

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 our office, located at Holy Family, to register.

Bulletin Deadline Monday- 3:00 PM.

Email Address: johnthebaptistcc@aol.com Website: www.stjohnsb.com

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. (Neh 8:8)

PSALM:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

SECOND READING:

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)

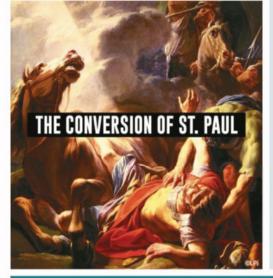
GOSPEL:

- He said to them,
- "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 1:21)

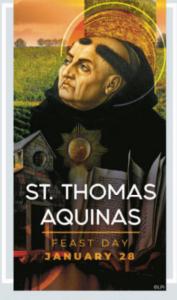
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

Sunday:	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent,
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Monday:	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
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Next Sunday:	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
	Celebrate Catholic Schools Week



3 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saint of the Week

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022 9:00 AM All Souls Remembrances

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 9:00 AM All Souls Remembrances

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022 9:00 AM George Metz

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2022 9:00 AM All Souls Remembranes

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2022 9:00 AM All Souls Remembrances

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2022 5:00 PM Danny Badur

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022

10:00 AM All Souls Remembrances 1:00 PM For Our Parish Family

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or Sunday: 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30 Monday: Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk Friday: 4:26-34 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

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LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.

This Week in our Parishes

Monday, January 24, 2022

9:30 amLegion of Mary—St. John6:30 pmR.C.I.A. Classes at Holy Family

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

After MassDivine Mercy/Bible Study-St. John6:30 pmBible Study-Holy Family Msgr. Galic Rm7:00 pmChoir Practice

Thursday, January 27, 2022 8:30 am Bible Study-H.F. Msgr. Galic Rm

Saturday, January 29, 2022 4:00-4:45pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, January 30, 2022 1:00 pm La Misa en Española

~~~~NEWS & NOTES~~~~~

SOMETHING NEW COMING ... SYNODAL LISTENING SESSION

Through Synod 2021-23, Pope Francis is seeking input from ALL members of the laity, especially those whose voice is not typically heard. You are invited to share how the Holy Spirit is speaking to you. The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is hosting listening sessions across our geographical region from late January through early March. The diocese will then prepare a summary document on these consultations to share with the Vatican. Interested? To learn more, attend our listening session on Thursday, February 3, at St. Pius X Parish, Granger, IN. 6pm Holy Mass with Listening Session to follow or visit <u>diocesefwsb.org/synod</u> for other opportunities.

Warren Township Little League Registration is open until 3/31/2022 at <u>www.warrenll.org/registration</u> or in person registration on 3/5/22 & 3/19/22 3:00pm-5:00pm at the Quince Rd Fire Station.

Save the Date: Holy Family Las Vegas Night will be on Saturday, April 23, 2022. Watch bulletin for more details as the date gets closer.

ATTENTION, MEN! Join the men around the diocese for the annual diocesan Rekindle the Fire Men's Conference which will take place on Saturday, February 26 from 9:30 to 5:30 pm. Speakers include Tim Staples, Nathan Crankfield, Fr. Wade Menezes and Jason Shanks. This year, the conference will be held in Fort Wayne at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. Registration is \$45.00 before February 2 and \$50.00 after February 2. Go to www.rekindlethefire.net to register.

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 574-233-5414 or Holy Family at 574-282-2317. 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

2021 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS. Contribution records for 2021 closed December 31. We thank you for your support of the parish and the many different special causes that you contributed to during the past year. Now that we are into 2022, all donations made now are being recorded for the new year. Your 2021 contribution report can be picked up at the back of church.

2022 PARISH CALENDARS. 2022 parish calendars continue to be available on the table in the vestibule. Please, one per household. They will be available until our supply (what is on the tables) is exhausted.



Living Rosary Apostolate

At this weekend Masses January 22 & 23 before the final Blessing, we will have guest speakers Frank & Trudy Bonack, give a brief

presentation on the "Living Rosary". They will explain how thousands of individuals and families around the world, pray one decade daily. They will inform us where and how this simple beautiful devotion started. Anyone interested in signing up can stop by their table after Mass and receive a schedule.



Fr. Glenn's Pen

In the first reading we hear the account of Ezra discovering sacred writings after the people's return to their homeland after decades. The people's first response was terror, seemingly because they had been ignoring the demands of the law. Ezra assures them that their new found knowledge is cause for rejoicing not sorrow! God is a god of mercy and is quick to forgive.

One of the most beautiful aspects of this reading is the people's openness to God's teaching. Sadly our culture is quite cynical. We are slow to believe anything and seemingly even slower in putting our trust in something or someone. These attitudes are not without reason. The scandals in the Church, at least one cardinal who had betrayed his vows among countless priests and even bishops have fallen prey to the enemy's wiles, have done great damage. Evil has a telltale sign, it is always self-destructive. In the end evil destroys itself insofar as it has any being at all. Our task is to accept God and His teachings.

Let us embrace the Psalmist's message that the law of the Lord is perfect, the precepts are right and that God is indeed our rock and redeemer.

Paul reflects on the Mystical Body of Christ. We all have our role to play. The Body thrives when we all do our part. We must strive to heal our divisions. The way to do this is by embracing what the Church has always taught. We must strive to really discern the gifts we have been given.

In this Year C of the Liturgical cycle we turn towards Luke's Gospel. It begins with Luke's testimony on how he put this Gospel together and then we skip to chapter 4 and hear Jesus proclaim that He has fulfilled the passage from Isaiah that he would bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives and sight to the blind and the oppressed would be set free.

I pray that I can be as open as the people of Ezra's time to trust in the word of the Lord. May we all hunger to know God's laws and precepts! May we strive to deepen our faith and share it with those around us! May we more deeply understand how Jesus is essential for our peace, love and joy!

> Sunday Collection January 16, 2022 Adult: \$1,981.00 Loose: \$222.00

Weekly Budget Amt: \$2,385.62 Variance for week: (\$182.62)

Usher's Schedule

Saturday, January 29: Bob Krol & Taylor Fodrocy Sunday, January 30: Bob Borlik & Chris Nyikos

