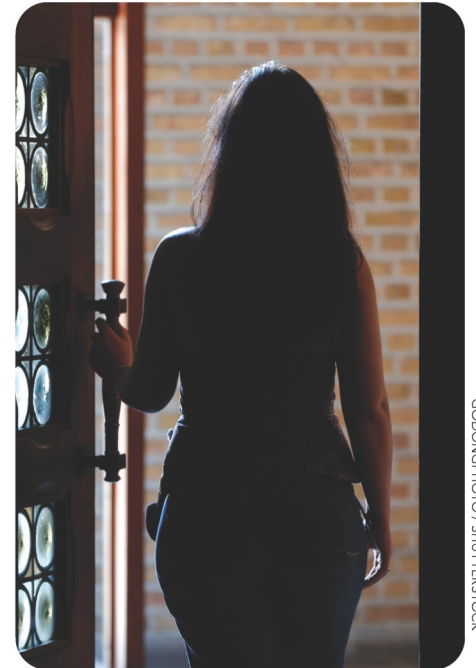
While on vacation, I attended Mass at a church where many people left right after Communion. Why would they do this?

Canon law says the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass on Sundays and other holy days. We are expected to attend the entire Mass.

A misunderstanding of this law may be traced to a pre-Vatican II teaching. Some theologians taught that the Mass had three main parts: offertory, consecration, and Communion. Some people reasoned that their obligation would be fulfilled by attending only those parts of the Mass. They felt justified in coming late and leaving early.

This changed with the Second Vatican Council (1962–1965). The Mass is divided into four sections (introductory rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, concluding rite), and Christ is present throughout the Mass. Attending Mass means being there from the processional hymn through the recessional hymn.

Some people have valid reasons for leaving Mass early, such as feeling ill or taking a crying child from church. Perhaps they are traveling and need to get to the airport on time. Still, I also wonder why there is a great exodus before the Mass has ended in some churches. In my opinion, people who are in the habit of leaving early should reconsider that practice. ●



Fr. Victor Karls, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
January 22	January 23	January 24	January 25	January 26	January 27	January 28
Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children	Weekday	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle	Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops	Weekday	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Sm 5:1–7, 10	2 Sm 6:12b–15, 17–19	2 Sm 7:4–17	Acts 22:3–16 or Acts 9:1–22	2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5	2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17	Dt 18:15–20
Mk 3:22–30	Mk 3:31–35	Mk 4:1–20	Mk 16:15–18	Mk 4:26–34	Mk 4:35–41	1 Cor 7:32–35
						Mk 1:21–28



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Brothers and sisters, before the Lord's call, which can reach us in a thousand ways—through others, happy or sad events—our attitude at times might be rejection. But God's call is always love: we have to try to discover the love behind each call, and it should be responded to only with love.

ANGELUS, ROME, JANUARY 17, 2021

Pope Francis meets with "Phone Friend" volunteers of the Samaritans Italy in 2017. © L'OSSERVATORE ROMANO