

The Basilica of St. John

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Named to the National Historic Registry, September 8, 1987
Elevated to the rank of Minor Basilica by Pope John Paul II, October 4, 1989

Pastor: *The Very Reverend Aquinas M. Nichols*

Deacons: *Rev. Mr. Frank Lopez*
Rev. Mr. Luke Tieskoetter
Rev. Mr. Mark Campbell

Business Manager:

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Pastor's Secretary/Office Manager:

Director of Adult Faith Formation
& RCIA Coordinator:

Holy Family School Principal:

Director of Religious Education:

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Charles Stastny (244-3101, ext. 205)

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Rev. Mr. Luke Tieskoetter (249-1327)

Rev. Mr. Mark Campbell

Masses: Saturday: 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil), 6:00p.m. (Spanish Mass)
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. (Festive Sung Mass)
Holy Days: Usually 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. (check voicemail for Mass Schedule changes)
National Holidays: Usually 9:00 a.m. (or check Mass Schedule on the inside of this bulletin)
Weekdays: 12:00 noon

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament:

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Baptism:

Marriage:

Visit to Sick:

New Parishioners:

Mass Homily:

Pregnancy Hotline:

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Saturday: 2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Parishioners contact the parish office - (515)244-3101 ext.204

Parishioners contact the office at least 6 months prior to requested date of marriage

Please inform office of any illness or hospitalization in the family

Please contact the Parish Office to register as a member of our parish

BasilicaofStJohn.org click on Live Telecast tab.

For those considering abortion: 1-800-848-LOVE

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Love can make our burdens lighter. When we share the burdens of life with Christ and our fellow disciples, burdens are easier to bear. He tells us in today's Holy Gospel to come to him and we will find rest for our souls.

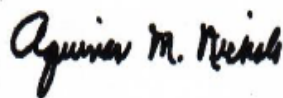
In order that the Basilica may be properly sanitized, please leave right after Mass since the Basilica will have to be sanitized between Masses and after the last Mass. **COFFEE AND DONUTS WILL NOT BE SERVED UNTIL 06 SEPTEMBER AND THE HALL WILL REMAIN LOCKED. THE SATURDAY MORNING MASS WILL BE ON HOLD UNTIL 05 SEPTEMBER.** Most meetings are also on hold until then. Please observe the proper social distancing and the use of masks.

We finished our fiscal year in very good shape. Our greatest need now as we begin a new fiscal year, is to meet our weekly needed amount and to make our ADA assessment. Please keep watch in the bulletin for these needs. Please make your pledge to the ADA. Envelopes are located by the doors. As we begin the new fiscal year, we should be most grateful that our elevator debt has been retired. Further money donated for the elevator will go to its upkeep.

I thank all those who sent special greetings and cards to me on 29 June for my 40th anniversary of ordination to the Sacred Priesthood. The formal celebration has been postponed until 16 May 2021 because of the present pandemic. Hopefully at that time we will be able to celebrate in a more joyous manner with everyone present.

You continue to be in my daily prayers. May the Lord keep you and your families safe and well.

Devotedly in the Lord,



(The Very Reverend) Aquinas M. Nichols
Pastor

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.): **ARE YOU** interested in becoming Catholic? **DO YOU** know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic Faith? **ARE YOU** curious about the Catholic Faith? RCIA classes will begin in September. If you are interested in becoming Catholic and learning more about the faith, or if you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic, please call Jenifer Parsons at 515-244-3101 ext. 204.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

JULY 4 TO JULY 12

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT 04 4:00PM +Jon Farrington
6:00PM Spanish Mass



SUN 05 8:30AM +Chuck Davis
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

MON 06 12:00PM +Fr. John Tan Tran

TUE 07 12:00PM +Mary Jane Eaton

WED 08 12:00PM +Judy Tatz

THU 09 12:00PM +Dominico Nguyen

FRI 10 12:00PM +Elizabeth Loux

SAT 11 9:00AM +June Micek-(*NO Mass in the Basilica*)

(Vigil Mass)
4:00PM +Walt McManus

SUN 12 8:30AM +Ron Wells
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN STREAMING ONLINE:
www.BasilicaofStJohn.org home page, scroll down to "Streaming Masses" & click on the tab to watch daily Mass and the Sunday Mass.

PRAYER CHAIN: Do you know someone who is in need of prayer? The Basilica Prayer Chain can help. To request prayers email Deacon Luke Tieskoetter at tieskoetterluke3@gmail.com or Terri at 321-2743 or sinc2@aol.com.

CATECHISM CORNER:

Last week's question:

Last week's question: ***What is the relationship of the sacraments to Christ?***

ANSWER: The mysteries of Christ's life are the foundations of what he would henceforth dispense in the sacraments, through the ministers of his Church. "*What was visible in our Savior has passed over into his mysteries.*" (Saint Leo the Great)



The Basilica of St. John
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 5, 2020

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK
JULY 6 THRU JULY 12

MON 9:00AM NO Adoration
06

TUE 8:00AM Organ Practice+++
07

WED 9:00AM NO Adoration
08

THU 8:00AM Organ Practice+++
09

FRI 9:00AM NO Adoration
10

SAT 8:30AM NO Chaplet of Divine Mercy##
11

SUN 8:00AM NO Vietnamese Prayer Group%
12

Daily Scripture Readings for the week of July 6, 2020:

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26
 Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38
 Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7
 Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Mt 10:7-15
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23
 Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33
 Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

LIFELINES: Learn the facts: Don't we need abortion to prevent overpopulation?

Overpopulation is not a problem in the United States. On the contrary, the U.S. fertility rate is 2.06 children per couple, slightly below "replacement" level—the number of births needed to keep population stable. If not for immigration, the U.S. population would be stagnant. Most European and Asian nations are well below the replacement rate. These nations will soon face a shortage of people of working age, with too few workers to support the elderly in their retirement. Even in developing nations, fertility rates have begun to steadily decline. There is more than enough space on earth for the world's population. In fact, every person in the world could comfortably live within the landmass of the state of Texas. The real problem is resource consumption, as developed nations consume resources at an alarming rate. While one solution to this problem might be to limit the number of people allowed to live on earth, a better solution would be to responsibly limit our consumption of the earth's resources. **Pro-Life Action League Sources:** "County Comparison: Total Fertility Rate." In *The World Factbook* 2013-14. Washington, DC: Central Intelligence Agency, 2013. <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/rankorder/2127rank.html>. Mosher, Steven. "Did you know?" <http://lifeissues.net/clearthinkingaboutcrucialissues>. http://lifeissues.net/writers/mos/pri_01texas.html. Population Research Institute. FAQ's. <http://pop.org/about/faq>. United Nations. Press Release Pop/918. February 25, 2005. <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2005/pop918.doc.htm>.

WEEKLY INCOME – 6/28/2020

Total - \$32,420.55
 Need - \$21,311.35

Year to Date (YTD) - Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

YTD Total - \$1,023,963.73

YTD Need - \$1,108,190.20

REMAINING ELEVATOR DEBT: \$0 — PAID IN FULL!!

DEBT TO FOUNDATION: \$0 — PAID IN FULL!!

Annual Diocesan Appeal-Amount still owed: \$76,910.00

New ways to give to the Basilica of Saint John: Text-To-Give phone number. With Text-To-Give you simply put in a dollar amount and send a text to the following: (515) 293-4810. Scan the following QR Code for a one-time gift or setup an account.



MASS INTENTIONS are full through September. The Fall months are almost full too. If you would like a Mass said as soon as possible, we are able to send them out to monasteries, so the Mass intention can be offered sooner. Otherwise I will be able to start taking limited, new requests the first part of October—for the remainder of 2020. Thanks, Barb

Some Gentle Reminders for Social Distancing while at Mass:

- ♦ Please continue to wear masks while at Mass (available at the entrances of the church).
- ♦ Keep a six foot distance and single line when going up to receive Holy Communion.
- ♦ Those who receive on the tongue, please wait until the end of the line.
- ♦ Please leave right after Mass, *do not* congregate in the church or the vestibule of the church-so that sanitizing may be completed and made ready for the next Mass.

The Basilica has masks available. There are cloth masks, located in the vestibule of the church. Disposable masks are located at the elevator entrance. If you use them, they are yours to keep! Please **DO NOT** place them back with the other unused masks.



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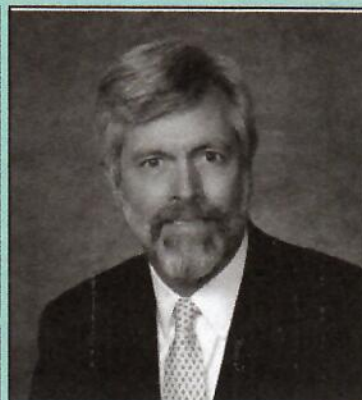
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