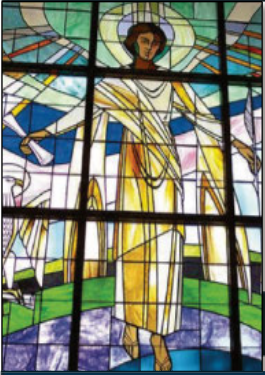


Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | January 30, 2022



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4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[He said to them], "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" - Lk 4:21-22

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From the Pastor's Desk



Fr. Michael

RESPECT LIFE MASS

Last Saturday, our parish was blessed to host the Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass. Archbishop ListECKI presided and preached this Mass. He was very pleased to see such a packed church. He said this is the first time he recalls such a good turnout. As I looked around, I noticed many of the attendees were parishioners of St. John's. The visitors who came commented on the Archbishop's powerful Respect Life homily. Also, I heard many positive comments regarding the beautiful and inspiring music by our parish staff and cantors.

The Archbishop delivered a very strong Pro-Life homily and received many positive comments. The homily may be listened to either on the Archdiocesan web page (www.archmil.org/offices/social-justice/Respect-Life.htm) or found on our YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/c/SJEGreenfield).

As the United States Supreme Court deliberates the future of Roe v. Wade, we are asked to pray and fast for God's victory in favor of Life. This prayer is from the United States Council of Catholic Bishops:

Heavenly father, thank you for the precious gift of life.
 Help us to cherish and protect His gift,
 even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering.
 Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable,
 and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.

Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need,
 and teach us to be merciful to all.
 Through our words and actions,
 May others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy.
 We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
 Amen.

MARY, CAN I HOLD THE BABY?

To date, a total of 75 CDs and DVDs have been purchased featuring the new Christmas song, "Mary, Can I Hold the Baby?" performed by its composer Red Deacon (also known as parishioner Tom Dillet) and the DVD which contains Fr. Michael's homily from Sunday, December 26 and the song performed during Mass by John Schindhelm, accompanied by Karen Schulteis. If you would like to purchase the CD or the DVD, there are copies available in the parish office. A free-will offering of \$1 is asked for the CD containing just the song by Red Deacon or \$5 for the DVD which contains the homily and song performed on December 26.



24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Receiving the Eucharist means adoring Him whom we receive. Only in this way do we become one with Him, and are given a foretaste of the beauty of the heavenly liturgy. The act of adoration outside Mass prolongs and intensifies the liturgical celebration itself."
 —Pope Benedict XVI

St. John's is fortunate to have 24-hour Perpetual Adoration. Please take advantage of this beautiful opportunity to stay close to God. If you would like more information about Adoration, please call Kay Shomperlen at (414) 763-1250.



Would you pray for a priest each day? "Be close to your priests with your affection and with your prayers that they may always be shepherds according to God's heart." - Pope Francis

Jan. 30	Jan. 31	Feb. 1	Feb. 2	Feb. 3	Feb. 4	Feb. 5
Rev. Donald Schmidt	Salesian Fathers (St. John Bosco)	Archbishop Jerome ListECKI	Rev. Charles Schramm	Rev. John Schreiter	Bishop James T. Schuerman	Rev. Philip Schumaker



Ben Oberdorf

Basketball season started in December and our teams are doing pretty well. I have been to a few games and the St. John's players have been good representatives of our school. They have played hard and have shown good sportsmanship. This past weekend, our 7th grade boys team won the Consolation Championship in the St. John Vianney Tournament.



Meanwhile, our 8th grade girls team (which is a combined team with players from St. Mathias) took second place in the St. Agnes Tournament. If you are interested in seeing a game, schedules may be found at:

<https://parkviewparochial.org/basketball>.

In December, the Knights of Columbus partnered with our school to conduct a "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. Thirty students took part. A panel of volunteer judges scored the posters and the winners are as follows:

Age 5-7
1st Amy Zhangnguyen

Age 8-10
1st Syuri Mora
2nd Justine Caballero

Age 11-14
1st Phong Nguyen
2nd Louis Wichgers

"Stand firm in the faith, be courageous, be strong."

— 1 Corinthians 16:13



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Parish Financial Stewardship Summary

Raffle Calendar Winners

Week ending January 21, 2022	Fiscal Year-to-date Information July 1, 2021 to January 21, 2022	1/17/2022 Triet Nguyen \$ 25
Stewardship Offering \$12,080	Goal for Fiscal YTD \$518,397	1/18/2022 Joe Sanfelippo \$ 25
Offertory \$ 998	Amount Collected* \$510,059	1/19/2022 Jessica Lippold \$ 25
Building Fund \$ 2,351	Difference:	1/20/2022 Emily Topczewski \$ 25
Thank you for your generous support.	(Deficit)/Surplus (\$ 8,338)	1/21/2022 Pat Sanfelippo \$ 25
When making decisions in your estate	Includes weekly/monthly/electronic	1/22/2022 Nicholas Popowycz \$ 25
planning, please give prayerful	offerings, offertory & holy day offerings.	1/23/2022 Hans Senzig \$ 50
consideration to St. John's Parish.		

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. John the Evangelist is a Roman Catholic Eucharistic community faithful to the values and traditions of the Church. We strive to live our faith every day, to embrace stewardship, and to be nurtured by continuous Christian Formation.

Parishioner News

JESUS THE BRIDEGROOM

Have ever wanted to learn more about what it REALLY means to have a “personal relationship” with Jesus Christ as Lord, Savior, and divine Bridegroom? If so, then this is the Bible study for you. Topics covered include:

- The Bridegroom God of the Old Testament;
- John the Baptist, the “Best Man” of Jesus;
- The First Miracle of Jesus: Water into Wine at a Wedding;
- The Wedding Banquet of the Last Supper;
- The Parallels between the Crucifixion and the Ancient Jewish Wedding;
- Why Jesus’ Side was Pierced on the Cross;
- Why there will be no marriage in the Resurrection; and
- The Biblical Roots of Virginity and Celibacy.

“Jesus the Bridegroom: Unveiling the Love of Christ in the Passion and the Sacraments” by Dr. Brant Pitre will be presented at St. John’s on Saturday, February 5 in the Church Hall at 6:30pm. For more information, call or text Laura Lee at 414-840-0261. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex. Free-will offerings will be accepted.

SAVE THE DATE: HOLY NAME SOCIETY RETREAT FOR MEN

A retreat for men will be held on Friday, March 4 to Sunday, March 6 at the Perpetual Help Retreat Center in Oconomowoc. The weekend starts at 7:00pm, you may check in beginning at 6:00pm on Friday, and the retreat ends at Noon on Sunday. Car pooling is available. Social distancing and mask wearing will be required. For details and to sign up, please call Ron Hesper at 414-448-7117 or call the Retreat Center at 262-567-6900.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY CORPORATE COMMUNION

The Holy Name Society will celebrate Corporate Communion at the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, February 13 with scouts as guests. Breakfast and entertainment will follow after Mass in the Hall. All men 16 and older are welcome and fathers are encouraged to bring their sons 8 years of age and older. The Holy Name Society will also pray the Rosary before Mass at 7:20am in the Church.



CD of the Week: Stealing Home

Mike Sweeney is a devout Catholic, former professional baseball player, and sought-after speaker. He has been involved with Catholic Athletes for Christ, has appeared on EWTN’s Life on the Rock, and has spoken at numerous Catholic venues. He appeared in five All-Star Games and was the Kansas City Royals’ Player of the Year three times. He begins his talk with his account of an amazing play in which he stole home, and then draws parallels to living one’s faith well throughout your lifetime.

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In Prayer: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, JANUARY 31 (St. John Bosco, Priest)

8:00am Int. of Joe & Marlene Yakel - Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:00am †Deacon Robert J. Czajka - Jim & Patti

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2 (The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life)

8:00am †Mary Hanes - Steven Van Hecke
†Lucile Osoba - Mary Grogan
Int. of Dr. Christopher Sobczak - Pat Bayer
Int. of Katie & Bob Miller - Ida Crivello
Int. of Joan & Dick Galli - Therese Nettessheim
10:00am Int. of Arline Felerski - John & Carol Flannick
(Private)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3 (St. Blaise & St. Ansgar, Bishops)

8:00am †Robert & Mary Ann Ziolecki - Steve & Marilyn McAdams

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00am Int. of Joe & Marlene Yakel - Karen Bidot

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5 (St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr)

8:00am †Gary Ganas - Pitcher Family
4:30pm †Gilbert Mayer - Barbara Wennerscheidt

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6 (5th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:00am For the Members of St. John's Parish
9:30am Int. of Margadette Demet - Ida Crivello
11:00am Deceased Members of the Howlett Family -
Mike & Debra Schalk
†Rosalie Hersil - Daughter Lisa
†Maureen Mueller - Rose & Jan Gregorcich
†Nicole Janich Sebastian - Janich Family
†Kathy Kaczynski - Lou & Mary Jo Gundrum

This week's Sanctuary & Tabernacle Candles are lit for
†Michael J. Hess. To reserve candles, please call or
visit the parish office. The cost is \$3 each.

Parish and School Staff Directory

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Secretary: Mary Jo Kaminski mkaminski@sje.school

This Week at St. John the Evangelist

MONDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00am Mass followed by Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

5:30pm Basketball Practice - Gym (until 7:00pm)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:00am Mass followed by St. Anthony Devotion, Rosary
& Divine Mercy Chaplet

4:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym (until 7:00pm)

7:00pm Gym Unavailable (until 9:00pm)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:00am Mass followed by Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:30pm Catholic Vote Meeting (Hall)

6:30pm KSKJ Meeting - Rectory, Room A

6:30pm Gym Unavailable (until 8:30pm)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

8:00am Mass followed by Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

4:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym (until 8:30pm)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00am Mass followed by Confessions during Rosary
& Divine Mercy Chaplet

No School

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:00am Mass followed by Confessions During Mother of
Perpetual Help Devotion, Rosary & Divine
Mercy Chaplet

9:00am Confirmation Retreat - Hall (until 3:00pm)

SCRIP Sales after 4:30pm Mass

6:30pm "Jesus the Bridegroom" - Hall (until 8:00pm)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

9:30am Religious Education

SCRIP Sales after all Masses

12:00pm RCIA - Rectory Room A

6:00pm ABLAZE (High School Students)

St. John the Evangelist Parish

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8:00am - 5:00pm
Friday: 8:00am - 12:00pm
Closed Saturdays, Sundays and
Holidays

Weekend Masses: Saturday, 4:30pm; Sunday, 8:00am,
9:30am and 11:00am

Weekday Masses: Monday through Saturday at 8:00am
Confessions: Friday and Saturday: 8:30am

Anointing of the Sick: First Saturday of the Month after the
4:30pm Mass

Baptism: Third Sunday at 11:45am. Please call
the parish office to schedule.
Pre-Baptismal Class is required for
parents with their first child.

Marriage: Contact the parish office at least six
months before intended date of marriage.

Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults:
(RCIA) Adults interested in Communion,
Baptism, and/or Confirmation are asked
to contact the Religious Education office.

Parish Membership: Families and single adults (over 18) are
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