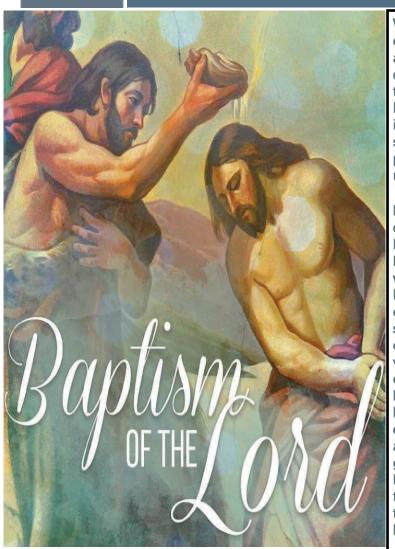


St. John THE Baptist

JANUARY 9TH, 2022 | THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."

- Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

PRAYER | WORSHIP

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

TUESDAY, January 11 8:30 AM Francis Hoff

WEDNESDAY, January 12 8:30 AM Nathalie Bookter

THURSDAY, January 13 8:30 AM Clarabelle Younger

FRIDAY, January 14 8:30 AM SallyAnne Connaher

SATURDAY, January 15 4:30 PM People of the parish

SUNDAY, January 16 8:00 AM Ralph Klasen 10:00 AM Delores Cramer

SCRIPTURE READINGS

JANUARY 16TH | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Reading I: Isaiah 62:1-5

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30 AM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM First Thursday: 9:00 AM to 7:30 PM

(Holy Hour at 6:30 PM)

Third Thursday: 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

PRIVATE PRAYER

Monday-Friday, Noon to 1:00 PM

COMMUNITY ROSARY

Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM

Sunday: 7:30 AM



RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:30–10:30 AM (or by appointment)

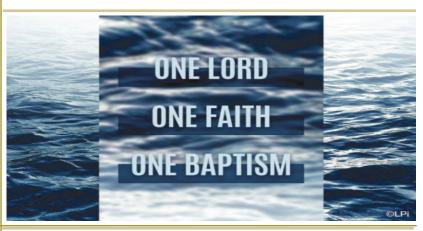
BAPTISM

Baptism Class is offered each month and is required prior to Baptism.

Register by calling the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office at least eight months in advance.



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This week at our Parish & School

Calling all women of the Parish!



ALL women are invited to join us for our January meeting this Thursday, January 13. 6:00 PM social; 6:30 PM meeting. We will practice safe social distancing and follow current mandates to keep all of our visitors and members safe.

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Please RSVP at (920) 609-4545 or email Karen Bookter at bookthorn@aol.com.



BIBLE STUD'

What? High School Bible Study

When? Thursday, January 13

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Where? Fireplace Room in the Church

We will be looking at the upcoming readings for Sunday and will read the readings as to how they apply to our lives.



Men: Are you looking for a way to deepen your faith and grow in community?

Exodus 90 is a 90-day spiritual exercise for men based on three pillars: prayer, asceticism (discipline), and fraternity. It will run from January 17 through Easter (April 17). Exodus 90 has allowed many men to experience freedom and detachment in their life allowing them to be more present to the Lord and their family.

If you are interested, please email Rob Sobieck at rsobieck@sjbh.org or call 920-434-2145, ext. 203. In the meantime, check out the Exodus 90 website for more info at www.exodus90.com.

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW STRUGGLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH?

One in four people will be affected by a mental health problem at some point in their lives. Let's join together to help break the stigma on mental illness!

Beginning Saturday, January 22 we are launching an 8-week video and discussion series on mental health called The Sanctuary Course for Catholics. The videos capture the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges in their own words, along with the insights of archbishops, theologians and psychologists.

This FREE course is for anyone (18 years or older) who wants to better understand the connection between faith and mental health.

Visit sjbh.org/mental-health to sign-up and for more information. Class size is limited! Make sure to register soon!



St. John THE Baptist





Parish News & Updates

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful

We have been very busy moving our mission of St. John's forward and the Holy Spirit has been hard at work making things happen! One of the goals of our Parish Mission Plan is increasing our impact in the community and focusing on Catholic social teachings. We have a wonderful Social Concerns team that has led this area for years. However, the plans that the parish staff have are much more than we would ever task our volunteers with. Also, this area falls into the realm of Ruth Holloway as the Coordinator of Pastoral Ministry/Spiritual Growth. Her current workload is already more than full and we know that in order to move these goals forward she will need help.

As I mentioned, the Holy Spirit has been hard at work and he pointed us in the direction of Jenn Garcia to become the assistant to Ruth. Jenn is/was our Faith Formation Administrative Assistant. Over these past several years she has shown herself to be extremely pastoral, empathetic, prayerful, and compassionate. These are some of the major gifts that we want to see in someone in this position. This transition opened up the position of Faith Formation Administrative Assistant, which has been filled by Tracy McAllister.

We are so excited to see what God has in store for St. John the Baptist as He is definitely equipping us to successfully help our communities to visibly live out discipleship through the mission and ministry of the Catholic Church and to help Him fill the hearts of His faithful!

—Sarah Wulf





Hello, my name is Tracy McAllister and I have accepted the position of Faith Formation Administrative Assistant. My husband Tim and I have been married for 20 years. In fact, Fr. Bill presided over our marriage at the heritage church. Tim is currently a member of the Pastoral Council. I have been a lifelong member of the parish, receiving all of my sacraments at St. John the Baptist Parish as well as graduating from SJB school many years ago. Our three children are all SJB graduates, too. Mason is a freshman at UW-GB, Blake is a senior at Bay Port High School, and Marisa is a sophomore and currently attending Faith Formation classes. You may have seen us as Greeters for either the 8:00 or 10:00 Sunday morning mass. I am blessed to belong to the parish family and look forward to seeing all the wonderful changes that will be happening in the near future as we make a difference "one by one".



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Finding Joy

This time of year is full of anticipation of prosperity, health and spiritual growth. As we continue in the excitement of the New Year with family it is important to check in with yourself, too. How are YOU feeling? WHAT are YOU feeling? These questions can be overwhelming or even embarrassing to answer for some.

One way to fill yourself up is to find small moments of joy. Watching your niece in her yellow polka-dot pants and red plaid shirt dance around your kitchen without a care in the world; listening to the bird song on your morning walk before work; enjoying the smell of a freshly baked loaf of banana bread; the embrace of a warm sweater. Be in the moment. This is the moment that matters. Right here right now because nothing else is guaranteed.

To give to others is to receive. As you give, your heart swells with love and smiles brighten your face releasing endorphins, the happy hormones. Giving back to yourself in the moments is the best way to nurture yourself and fill yourself back up. We can't pour from an empty pitcher, so giving yourself permission to enjoy your own quiet time, enjoying the hobby that makes you happy, or the every day moments of silliness are sometimes the best natural medicine. What brings you joy? Practice this every day and feel the difference it makes in your emotional well-being.

-Rena Esposito SJB Wellness Committee Member

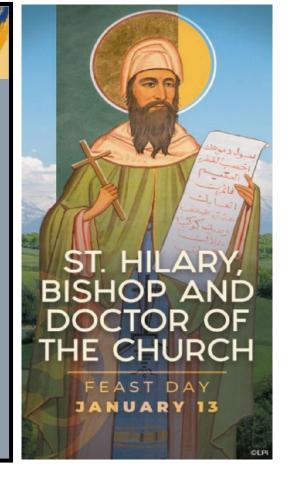


SJB School Corner



AUCTION DONATIONS NEEDED

The school auction committee is in need of new, unused items for the annual auction. Candles, lotions, bottles of wine, beer, snacks, tools, blankets and more all make great basket fillers. Or larger items are greatly appreciated such as spa baskets, cooking baskets, sporting equipment, boat trips, a tour of your business and more. Please contact the school office at 434-3822 and/or drop off your donation during school hours. Thank you for your support!



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CHANGED FOREVER: THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

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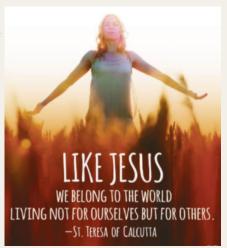
Recent food delivery in Haiti!
Between international cargo delays, time in clearing customs and more, the journey of each box packed is different — but, by God's grace, more than 99% of FMSC meals shipped have safely reached their intended destinations!



I Hope I Am Like Him

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ. "He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him." Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it. Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah. But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.



Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan?

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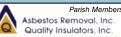
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