

# WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



**FEBRUARY 27, 2022 EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## PARISH OFFICE

**Hours: Monday–Friday 7:30 - 3:30 PM**

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**Please contact the Parish Office to:**

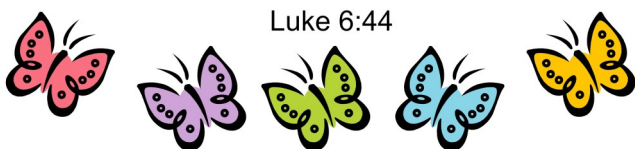
- 1. Join the Parish**
- 2. Schedule a Baptism**
- 3. Schedule a Mass Intention**
- 4. Any other questions or concerns**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	February 26	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Mary Alice Schleicher by Schleicher Family, †Lucille Micoliczuk
Saturday	February 26	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Hubert & Lucille Marchand and Carol Mertzig by Family
Sunday	February 27	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	February 27	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Kitty Lynne Klich by Family, †Clara Weyker by John & Lisa Reiter
Tuesday	March 1	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	Special Intention for SVdP by Blessed Trinity Urban Conference
Wednesday	March 2	St. John's	6:45 am	Mass for Parishioners
Wednesday	March 2	St. John's	5:15 pm	†Everly Family by Pellegrino Family
Wednesday	March 2	Blessed Trinity	6:30 pm	†Lori Pribek by Mom & Dad, †Alfred & Rita Grusznski by Children
Thursday	March 3	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Char Stevens by Donna Plageman
Friday	March 4	St. John's	7:00 am	†Dennis Dohms by Chuck & Myrna Frederickson
Friday	March 4	Pine Haven	10:00 am	†Bernice Mett
Friday	March 4	Blessed Trinity	1:30 pm	[Stations of the Cross]
Friday	March 4	St. John's	5:15 pm	[Stations of the Cross]
Saturday	March 5	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Russell McCoy by Evonne, †Claude & Verdayne Meyer by Lynn Erbstoesser
Saturday	March 5	St. John's	5:30 pm	For the Living & Deceased Members of LaRon Mischock Family
Sunday	March 6	St. John's	9:00 am	†Frank Plesetz by Kathy and Family
Sunday	March 6	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners



"...goodness in his heart, produces good"



Luke 6:44

**FOOD PANTRY:** Please bring your non perishable food items to the multipurpose room by **Sunday, March 6**. They are in need of pork & beans, kidney beans and Manwich original. Donations will be delivered to the Sheboygan Falls Food Pantry on **Monday, March 7 by 9:30 am** by Mel & Lorrie Free.



## Getting Ready for Lent 2022: Pray, Fast, Give:



In just a few days the Season of Lent, the time during which Catholics throughout the world honor the disciplines of prayer, fasting, and the giving of alms, will begin. Fasting and abstinence are the practice of giving up something in order to turn away from sin and draw closer to God. The thing we give up might be good in itself, but we relinquish it in order to obtain a greater good. Here are some of the spiritual benefits of fasting:

- ✦ **It's a form of penance.** Throughout the Old Testament, people covered themselves in ashes, took off their fine clothes, and fasted in order to express their repentance from sin. Fasting serves a similar purpose today.
- ✦ **It makes room for God.** By emptying ourselves, even if just a bit, we make room for God to enter our lives more fully.
- ✦ **It strengthens the will.** Fasting is a spiritual discipline; just as physical exercise makes our body stronger, fasting strengthens our will. Practicing self-denial in small things strengthens our will to resist sin in other areas of our lives.
- ✦ **It prepares us for mission.** Fasting imitates the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert. Just as Jesus used this time to prepare for his public mission, fasting prepares us to continue his mission and brings us closer to the suffering of Jesus—and all people who suffer.

Whether it is fasting, abstaining or other acts of penance, we can use these means to help us grow closer to our Lord and prepare ourselves to celebrate Easter with renewed minds and hearts.

Adapted from: Windley-Daoust, Jennifer. "Fasting, giving, praying: 25+ ideas for what we can do for Lent". Loyola Press, 2021.

~Jeanne Bitkers, Director of Religious Education 4K-Grade 6, [jeanne@btsje.org](mailto:jeanne@btsje.org); 920-452-9623

**"THIS IS HOME":** The Archdiocese of Milwaukee's **Catholic Herald** is **providing** a **free** seven week **LENTEN AT HOME PROGRAM** for Families of children **age 10 and under**, beginning this week of Ash Wednesday. Visit [www.archmil.org/This-is-Home](http://www.archmil.org/This-is-Home) to sign up for the emails that will include a reflection on the upcoming Sunday Scripture, questions for a parent-led discussion and an activity that is designed for the family to do together at home.

### LAY MINISTERS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY & MARCH 5/6

MASSES	ASH WEDNESDAY, March 2, 6:45 am	ASH WEDNESDAY, March 2, 5:15 pm	Saturday, March 5, 5:30 pm	Sunday, March 6, 9:00 am
Lector	Julia Rodemeier	Erin Meyer	Cate Smith	Abbagail Bishop
Lay Distributors of Holy Communion	Rita Gast Connie Katchkey	Rich Tauferner Nick Cinquepalmi		Mel Free
Ushers	Mel Free Kevin Smith	Steve O'Neil Ken Udovich	Randy Miller Bill Moffett	John Debrauske Jim Sarafin
Sacristan	Julia Rodemeier	Nick Cinquepalmi	Diane Torke	Nick Cinquepalmi


## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE GRADES 7 - 12:

Today is the 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time and before we begin the penitential season of Lent this Ash Wednesday, we hear some tough love from the book of Sirach (27:4-7) and from Jesus in the Gospel of Luke (6:39-45). Both readings remind us that words have meaning and that our tongues are very powerful. It can bring healing or hurt, and so it needs to be well-trained! Jesus tells us "from the fullness of the heart, the mouth speaks" (Lk 6:45) and so our speech is truly a reflection of our inner self, like the fruit that is produced by a tree. We all sometimes say things that we wish we could take back, so perhaps this coming Lent, rather than just giving up chocolate or candy or soda pop, we should dig deeper and attempt to replace bad habits of criticism, complaining, gossip with kindness, encouragement and even silence!! We see in magazines and in many TV shows all kinds of "makeovers" of one sort or another. Maybe because we all desire redemption, beauty and transformation. We know that God is our creator and that in his earthly life, Jesus was a carpenter and so why not ask God to help us with our spiritual makeover?! He wants to help us build a new life that transcends what the world wants to give; one that bears good fruit shown in our works, speech and heart! Let the "Word made flesh" shape our words in our flesh and then like our Psalm response from Mass, we will be able to sing your praises Lord in the sight of the angels (Ps.92)! See you at Mass!

~ Teresa Bettag, Director of Religious Education Grades 7 - 12, [teresab@btsje.org](mailto:teresab@btsje.org)



## IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASH WEDNESDAY CLASS INFORMATION:

 **Take Note!** On **Wednesday, March 2, ALL** students 4K - Grade 11 will meet at **4:00 pm** for class. Students in Grades 7 - 11 will assemble in the church hall. Students in 4K - Grade 6 will meet as usual. All students are then encouraged to join the rest of their family and attend the **5:15 pm** Mass at St. John's. **There will be NO CLASS for Grades 7 - 11 that day from 6:45 - 8:00 pm.** This is a wonderful way to kick off the Lenten season as a family. If your Grade 7 - 11 child cannot attend class, please contact Teresa Bettag at [teresab@btsje.org](mailto:teresab@btsje.org).

## FINANCIAL: FEBRUARY 19/20:

Collection: (contribution envelopes, electronic giving and loose offering): \$4,385.25.

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Will be offered at St. John Evangelist Parish at 3:00 pm on Saturday, February 26.

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING:

 If you ever thought of volunteering with children and have not taken the Safe Environment class, now is a perfect time. The Archdiocese is offering both in person and virtual classes. It will only take a few hours of your time. Even if you are not ready to volunteer now, it is good to complete this class. The link is included here: <https://www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding/Safeguarding-Events.htm> and there will be more information on the program in next weekend's bulletin. Any questions? Please call the parish office at 920-452-9623 or email [stjohnnev@btsje.org](mailto:stjohnnev@btsje.org).

**STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE:** Members of the Strategic Planning Committee will be speaking after Communion at the Masses THIS WEEKEND, **February 26/27**. Members of the Pastoral Council will then be in the back of church after the Masses to answer questions and to help anyone who is interested sign up. There will be another sign up opportunity after Masses the weekend of **March 5/6**. Copies of the plan are available on our website [stjohnkohler.org](http://stjohnkohler.org) and the table in the Gathering Space.

# ENRICH YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY

**REVELATIONS 2:4:** *"Yet I hold this against you: you have lost the love you had at first. "*

## ADVENT MATERIALS

**LITTLE BLACK BOOKS** will be available in the pews this weekend. Large print copies are available on the table in the Gathering Space.

**DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR LENT** will be available on the table in the Gathering Space. There will also be a limited number of copies available in Spanish also on the table.

**LENTEN CALENDARS** are available for you to take home on the table in the Gathering Space.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Takes place on Fridays during Lent at 5:15 pm.

**Friday, March 4:** Teresa Bettag & Confirmation students.

**Friday, March 11:** Georgiana & Bill McGinnis

**LENTEN SERIES:** Fr. Bob Lotz will guide you through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus in this three-week series that begins Tuesday, March 15 at 6:30 pm in the Catholic Life Center Meeting Room at Blessed Trinity Parish. Please RSVP by Monday, March 7 to Mary at maryw@btsje.org or 920-467-4616.

**Lenten Observance:** The Catholic Church asks each member to preserve the penitential character and purpose of Lent. For this reason: a) Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and each Friday during Lent; b) Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, in addition to abstaining from meat, should fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Therefore, on those days they should eat only one full meal. Smaller quantities of food may be taken at two other meals, but no food should be consumed at other times during those two days. The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one's 59th birthday. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

**FISH FRY:** St. Peter Claver Parish, 1439 S 12th St, Sheboygan will serve lightly breaded fish on **Friday, March 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.



## Catholic Life Center Mother's Day

**Service Project:** Help us collect small gifts to assemble 30 gift bags for mothers at Mary's Room. We are in need of small gift bags, tissue paper, candy, socks, decorative pens, small toiletries, etc. to help brighten a Mother's Day. Please deliver new, unused items to the CLC, or place in the bin in the Gathering Space by **Sunday, April 10**. We will assemble the bags at 11:00 am on Tuesday, April 19 in the CLC-MR. Please call Mary at 467-4616, ext. 314 with any questions.



**MARCH WINE & HOSTS:** In Memory of Joe Etchingham by Bette Kriesa Kluge & Bob Kluge.





# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST FISH FRY!

## FRIDAYS DURING LENT

MARCH 04  
MARCH 11  
MARCH 18  
MARCH 25  
APRIL 01  
APRIL 08

FEATURING THE SAME  
GREAT PERCH AND DELICIOUS  
HOMEMADE DESSERTS YOU  
KNOW AND LOVE!

LARGE (4PC) - \$14  
SMALL (2PC) - \$11  
VEGETARIAN - \$6

Credit Cards Accepted

## CARRY-OUT ONLY

Dinner includes coleslaw,  
applesauce, bread, homemade  
dessert and a choice of noodles,  
American potato salad or chips.

115 Plymouth Street / Plymouth, WI / 920-892-4006

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.



**THANK YOU:** The Catholic Life Center donated 55 beautifully knitted scarves to the Sheboygan County Warming Center and the Sheboygan Salvation Army. Thank you to all who made this possible.

**LET'S TALK:** St. Anne Society's Wednesday morning coffee gatherings (Let's Talk!) will not take place this Wednesday (March 2).

## 8TH ANNUAL IN MARY'S FOOTSTEPS WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

**"Receive Mercy, Find Grace"**

Saturday, March 12

8 AM-5 PM

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Chilton



8<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Conference

Receive Mercy & Find Grace

**Dr. Edward Sri**, Theologian, author & well-known Catholic speaker who appears on EWTN.  
**Sr. Mercy Marie SV**, Sisters of Life, Catholic religious community of women consecrated for the protection of human life

**Mother Mary Catherine**, Foundress, Missionaries of the Word

**Rose Sullivan**, Executive Director – National Conference for Diocesan Vocation Directors

**Bishop David Ricken**, Bishop of the Diocese of Green Bay

The goal of In Mary's Footsteps Women's Conference is for women of all ages – to know Mary so as to draw closer to her son, Jesus, and in doing so to inspire and rise up holy women of God who wish to live out their vocational call as Daughters of God and to serve within their state in life where God is calling each of them. Registrations: February 1-March 7: Adults: \$50; Students: \$15. Registration closes on March 7. To register, please click the following link: <https://inmarysfootsteps2022.eventbrite.com>.

# Dear Padre,

## Who chooses the names for Catholic churches?

**T**he bishop is the appropriate authority to designate the name of a church in his diocese. Each church should have its own title, which cannot be changed after the church has been dedicated, except for grave reasons and with the approval of the Apostolic See (Canon 1218). Examples of designations include the name of the Blessed Trinity, a name for Christ or the Blessed Virgin Mary under a title already accepted in the liturgy, one of the angels, saints, or a blessed who is approved by the Holy See for insertion in a diocesan liturgical calendar.

According to additional norms issued in 1999, “If several parishes are suppressed and a new one is established using one of the churches, its title must be retained, but it may be changed if it is a new building.” Moreover, “if several parishes are each suppressed and united into one new parish, it is permitted, for pastoral reasons, to give it a new name different from the previous title of the parish church” (Canon 1218).

The faith community celebrates the titular feast of the church annually with the rank of a solemnity.

The customary practice of depositing a relic of the titular saint—when applicable—under the altar to be dedicated may be “fittingly retained” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 302). However, the inherent dignity of the church’s altar is that it is foremost the table of the Lord.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR  
[Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)



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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Hypocrisy is the worst enemy of this Christian community, of this Christian love: pretending to love each other but only seeking one's own interests....Those who behave in this manner transit in the Church like a tourist. There are many tourists in the Church who are always passing through but never enter the Church.*

GENERAL AUDIENCE, AUGUST 21, 2019

## Calendar

### Monday

FEBRUARY 28

Weekday

1 Pt 1:3–9

Mk 10:17–27

### Tuesday

MARCH 1

Weekday

1 Pt 1:10–16

Mk 10:28–31

### Wednesday

MARCH 2

Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12–18

2 Cor 5:20—6:2

Mt 6:1–6, 16–18

### Thursday

MARCH 3

Thursday after

Ash Wednesday

Dt 30:15–20

Lk 9:22–25

### Friday

MARCH 4

Friday after

Ash Wednesday

Is 58:1–9a

Mt 9:14–15

### Saturday

MARCH 5

Saturday after

Ash Wednesday

Is 58:9b–14

Lk 5:27–32

### Sunday

MARCH 6

First Sunday of Lent

Dt 26:4–10

Rom 10:8–13

Lk 4:1–13

**Do you have a question  
for the Padre?**

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org)  
to send your question  
and to learn more  
about *Dear Padre*.