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July 16 & 17, 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.



16th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. - Lk 10:38-39

MASS Intentions

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Saturday, July 16, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of: *Jim Renik **Lector:** Barbara Glodich
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Liz Witkewicz

Sunday, July 17, 2022 @ 8:00 A.M. at St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Church
The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of: *Tatar Family **Lector:** Shirley Jones
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Chris Labuwi

Sunday, July 17, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of: *Sara, Mary Margaret & Dick McPhail **Lector:** Leonard Hopkins
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Julie Davis

Wednesday, July 20, 2022 @ 5:30 at St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Church
Sixteenth Wednesday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of: *Msgr. James Blazine by Regine Shand

Thursday, July 21, 2022 @ 5:30 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Sixteenth Thursday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of : *Mike & Margaret Castrale

Saturday, July 23, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M. at St. John the Baptist Church
The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of:*Frank Wehmeyer **Lector:** Helen Pagano
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Seb Pagano

Sunday, July 24, 2022 @ 8:00 A.M. St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Church
The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of: *Joe Bogdajewicz by Carolyn Bagwell **Lector:** Kevin Nix
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Ellis Clausen

Sunday, July 24, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of: *Mary Lou Sakonyi by Jacqueline Brown **Lector:** Janice Warren
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Theresa Renik



Our Gifts to God

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church July 9 & 10, 2022

Envelopes.....\$2,776.00
 Loose..... \$179.00
 School\$959.00
 Special Collections/Other.....\$.00
 Total.....\$3,914.00

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

St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Catholic Church July 10, 2022

Envelopes.....\$992.00
 Loose.....\$0.00
 Special Collections/Other.....\$0.00
 Total.....\$992.00

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



**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
C. W. Stillely	Canyon Raby	

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.

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. Or call 618-937-2017.

Knights of Columbus

Chicken & Dumplings Dinner

Sunday, July 24th

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

St. John's Community Center

\$8.00



GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Our families need to ask for the gift of the Spirit! Through prayer, even in the busiest times, we give time back to God, we find the peace that comes from appreciating the important things, and we encounter the joy of God's unexpected gifts. Through daily prayer may our homes become, like the house of Martha and Mary, places where Jesus always finds a warm welcome (Pope Francis)." While it is necessary to attend to the details of hospitality, learning how to be present to people, experiences, and God is sometimes more important. Creating homes that are welcoming environments requires not only organization and structure but members who truly enjoy being there and celebrating life with one another.

Details can often get the best of us. While attending to details is important to success, our obsession with them can be problematic. Whether wanting to make a good impression, fear of failure, insecurity, or emotional immaturity, throwing ourselves into the "details" of hospitality can distract us from being present to those we want to serve. Conversely, focusing exclusively on being present without any attention to detail also sets our attempts at hospitality up for disaster! We need a balance of both. But creating a truly welcoming space in our homes and within ourselves requires still more.

We have to be empty of ourselves. Becoming a welcoming, hospitable person is not possible in someone focused on their own needs and desires. If the one we serve is the one who looks back at us in the mirror, then there is no space for anyone else. While Martha and Mary had different ideas of what it means to serve, they both had the inner space and freedom to do so. They were detached from themselves. Detachment becomes the challenge to hospitality and creating a God-centered, open-hearted space in our lives. When we impulsively act out of our personal agendas, violence, abuse, pride, greed, lust, power, control, passion, and self-aggrandizement encroach upon the space needed to be present to another human being. Not only can others not find a home in us, but even God cannot find a home in us!

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Observances for the Week of July 17, 2022

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Mary Magdalene

Saturday: St. Bridget, Religious

Catholic Weddings

Why do Catholic weddings need to take place in a church?

Technically, there is a clause in Church law that could allow for weddings to take place outside of a church, in a suitable space under special circumstances, but it requires the rare permission of the bishop. But the meaning of marriage goes very, very deep, and the Church has a vested interest in protecting that meaning. As Catholics, we don't see a wedding as an event that needs a pleasing backdrop.

Marriage is a sacrament, both an occasion of joyful promise and symbolic solemnity. It is a spiritual event. The loving bond of marriage symbolizes the mystical union between Christ and his Church. The man and woman profess lifelong vows of fidelity, and they receive supernatural grace from God to keep their promises. Receiving the sacrament of Marriage in a church has broader symbolic meaning for the couple as well. Marriage isn't simply two people in isolation from the world around them. Marriage is the joining of families and the beginning of a new, holy mission in the life of the couple. Weddings are sacred occasions, and it's fitting that they occur in sacred spaces.

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MARY MAGDALENE

Reading for the Week of July 17, 2022

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8//Mt 12:46-5

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:24-3



Our Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer

A heartfelt thanks to all the people that helped with vacation bible school. My goal was to make it as easy and stress free for everyone.

Director: Ms. Debra DeGoricia
 Station leaders and their assistants:
 Faith Station Leader: Susan Glodich
 Assistant: Ben McCord
 Music leader: Denise Wright
 Crafts Leader: Cheri Brotherton
 Assistant: Mackenzie McCord
 Assistants: Evan West, Emerson Vinceletti,
 Ben McCord, Delaney Levanti,
 Olivia Lampley, Savanna McPhail
 Snack Station: Jennifer Conaughty,
 Janie Wangler, Barbara Glodich,
 Susan Glodich, Mary Jo Snider,
 Jama Kincaid
 Group Leaders & Assistants
 Kindergarten & 1st grade: Olivia Lampley
 2nd and 3rd grade: Sarah Woolesen
 Savanna McPhail
 4th & 5th grade: Chrissy Dirnbeck
 Delaney Levanti

Decorations: Theresa Renik, Sue Ann Webb
 Publicity: Theresa Renik
 Donors: Jennifer Conaughty, Maureen Taylor,
 Terry Green, Delores Grosco, Edith Massey,
 Donna Dukes, Larry & Phyllis Castrale,
 Jim & Janie Wangler, Ellis Claussen,
 Rose Fort, Barbara Glodich, Sue Ann Webb,
 Kay Levanti.

Thank You for a successful Vacation Bible School!

What a great week we had! We began on Monday morning and each day we grew in enrollment. We had a lot of help from our parishioners doing everything from decorating the halls of school to getting all the food together. It is so great to see so many of our parishioners using the talents God has given them. Many of our older students from our school participated by doing various jobs in each room. They were so helpful to me and other volunteers. I hope this experience leads to a lifetime of serving God and community with their talents. I thank you all and may God bless you.

We also had great monetary support from our parishioners for which I am so grateful. We asked for items to be donated, and we were able to get most of what we needed and the items that we didn't get, we made it work. I love that can do spirit!

I enjoyed spending time with parishioners that I haven't gotten to know. I spend a lot of time at school and the choir loft, so I don't get to socialize too often. It was a joy. Thank you!

I am publishing a list of all the station leaders, group leaders, the assistants, the people who decorated the hallways and many others just so you will know what a team it takes to pull off a program such as this.

The children had a great time, learning about the power of prayer and about the angels and saints. At the time of this article, we have 18 students. Thanks be to God.

Ms. Debbie
 More pictures next week!





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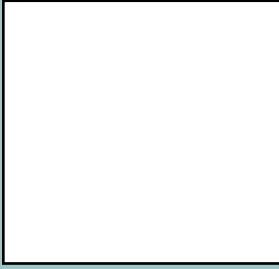
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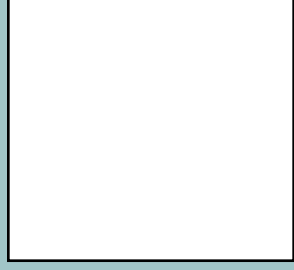
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