



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Liturgical Celebrations
Weekdays: See inside bulletin
Saturday Eve (Vigil Mass): 5:00 PM
Sunday: 10:00 am
1:00 pm "en Español"

**Holy days of obligation
that fall on weekdays**
Vigil Mass: Check Bulletin
Holy day: 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Penance
Weekdays: Before Mass
Saturday: 4:00-4:45 pm
Anytime by Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism
Call parish office to set date.

Sacrament of Matrimony
Arrangements must be made
with the pastor at least six months prior to the
wedding date.

New Parishioners
You are most welcome. Please
stop by the rectory to register.

Bulletin Deadline
Monday- 3:00 PM.

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

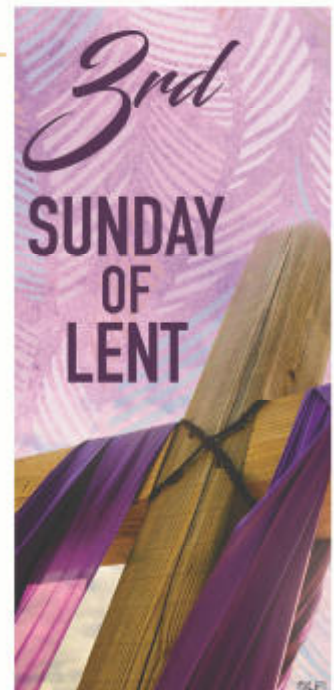
- SUN 3/07** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
- MON 3/08** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30
- TUE 3/09** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
- WED 3/10** Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
- THR 3/11** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
- FRI 3/12** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
- SAT 3/13** Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
- SUN 3/14** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Lent
- Monday:** St. John of God, Religious
- Tuesday:** St. Frances of Rome, Religious
- Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

With our world in such constant turmoil and conflict, it makes such good sense to return to the simple directives given in the Ten Commandments. God's unassuming guidelines provide the perfect recipe for ordering our relationships with God, others, and even ourselves. But yet, we are so quick to glance beyond them and even remove them from public view because we foolishly believe we can create something better. Arrogance runs far deeper in the members of our society than we can ever imagine. Lent is a perfect time to call ourselves back to our foundations and the basic relationships that comprise our lives. It is also a time to remember that Jesus is the true sign of God's presence. Everything he says and does, including his suffering and death, is a sign of the God who sent him. The anger we witness when Jesus exhorts those in the temple to stop making his Father's house a marketplace can equally be seen in his anger and frustration over humanity's constant mission to turn God's creation into a secular world. We have a lot of work to do for sure.



*Your words are
everlasting
life.*

— PSALM 19 —

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SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021 | 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

3526 St. Johns Way, South Bend, IN 46628

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021

8:30 AM Pat DeClercq by Altar & Rosary

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021

8:30 AM No Mass Intention

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021

8:30 AM John & Ruth Benhart by Debbie & Mark

THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021

8:30 AM No Mass Intention

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2021

8:30 AM Joseph & Gertrude Marko

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 2021

5:00 PM William & Jean Cybulski by Winnicki Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2021

10:00 AM Joseph Tomkiewicz, Jr. by Dolres Cebulski

1:00 PM For Our Parish Family

1st Reading – Exodus 20:1-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: “I, the LORD, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or worship them. For I, the LORD, your God, am a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their fathers’ wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.

“You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain.

“Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD, your God. No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter, or your male or female slave, or your beast, or by the alien who lives with you. In six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

“Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him.”

The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm –

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; The decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the command of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eye.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

They are more precious than gold, than a heap of purest gold; sweeter also than syrup or honey from the comb.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters: Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

Verse Before The Gospel – John 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

Gospel – John 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, “Take these out of here, and stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.” His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. At this the Jews answered and said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” Jesus answered and said to them, “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

The Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Parish News

Prayer Chain: Do you need prayers? Call the St. John's Prayer Chain and within hours these intentions will be in the prayers of every member of the prayer chain. To start the prayer chain, call Sylvia Ryan at 574-233-2869.

Hospital & Home Communion Calls: If you are in the hospital or homebound and would like to receive Communion or a visit from Fr. Glenn, please call the Rectory at 233-5414 or Holy Family at 282-2317. Also if you know of any parishioner that is in a nursing home or assisted living, please let us know so we can visit them. Thank you

The Light is on You: This Lent, every parish in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend will have confessions available on Tuesday, March 9 from 6-8 p.m.

Stations of the Cross: Friday's at 2:10 pm with school children & 7:00 pm in Spanish. Holy Family Stations are Friday's at 6:00 pm.

News & Notes

St. Bavo Parish, 524 W 8th Street Mishawaka will be hosting a **Drive-thru only original Jonah Fish Fry on Friday, March 12th from 4-7 pm.** Cost is **\$10 per boxed dinner** and includes 4 pcs of fish, coleslaw, chips, roll and cookies, No presales.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Lenten Fish Fry Drive-thru only on Friday, March 19 from 3:30 to 7:00 pm. Pre-sale tickets recommended. Call the parish office at 291-3775. All meals are **\$10.00 each.**

REKINDLE THE FIRE VIDEO SERIES

The men of Rekindle will be premiering a FREE, 30-minute video every 3rd Sunday of the month. We will introduce a video every month leading up to the 2022 conference in Ft. Wayne. Please join us on rekindlethefire.net or the RTF Facebook Page. If you have any questions, email us at rekindlethefiremen@gmail.com or message us through Facebook [@RekindleTheFire](https://www.facebook.com/RekindleTheFire).

SJHS is in need of two cafeteria workers (part time/school year) and one maintenance worker (full time/year round). Interested parties can find more information at www.saintjoehigh.com under the About Us > Employment Opportunities tab. Please direct questions to Ginny Weaver at 574-232-1140 or gweaver@saintjoehigh.com.

Fr. Glenn's Pen

This weekend many places in the world celebrate the Scrutinies. Those who are drawn to practice the Catholic Faith are invited to reflect more deeply on what it means to be Catholic. The Scrutinies are also for us, we are invited to reflect on how seriously we reflect Jesus in our own eyes. There are three cycles of reading, A, B and C. Currently we are in year B, but cycle A is sometimes used when the Scrutinies are celebrated on the weekend.

Cycle A relates Moses bringing forth water from the rock, and St. Paul assures us that God does not disappoint, while the Gospel is the Woman at the Well. Jesus says to her that salvation is from the Jews, but there will come a time when we will not worship on this mountain or that, but in Spirit and Truth. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. We technically are a Jewish denomination and fulfill what Jesus states, we worship in Spirit and Truth.

In cycle B we hear God giving Moses the Ten Commandments, they are not the Ten Suggestions! Paul reminds us that we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles. In the Gospel Jesus gets angry at the religious leaders who seemingly were using the Divine service to profit. Religion can be big business and sadly many use it that way. We can only imagine how this displeases Jesus still today.

Lent is a time for us to struggle for holiness even in a more intense way. The definition of sin is very helpful for us, from the Catechism it is n. 1849.

Sin is an offense against reason, truth, and right conscience; it is failure in genuine love for God and neighbor caused by a perverse attachment to certain goods. It wounds the nature of man and injures human solidarity. It has been defined as "an utterance, a deed, or a desire contrary to the eternal law."



A good summary of this definition is "Sin is stupid!" The only reason why something is sinful is because it harms us. Holiness is happiness! May this Lent draw us closer to Christ!

30 SUNDAY OF LENT



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