

# Welcome to Saint John the Baptist Catholic Parish – Howard, Wisconsin

## O God, Hear Our Prayer

Saturday, August 26	4:30pm	Frank, Dennis & Angela Powers
Sunday, August 27	8:00am 10:00am	People of the Parish John Grzywa (Anniversary)
Tuesday, August 29	8:30am 5:30pm 6:30pm	Liturgy of the Word Reconciliation Bernie Phelps
Wednesday, August 30	8:30am	People of the Parish
Thursday, August 31	8:30am	Clinton Thornton, Sr.
Friday, September 1	8:30am	James Johnson
Saturday, September 2	4:30pm	Gerald Huempfer
Sunday, September 3	8:00am 10:00am	Diane Given People of the Parish

### Scripture Readings

September 3, 2017

#### Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I    Jeremiah 20:7-9  
Reading II    Romans 12:1-2  
Gospel        Matthew 16:21-27

### Stewardship of Treasure

From the week of August 20, 2017

<b><u>Weekly Contribution Budget</u></b>	<b><u>\$22,800</u></b>
<b>Weekly Envelopes</b>	<b>\$ 12,594.77</b>
<b>Automatic Withdrawals</b>	<b>24,859.99</b>
<b>Loose Collection</b>	<b>+ 1,207.45</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 38,662.21</b>

### Children's Stewardship

Here are just a few of the many "offerings" to God from the youth at St. John the Baptist.

- \*I helped my mom at work.
  - \*I watched my baby cousin.
  - \*I made a new friend.
  - \*I texted my Gram a joke to make her laugh.
  - \*I got the newspaper and the mail.
  - \*I helped my mommy put away the dishes.
- Spelling taken directly from the envelopes!



15 youth envelopes were turned in for August 20.....\$19.28

## This Week at St. John's

### Sunday, August 27, 2017

Coffee & Donuts after the 8 & 10:00am Masses  
Hosted by Youth Ministry



The Rosary is prayed every Sunday at 7:30am in the Day Chapel

### Monday, August 28, 2017

Faith Formation Registration 8:00am – 6:00pm,  
Parish Office Center

Finance Council – 6:30pm, Conference Room

RCIA Team – 6:30pm, Fireplace Room

Theology of the Body Gr. 10- Parent Meeting–6:30pm, Commons

### Tuesday, August 29, 2017

School Open House – 3:30 -6:30pm

Men's Bible Study – 6:30pm, Conference Room

AA – 8:00pm, Corner Room in the Ministry Center

### Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Breaking Open the Word - 6:30am, Narthex

(The 6:00pm time will return in September)

### Thursday, August 31, 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Day of School for St. John the Baptist Students

Baptism Class – 7:00pm, Fireplace Room

St. John's Prayer Group – 7:00pm, Sacristy

### Sunday, September 3, 2017

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### **Before you leave Church today...**

✓ Stop in the Sunday Office and purchase SCRIP

✓ Join us for Coffee & Donuts after the 8 & 10:00am Masses on Sunday – Hosted by Youth Ministry

## **SAVE THE DATE for "WOMEN CELEBRATE"**

**February 2-4, 2018**

Women Celebrate is Catholic based, yet embraces Christ and His people from all Christian walks of life. All women 18 years of age and older are invited to join in this beautiful celebration of God's love and goodness. Makes a beautiful gift for your mother, daughter, sister, aunt, neighbor, friend, spouse or for yourself. ON-LINE and mail-in registration will be available starting October 2.



### **Scrip News**

We will NOT be selling SCRIP next weekend. Due to the holiday weekend, I will be placing the SCRIP order on FRIDAY, September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Volunteers for:

Sept 2 & 3

Sept 9 & 10

Sept 16 & 17

NO SCRIP – HAPPY LABOR DAY

Vicki Torres and Jean Payette

NO SCRIP

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## Are you looking for a way to share your faith, time and talents with others?

The Faith Formation department needs you!! Volunteers are needed as catechists (teachers), catechist aides, safety monitors for the parking lot and hallways. You don't have to have a child in our program to volunteer.

We encourage all adults to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is right for you! We will provide training and support along the way. Here's what is needed for catechists:

### **Elementary and Middle School 6pm-7:15pm:**

Monday Night: Grades 3, 4, 6 and 8

Wednesday Night: Grades 3, 4, 7 and 8

**High School 7:30-8:45:** Grade 10 – 2 Wednesday male catechists

**Confirmation 7:00pm-8:30pm:** 3 catechists (Sunday nights)

Please contact Amy or Susan for more information at 920-434-2145 + the extension below.

**Grades 1-8 – Susan Casleton ext. 205**

**Grades 9-11 & Confirmation – Amy Mott ext. 212**

## **Faith Formation Late Registration for 2017/2018 School Year**

In case you missed the spring registration dates in April, you still have the following opportunities to enroll your children in Faith Formation classes for the fall.

- Monday, August 28, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm Parish Office
- By Appointment. Call 434-2145 ext. 206

To save time at registration you can print and bring the necessary filled out forms with you. Payment is due at the time of registration. The Registration Form for all grades and Youth Liability form (needed for grades 6 and up) are available at <http://www.sjbh.org/Faith-Formation.html>.

If you have any questions please call the Faith Formation office at 434-2145, ext. 206. See you soon!

## Notes from the Youth Evangelization Office:

### **ONLINE SURVEYS:**

Kym is looking for your (parishioner AND youth) insights for making this year fantastic! Please consider going online and taking a quick survey of ways we can include the youth and what your hopes and dreams are for the youth of the parish!

### **STUDENT SURVEY:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V35NHQG>

### **ADULT SURVEY:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VG72T87>

## **St. John the Baptist School News**

### **Principal Update**

The school year is just around the corner. Please pray for the intercession of Our Lady of Good Help for a positive and healthy school year for each of our staff members and students. This is an exciting time for the school as we are welcoming 34 new families to our school and a number of highly-qualified teachers are joining our team. (You can meet our new teachers on our Facebook page: @SJBHschool.) This year we will be working hard on a number of curricular areas. Locally, we will be working to elevate our primary literacy program. GRACE-wide, teachers will be working to focus and align the math curriculum. We will also be working on a number of initiatives to foster the strong sense of family that is such a distinguishing feature of our Catholic school.

### **Employment Opportunities**

St. John the Baptist School is looking to fill the following positions. It is always our preference to hire a parishioner. We will work with any new employee to provide training and support. Please consider if this is a way for you to share your time with the school.

- Lunch Room Supervisor – (TWRF, 2-hours per day)
- Extended Care Aides – Flexible schedule before and after school
- Recess Supervisor – (5 days/week, 4-hours per day)

Please email Principal Andrew Mulloy if interested: [amulloy@gracesystem.org](mailto:amulloy@gracesystem.org).



## PARISHIONER HELP WANTED

St. John the Baptist School is looking for a parishioner to join SAC, our Site Advisory Council. SAC meets once a month to discuss school policies, improvements, and future plans. We are looking for the voice of a parishioner to round out our team and offer valuable opinions and support for our growing school. Meetings are held in the Fireplace Room, the third Wednesday of every month from 6-7:30pm. Please contact Lisa LaCount at [sjb@benlacount.com](mailto:sjb@benlacount.com) or our school office at 434-2145. Thank you!

**WE ARE GRACE!**

**August 27, 2017**

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**What's a homemade Chocolate Chip Cookie worth to you?**

**\$.25=Cookie=A meal for a child!**

It's worth a hot, nutritious meal to a hungry child in over 70 countries **Feed My Starving Children** distributes to.

According to FMSC, it costs just 22 cents to provide a meal to a hungry child or adult, a meal which may make the difference between despair and hope, or even life and death. So when you buy one of the scrumptious cookies made by our St John's bakers, you are getting much more than a snack, you are also providing a meal to a person who may otherwise go without.

Please support our Feed My Starving Children Cookie Sale after all of the masses **September 9-10**. Every cookie is just 25¢, so for every cookie sold a meal is provided.

Let's fill as many bellies as we can.

Every Cookie Counts!

**Help Turn Hunger into Hope**



The packing of the meals will be October 2<sup>nd</sup> thru the 5<sup>th</sup>. On line registration will be opening soon. Keep an eye out for more information. Without your generous donations we are not able to purchase the food needed to pack. Please continue with your support!

Our parish contact persons are: Cheryl Yursis; [cyursis@yahoo.com](mailto:cyursis@yahoo.com) 920-819-6771 or Terry Raupp; [tjraupp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tjraupp@sbcglobal.net) 920-621-2075

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!!  
YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!**



The Fall Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) dates are set!

**Give this gift to yourself and your family.**

*The Men's weekend will be:*

*October 28-29, 2017*

*(Packer Bye Week)*

*The Women's weekend will be:*

*November 4-5, 2017*

*(Packer Monday eve game)*

We try our best to work around the Packer schedule, the hunting schedule, etc. Call now to save your spot. Any questions? Contact Ruth @ [rholloway@sjbh.org](mailto:rholloway@sjbh.org) or 434-2145 ext. 209.

**THAT MAN IS YOU – FALL SEMESTER 2017**



Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Want to be a better Husband? Become a more loving Father? Build friendships with other like-minded men of our Parish? And seek to be the best Man you can be? Then come join **THAT MAN IS YOU!**

Thursday mornings (6-7:30am) starting September 7.

For more info go to [www.thatmanisyou.org](http://www.thatmanisyou.org), call the Parish Office, Or contact Jerry Mader, TMIY Core Team Coordinator, [jmader@thebusinessnews.com](mailto:jmader@thebusinessnews.com), (920) 660-6397. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another" – Proverbs 27:17

**Have you thought about becoming Catholic?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the process by which a non-baptized person seeks membership in the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. It is also the process for those who are baptized but are seeking full communion with the Church through the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. If you are interested in deepening your faith and discovering the beauty of the Catholic Church there will be an informational meeting about RCIA held on Wednesday September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the fireplace room. For more info or questions please contact Katie Westhoven: [kwesthoven@sjbh.org](mailto:kwesthoven@sjbh.org) or 920-434-2145 ext. 204.

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## Looking ahead

08/26-27 Young people who recently participated in ministry trip will share their experiences at masses

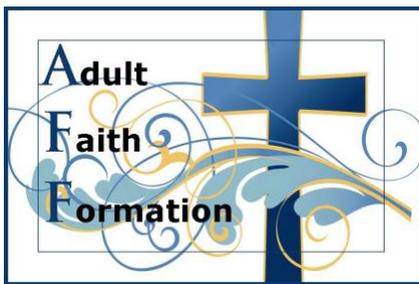
09/16 All members of the parish pastoral council and finance-administration council as well as parish trustees will be coming together here, along with others from area parishes.

**10/24 All parish staff from all the parishes in the diocese will be coming together at the KI center. Anyone employed 10 hours or more should be there as well as key parish key parish leaders.**



### **Seminarian Collection 2017 Hope for the Future, Help them Today**

Thank you to those who have participated in the annual Seminarian Collection: *Hope for the Future, Help them Today*. There is still time to respond to the great need we have to support our local seminarians. Have you made your gift? So far this year our parish has raised \$8,220.00. Last year, we raised a total of \$15,840.00. Let us see if we can increase our support of this important part of the mission of the Diocese of Green Bay. Disciples need to support one another. Make your gift today by mailing in your pledge card or visit [www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give](http://www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give).



## **The Wild Goose is Loose!!**

Do you recognize the Holy Spirit, the Wild Goose, working in your life? "If you allow him, the Wild Goose will lead you on an adventure greater than you can imagine. The Spirit will lead you to a place of mercy, healing, peace, and presence. The Holy Spirit has been given to us not as a possession to be tamed or controlled, but rather as a Person that will lead us to the Heart of God. The Wild Goose series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God's presence and power this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom."

—Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR

Join us on this life-changing 14-week journey Tuesday nights in the Church Narthex from 7:15-8:15pm. Sept. 12, 19, 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24; Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28; Dec. 5, 12, 19

For registration/questions/more info contact Katie Westhoven [kwesthoven@sjbh.org](mailto:kwesthoven@sjbh.org) or 920-434-2145 ext. 204

### **New Study/Discussion Group : "Being Disciples of Jesus"**

Those wishing to gain wisdom and purpose in your life and share your faith with others may be interested in this new study/discussion group. The group will meet weekly on Monday's from 6:30 pm – 8 pm on Sept. 11, 18, 25 and Oct. 2, 9, and 16 in the Ministry Center. Those interested in personal reflection/discernment, understanding Scripture, listening, and sharing God's message should consider attending. To be His disciples, Jesus asks us "to be with Him" and "to be sent out" (Mark 3:14). If you are seeking fulfillment on your discipleship journey, please contact David Yeghiaian at [dyeghiaian@gmail.com](mailto:dyeghiaian@gmail.com) to register or gain additional information. Information on how to order the book coming soon.

### **Time to register for the 2017-2018 Women's Bible Study**

There are three different times available for your convenience. The Saturday and Monday evening classes are studying "Acts". This study will encompass both the fall and spring sessions. This is a 20 week course. We have added a couple weeks in the schedule for snow days.

The Thursday morning class will be studying "Psalms" in Fall and "Revelation" in Spring. These are each a 10 week course. We have added a week or two in the schedule for snow days. All are welcome - come join this great experience.

This year we are offering:

**Monday AM 9:15-11:00** — Oct. 2-Nov. 20 Finishing the Matthew study. (Not adding members at this time.)

**Monday PM 6:00-7:30** — "Acts" Sept. 18-Nov. 27 (11 weeks) and then continuing Jan. 29-April 16 (12 weeks)

**Thursday AM 9:30-11:15** — "Psalms" Sept. 14-Nov.30 (12 weeks); "Revelation" Jan. 11-March 22 (11 weeks)

**Saturday AM 8:00-9:45** — "Acts" Sept. 16-Dec. 9 (13 weeks) and then continuing Jan. 13-March 17 (10 weeks). This is a 20 week course. We have a couple weeks added in the schedule for snow days.

Most sessions will begin in September 2017 and again in January 2018. Each participant will need a workbook and have access online for review.

\*\*The costs is \$28.95 plus shipping for "Acts".

\*\*The costs is \$23.95 plus shipping for **each** "Psalms" and "Revelation".

### **\*\*\*Please respond by Sept. 8, 2017.\*\*\***

**Each session may be limited so be sure to sign up as soon as possible.** Signing up and payment is now processed online. Contact **Cheryl Yursis** at **920-819-6771** or email [cyursis@yahoo.com](mailto:cyursis@yahoo.com) to help get you set up.

For more information, please go to the parish website and click on the link.

We have been so blessed at St. John's by our lay leaders of prayer who have presided on Tuesday mornings for Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion.

Now that we have a Mass at 6:30 on Tuesday evenings, Bishop Ricken has asked us not to have a Communion service on the same day as Mass. We want to emphasize participation at the evening Mass.

Thank you to Lynn Greisinger, Gary Van Helvoirt, Dave Bjorkman, Tom Younger, Sr. Kathy, Sr. Celine, Jean Payette, Gary Lockstein, Deacon Manny Torres and Ruth Holloway who have been so prayerful and inspirational in presiding through the years. We are grateful for the beautiful reflections that they shared with all who attended.

These lay leaders of prayer have been wonderful. We are very blessed to have the opportunity to attend a weekday Mass on Tuesday evening at 6:30pm and Wednesday through Friday mornings at 8:30am. **We will have the Liturgy of the Word with Communion August 22 and August 29 to finish out the summer but there will be no morning services from September on.**

You have blessed us! Thank you!

*Karen Buchinger  
Fr. John*



### **Discipleship formation seminar**

*This past year all priests, pastoral leaders and Diocesan employees went through a Discipleship Formation seminar.*

This year, all deacons, principals, religious education administrators, parish staff and leaders (members of the pastoral council, finance council, trustees, etc.) will go through the Discipleship Formation seminar.

Deacons: September 29-30 at Abby

Religious education administrators: October 24<sup>th</sup> at KI Convention center.

Parish staff: October 24 at KI Convention Center

Parish leaders: nine regional one-day Seminars (dates and places to be announced soon).

*St. John's Youth Evangelization coordinator, Kym Alex and her husband Preston are seeking an outgoing, fun-loving babysitter for their 6 children, ages 2-9 years old. Because the hours vary, being flexible is a must.*

*Creatively scheduling time with middle school and high school students is crucial. Evenings and weekend hours away from family is sometimes necessary. But while away from the family, assurance of quality care for the children is even more crucial.*

*Do you know of someone who would love to inspire the Alex children while their mother is working with our middle school and high school students? Bonus points if you like to do fun arts and crafts!*

*Please call Kym. She would love to talk with you, 434-2145 ext. 214.*

### **St. John's Prayer Group**

St. John's Prayer group has been meeting every Thursday night at 7:00pm in the Church Narthex for the past seven years. It is always open to anyone who wants to grow in their faith. Through music, scripture, personal testimony, and various forms of prayer, we lift up our country, our parish, our families and our youth. If you have a personal prayer request, call Marilyn Johnson at 434-0332. We will lift up your need in prayer. Please consider joining us. The schedule for Breaking Open the Sunday Readings is on Wednesday mornings from 6:30-7:30am in the Narthex. Everyone is invited! If you have a bible, please bring it along, but it isn't required. No need to sign up; just show up when you can. This is the week to give it a try!



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## Liturgical Ministries

The complete schedule is online at [www.sjbh.org/parishcal](http://www.sjbh.org/parishcal)

	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Usher</b>	<b>Musicians</b>
Saturday Sept. 2 4:30pm	Chris Carlotto Christine Urban Eileen Condon Faye Klasen Keri Steffens Lois O'Neil Patricia White Roseann Mader	1 - Celine Goessl 2 - Cathy Ault  <b>Altar Servers</b> Ella Jensen Noah Weslow	Bill Wulf Maribeth Larsheid Peyton Larsheid Sarah Wulf Tim & family Larsheid	Frank Wierzba - Head Gary Van Helvoirt Larry Reimer Mike Ault Sherry Van Helvoirt Yvonne Wierzba	The Peot Family
Sunday Sept. 3 8:00am	Carol Gagan Dave Bertrand Ken VanDeYacht Liz Beyers Matt Utech Rosemary Piechowski Tony Nowak	<b>Lector</b> 1 - Larry Solway 2 - Jerry Tilly  <b>Altar Servers</b> Catie Nowak Isaac Nowak	Carol Gagan Carolyn Komorowski Joe Komorowski John Dedich Michelle Dahlke	Bob Gagan - Head Chris Pamperin Dave Bainbridge Fred Fischer Mike Carroll Thomas Mix	The Peot Family
Sunday Sept. 3 10:00am	Casey Chrudimsky Chelsea Chrudimsky Deanna Williams Gloria D'souza Joel Williams Karen Bodoh Lori Wendricks Mike Carlson Sherise Carlson Yvonne Busarow	<b>Lector</b> 1 - Jeff Lucas 2 - Kathleen Krause  <b>Altar Servers</b> Dmitry Williams Emerson Dycus	Camden, Amelia, Brock Chrudimsky Casey Chrudimsky Chelsea Chrudimsky Rana Chrudimsky Yvonne Busarow	Adam Ronsman Bennett Schmitz Ed Casleton - Head Justin Casleton Kathy Yaggie Mike Abel Sam Schmitz Tony Yaggie	Kim & Bob's Group

## DID YOU KNOW...?

### CANDLES

Candles are lit for many reasons in the Catholic Church. They are lit during the Mass, at Baptisms, funerals, etc. Candles are lit by the tabernacle to signify the Lord's presence in the Eucharist.

The origins of lighting candles can be traced back to the Old Testament where an oil lamp is lit to 'keep a flame burning perpetually' (Exodus 27:19-20) In today's church, the light symbolizes Christ who said: "I am the light of the world, the one who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Christ is the source of all light. As long as we have faith, he will strengthen and inspire us.

*'The Church of the Holy Sepulcher'*

