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St. John the Baptist

“GILDEHAUS” CHURCH

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Mass Schedule
All Masses are currently being live-streamed
Weekend: Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:30 am
Weekday: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 pm

Holy Days of Obligation
7:30 pm (vigil), 6:00 am, 8:00 am & 5:30 pm

Liturgical of the Hours (Morning Prayer)
Monday, Wednesday, Friday following Mass 8:00 am

Adoration
Every Tuesday beginning at 7:00 am.

Perpetual Help Devotions
Tuesdays at 6:45 pm followed by Mass at 7:00 pm

First Saturday Devotions
Rosary 7:45 am • Mass 8:00 am

Confession
Sat. 5:00-5:45pm, Sunday 6:15-6:45 am & 9:50-10:15am
7:00-7:30 am Monday thru Thursday, Tuesday 6-6:30pm
or by appointment.

Baptisms
Parishioners are asked to please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

Marriages
Parishioners are asked to make arrangements with the pastor at least six months in advance.

Bulletin Deadline
Please contact the Pastor or Sara Maune, Parish Secretary, at 636-583-2488 or email stjohnsgild@yhti.net by Noon on Wednesday.

St. Thomas the Apostle, July 3
Parish Meetings

MON: 6/29
TUES:    
WED:    

The parish website (stjohns-gildehaus.org) is currently out of service for redesign. We apologize for the inconvenience. Sunday bulletins can be accessed through the PSR website sjgpsr.org or through the myParish app (click on the Bulletins tab).

Upcoming Parish Events

June 28  Men’s Adoration Society 8pm
July 12   Women’s Adoration Group 8pm
July 15   8th Grade Graduation, 7pm
July 19   First Communion, 1pm
July 23   Confirmation, 7pm
Aug 10    Preschool Playdate 9-11am
Aug 17    Pre-K –8th Open House 5-6:30pm
Aug 19    First Day of School
Oct 5-9    Marian Pilgrimage on the Katy Trail with Fr. Foy

Annual Catholic Appeal

Please prayerfully consider donating to the ACA. We will not be handing out cards at the tables as in previous years. The ACA assists people in need all over the diocese along with programs in which we benefit. There are multiple ways to donate:

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♦ If you did not receive a card in the mail or if you are a new parishioner please contact us so we can get you a card
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♦ OSV On-line Giving website: www.osvonlinegiving.com/4878
♦ Access On-line Giving with the myParish App by clicking on the “Give to Annual Catholic Appeal” link on the Homepage
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Please patronize our Bulletin Advertisers and thank them for their support. This week’s featured advertiser:

Please remember St. John’s Church in your Will

Saint John’s Registration Form

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Name___________________________________________________
Address_________________________________________________
City___________________________ State_____  Zip____________
Phone________________ Email______________________________

These organizations/ministries are available, if interested:
□ Altar Linen □ Altar Server
□ Eucharistic Minister □ Lector
□ Ladies Sodality □ Knights of Columbus
□ Musician & Choir □ Men’s Club
□ Parish Youth Aide □ Parish Religious Ed. (PSR)
□ Helping Hands Outreach to the Poor □ RCIA Team or Sponsor
□ Young Adult Rosary Group □ Usher

Church Finances

Stewardship of Treasure

June 21, 2020
Envelopes $5,380.00
Loose $230.00
Helping Hands $390.00
On-Line Giving this week $1380.00

Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

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Are there any parish meetings scheduled?

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**Readings for the week of June 28, 202**

**Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42  
**Monday:** Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19  
**Tuesday:** Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8 [9a]/Mt 8:23-27  
**Wednesday:** Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17 [23b]/Mt 8:28-34  
**Thursday:** Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10cd]/Mt 9:1-8  
**Friday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 20:24-29  
**Saturday:** Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 9:14-17

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**Men’s Adoration Society**

**What is it??**

A group of men centered on the **Eucharist** for the “spiritual protection of our parish”. The first event will take place in Church on **Sunday, June 28th at 8pm** and will include a special period of adoration. Come see what it’s all about!

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**Parish School of Religion (PSR):**

**PSR is in need of teachers for Kindergarten, 4th & 5th grades and substitutes.** If you are interested, please contact Adam Weber at awpsrstjohn@aol.com or call/text 314-330-0599. **PSR is on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:45 beginning August 26th.** The only requirement is you have to completed “Protecting God’s Children” offered free by the Archdiocese.

PSR registration has begun. You may find the forms online at sjgpsr.org. Or, you can even register online. Payments may be made by check mailed to the rectory at: 5567 Gildehaus Road, Villa Ridge, MO 63089 or paid online via clicking the “Online Giving” link at sjgpsr.org or through the “Online Giving” app by Our Sunday Visitor available for both Apple and Android.

Sacramental preparation is a 2 year process at St. John’s. So, for 2nd grade sacraments, you must attend 1st grade, too. For Confirmation in 8th grade, you must attend 7th grade. If you missed last year or just became a St. John’s parishioner, contact Adam Weber at awpsrstjohn@aol.com or 314-330-0599.

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**SICK IN THE PARISH:** Bernice Straatmann, Debbie O’Malley, Andy Tobben, Diana Brinker, Bob Hayden Sr., Betty Brautigam, Willie Kessler, Rosie Spauhnorst, Allen Gephardt, Vernon Brinker, Rich Skiljan. We ask the Lord to bless all those who are sick or injured in our community, those who are in a nursing home, and those homebound.

**HOMEBOUND/SHUT-IN:** Please keep in mind if you or someone you know is convalescing or returning from the hospital and would like Communion at home, please call the rectory.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** Don’t forget to get help from our Prayer Chain. It’s been around for a while now, so it’s easy to take it for granted and overlook the POWER of united prayer. When you have a pressing need, please don’t forget to make use of this resource of people who care and want to be there in prayer with you. Call Laverne Schwoepe at 636-742-5754 or 636-288-6382. She will get the Prayer Chain members to pray with you. You do not have to be a member of this Prayer Chain to make a prayer request.

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**SUMMER FLOWER WATERING**

As in past summers, we are looking for parishioners to volunteer through the months of June-October to water flowers around church, the rectory and behind church by school. The sign-up sheets are in the church vestibule with more information. Please help keep our church grounds looking beautiful! We have made it easy. It will take a little of your time, but at your convenience. THANK YOU to all who have signed up in the past. Please call Pat Gephardt for more info 636-239-7518.

Ready to sign up? Just go to www.osvonlinegiving.com/4878. It’s quick & easy! Or, go thru myParish App and click on “Giving”.

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Please **DO NOT** donate Aluminum cans to the school at this time. We will let you know when we can start taking them again. Thank you!
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you were able to celebrate the Feast of St. John the Baptist’s Birthday this week! The 40 Hours Devotion was incredible. The fact that in less than two weeks we were able to fill all of the slots was such a testament to the faith of our parish. Think of it – every hour of the eve and all through St. John’s entire birthday, our Lord was being worshipped at our parish! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you.

I have written a little about the Men’s and Women’s adoration Societies and want to extend another invitation. The Men’s Adoration Society will start tonight (Sunday, 6/28) at 8 pm. We will have a Holy Hour followed by fellowship. The group will be given an optional task to be carried out throughout the month that is tied to the spiritual goal of the protection of our parish. The Women’s Adoration Society begins July 12th at 8 pm. There will be a similar format, but their optional task will be in the service of the spiritual nourishment of our parish. Hope to see you in adoration.

There is a lot to give thanks for around St. John’s. The parish center is getting a complete restroom renovation with a lot of work from our own crew of volunteers. Some of the money will be coming from an Ensuring Parish Viability (EPV) grant which had this project as its goal. The other money is being supplied through the Home and School Organization and the raise-the-paddle money from the dinner dance auction. Thank you to all who are actively involved in this endeavor. The transformation of our restrooms will help keep the parish center an attractive home for all of our events.

As we draw near to the 4th of July, please pray for our country and our region. It’s interesting that the new Archbishop-Elect Mitchell Rozanski will be installed on August 25th, the Feast of St. Louis. This was chosen just before the news of the people who want to change our name and take down statues of our patron. This is misguided. It has no chance to build a foundation for peace and constructive dialogue between people.

Have a safe and patriotic week! May God bless you and be your Strength,

Father Foy

From a homily by Saint John Chrysostom, bishop

Five paths of repentance

Would you like me to list also the paths of repentance? They are numerous and quite varied, and all lead to heaven.

A first path of repentance is the condemnation of your own sins: Be the first to admit your sins and you will be justified. For this reason, too, the prophet wrote: I said: I will accuse myself of my sins to the Lord, and you forgave the wickedness of my heart. Therefore, you too should condemn your own sins; that will be enough reason for the Lord to forgive you, for a man who condemns his own sins is slower to commit them again. Rouse your conscience to accuse you within your own house, lest it become your accuser before the judgment seat of the Lord.

That, then, is one very good path of repentance. Another and no less valuable one is to put out of our minds the harm done us by our enemies, in order to master our anger, and to forgive our fellow servants’ sins against us. Then our own sins against the Lord will be forgiven us. Thus you have another way to atone for sin: For if you forgive your debtors, your heavenly Father will forgive you.

Do you want to know of a third path? It consists of prayer that is fervent, careful and comes from the heart.

If you want to hear of a fourth, I will mention almsgiving, whose power is great and far-reaching. If, moreover, a man lives a modest, humble life, that, no less than the other things I have mentioned, takes sin away. Proof of this is the tax-collector who had no good deeds to mention, but offered his humility instead and was relieved of a heavy burden of sins.

Thus I have shown you five paths of repentance: condemnation of your sins, forgiveness of our neighbor’s sins against us, prayer, almsgiving and humility.

Do not be idle, then, but walk daily in all these paths; they are easy, and you cannot plead your poverty. For, though you live out your life amid great need, you can always set aside your wrath, be humble, pray diligently and condemn your own sins; poverty is no hindrance. Poverty is not an obstacle to our carrying out the Lord’s bidding, even when it comes to that path of repentance which involves giving money (almsgiving, I mean). The widow proved that when she put her two mites into the box!

Now that we have learned how to heal these wounds of ours, let us apply the cures. Then, when we have regained genuine health, we can approach the holy table with confidence, go gloriously to meet Christ, the king of glory, and attain the eternal blessings through the grace, mercy and kindness of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Monday, July 6, 7 pm Monthly business meeting outside on the east side of church. Please bring your own lawn chair. In the event of rain, we will hold in the parish hall or music room.

For all **first degree members**, it's now easier than ever to get your second and third degree and can be done from the comfort of your own home. For the time being, this is being held online at select times and takes approximately 45 minutes. Please contact Jon Derner at the number below if you are interested.

If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Jon Derner at 314-808-2400.

**Auditions for The Young Catholic Musicians**

The Archdiocesan-wide choir and orchestra of The Young Catholic Musicians will hold auditions during July in preparation for its 47th Year of service to the Church. These young people [aged 10-17] represent over 50 parishes and schools in the St. Louis area. They learn quality liturgical music and lead the music for Mass once each month at different parishes. Singers and instrumentalists (Brass, Woodwinds, Strings, and Percussion) call Fr. Bruce Forman (314-231-7464) or Mrs. Mary Smith (314-962-9260) for additional information and to schedule an audition. Visit our web page at [www.archstl.org/musicians](http://www.archstl.org/musicians) or [www.youngcatholicmusicians.org](http://www.youngcatholicmusicians.org)

**PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF RACISM**

*God of justice, In your wisdom you create all people in your image and likeness without exception. Through your goodness, open our eyes to see the dignity, beauty, and worth of every human being. Open our minds to understand that your children are sisters and brothers in the same human family. Open our hearts to repent of racist attitudes, behaviors, and speech which demean others. Open our ears to hear the cries of those wounded by racial discrimination and their passionate appeals for change. Strengthen our resolve to make amends for past injustices and to right the wrongs of history. And fill us with courage that we might seek to heal wounds, build bridges, forgive and be forgiven and establish peace and equality in our community of Saint Louis. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.*

**Consecration is readily available for anyone wishing to receive this Sacrament!**

Sat. 5:00-5:45pm,
Sunday 6:15-6:45am & 9:50-10:15am
Monday thru Thursday 7:00-7:30 am
Tuesday 6:00-6:30pm

Or call Fr. Foy to set up an appointment 636-583-2488

**Flowers in Memoriam**

You can donate fresh flowers for the altar any Sunday for $50. They can be for a special occasion, in memory of someone, or anonymous. Just drop a note in the collection basket with your requested date along with the donation.

**SCHOOL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE. THE WEB ADDRESS IS:**

[WWW.SJGSCHOOL.ORG](http://WWW.SJGSCHOOL.ORG)

Or

[SJGPSR.ORG](http://SJGPSR.ORG) (for PSR students)

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The **Box Tops for Education** program is changing the way our school can earn cash. Going forward, instead of clipping from the packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt. The new “**Box Tops for Education**” app allows you to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly adds to our school’s earnings online. If you still have traditional Box Tops clips at home, make sure to send them to school. We will still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire. Thank you for helping our school!!

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