

# WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



**MAY 15, 2022 FIFTH 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	May 14	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†John Klopff by Norb & Adeline Haen, †Lucille Micoliczkyk
Saturday	May 14	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Frank Plesetz by Kathy and Family
Sunday	May 15	St. John's	9:00 am	†Kendra Versey by Versey Family
Sunday	May 15	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners
Tuesday	May 17	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	Deceased Members of the Zimbal Family by Randy & Ann Reineking
Wednesday	May 18	St. John's	7:00 am	†Ed Mauer by Judy & Family
Thursday	May 19	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	Special Intention for SVdP Blessed Trinity Rural Conference
Friday	May 20	St. John's	7:00 am	†Bernice Mett
Saturday	May 21	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Victor & Helen Kampmann by Family, †Mary Alice Schleicher by Schleicher Family
Saturday	May 21	St. John's	5:30 pm	The Living & Deceased Members of the LaRon Mischock Family
Sunday	May 22	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioner
Sunday	May 22	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Nora Salata by Cathy Pearce; †Eugene McCabe by Marilyn McCabe

*"By this all people will know  
that you are my disciples, if you  
have love for one another."*

JOHN 13:35, ESV



**ROSARY LEADERS:** We are still in need of leaders for the last weekend in May, May 28/29 at both Masses. Please contact Rich Tauferner at 920-918-5066 if you are willing to lead the rosary before one of those Masses. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up.

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Will be offered at St. John Evangelist Parish at 3:00 pm on Saturday, May 21.

## The Mary Month of May

Welcome to Spring! Resurrection, new life, and finally a fresh long-awaited, new season! So much to celebrate!

This month of May is also known as "The Month of Mary". The Rosary is being prayed more frequently. There are May crownings, May altars, and special hymns at Mass, all to honor Mary in the month of May. Another long-standing tradition is the planting of a Mary Garden.

The following excerpt is taken from "Mary: Ever Virgin, Full of Grace" written by Cheryl Dickow for Catholic News Agency. In the Middle Ages, missionaries and travelers spread stories across Europe about flowers named after Mary and various times of her life. Mary Gardens that featured these flowers became popular there, and later made their way to the United States.

There are many ways to plant a Mary Garden. Some of the flowers and plants that are frequently included are:

- **Lily:** Lilies are often depicted in pictures of Mary as an indication of purity and grace.
- **Rose:** The rose symbolizes Mary as the Queen of Heaven.
- **Columbine:** This flower is often called Our Lady's Slipper.
- **Violet:** The violet is a symbol of modesty, simplicity and humble acceptance.
- **Carnation:** Legend says that the carnation bloomed on the night of Jesus' birth; and is a sign of Mary's joy at the Child's birth.
- **Daisy:** It is said that when the wise men reached Bethlehem they saw a white and gold flower near the stable and then knew where to find Jesus
- **Star of Bethlehem:** The shape of the flower is said to resemble the star that the Magi followed to find the Christ Child.
- **Snowdrop:** The snowdrop is thought to have bloomed in February when Mary took Jesus to the temple to present him to God.
- **Rosemary:** It is believed that Mary hung the linens of the Holy Child on the rosemary bush to dry. Afterwards, the bush carried a sweet aroma.
- **Marigold:** Early Christians placed marigolds around statues of Mary in place of coins calling them Mary's gold.



There are many good articles to be found on-line If you are interested in knowing more about a Mary Garden or in planting one this Spring. If you do, however, don't forget to include some kind of statue of Mary!

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



The students in our 4K-Grade 6 SEEDS (Spring Religious Education) Program learned more about Mary - the Mother of Jesus, her many titles and the special ways she is honored during the month of May this past Wednesday. While they didn't plant a Mary Garden, the students hoped to spread a bit of joy by making paper flowers, hanging them on the doors of St. John's neighbors' homes, and wishing them "Spring Blessings".

There are two more weeks of the Spring Seeds Program. To enroll children contact: Jeanne Bitkers [jeanne@btsje.org](mailto:jeanne@btsje.org) 920-452-9623 Ext: 220)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE GRADES 7 - 12:

Our readings today on this Fifth Sunday of Easter invite us to imagine, work for and bring about, with God's grace, a world utterly transformed by God's love! How will this come about? As we see in our three readings, we must be missionary disciples, like Paul and Barnabas, filled with energy and JOY to evangelize our corner of the world. We also must trust in God for St. John writes in the book of Revelation, "He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning...for behold, I make all things new." Lastly, in St. John's Gospel for today, we see Jesus commanding the disciples and us at the Last Supper to "love one another." Nowadays, many people complain about the church, the Mass, the Pope, Religious Education, and all sorts of other problems with the Church, but we fail to realize that WE are the Church! St. Francis of Assisi once said, "If you want to sanctify society, sanctify yourself." This is very true. I often say that "I feel so sorry for God, because He only has me, a sinner to work with. However, I am encouraged and have great hope that He can do a lot with a little!" Recall that David had "five smooth stones" but he only needed one! There is a legend from India that tells of a mouse who was terrified of cats until a magician agreed to change him into a cat. That resolved his fear....until he met a dog, so the magician transformed him into a tiger. Once again, he was scared of a hunter, but this time the magician refused to help and instead turned him back into a mouse. Why? Because, he said "you may have the body of a tiger, but you still have the heart of a mouse!" Let this story not be about us, but instead, let's be brave and live boldly, so we can be modern day missionaries who go out into the world to spread the good news! See you at Mass.



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

**SAVE THE DATE:** This summer, there will be a special opportunity for all 7-12 graders to continue their spiritual growth with a special class and Mass. Please mark your calendars for the dates below. More information will be given in June.

Saturday, June 25 meeting at 4:15-5:15 pm, with Mass at 5:30 pm

Sunday, July 31 meeting for Mass at 9:00 am, class after from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Saturday, August 13 meeting at 4:15 - 5:15 pm, with Mass at 5:30 pm



### ST. LAWRENCE SEMINARY RETREAT OPPORTUNITY:

Calling all current Middle School Boys! Come and bring a friend to St. Lawrence Seminary High School in Mt Calvary, WI for three days of field olympics, games, team building, and prayer from Monday, June 13 – Wednesday, June 15. You're sure to have a blast living in our dorms, eating lots of food, and making new friends! Cost is \$50 and includes housing and food. Transportation is available from select cities throughout the state. More information and registration materials are available at [www.stlawrence.edu/retreats](http://www.stlawrence.edu/retreats)

### SAFEGUARDING ALL GOD'S CHILDREN:

Safe environment education training sessions have returned to in person sessions with limited online sessions offered. Safe environment education training session information can be found by going to: : <https://www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding/Safeguarding-Events.htm> to view a list of available dates and to register. All staff and volunteers who will work with or have contact with children under the age of 18 years old, must attend a Safeguarding class. This class only needs to be taken once. Any questions? Please contact the parish office at [stjohnnev@btsje.org](mailto:stjohnnev@btsje.org) or 920-452-9623.



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



## LAY MINISTERS FOR WEEKENDS OF MAY 14/15 & MAY 21/22

MASSES	Saturday May 14, 5:30 pm	Sunday, May 15, 9:00 am	Saturday, May 21, 5:30 pm	Sunday, May 22, 9:00 am
Lector	Cate Smith	Charlotte Bullard	Angela Bustos	Steve O'Neil
Lay Distributors of Holy Communion		Connie Katchkey		Clyde or Sharon Kometer
Ushers	Bill Rutten Ken Udovich	Peter Guske Steve O'Neil	Tom Valicenti Volunteer	John Multer Carson Bishop
Sacristan	Connie Katchkey	Julia Rodemeier Steve O'Neil	Diane Torke	Julia Rodemeier Steve O'Neil

### 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**



**LET'S TALK:** St. Anne Society's  
Wednesday morning coffee  
gatherings (Let's Talk!) take place  
on Wednesday mornings at 9:00  
am in the church hall.

### 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](mailto:dinolfot@catholicnorth.org).  
[https://uploads.weconnect.com/.../Job%  
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### Save The Date!! Blessed Trinity Summer Festival:



Sunday, August  
21st. Blessed Trinity Parish  
will celebrate a Polka  
Mass at 10:30 AM with the  
help of The Ryan Kautzer  
Band. Immediately

following the Mass will be  
the Blessed Trinity Summer Festival with  
food, beverages, games for young and  
old, Bingo, more Polka Music from The  
Ryan Kautzer Band and a two-hour  
performance by Bella Musik. Make plans  
to come out to enjoy the day, enjoy time  
with your friends, neighbors, and relatives,  
and celebrate Blessed Trinity!!

### HELP WANTED: ANCHOR OF HOPE PART TIME MARKETING SPECIALIST:

Anchor of Hope is  
seeking a part time marketing specialist.  
A successful candidate will have a prolife  
view and a heart to serve. This role will  
have a strong focus on optimizing Anchor  
of Hope's strategic digital presence as  
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used by Anchor of Hope. Inquiries, letter  
of intent, and resumes should be sent to:  
[hope@anchorofhopewi.org](mailto:hope@anchorofhopewi.org) or by calling  
920-452-4673 and by asking for Jacky.

## SAVE THE DATES !!

Dance Lessons for Couples, Singles, Any Age  
Open to Everyone, Invite your friends  
Taught by DIANE REMY

June 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th  
5:00 - 6:00 PM in the CLC Gym  
\$5.00 per person, each lesson

Register with John O'Dell (920) 467-4616, Ext 315



**MISSION SOCIETY:** The last morning to assemble quilts full time will be **Tuesday, May 17**, with final tasks and cleanup done on **May 24**. Thank you, ladies, for helping this year.

**BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE:** Fred Holstein, husband of St. John's bookkeeper Joyce, passed away on Friday, May 6. A funeral service will held on Saturday, May 14 at Fountain Park UMC. Please keep Fred and Joyce and their family in your prayers.



## Young Adult Mass & Social

Come and kick off your summer right! This special young adult event will start with an outdoor Mass\* on scenic Nutt Hill in Plymouth, followed by free dinner and s'mores, a bonfire, and yard games. Parking near the hill is limited, so invite your friends and fill your car!

**Date:**  
Saturday, June 4

**Time:**  
5:30 PM Mass  
Social to follow

**Location:**  
Nutt Hill Ski Area  
W Main Street  
Plymouth, WI  
53073

*\*Bring a blanket or chair for seating during Mass*

Hosted by Sheboygan County Adult Faith Formation



**ALPHA:** Alpha is back and better than ever! Is there someone you care about who has stepped away from the church? Alpha is a great way to invite the people you care about to (re) discover a relationship with Jesus. Sign up with your friend or family member and check out the summer in-person Alpha experience at **The Hub Studio Cafe** in Johnsonville. Dinner is provided every week!



**6:00 - 7:30 PM Tuesdays from June 14 - August 2, 2022**

Sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/EUJum25tF8j6PiRr7>

Any questions, please contact Paige Katzfey (Pastoral Associate at St. John the Baptist Parish) at [pkatzfey@sjbplymouth.org](mailto:pkatzfey@sjbplymouth.org)

# Dear Padre,

**My aunt tells her husband he shouldn't watch a certain TV show. She says it's an "occasion of sin." What is that?**

**O**ccasions of sin are people, places, or situations that can easily lead a person to sin or give the individual an opportunity to commit a sin. There are two types: *remote* and *proximate* (or "near").

If the attraction is not strong or has only a small probability of leading to sin, the occasion is remote. Remote occasions of sin are always around us, and we have no obligation to try to avoid them.

If the attraction is powerful or the probability of its leading to sin is great, the occasion is called proximate. Saint Alphonsus suggested that if a person sins four out of ten times in a particular situation, that situation should be

regarded as a proximate occasion of sin.

Proximate or near occasions of sin are further classified as *necessary* or *voluntary*. A necessary proximate occasion cannot be avoided or can be avoided only with great difficulty—for example, an occasion associated with doing one's job or being in prison.

A voluntary proximate occasion is freely and voluntarily entered. We must avoid voluntary proximate occasions of grave sin.

Among the many means at our disposal for avoiding occasions of sin, the sacraments of reconciliation and Eucharist have pride of place. Prayer and self-discipline also help.

Fr. David Louch, CSsR  
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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Temptation in us truly works like this: it begins with something small, a desire, an idea, it grows, it infects others and in the end, it justifies itself....And all of us, when we are conquered by temptation, ...end up feeling calm, because we have found a justification for this sin, for this sinful attitude.*

HOMILY, APRIL 4, 2020

## Calendar

### Monday

MAY 16

Easter Weekday

Acts 14:5–18

Jn 14:21–26

### Tuesday

MAY 17

Easter Weekday

Acts 14:19–28

Jn 14:27–31a

### Wednesday

MAY 18

Easter Weekday

Acts 15:1–6

Jn 15:1–8

### Thursday

MAY 19

Easter Weekday

Acts 15:7–21

Jn 15:9–11

### Friday

MAY 20

Easter Weekday

Acts 15:22–31

Jn 15:12–17

### Saturday

MAY 21

Easter Weekday

Acts 16:1–10

Jn 15:18–21

### Sunday

MAY 22

Sixth Sunday

of Easter

Acts 15:1–2, 22–29

Rv 21:10–14, 22–23

Jn 14:23–29

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