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All Saints, New Richland
307 1st St SW
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JANUARY 10, 2021

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

MASS TIMES

Weekday Mass Schedule

See page 2 of the bulletin for the weekday schedule as it is periodically subject to change based on pastoral circumstances.

Weekend Mass/Confession Schedule

Saturday 4:00 PM All Saints, New Richland
Sunday 8:00 AM St. Joseph, Waldorf
Sunday 10:00 AM St. Ann, Janesville

Confession is available half an hour before each weekend Mass.

All COVID REGULATIONS STILL APPLY

PASTOR AND PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION



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NOTIFICATION FOR WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

We are all familiar with the unpredictable weather we have in Minnesota. We will be using the Remind App this year to send notifications about weather cancellations to members of all three parishes. To sign up to receive notifications by either text or email, please send a text to **81010** with the message **@communio**

If your children are registered for St. Ann's Faith Formation, you are already signed up for the Faith Formation remind group and will be notified of any Faith Formation cancellations.

If you are a member of St. Ann's and would prefer to be placed on a call list, please contact the parish office. Members of All Saints and St. Joseph's are already on a call list.



Information for the parish bulletin is due to the parish office by 12:00 Noon on Tuesday each week unless otherwise noted.
Please send to:

St. Ann Church, PO Box 218, Janesville, MN 56048 or by email to: stannjan@hickorytech.net

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	Jan	11		No Mass Scheduled	
Tuesday	Jan	12	12:00 PM	Steve Sexton †	St. Ann - Janesville
Wednesday	Jan	13	12:00 PM	Esther Ryan †	St. Ann - Janesville
			5:30 PM	Children's Mass - Matt and Mary Burns †	St. Ann - Janesville
Thursday	Jan	14	12:00 PM	Doris Slechta †	St. Ann - Janesville
Friday	Jan	15	10:00 AM	Pat and Eileen Chicos †	All Saints - New Richland
Saturday	Jan	16	4:00 PM	Phil Bartusek †	All Saints - New Richland
Sunday	Jan	17	8:00 AM	Lucy Herold †	St. Joseph - Waldorf
			10:00 AM	For the Parishes	St. Ann - Janesville

MESSAGE FROM FR. BRIAN

Let us have the Bible read to us in a Year!!

I want to make a shout-out to a fellow Minnesota priest, Fr. Mike Schmitz. He was ordained in 2003 and is currently at the Newman Center in Duluth! If you like my homilies, I invite you to listen to his <https://bulldogcatholic.org/homilies-archive/> or just search for them on iTunes or Spotify. He releases them on Mondays after the weekend Sunday readings. If you think I can go long sometimes (which I can for sure), he averages twenty minutes for amazing life changing homilies.

A lot of my ideas and thoughts come from his charism of preaching. He has just published a recording in audio format of the Bible being read in a year. This is awesome because I like audio better than reading. Imagine going through the entire Bible, The Salvation Story of Mankind, in a year by just hitting play, once a day.

Fox 5 News did a promo of it recently. The podcast is the number one download in iTunes right now over all categories. As Fr. Schmitz says COVID has taught us a lot, mostly that we are not in control, God is and what we had earlier until 2020 was an illusion of control.

Videos are on our website, Facebook page and a link to sign up for an emailed daily reading of the Bible.

<https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration>



New Podcast
From Fr. Mike Schmitz:
The Bible In A Year

IN LOVING MEMORY



Steven Lee Eustice

December 25, 1937 - January 1, 2021

Steven was a member of St. Joseph's.

Obituary can be found at:
www.dennisfuneralhomes.com

ST. ANN'S GREETERS

January 10 - Dennis and Brenda Schultz
 January 17 - Beth Johnson
 January 24 - Donna Wiebold
 January 31 - Barb and Curt Ahlman

If you are unable to be there for your scheduled time, please call Ann Carda at 507.317.9604.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

Pray with us for Life.

Friday, January 22, 2021
 10:30 a.m. with
 Archbishop Bernard Hebda

Cathedral of Saint Paul
 239 Selby Ave., St. Paul

Saint John Paul II Champions for Life
 Awardees will be recognized during
 the prayer service

Visit www.archspm.org/events for more details. Limited seating available. Prayer service will be live-streamed on the Cathedral of Saint Paul's Facebook page.

INFORMATION FOR YOU

Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota will be offering two new study opportunities on Zoom in 2021.

Life and Dignity of the Human Person (7 sessions) will be on Mondays, beginning Jan. 11th, at 7:00 PM. They will also offer a chance to study the US Catholic Bishop's pastoral letter against racism, **Open Wide Our Hearts**, on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM, beginning January 12th. All materials are available free. If you would like more information or to register, email Lisa Kremer at lkremer@ccsomn.org or call her at 507.360.3423. Make a resolution to learn more about Catholic Social Teachings in the New Year!



The Catholic Order of Foresters Court #645 present proceeds from their 2020 matching grant fundraiser at St. Ann to Fr. Brian for the building of the new parish center. The total of the two checks was \$3,862.03 Thank you Foresters!

Pledge from Fr. Mike to Project Renew

Thank you for the reminder of my pledge to the parish center project. I'm so glad that you have made so much progress. I was convinced then and even more so now what a gift this will be for the parish. My hope and prayers is that the good and faithful folks of St. Ann will soon see the fruits of their labors. More than just a building, it will be a place where faith is learned, shared, and supported especially for the special moments of people's lives. Much fellowship and love was shared in the former school and I have no doubt that the new parish center will do the same for generations to come. We all know how life can change in an instant for anyone of us. We can be confident that the work of the parish center will continue on for the next generation and beyond. As we enter the new year, I pray for your health and well-being Fr. Brian as well as the parishioners of the parish. I thoroughly enjoyed my time there as pastor. Please give to them my heartfelt greetings. Enclosed is the completion of my pledge. Fr. Mike Cronin

A huge thank you to Mike Niemczyk who recently stepped down as Trustee at the end of his term for the Church of St. Ann. Mike has served as a parish trustee since 2014. Fr. Brian as appointed Mike Cahill to be the new Trustee for the parish effective January 1, 2021 for a one year term.

The next American Red Cross Blood Drive day/time and location:

Date: Thursday, January 14, 2021
Time: 1:00 - 7:00 PM
Location: Trinity Lutheran Church - Janesville

For an appointment or for more information, please call or text MaryLou at 507.327.7823. Because of COVID-19, they will not be taking walk-ins. Appointments are required.

Snow Removal Schedule for St. Joseph's - January 2021

Terry Traynor (chair) 239.2382
Steve Krause, Jim Krause, Jerome Stenzel

GOSPEL MEDITATIONS

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?

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