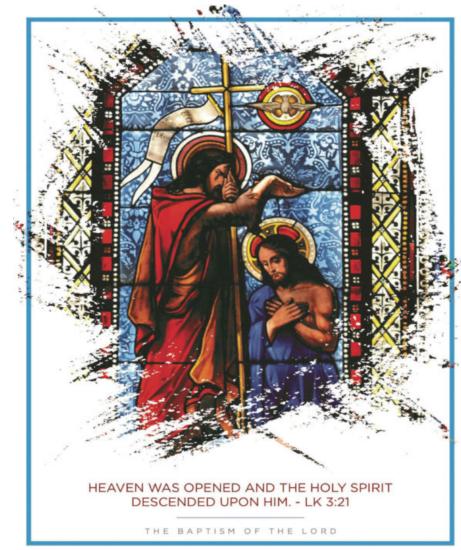


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January 9, 2022 The Baptism of the Lord



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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Monday, January 10,

6:00pm Mass †Thomas Korzen by St. Gall Parish Family

Tuesday, January 11th,

8:30am Mass †Heather Staudacher by Lisa & Brian Tonner

Wednesday, January 12th,

8:30am Mass †Mary Lou White by Loving Husband

Thursday, January 13th, St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30am Mass †James Schramer by Konen Family

Friday, January 14th,

4:30pm Mass †John & Catherine Grove by Konen Family

Saturday, January 15th, BVM

8:30am Mass †Joseph Halek by Trudy Bednarek 4:30pm Mass †Julie Grover by Konen Family

Sunday, January 16th, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Mass †Celeste Anderson by Loving Husband *10:30am Mass †Carole Michels by Loving Husband 5:00pm Mass People of St. Gall Parish

*The Mass will be on Facebook Live and YouTube



The Church is open for private prayer on:

Monday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00AM-7:00PM Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from 9:00AM-4:00PM.

Everyone is welcome to come and prepare for the coming of the Lord. Please be assured of our daily prayers for you and your loved one.

St. Gall, Pray for us!

PRAYER CORNER

The following names are those who are in the hospital or who are critically ill. We ask that you include our brothers and sisters in your prayers for healing strength. Should you wish to add a loved one to our prayer corner, please contact the Parish Office. Names are kept on the list for 3 months unless the office is notified. Thank you.

Lorraine Michi Mary Britz Martha Abel Nancy Szostek Marlene Patterson Maxine Flinn Vicky Kalnins Jim Kilmer Bob Kugach Jennifer Engeldahl Martha Cabral Mike Haskin Anne Silla Susan King Karen Stelmachowski Katherine Zegiel Don Danner
Jason Cornell
John Scalzitti
Maureen Pott
Brisa Umbac
Donna Shoop
Jessica Diamond
Kim Sira
Scott Matthews
Richard Flynn
Gary Foster
Eddie Gracyas
Thomas Johnson
Tina Hanson
Ava Algrim
Pam Smith

Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget (includes Holy Days and Holidays	s)\$6,365.00
Weekly Offertory Envelopes (Dec. 25/26)	\$6,526.00
Building Fund	\$325.00
Votives	\$54.00
Christmas	\$13,750.00
Holy Days	\$280.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

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WISHING YOU A BLESSED NEW YEAR

As we come to the close of 2021, the St. Vincent de Paul Society wants to wish you a blessed New Year in 2022.

Thank you for helping us serve our neighbors in need during these difficult times.

STAY SAFE. **November Contributions: \$2,017**

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesday 9:00-9:30 AM Friday 11-11:30 AM Saturday 9:00-9:30 AM 3:30-4:00 PM



You may also make an appointment by emailing Father Max at frmax@stgall.com.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Every Thursday From 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

There is a need for Adorers to fill the one hour time slots for Adoration and a need for subs!

Please pray about being a part of this ministry and contact Maureen Kilmer at beesdance2@gmail.com if you would like to be a part of the Adoration Team.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday Obligation: Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8:30 AM,10:30 AM And 5:00 PM

Daily Mass: Monday 6:00 PM Tues., Wed., Thurs., Sat. 8:30 AM Friday 12:15 PM



PARISH NEWS & NOTES



Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Come and join the Bible Study this Tuesday from 9:30-11:00 AM! We will be studying the Book of Wisdom. There is no need to sign up to attend. Everyone is welcome! If you have any questions,

please contact Jane Smith at janefsmith@yahoo.com or Rick Adams at 3drick@ameritech.net.



Luke James O'Connell Turk and Levi Mark O'Connell Turk

Sons of Erich and Noel Were baptized by Deacon Greg Farrell on December 26, 2021

Eleanor Jean La Jeunesse

Daughter of Marc and Nancy Was baptized by Father Max on December 28, 2021



LOST AND FOUND

St. Gall Church's Lost and Found is located in the vestibule of the church. There is a bin filled with many items and a small table that has a few items as well.

You are welcome to look through the bin to find what you may have been missing. You are also welcome to contact the Parish Office at 630-365-6030 to help locate an item for you. Items will be kept in the bin until the end of January.



Please welcome the following family to St. Gall Parish!

Andrew, Shannon and Lucas Adamany



2022 St. Gall Daily Mass Intention Book

The 2022 Mass Intention Book is available for scheduling your Mass Intentions.

A Mass intention can be offered for several reasons: in thanksgiving, for the intention of another person (such as for a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Please contact the parish office at $630-365-6030\ X3$ to schedule your Mass intention.

SCRIPTURE FOCUS



Scripture focus for the January 9 Mass

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

The Lord will bless his people with peace. Ps 29

In the Gospel from Luke Chapter 3, we see John the Baptist announcing the one who is mightier than he and will baptize you with the Holy Spirit. John was baptizing with water, not

with power. Take some time this week to think about what baptism means for your life. Our baptism is different!

...The Baptism given by Jesus, which the Church, faithful to his command, does not cease to administer, is quite different. This Baptism frees man from original sin and forgives his sins, saves him from slavery to evil and is a sign of his rebirth in the Holy Spirit; it imparts to him a new life, which is participation in the life of God the Father, given to us by his Only-Begotten Son who became man, died and rose again.

4. Dear brothers and sisters, in a few moments these children will also receive Baptism and become living members of the Church. They will first be anointed with the oil of catechumens, a sign of Christ's gentle strength given to them to fight against evil. Then blessed water will be poured on them, a sign of their interior purification through the gift of the Holy Spirit, poured out by Jesus as he was dying on the Cross. They are then immediately given a second and more important anointing with "chrism", to show that they are consecrated in the image of Jesus, the Father's Anointed. Then each child's father receives a candle to be lit from the paschal candle, a symbol of the light of faith which the parents and godparents must continue to safeguard and nourish with the life-giving grace of the Spirit.

Dear parents and godparents, let us entrust these little ones to the Virgin Mary's motherly intercession. Let us ask her to make them, dressed in their white garments, a sign of their new dignity as children of God, true Christians and courageous witnesses to the Gospel throughout their lives.

— Excerpt from St. Pope John Paul II's Homily on for this Feast on January 12, 1997

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. "And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Lk 3: 21-22

Did you see all 3 Persons of the Holy Trinity?

Today's Mass: Readings from USCCB



ROSARY FOR PEACE AND WISDOM in the WORLD

Join us as we pray for the WORLD and all of our leaders. We know that peace and wisdom begin at home. We can become peacemakers everywhere. We will pray the rosary for the world and the St. Francis Prayer. We know that Mary,

our mama, is always ready to comfort us and closer to Christ who bring us His peace and hope.

All are welcome!
TUESDAYS AT 6:30PM

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



WORD OF LIFE: January 9, 2022

"When we encounter Christ, experience His love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share His love

with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life"

January 23, 2022 is "Sanctity for Life Sunday." St. Gall Respect Life Ministry invites parishioners to participate in our Change for Mom Campaign. Baby bottles will be on the table in the narthex January 16th -January23rd. You are welcome to take a bottle and fill it with change and return the bottle no later than JAN. 31st even if it is not completely filled. You may also write a check to TLC Life Center or go to tlcpregnancyservices.com to give virtually. Please indicate that you are from St. Gall Parish. Every dollar collected goes directly to our client services at our three medical clinics and our mobile unit. See the flier on the Choose Life table for more information, or if you prefer, join in the Virtual Baby Bottle Campaign.



ROCKFORD WALK FOR LIFE 2022

The St. Gall Respect Life Ministry will be participating in the Rockford Walk for Life 2022. Parishioners, their families and friends are

encouraged to join the walk on Saturday, January 15th at 11:00 AM.

The event will begin with a rally and then we will walk several blocks past the State of Illinois building, and back to the Federal Courthouse to conclude in prayer. The event will end at 1:00 PM.

If you would like to participate in the Rockford Walk for Life 2022, please sign up in the narthex of the church. Depending on the number of participants, St. Gall Parish may provide a bus for transportation to and from the event. Watch the bulletin with updated information on transportation.

Dress for the weather, design and bring a Respect Life sign and come join us in this peaceful and prayerful walk to end the killing of our innocent brothers and sisters in the womb. Please contact Darlene Biggs at darlenembiggs@yahoo.com if you need further information.

Knights of Columbus Council 17360 Corner



The St. Gall Knights of Columbus, Council 17360 are seeking new members. If you would like to know more about the Knights of Columbus or would like to join, please scan this QR code.



SACRAMENTAL LIFE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Parents are expected to attend a preparation session with the Pastor or (on-line during Co-Vid) prior to the baptism of the baby. Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: PLEASE SEE CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Couples should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to their requested date. We will check the parish calendar for availability, and the pastor will contact you to confirm the date and schedule your preparation. One partner must have some personal connection with the parish.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING: The Sacrament is available at any time with Father Max. Contact the Parish Office or Father directly in order to arrange a time. Anointings can take place at the parish, in the hospital or care facility, or in your home.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Teens are confirmed at St. Gall in the Eighth grade, and must complete two years of preparation beginning in Seventh grade. Contact the Faith Formation Office to register your child. (Adults seeking Confirmation, see "RCIA" below).

VISITATION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound are available to bring Communion to the home for parishioners who are unable to attend Mass due to illness or age. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA): If you are interested in becoming Catholic, or if you are a Catholic who has not completed your sacraments, contact Fr. Max to learn how you can prepare to receive the sacraments either through our RCIA program or through private instruction.

REGISTRATION: New Parishioners are always welcome at St. Gall! Please take some time to formally register in the parish. Your registration will allow us to make preparations for the sacraments, write letters of sponsorship on your behalf, keep you updated about parish news, and facilitate so many other important aspects of parish life! You can register by calling the Parish Office or picking up a registration form from our parish library in the church narthex.

Events Around the Community



Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage. Sign up today to attend the next in person Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on Feb. 11-13 in Madison, WI; April 22-24 in

Brookfield, WI or June 24-26 in Geneva, IL. For more information visit our website at: **alifetimeoflove.org** or call **(888) 574-5653**. Para un fin de semana en español por favor llamen a Candelario y Emilia al 815-375-4250.



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VENTURING CREW 413

Crew 413 is a community service and outdoor

ages of 13-20 years old. Crew 413 is youth led under guidance of highly qualified and trained adult advisors. No scouting experience necessary. Our meetings are held at St. Gall Church on the 2nd and 4th Sunday's of the month from

7-9:00PM. For more information contact Bruce Aderman at 630-404-6113 or Katie Kitz at 630-399-1028.

St. Gall Youth and Family

2021-2022 Classes for PK-7

Our Catechetical Theme:
"Say the Word and My Soul Shall
be Healed."



SPOTLIGHT ON THE MASS:

Transformed to Look More Like Christ

'The healing known in the Eucharist' cont'd: Are we eager recipients of the gifts He wants to give us?

And when you receive the Eucharist, by all means enjoy the symbolism of our unity, but don't get so caught up in your fellow-feeling that you forget that you are receiving the most powerful medicine that was ever developed. In the Eucharist, the Divine Physician is administering a treatment that is intended to burn away everything that is broken about your humanity and transform you — through the power of his infinite love contained in that tiny, host-sized package — into what you were created to be at the beginning of time — perfect and eternal, a god in God. The Eucharist is not a symbol. You are consuming raw, devastating, divine power — a prescription to be used only as directed. Article from Our Sunday Visitor with Dr. Popczak DEC 2, 2021.

CLASSES and MORE! Christmas ends on January 9

What is your spiritual resolution for 2022?

JANUARY

9-Gr. 7 Confirmation-3-4:30pm

11—Grade 1—5-6pm Rosary at 6:30pm

12—Grades 2-4—4:30-5:45pm 12—Grades 5-6—6-7:30pm

13—Little Lambs—10-11:30am
Family First Communion—4:30-5:30pm

16—First Communion PARENT Workshop
—11:30am-3pm includes lunch
(childcare provided upon request)

Remember your child's folder/backpack! Set aside time this week to look at your child's workbook or worksheet. Talk about what they are learning! Read for them and with them!



Go to Faith Formation Info & Events for links and more activities.

www.stgall.com/Faith-Formation

Contact Donna Doherty for more information at donna@stgall.com or call 630-365-9166

FINDING OUR HEROES – GROWING IN VIRTUE READING ALOUD NEVER GROWS OLD – IT'S AN ADVENTURE!

Are you reading aloud? Is it different to hear Scripture spoken? What are the stories we read and how can we understand them?

The Children's Bulletins in the parish Library can help us understand or remember a scripture story through puzzles. Reading Scripture aloud can help to bring our Catholic stories of Jesus and Bible Heroes to life in a new way. You get to 'walk in the shoes' of the people you read about. Can you place yourself in the story? Acquiring new words and understanding them happens all of our life. Hearing the words spoken cultivates our vocabulary, too. Reading the Scriptures in Mass helps us to hear them differently than if we read them. We have the homily to help us to understand them in the context of our lives today. Reading any story can help us grow virtues and practice making decisions with the characters we read about. We can watch a character grow or see them make mistakes. Talking about the story helps us understand how to live a better life and make good decisions, too. Looking at our Scripture stories helps us get to know and feel the love of God, Jesus and other people of the Bible. What is God trying to tell us? Lifelong faith formation requires the listening, hearing and absorbing these stories with our eyes on Christ and heaven.

A story allows our children to practice living through an experience vicariously. We can't stand next to our children through every hardship they encounter, and we can't shoulder every burden...As they grow and move out into the world, they'll face struggles in work, relationships, and all manner of situations...We want our children to be brave, kind, and honest — and how will that be possible if they've never had the opportunity to face fear, unkindness, and the temptation to do wrong?...Fiction and non-fiction... provide the opportunity to experience what it feels like to be overwhelmed, struggle, fight, overcome, and emerge a hero. — The Reading-Aloud Family

Are you reading Scripture? Read aloud and ask questions. Scripture can be a challenge to understand for many reasons. There may be words that we don't understand, and it requires a dictionary or footnotes. Then there are the many layers of understanding the meaning: historical context, allegory or metaphor, poetry and yes, even the literary sense. For adults as well as kids, choosing the right Bible or book of Bible stories is important! If you have any questions about your students' Bible or choosing one for your family, let me know! Grace and peace to you, Donna Doherty, Director of Faith Formation.

Learn • Pray • Do Bulletins / Puzzles

January 9



The Baptism of the Lord

Ages 3 and Up
and Ages 7 to Adults

This is a great way to learn, understand and memorize more of our Scripture stories!

Pray the 3rd Joyful Mystery—The Nativity this week!



The First Communion Parent Workshop

will be held on January 16th from 11:30AM - 3:00PM. Lunch will be provided and childcare is available.



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