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, Wed - 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

Liturgy 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 6:15-6:45am & 9:50-10:15am
7:00-7:30am Monday thru Friday, 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.

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary—August 22

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
**Upcoming Parish Events**

- **Aug 16**  
  Men’s Adoration Society 7pm
- **Aug 19**  
  First Day of School
- **Aug 26**  
  PSR Begins
- **Sep 13**  
  13th Annual Journey for Charity Tractor Cruise
- **Sep 13**  
  Ladies Adoration Society 7 pm
- **Sep 16**  
  RCIA Begins
- **Oct 5-9**  
  Marian Pilgrimage on the Katy Trail with Fr. Foy
- **Oct 25**  
  59th Annual Sausage Dinner

**Upcoming Addition to the Church!**  
The Parish Council has been looking to improve the front steps and ramp for a while now and has been granted funds from the Archdiocese. At the same time there has long been a desire for the church to have an interior restroom. The council has some plans that will accomplish both tasks at one time, and entered a phase of discussion with the Archdiocese that involves the financial piece. We have already received some very considerable donations, but still need to generate about $100,000.00. Please consider making a donation to this historic project that will benefit every parishioner! On-line giving is possible thru OSV, go to www.osvonlinedonating.com/4878

**Adoration Societies**

Centered on the Eucharist, this holy hour is filled with prayer and adoration.

**Men** are praying for “Spiritual Protection” of our parish on **August 16** at 7pm in church.

**Women** are praying for “Spiritual Nourishment” of our parish on **September 13** at 7pm in church.

“For where there are two or three gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” Matthew 18:20

**SAINT JOHN’S REGISTRATION FORM**

If you have not registered, please join our parish by filling out this registration form and dropping it off in either the collection basket or the parish office. If you have any questions about how you can participate in the spiritual or sacramental life of our Church, please call Father Foy.

Name___________________________________________________  
Address_________________________________________________  
City___________________________ State_____  Zip____________  
Phone________________ Email______________________________  

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

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

59th Annual Sausage Dinner will still be held October 25, 2020

Although it will look a little different, details to follow!

Please welcome **Rev. George Knab O.M.I.** who will be with us this weekend to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 19 developing countries. To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at www.unbound.org.

Volunteers needed for Children’s Liturgy for 8:30am & 10:30am Mass on Sundays. This is in preparation for the return of the Children’s Liturgy to our Mass. If you are interested in helping please contact Kim Jacquin 636-584-5201.

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**Church Finances**

**Stewardship of Treasure**

**August 9, 2020**

Envelopes $4050.00
Loose $1042.00
Helping Hands $523.30
On-Line Giving $2005.00

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Readings for the week of August 16, 2020

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8/4][Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28


Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16


Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

Do you know of someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic? There is a formation process (RCIA) right here at St. John the Baptist that starts on Wed., September 16.

If you know of someone who would like to know more, please have them call the rectory, Fr. Foy 636-583-2488 or email him at fathertimfoy@gmail.com.

Flowers in Memoriam
You can donate fresh flowers for the alter 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.

Parish School of Religion (PSR):
PSR is in need of teachers for 3rd, 4th & 5th grades and substitutes. You will be paid a stipend. If you are interested, please contact Adam Weber at awpsrj@yahoo.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 awpsrj@yahoo.com or 314-330-0599.

Knights of Columbus, Council #8073 drive-through Cinnamon Rolls fundraiser at St. John’s Gildehaus Parish Center, Villa Ridge, on Sunday, August 30th beginning at 7:30 a.m. until sold out. Made from scratch and freshly baked. Sold by the container. Proceeds to benefit St. John’s School.

SUMMER FLOWER WATERING
As in past summers, we are looking for parishioners to volunteer through the months of August-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.

SICK IN THE PARISH: Bernice Straatmann, Debbie O’Malley, Andy Tobben, Bob Hayden Sr., Betty Brautigam, Willie Kessler, Rosie Spaulhorst, 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 Schwoeppe 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.
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you are doing well. We are here finally…days away from the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year! This has been the longest summer I can ever remember. Congratulations and prayers in advance to our students and teachers and parents. They start up afresh this Wednesday, August 19th. There are quite a few safety measures in place due to the continued threat of COVID-19. Perhaps the first everyone will notice at drop-off is the temperature reading instruments that will instantly help faculty determine if a child is running a fever. Of course, masks for the older children and social distancing will also be employed during the day. Again, prayers for our Jaguars young and old.

I thank you for your prayers for my vacation. I took a few days during the week before last to get out to Rocky Mountain National Park with a brother priest. We hiked and hiked and hiked. It was breathtaking…and I saw a black bear up close and personal (about 15 feet behind me) in our hotel’s parking lot. She let out a hissing sound to warn me not to follow her as she rambled off with a cub that was further in the distance behind her. I didn’t know bears hissed, but I was glad she didn’t have much else to say. Overall, a thrilling trip.

By the time you receive this bulletin, the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary will have come and gone without a lot of note. Normally, it’s a holy day of obligation. This year it falls on a Saturday and then we also don’t have any obligatory Masses at the moment, so it is less in the liturgical spotlight. Nonetheless, this is a hugely important feast day. While Christ took the fullness of our humanity to heaven in the Ascension, we consider with Mary as the New Eve and joining Christ the New Adam that now the fullness of our humanity is outwardly expressed as both male and female in heaven as well as on the earth. Mary also gives us great hope as she is a creature like us, and yet already possesses a heavenly body. Let us rejoice and be glad for our Mother who now sees and prays for all of her children from such a lofty position. This coming Saturday the 22nd is the feast of the Queenship of Mary. The Legion of Mary will be giving out donuts after the 8am Mass for all who attend! All hail the Queen as we worship the King!!

There is a new project on the horizon that has some old roots. We applied for an Ensuring Parish Viability Grant more than a year ago to assist us with the construction of a new set of steps in front of church and a new ramp that would comply with the American Disabilities Act (ADA). However, there has also been a longstanding desire to get a restroom somewhere in the church. The most logical (and least visually distracting) place for a restroom would be somewhere on the front. It simply does not make sense to spend a lot of money and attach steps without addressing this need for a restroom. A forward thinking parishioner pointed out how it these two objectives might be realized together and the parish council has had some preliminary plans put together. We are now in the process of getting the necessary permission from the Archdiocese for the project. There have already been some very significant donations made from within the parish council which should cover well over half of the cost. However, we are looking to demonstrate to the Archdiocese that the parish as a whole in favor of the plan and capable of supporting the remaining $100,000.00 required to tie it all together. Please note that any support will also provide the church with a decent size vestibule in front where parents could take their children or people could have a conversation during inhospitable weather without disrupting those trying to pray in church. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated. Giving on-line is possible thru OSV, go to www.osvonlinegiving.com/4878.

The Sausage Supper will be happening this year on October 25th. The Men’s Sodality voted for a Drive-Thru dinner this year due to the Coronavirus. Please let people know that we will need the help and hope not just to set a Drive-Thru record, but to establish a record so high that it will never be considered possible to be bested – similar to Cal Ripken and his record of playing in 2,632 consecutive major league baseball games. Of course, all glory goes to God so begin your prayers!

May you have a blessed beginning of the school year and special Marian time between her Assumption and her Queenship. Remember those donuts (coming Saturday) and look forward to sausage…and apple butter…and the opportunity to make another positive addition to our historic church. Peace in Christ,

Father Foy
**Help Needed!! Position Open!!**

St John’s School is currently seeking an After School Care Coordinator. Times needed are daily, Monday-Friday from 3pm-6pm

For more information contact Joan Knight in the school office at 636-583-2392.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions St. John’s School will be unable to have the All-School Open House on Monday Aug. 17. We apologize for this inconvenience. See you on the 19th!

**St. Francis Borgia Regional High School** is seeking two full-time office support people for the 2020 – 2021 school year. Both positions play an important role in providing support to the Administrative Team, and the Advancement and Finance offices. Successful candidates will work closely with staff to support the mission of the School. Both must be organized, have excellent communication skills, be flexible, and able to work independently and with a team. Must be spiritually centered and willing to assume confidential responsibilities in multiple office settings. Experience with Microsoft Office and Google Suites preferred. Bachelor’s Degree is preferred, and RaiseR’s Edge experience is a plus. If interested, please send a resume to Bernie Naumann, SFBRHS, 1000 Borgia Drive, Washington, MO. 63090, or email to bernie.naumann@borgia.com.

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**St. John the Baptist-School-Gildehaus**

St. John the Baptist-Gildehaus PSR

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**Tuesday, Sept. 8, 7pm Monthly business meeting in the music room.**

**Sunday August 30th - K of C Cinnamon Rolls drive thru.**

**Mark your calendar for the 13th Annual “Journey for Charity” Tractor Cruise Sunday, September 13th. For more information, please contact Ed Jasper at 636-390-3315**

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.

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

- **Saturday** 5:00-5:45pm
- **Sunday** 6:15-6:45am & 9:50-10:15am
- **Monday thru Friday** 7:00-7:30 am
- **Tuesday** 6:00-6:30pm

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

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required and asked to register in the new system by December 31, 2020. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God’s Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God’s Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers, and employees will register for an updated background screening, view new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to www.preventandprotectstl.org to register. Contact your parish Child Safety Coordinator (Joan Knight 636-583-2392) with any questions or for further assistance.

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This summer is flying by quickly. Do you have a plan to keep you on the right path in this ever-changing world? Listening to Catholic programming on Covenant Network will help keep you focused on faith in your life. Our daily schedule includes the Mass, the Rosary, the Angelus at noon, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers to remind you of saints and feasts during the day. Call-in shows that answer questions about Church history, Scripture, the lives of the Saints and current events will keep you grounded in the Faith. Tune in to AM 1460, or listen on our Covenant Network app on your mobile device or at OurCatholicRadio.org.

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

- **SJG-SCHOOL.ORG**
- **SJG-PSR.ORG** (for PSR students)