

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



MAY 1, 2022 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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	April 30	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Lucille Micoliczky, †Marvin Senkbeil by Dennis & Dianne Gatzke
Saturday	April 30	St. John's	5:00 pm	†Sue Madigan
Sunday	May 1	St. John's	9:00 am	For the First Communion Students
Sunday	May 1	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners
Tuesday	May 3	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Carol Schuessler by Pauline Jens
Wednesday	May 4	St. John's	7:00 am	†Ben Van Zeeland by Georgiana & Bill McGinnis
Thursday	May 5	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Louis & Hattie Plageman by Donna Plageman
Friday	May 6	St. John's	7:00 am	†Chuck Graf by Mel & Lorrie Free
Saturday	May 7	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Edwin Sabel & Jane Ornelas by Family, †John & Alena Markgraf by Paul Morgan Family
Saturday	May 7	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Gerald Simon by Robert & Connie Hiers
Sunday	May 8	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	May 8	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Verdayne Meyer by Sandy Jordan, †Mary Alice Schleicher by Marcia Schleicher



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Will be offered at Blessed Trinity Parish at 3:00 pm on Saturday, May 7.



MAY WINE & HOSTS: In Memory of the Schwebel & Tauferner Families by Rich Tauferner.

May: The Month of Mary, the Mother of Jesus

As many of us know the month of May is traditionally set aside by Catholics around the world to honor Mary the Mother of Jesus. Her importance as Mother of God lies not only in that she was the woman who gave birth to Jesus, but because she was the one who had faith in God and freely said yes to participate in God's wonderful plan of salvation.



Because Mary was Jesus' mother and loved him dearly, we honor her, respect her and try to be like her. In order for Jesus to be born, God wanted to prepare a special mother for him. From the moment that Mary was conceived she was without the stain of original sin. Throughout her entire life, Mary never sinned and was always a faithful servant to God. This is why she is called "full of grace."

At the wedding at Cana, when Jesus was about 30 years old, Mary told him that there was no more wine to celebrate the occasion. Because Mary asked Jesus to help, Jesus decided to perform his very first miracle: turning water into wine. The last spoken and recorded words in the Bible from Mary were said just before Jesus asked the servants to fill the empty jars with water. She approached the servants and said:, "Do whatever he tells you." (Jn 2:5)

Mary has always had an important role, not only in Jesus' life but in the life of the entire Christian community. Today we continue to look to Mary as the Mother of God, the greatest of the saints, and a model for all.

During this month of May, we can all show special devotion to the Blessed Mother. Saying the Rosary (one or a few more decades is often enough for young children and sometimes for adults) or the Hail Mary each day is a way of doing so. Keeping flowers or a flameless candle before a statue or picture of Mary in your home is another way. Finding stories or u-tube videos about Mary, for children or adults to hear or read or watch, can also be inspirational.

While we anxiously wait for warmer weather and more signs of Spring, we can call upon Mary to lift us out of the last cold days of Winter, firmly plant our hearts in the soil of Spring and continue to help us through these challenging times. Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, Pray for Us!

Adapted from: Our Sunday Visitor. Smith, Brian. "Get Ready for the Month of Mary". Teachingcatholickids.com, 2022 online.

-Jeanne Bitkers, Director of Religious Education 4K - Grade 6, jeanne@btsje.org

FIRST COMMUNION: *This Sunday, May 1, our St. John Evangelist Parish children are celebrating the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist for the first time at the 9:00 AM Mass. A special thank you to these children's parents and families and to Catechists Tricia Mikolyzk, Anna Baxter, and Susan Vavra who worked together to prepare them for this special occasion. We congratulate all these children who are receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus for the very first time and their parents, and pray that they will always have faith in God and that, with God's help and the example of his Son, Jesus, they will continue to appreciate and to use the many gifts that they have been given!*



**Annaleise B.
Coral E.
Greta G.
Emma L.**

**Liam L.
Chase K.
Evan M.
Leo M.**

**Nolan P.
Ana Beatriz R.
Isabella R.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE GRADES 7 - 12:

Happy 3rd Sunday of Easter and also happy feast of St. Joseph the Worker, since this would be another feast day of St. Joseph if it wasn't a Sunday. Recall that EVERY Sunday is a mini Easter as we always celebrate and give thanks to the life-changing and eternal life-giving Resurrection of our Lord! Did you also know that every month, Pope Francis gives the universal Church special intentions to pray?



This month the Holy Father asks that "during this Easter season, we pray for faith-filled young people! We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest. May they see in your mother Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service." This is especially fitting to all of us at St. John's, because our 11th grade students just got back from an overnight Confirmation retreat this weekend at Mt. Tabor Retreat Center in Menasha, WI. Please keep these Confirmands and all of our youth in your prayers, as they grow in faith and love of our risen Lord and His bride, the Church. When our Religious Education year ended on April 20, all of the students and their families were challenged to continue to love, know and serve the Lord and to truly center our lives on Jesus! Here are some faith-filled/faithFULL habits that all us, whether young or old, can be reminded of...

1. Daily prayer-essentially knowing whom to thank for ALL things! Grateful, no matter what!
2. Weekly Mass-the 3rd Commandment is to "keep holy the Sabbath" so no to sports, TV, sleeping in and yes to Sunday Mass! Also, fyi there is 7:00 am Mass every Wed. and Fri. at St. John Evangelist Parish, as well as the church being open from 7:30-3:30 Monday thru Friday to stop in and spend some time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.
3. Monthly Confession-this Sacrament of healing and divine mercy gives grace and added strength for our struggles. You can look up times and locations at masstimes.org
4. Regular service to God (assisting at Mass as a lector, greeter, usher, altar server, choir member, bldg. & grounds, etc.) and neighbor (school and community outreach).
5. Lifelong learning for when you're through learning, you're through!! We can never stop growing in our love and knowledge of Jesus and His church. It is important to know WHO we believe and WHY we believe. Make a habit to read the Bible or listen to podcasts, like Fr. Mike Schmitz' "Bible in a year"; read the Gospels; grab a book off of the two carts in the Narthex; listen to Relevant Radio on the free app or at 100.1FM or 1640AM; pray the rosary; watch youtube videos from Busted Halo or Word on Fire, etc.

We are all on this journey of life and faith together, so you help me and I will help you, but remember, we are NEVER alone, for God is always with us and within us! See you at Mass!

~ Teresa Bettag, Director of Religious Education Grades 7 - 12, teresab@btsje.org

LAY MINISTERS FOR WEEKENDS OF APRIL 30/MAY 1 & MAY 7/8

MASSES	Saturday April 30, 5:00 pm	Sunday, May 1, 9:00 am	Saturday, May 7, 5:30 pm	Sunday, May 8, 9:00 am
Lector	Susan Vavra	Susan Vavra	Susan Vavra	Abbagail Bishop
Lay Distributors of Holy Communion		Clyde or Sharon Kometer		Ken Udovich
Ushers	Randy Miller Bill Moffatt	John Debrauske Jim Sarafin	Mel Free Kevin Smith	Rich Tauferner Peter Bustos
Sacristan	Diane Torke	Nick Cinquepalmi	Diane Torke	Nick Cinquepalmi

PASTORAL COUNCIL DISCERNMENT: Nominations are now being accepted for three-year terms. You may nominate yourself and/or other parishioners. Nomination forms can be found on the table in the gathering space or can be downloaded from our website. You can also email any names to stjohnnev@btsje.org. Tom Reilly, Julia Rodemeier, and Rich Tauferner are completing their first term and can be chosen for a second term. All names must be in the Parish Office by Friday, May 6 at noon. Nominees will be asked to consider participating in the discernment process for membership on the Pastoral Council. This will be held on Tuesday, May 24.



PASTORAL COUNCIL YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE DISCERNMENT:

Nominations for a youth representative is now being accepted for the 2022-2023 Pastoral Council. Youth, at least 14 but not yet 18, who are Baptized are eligible for discernment. Nomination forms are available on the table in the Gathering Space and are due by Friday, May 6.



Fr. Joe's Farewell Gathering:

Please join us for a luncheon in honor of Fr. Joe on Sunday, May 15th. Invitations were mailed last week, please **RSVP by May 9th**. For more information, please contact Gretchen in the parish office at stjohnnev@btsje.org or 920-452-9623



CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER: PREPLANNING A CATHOLIC FUNERAL:

On **Wednesday, May 11 from 1:00 - 2:30 pm**, the Catholic Life Center is hosting *Preplanning a Catholic Funeral*. This event will be held in the Gathering Space at St. John Evangelist Parish and is hosted by Kim Mandelkow from the Office of Worship at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and Angie Wenig-Ring from Wenig Funeral Homes in Sheboygan Falls & Oostburg. Come and ask any questions you may have about at Catholic Funeral. Reservations are requested. Please call the Parish Office at 920-452-9623.



ITEMS IN NEW PLACES:

St. John Evangelist and Blessed Trinity Bulletins have moved off the tables and back into the kiosk (located in the center of the Gathering Space). Please look for them in their marked slots. Also, children's materials including coloring pages are located on the lowest shelf in the kiosk. Check out the materials that are related to the Sunday gospel, the liturgical season or a specific saint.

ROSARY LEADERS: Since the month of May is the month of Mary, the rosary will be prayed 20 minutes prior to weekend Masses beginning the weekend of May 7/8. Please contact Rich Tauferner at 920-918-5066 if you are willing to lead the rosary before one or more Masses.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SHEBOYGAN NORTH CATHOLIC PARISHES (SNCP):

Fulltime year-round position. For more information see the website below or email Tom Dinolfo, Director of Administrative Services, at dinolfot@catholicnorth.org. <https://uploads.weconnect.com/.../Job%20Description...>

FIRST FRIDAY SOCIAL:

The Catholic Life Center will host a First Friday Social after the 7:00 am Mass on Friday, **May 6**. Please stay for a donut and some coffee.



FISH FRY: St. Peter Claver Parish, 1439 S 12th St, Sheboygan will serve lightly breaded fish on **Friday, May 6** 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.

SAFEGUARDING ALL GOD'S

CHILDREN: Safe environment education training sessions are conducted both in person and virtually. Go to: <https://www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding/Safeguarding-Events.htm> to view a list of dates available and to register. All volunteers that work with children need to attend a Safeguarding class. Please take advantage of this online opportunity. You only need to take the class once. Any questions? Please contact the parish office at stjohnnev@btsje.org or 920-452-9623.

2022 CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL:

The 2022 Catholic Stewardship Appeal kicked off this February. To date, St. John Evangelist Parish has donated \$21,195.00 towards our goal of \$35,190.00. Thank you to everyone who has already sent in their donations.

**Let's Walk!**

Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m.

***Walk with friends, family, and neighbors
for fun and fitness!***

**All are welcome! Join us Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.
for casual walkabouts in the village.**

**We will meet in the St. John Evangelist Church
parking lot and walk for approximately an hour.
(walk all or part - weather permitting)**

**St. Anne Society
St. John Evangelist Catholic Church
600 Green Tree Rd, Kohler**

Let's Walk! resumes May 3rd

GOD *exalted*
HIM *at HIS*
right hand as
Leader and
SAVIOR.

Acts 5:31, NRSV

CLC Calendar – May/June 2022



- May 3 -**Seated Chair Exercise**, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- May 5 -**The Mass** by Bishop Barron, Parts 3 & 4, 6:30-7:45 pm, SJE-LLCR
- May 6 -First Friday Coffee after 7:00 am Mass, SJE Gathering Space
- May 9 -Adult Card Party, 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- May 10 -**Seated Chair Exercise**, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- May 11 -**Preplanning A Catholic Funeral**, 1:00-2:30 pm, SJE Gathering Space
- May 12 -Second Thursday Coffee after 9:00 am Mass, BT Gathering Area
- May 12 -**The Mass** by Bishop Barron, Parts 5 & 6, 6:30-7:45 pm, SJE-LLCR
- May 14 -Day trip to Our Lady of Good Help
- May 17 -**Health and Wellness Discussion**, Focus Topic: Exercise, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- May 18 -Movie Matinee-"Radio", 1:30-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- May 19 -Movie Night-"Radio", 6:30-9:00 pm, SJE-LLCR
- May 19 -Card Social, 6:30-9:00 pm, CLC-MR
- May 23 -Adult Card Party, 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- May 24 -**Getting A Good Night's Sleep**, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- May 31 -**Seated Chair Exercise**, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- June 7 -**CLC Committee Meeting**, 6:30-7:30 pm, CLC-PMR
- June 7 -**Seated Chair Exercise**, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- June 8 -Summer Concert Series at River Park, Sheboygan Falls, 6:00 pm
- June 12 -**The Search**, Episode 2, 10:15-11:00 am, SJE Gathering Space
- June 13 -Adult Card Party, 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- June 14 -**Estate Planning**, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- June 15 -**Luau Potluck**, 12:00-1:15 pm, CLC-MR
- June 15 -Movie Matinee, 1:30-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- June 16 -Card Social, 6:30-9:00 pm, CLC-MR
- June 21 -**Health and Wellness Discussion**, Topic: Healthy Food, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR
- June 22 -Summer Concert Series at River Park, Sheboygan Falls, 6:00 pm
- June 27 -Adult Card Party, 1:00-4:00 pm, CLC-MR
- June 28 -**Seated Chair Exercise**, 10:00-11:00 am, CLC-MR

CLC-MR and CLC-AR refer to the Catholic Life Center Meeting Room and Assembly Room in our facility adjacent to Blessed Trinity Church. CLCG refers to the Catholic Life Center Former School Gym. SJE-LLCR refers to the St. John



Save the Dates!



****Estate Planning** – Tuesday, June 14, 10:00-11:00 am in the CLC-MR
Learn about creating an estate plan, presented by Ryan Zinkel, Attorney
at RohdeDales, LLP

****June 8 & 22** – Summer Concert Series at River Park, 6:00 pm

****Enrich Your Sunday** After Mass, 10:15-11:00 am, SJE Gathering Space

June 12-The Search Episode 2 – Who Are You?

July 17-The Search Episode 3 – Why a God?

****Diabetes Presentation** by Michelle Schmitz, RD, CD, CDCES from Prevea
Tuesday, July 19, from 10:00-11:00 am in the CLC-MR

****Please RSVP** for the programs to Mary at maryw@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.

Dear Padre,

Where was St. Joseph during Jesus' crucifixion?

It's impossible to know for certain when Joseph died, since the Gospels don't refer to it. By the time Jesus starts his public ministry, Joseph had disappeared. We know for sure that Joseph lived at least until Jesus was twelve (see Luke 2:42). While Joseph scholars have many ideas, most believe Joseph probably died around the time of Jesus' baptism and before the wedding feast at Cana, when Jesus was about thirty years old (see Luke 3:23). That's because Mary is mentioned at the wedding feast, but Joseph is not (see John 2:1-12). And, while Jesus is preaching, the only ones looking for him are his "mother and brothers" (see Matthew 12:46-49, Mark 3:32-34, and Luke 8:19-21).

Finally, while dying on the cross, Jesus entrusts his mother to the disciple John, who took her to his home (see John 19:27). If Joseph had been alive at the time, this wouldn't have been necessary. Thus, it's entirely likely that Joseph died with Jesus and Mary at his side, giving his death great significance in popular devotion. From ancient times, Christian traditions have held that Joseph died in the arms of the Virgin and Jesus. The origins of Joseph as the patron of a happy death can be seen as early as the second century.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Doctors, nurses, storekeepers and supermarket workers, cleaning personnel, caregivers, transport workers, men and women working to provide essential services....Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all.

PATRIS CORDE, DECEMBER 8, 2020

Calendar

Monday
MAY 2

St. Athanasius,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 6:8-15
Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday
MAY 3

Sts. Philip and James,
Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday
MAY 4

Easter Weekday
Acts 8:1b-8
Jn 6:35-40

Thursday
MAY 5

Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26-40
Jn 6:44-51

Friday
MAY 6

Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1-20
Jn 6:52-59

Saturday
MAY 7

Easter Weekday
Acts 9:31-42
Jn 6:60-69

Sunday
MAY 8

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 13:14, 43-52
Rv 7:9, 14b-17
Jn 10:27-30

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

Go to DearPadre.org
to send your question
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Dear Padre.