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## July 2 & 3, 2022

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Mass Schedule  
St. John's

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am  
Thursday: 5:30 pm

St. Aloysius Sunday 8:00 am  
Wednesday 5:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Saturdays: 4:20 to 4:50 p.m.  
and by appointment

### Weddings

Please make arrangements with  
the pastor eight months in advance.

### Baptisms

Please make arrangements by contacting  
the office at 937-2017.

### Funerals

Please make arrangements with the pas-  
tor or with the funeral director.



## 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of God is at hand for you."

- Lk 10:9

# MASS Intentions

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**Saturday, July 2, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**  
**The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time    Presider: Fr. Tom Barrett**

**In Memory of: \*Dick McPhail    Lector: Kay Levanti**  
**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Jim Wangler**

**Sunday, July 3, 2022 @ 8:00 A.M. at St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Church**  
**The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time    Presider: Fr. Tom Barrett**

**In Memory of: \*Lana Dobill    Lector: TBA**  
**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: TBA**

**Sunday, July 3, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**  
**The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time    Presider: Fr. Tom Barrett**

**In Memory of: \*Tammie Green    Lector: Eric Dirnbeck**  
**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Janice Warren**

**Wednesday, July 6, 2022**  
**NO MASS**

**Thursday, July 7, 2022**  
**NO MASS**

**Friday, July 8, 2022**  
**NO MASS**

**Saturday, July 9, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M. at St. John the Baptist Church**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time    Presider: Fr. Tom Barrett**

**In Memory of: \*James Brown by Jacqueline Brown    Lector: George Hopkins**  
**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Doris Basler**

**Sunday, July 10, 2022 @ 8:00 A.M. St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Church**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time    Presider: Fr. Tom Barrett**

**In Memory of: \*Sharon Schneider by John and Rita Dobill    Lector: TBA**  
**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: TBA**

**Sunday, July 10, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time    Presider: Fr. Tom Barrett**

**In Memory of: \*Karcyn Clark    Lector: Eric Dirnbeck**  
**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Theresa Renik**



# Our Gifts to God

## **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church June 25 & 26, 2022**

Envelopes.....	\$1,718.00
Loose.....	\$68.00
School .....	\$500.00
Special Collections/Other.....	\$225.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$2,511.00</b>

CSMA Goal 2022.....	\$5,891.00
Met to date.....	\$7,620.00
<b>Total exceeded</b>	<b>\$1,729.00</b>

## **St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Catholic Church June 26, 2022**

Envelopes.....	\$662.00
Loose.....	\$0.00
Special Collections/Other.....	\$75.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$737.00</b>

CSMA Goal 2022.....	\$3,831.00
Met to date.....	\$3,250.00
<b>Total needed</b>	<b>\$581.00</b>



**Our Sanctuary Candle for the month of July is in memory of:**

**Richard "Dick" McPhail**

**May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest In Peace**



### **Pray for our sick:**

Virginia Calonne	David Dobill	Carolyn Freeman
June Glenski	Mark Glodich	Georgina Levanti
Bernard Mbidoaka	Karen Jamrozek	Jonny King
Dale Krepel	Art Lenzini	Teddy Richardson
Bill Levanti	Mary Snider	Mike & Glenda Doyle
Peter Popit	Albena Rice	Jim Wangler
Eric Westray	Susan Dragovich	Jean Kretz
Brian Krepel	Lisa Maleski	Bob Townsend
Rick McLaskey	Kay Levanti	Mayce Thompson

### **St. John's School is Hiring**

St John the Baptist Catholic School is hiring a teacher's aid to help with the Pre-k class for the 2022-2023 school year. Please contact Kay Levanti at 618-937-2017 Tue. Wed. Thu. Between 8:00 a.m. and noon.



Meeting: July 6th at 6:00 St John's Community Center

### **St. John the Baptist School 2022-2023 Registration**

St. John the Baptist Catholic School continues to accept registration applications for the 2022-2023 school year. We will be teaching grades Pre-K through 8th grade, we follow the National Standards of Education in all subjects, including music and art, we are Chromebook 1 to each student, we offer Band to grades 5-8, we are rebuilding our sports program and we allow Christ in our school with classes in religion and weekly mass. Please see our website for more information at: [letyourfaithsoar.com](http://letyourfaithsoar.com). Or call 618-937-2017.



### GOSPEL MEDITATION

Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, “the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited.” That same dictionary defines liberty as, “the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to.” Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that “the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ.” There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one’s soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one’s character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. “I am sending you like lambs among wolves,” Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That’s what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others.

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### Ordinary Time

Ordinary time is the longest season of the liturgical year. It begins the Monday after January 6, the Epiphany, and goes until the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. That period can last anywhere from five to eight weeks, depending on when Easter is celebrated. Ordinary time picks up again the Monday after Pentecost Sunday and lasts from twenty-three to twenty-seven weeks, until the end of the liturgical year, the Saturday before Advent begins.

Why the name ordinary? “Ordinary” is not in contrast to “extraordinary” or “special” but rather stresses the Latin language notion of “ordinal” or numbered Sundays. The Latin title for the season, *tempus ordinarium*, conveys the sense that this time of the year is measured or numbered time. Measured time can allude simply to the numbered Sundays, or the notion that these Sundays are a “measured” time to deepen and immerse ourselves completely in the realities of Jesus’ incarnation, ministry, passion, death, and resurrection. Ordinary time offers us the opportunity to connect the ordinary lived experiences of our lives with those of Jesus, who modeled for us how to live a truly human existence.

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### Reading for the Week of July 3, 2022

**Sunday:** Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

**Monday:** Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26

**Tuesday:** Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10//Mt 9:32-3

**Wednesday:** Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday:** Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15

**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 10:16-2

**Saturday:** Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33

**Next Sunday:** Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37

### Observances for the Week of July 3, 2022

**Sunday:** 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
St. Thomas, Apostle

**Monday:** Independence Day

**Tuesday:** St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

**Wednesday:** St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

**Thursday:**

**Friday:**

**Saturday:** St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs





## Thank You!

Thank you to those who have contributed money towards the expenses of our Vacation Bible School. God Bless you!

## Everyday Stewardship

When God Speaks Like a Polish Grandmother

A friend of mine had a Polish grandmother who was famous for giving her children some blunt advice every time they left the house: "Eyes straight ahead. Mind your own business."

Every mother knows her children best, and this mother knew hers liked to argue and sometimes liked to show off. She knew that could lead to trouble. She could not anticipate every scenario they would encounter each time they departed from her. All she could do was distill what she knew about life, safety, and manners into a few simple words, and hand them over to her children like a set of car keys or a hastily scribbled map. In this way, a woman who rarely said "I love you" expressed her devotion. And long after she was dead and buried, her aging sons and daughters repeated these words to themselves, like a child wrapping himself in a warm blanket.

Jesus does much the same for us, in many portions of the Gospels. "Ask the master to send out laborers for his harvest...Carry no money...Eat what is set before you...Know that the Kingdom of God is at hand...Rejoice because your names are written in Heaven."

He knows us best — knows our strengths, but even more importantly, he knows our weaknesses. He doesn't always have the space to address each of these explicitly in the pages of Scripture, but what he can do is distill the truth of effective evangelization into a few simple words, and hand them over to us as food for our journey of discipleship. In this way, a God who addresses the entire world and every soul who ever lived also speaks intimately to each one of us.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## Vacation Bible School A Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer

**July 11th-15th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. In the air conditioned classrooms of St. John the Baptist Catholic School**

**Join us for Faith lessons, Music, Games, Crafts and Snacks.**

**We are also looking for volunteers to help us during the week.**

**Contact Ms. Debbie at 618-889-0791 for more information.**

## Volunteers Needed for VBS

**Registration Desk:** 3 people on Day 1 and 1 person for days 2 and 3. 8:30-9:30.

**Group Guides:** 3 people each day to lead the groups to their stations and help with the activities at each station.

**Assistant in Fun and Games Station:** 2 people to assist with setting up for and playing games with the students. Leader is Stephanie Thompson.

**Assistant in the Craft Station:** 2 people to help set up crafts projects and help students. Leaders: Cheri Brotherton and Mackenzie McCord.

**Assistant in the Snack Station:** 2 people to help set up the snack station each day and to help the students during their time at the snack station.

**Clean up crew:** Come in at noon each day and clean up after the VBS. Friday will include taking decorations down.

### Items Needed as of Wednesday June 29th.

125 bottles of water

Sand (enough to fill a cookie sheet)

1 Large Cardboard box

10 shoe boxes

25 unadorned small canvas bags (kids will decorate these)

Thank You!





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