

Welcome to St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish – Howard

Before you leave Church today...

- ✓New Member Registration on Sunday Morning after the 8 & 10:00am Masses in the FPR
- ✓Join us for Coffee & Donuts after the Sunday Morning Masses - Hosted by Faith Formation
- ✓Pick up your Fair Trade Coffee Order in the Family Room.

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

Would you love to follow in the footprints of Adele Brise, whom our Blessed Mother appeared to?

Mary asked Adele to gather the children and teach them what they should know for salvation. She also gave Brise these words of encouragement: "Go and fear nothing, I will help you." I am still looking for Wednesday night catechists for 4th, 7th, and 8th grades. I am open to people teaching every other week. If you would like to join our team, give me a call.

Thanks,
Susan Casleton ext. 205

Come pray for the Confirmation Candidates...

as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation! We begin prayer Sunday nights at 7pm with the candidates. After the opening prayer, adults are welcome to stay to pray with Dcn. Nick. The prayer may vary each night. There will be quiet time and some time to learn a little about what the candidates are learning.

Schedule (7pm-8:15pm in Church):

September 24
October 1
October 8 Confirmation Retreat (9am-4:30pm) more information TBD
October 15
November 5, 12, 19
December 6 - Join us for the Sacrament of Reconciliation
December 10



Contact Amy Mott if you have any questions at 434-2145 x 212

Dear People of God,

After much reflection and prayer, the Food Pantry at St. John's will be closing as of October 1, 2017. This was a very difficult decision but it will enable people to be better served. The St. Vincent de Paul ministry has been working to serve better as well. They have the ability to provide far more choices and resources than we can. In addition, it has been more difficult to find people to staff the pantry.

Our pantry was envisioned as an emergency resource for people of the parish. There is a strong pattern of giving to those in need. We appreciate all that the people of St. John's have contributed and will continue to bring food to share. We will make sure that anything collected over the weekend will be given to Paul's Pantry.

The families from the Howard area that have used our pantry have been notified and provided with information on where they can go for food items.

People from our Social Concerns committee have been very careful to make sure that people know where they can get food and other things people need.

St. John's will continue to be here for our parish families on emergency basis. Monetary gifts will continue to be accepted and used for gift cards at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter.

Fr. John

The Cookie Sale was a Great Success!



A **BIG** Thank you to everyone who baked the wonderful cookies we sold. AND to all the generous people who bought the cookies and gave donations. With the money collected we will be able to pay for over 3,500 meals.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

***The Mobile Pack will be October 2 – 5

Please pray for a successful event!

ALL WOMEN OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Once upon a time: We learn to tell our stories. You are welcome to join the Catholic Women/Christian Mothers for our first meeting of the new year on Thursday, Sept. 21. Social begins at 6:00pm with the business meeting at 6:30pm in the school commons. Root Beer floats and ice cream will be served by the officers. Remember to bring a donation of Kleenex, toilet paper, or napkins for our parish pantry. Any questions please call Sally Ronsman at 497-2235 or email at gsronsman5@gmail.com.

Shelter Meal



On Monday, September 11th, St. John the Baptist Parish served a hot chili dinner to 181 people (plus seconds) at the **New Community Shelter** on Mather Street in downtown Green Bay. Special thanks to the 12 families who provided chili, the 11 families who baked desserts, 7 families who donated fruit and the 2 families who served. Thanks to all involved for their generosity! If you are interested in helping cook, bake, or serve, please call and let us know. We would be happy to add you to our list of volunteers! Call Ellen Buss at 366-7489 or Mary Graycarek at 676-1332.

September 17, 2017

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announcing the Fall CRHP dates!

Men's-October 28-29

Women's-November 4-5, 2017

"By name I call you....."

The weekend will renew your relationship with Jesus and new friendships with other men from the parish will be formed. Give this gift to yourself and your family. Call Ruth @ 434-2145 x 209

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>

CATHOLIC WOMEN/CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

The Green Bay Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Day of Enlightenment VII seeks to support, educate, and empower Catholic Women. On Saturday, September 30, 2017 at St. Jude Parish, 1420 Division Street in Green Bay is hosting:

"Once Upon A Time: We Learn To Tell Our Stories."

Registration and Continental Breakfast begins at 8:15 a.m. followed by Eucharistic Liturgy.

Father Edward Looney, Marian Enthusiast and writer will speak about *"Mary, An Exemplary Disciple."*

Rebecca Sievers, Camp Director of Camp Tekakwitha, will speak about *"Experiencing God through the Great Outdoors."*

Kristin Bird, Burning Hearts Disciples, from Oshkosh will speak about *Discovering Your Faith Story.*

The day will end at approx. 2:30p.m.

If you are interested in attending this event please contact Sally Ronsman @ 497-2235 or by email gronsman5@gmail.com by Sept. 18th. You must be pre-registered to attend.

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.

Thank you to all who have participated in the annual Seminarian Collection 2017



Hope for the Future, Help them Today!

There is still time to respond to the great need we have to support our local seminarians.

2016 numbers: 138 families gave \$10,680 as of this date

2017 numbers: 172 families gave \$13,130 as of this date

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.

**Integrating Science & Christianity Study
Christians can boldly pursue science without reservation**

This course will assist in teaching the fullness of both science and Christianity. Our pursuit of truth will bring together both the objective truths of nature discovered by science and the spiritual truths taught by Jesus. Topics include: problems with making science a religion, limits of science, physics, cosmology, evolution, human origin, purpose, beauty, and errors arguing for a conflict between science and Christianity.

Instructor: Warren Johnson, PhD in Biochemistry

Text req: Christopher T. Baglow, *Faith Science & Reason*, Midwest Theological Forum, 2011.

Location: 6:30-8:30 pm; Wed. Sept. 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25 in the lower Ministry Center

Registration required: contact Ruth @ 434-2145 ext. 209 OR rholloway@sjbh.org

Anointing of the Sick

We will be offering the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick Tuesday, September 19th during the 6:30pm Mass

"The special grace of the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick has as its effects: the uniting of the sick person to the passion of Christ, for his own good and that of the whole Church; the strengthening, peace, and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of illness or old age; the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of penance; the restoration of health, if it is conducive to the salvation of his soul; the preparation for passing over to eternal life" (CCC 1532).

Please join us!

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2017-18 GRACE Annual Appeal

The GRACE Annual Appeal is our annual giving campaign for the GRACE Catholic schools and donations provide immediate support for the system and our 2,000 students. With your financial support and prayers, together we can achieve our goal of providing opportunities for our students to learn and grow in faith. Donations can be forwarded to the GRACE Development

Office, 1087 Kellogg Street, Green Bay, WI 54303 or online at gracesystem.org/donate.

St. John the Baptist School News

Principal's Reflection

The school year is off to a great start! We've seen a slight increase in our K-8 and overall enrollment this year. One change this year is that we will have Mass as a whole school each week at 8:30 a.m. – you are welcome to join us any week. We continue to work to strengthen our sense of community, and this year we are beginning monthly Family Groups. During Family Groups, each adult in the building leads a small group of students in prayer, the reading of scripture, and in a small team building activity. Our strong connections and faith-based community is at the core of our identity along with a commitment to strong academics.

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.

- Extended Care Aides – Flexible schedule before and after school
- Recess Supervisor – (MWF, 3-hours per day)
Please email Principal Andrew Mulloy if interested:
amulloy@gracesystem.org



BOOK REVIEW

Do you have trouble sharing the story of Jesus and our salvation with your children? The Garden, the Curtain, and the Cross by: Carl Laferton, is a brilliant re-telling of the one story that rules all other stories. It is colorful, engaging, creative, and summarizes the story of the Bible; our story of salvation. This children's book is great for the whole family to connect with the story of Jesus and His role in our lives. Do we believe Jesus is our close friend and wants the best for us? Reading this book is a great reminder of that and gives us language to talk with our children about it daily!

Submitted by: Katie Westhoven

Interested in submitting a book, video, audio, or movie review?! Contact Katie Westhoven at 920-434-2145 ext. 204 or by email: kwesthoven@sjbh.org

What is a member of the Parish Staff Reading this Week?

Katie Westhoven-- These Beautiful Bones: An Everyday Theology of the Body

By: Emily Stimpson

Calling ALL adults!

The Office of Youth Evangelization are seeking adult parishioners who are willing to impact the future of the young Church! Please contact Kym if you are possibly interested, and don't worry a phone call or email does not lock you into a commitment ☺ Currently, we are seeking joy-filled individuals who would be available to help for a plethora of leadership groups; immediate needs including:

Open Fish Bowl Hospitality Ministry Team:

Starting in October, Mondays and/or Wednesdays from 5-6 p.m. or 6:50-7:40 p.m. Training is provided and radical joy will be experienced ☺

A-Team

Small group leaders needed for our monthly youth nights (3rd Fridays and/or 4th Saturday nights)! Help us inspire the young Church through small group discussions, witness talks, praise and worship, and quality ministry that will lead us all closer to Christ. Training is provided and strides in your personal faith journey is practically guaranteed ☺

Bosco Day/Fire on the Hill

"The Rock" is this year's theme, where middle school and High school Students are invited to join us for a day-long AMAZING retreat to Holy Hill where they will experience fantastic speakers who will light us on fire with our faith; as well as food, fun, a huge bonfire (the size of a school bus), and wonderful encounters with our Faith.

When: Saturday, Oct 7th 6 a.m.-8 p.m.

Where: We're taking a bus to Holy Hill



Buffalo Wild Wings
giving 10% to SJB!
*** Oneida St. Location Only ***

Come enjoy lunch AND dinner!
Tues, Sept 26
11am - Midnight

Buffalo Wild Wings is giving back 10% of purchases made ALL DAY by those who show this SJB ad or mention SJB School.

Invite friends & family!
Hope to see you there!

 **DINING for DOLLAR\$** 

September 17, 2017

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.



Saints Alive Then & Now Saints Alive

To commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Green Bay, St. Agnes Parish is offering a six-part series on the 19th century saints. Presentations will be offered at 2 & 6:00pm on September 26, October 3, 10 & 24, November 7 & 14.

KC Council #6279 - St. John the Baptist Cribbage Tournament

September 19, 2017 6:30pm

Townline Sports Bar & Grill 2544 Lineville Rd.

Doors open at 5:30pm for food and refreshments

The entry fee is \$40.00 per team (\$20.00 per person)

Entry fee includes food and refreshments. Bring a non-perishable item & be entered into a door prize drawing.

Annual Skin Screening

Come in and have questionable skin concerns checked by a Health Professional. No Registration Required.

Provided by Forefront Dermatology – Kurt Holst, PA-C

Monday, September 25, 2017

Nelson Hall – Ss. Edward and Isidore Parish

3667 Flintville Road, Green Bay 54313 from 8am – 11 am

Flu Shot Clinic at Ss. Edward and Isidore (Nelson Hall)

Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017 from 2:30pm – 5:15pm

Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017 from 7:30am – 11:15am

High-Dose (age 65 and older) and Quadrivalent (ages 6-64 – coverage against 4 different influenza strains) vaccines available.

Pay by Commercial Insurance, Medicare, Cash or Check.

Please bring your Insurance/Medicare card you use at the pharmacy for billing purposes. Vaccines are fully covered by most insurances. Vaccines given by CVS Pharmacy.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 27 through November 5 you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 Days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 2605 S Oneida St. St John the Baptist time-slot is Noon to 2 p.m. every Thursday starting September 28. If you'd like to volunteer to help please call Diane at 920-609-7519 or Butch Beyers at 920-434-3679 to join the sleep no more group of men on Thursday nights from 10 pm to Midnight.

40 Days for Life opening ceremony will be held at two Crisis Pregnancy Centers in Green Bay.

Date: Tuesday, September 19 and Thursday, 21 from 6-8pm

Where: #1 A & A Alexandrina Pregnancy Center at 101 N Webster Ave. (Corner of Webster and Walnut Streets)

#2 Bay Area Counseling at 430 S Webster Ave Please drop in during those times for a visit.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear People of God,

About a week ago, I came to the parish office and found what a pastor doesn't like to find. There was a simple envelope from Judi Tilly whom many of you have come to know as our receptionist in the parish center. Judi has chosen to retire from her position as the face of St. John the Baptist Parish.

"You need Scrip? Just a minute, I can get that".

"You want to have a mass said for your husband? Sure, we can do that. By the way, how are you doing?"

"You look like you've had a long day. Hope you can get some rest tonight". Said to a staff person.

"Would you like a piece of candy?" said to a child who already has his or her eyes on the candy jar that always awaits children who stop into the office.

"Here, let me do that for you." Said to everyone who needed her help.

"You need help running something off? I can help you.

"So glad to see you. That surgery took a lot out of you. Glad you're back."

For years, Judi has been a receptionist but so much more.

Whether it was the first call received for the day or the person who stopped in just about the time Judi was locking up, Judi was there with a smile, an interest in the person she was talk to and with a lift in her voice.

Judi has been the face of St. John's for over 27 years and we are ever so grateful for all that she has done.

She has served with integrity, compassion and a love for the St. John's people that each of us have felt.

Another will pick up from where Judi will leave off but there will always be something not quite the same. Judi, we appreciate all that you have done.

So, we are looking for someone to serve in this very important position. If you would like to know more and would like to apply or encourage another, please check the bulletin for an overview of what is needed and submit to Deacon Manny. The deadline for submission will be September 25.

Fr. John

WHO YOU GONNA CALL????

It's not Ghostbusters! At St. John's when you call the office normally our secretary, Judi, answers the phone. On September 30th Judi will be retiring after more than 27 years here at St. John's. So who are you going to call? We are looking for someone to become that voice who answers the phone. The voice that has answers to your questions or directs you to someone who does have the answer. We are looking for that voice, that person who welcomes members and non-members alike to our offices. If you feel you can greet people with both a smile in your voice and a smile on your face. If you see your work in our office as a mission of our parish. If you have experience working with Microsoft Office to include Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher. If you would be willing to enter into the world of social media and administer our Facebook accounts, you could be that person to be the first to greet people who contact or come to our office. For more information on this job opening, to drop off a resume in person or by email please contact Deacon Manny at 920-434-2145 extension 213, email mtorres@sjbh.org. Resumes are due in the office by the end of the day on Monday, September 25, 2017.

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Liturgical Ministries

The complete schedule is online at www.sjbh.org/parishcal

	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Greeter	Usher	Musicians
Saturday Sept. 23 4:30pm	Brian Mc Kean Eileen Condon Francis Neis Jeff Taylor Lynn Mc Kean Megan Kaufmann Peggy Neis Roseann Mader	1 - Lisa Christiansen 2 - Patricia White Altar Servers Jay Marotz Madison Larscheid	Alex Mc Kean Dede Rife Sam Mc Kean Stan Lardinois	Chris Hopp Frank Wierzba - Head Jeff Pamperin Larry Reimer Mike Gorniak Yvonne Wierzba	Children's Choir
Sunday Sept. 24 8:00am	Bill Meo Bob Buss Diane Stepien Ken VanDeYacht Linn Heinzen Liz Beyers Sarah Neal Twila Meo	Lector 1 - John Vandermause 2 – Jillianne Pruetting Altar Servers Adelyn Tooley Alyla Tooley	Briana Peters Dan & family Tooley Jared Peters Jerry Tilly Karen Tooley	Bob Gagan - Head Chris Pamperin Dave Bainbridge Fred Fischer Mike Carroll Thomas Mix	Resurrection Choir
Sunday Sept. 24 10:00am	Carol Mueller Colleen Thompson Craig Gezella Erik Aleson Gary Ronsman Karen Monfre Lori Gezella Mary Graycarek Sally Ronsman Sarah Patterson	Lector 1 - Mark Warden 2 - Dale Garfield Altar Servers Alex Warden Luke Warden	Erik Aleson Janel Aleson Lane Aleson Laurel Aleson	Adam Ronsman Bennett Schmitz David Bjorkman - Head Jacob Meyer Kathy Yaggie Peter Mueller Sam Schmitz Tony Yaggie	Karen & The Youth Group

DID YOU KNOW...?

Divine Mercy Picture

From the diary of a young Polish nun, a special devotion began spreading throughout the world in the 1930s. The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

“Paint an image according to the pattern you see with the signature:

Jesus, I trust in You... I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish”.

The chaplet is associated with the paintings of the image as in Faustina's diary. In the image, Jesus stands with one hand outstretched in blessing, the other clutching the side wounded by the spear, from which proceed beams of falling light, colored red and white. An explanation of these colors was given to Saint Faustina by Jesus himself saying, "**The two rays represent blood and water**". These colors of the rays refer to the "blood and water" of the Gospel of John (John 19:34). The words "Jesus I Trust in You" usually accompany the image. Jesus comforted her saying, "**Not in the beauty of the color, nor of the brush is the greatness of this image, but in My grace**". The most widely used is an image painted by Adolf Hyla, who painted the image in thanksgiving for having survived World War II. The Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday was granted to the Universal Church by Pope John Paul II on 30 April 2000.



The message of mercy is that God loves us — all of us —no matter how great our sins. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC.

A — *Ask for His Mercy.* God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B — *Be merciful.* God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C — *Completely trust in Jesus.* God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

thedivinemercy.org and Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul, by Faustina Kowalska.