

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST--JUNE 14, 2020

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

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

Confessions

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

Baptisms

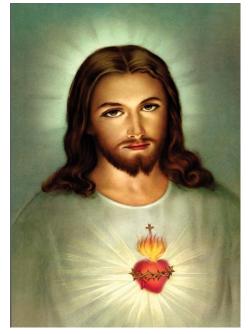
Parishioners are asked to please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

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.



Sacred Heart of Jesus, June 19



THE MOST HOLY **BODY AND BLOOD** OF CHRIST

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." - Jn 6:56

Parish Meetings

MON: 6/15 Parish Council Mtg, 7:30pm in the Music Rm.

TUES: WED:

Prayer of Spiritual Communion



At Thy feet, O my Jesus, I prostrate myself and I offer Thee repentance of my contrite heart. which is humbled in its nothingness and in Thy holy presence. I adore Thee in the Sacrament of Thy love, the ineffable Eucharist. I

desire to receive Thee into the poor dwelling that my heart offers Thee. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I wish to possess Thee in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I, for my part, am coming to Thee! May Thy love embrace my whole being in life and in death. I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee, Amen.

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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 ☐ RCIA Team or Sponsor
- ☐ Young Adult Rosary Group
- □ Lector
- □ Altar Server
- ☐ Knights of Columbus
- □ Men's Club
- □ Parish Religious Ed. (PSR)
- □ Usher

Upcoming Parish Events

June 13-14 Annual Catholic Appeal Begins

June 14 Corpus Christi Procession 7pm

Father's Day June 21

8th Grade Graduation, 7pm July 15

July 19 First Communion, 1pm

July 23 Confirmation, 7pm

Aug 10 Preschool Playdate 9-11am

Aug 17 Open House 5-6:30

Aug 19 First Day of School



Mark your calendars! We will be holding Forty Hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, which coincides with the Feast of St. John the Baptist's birthday here at St. John's June 23-24th. Exposition will begin at 5:00 am on Tuesday morning and will conclude 11pm Wednesday evening. Two adorers will be needed for each hour of Adoration.

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament is nothing less than a close, private conversation with a living person who is the risen Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Experience the Divine Mercy offered to us in the Real Presence.

"One thing I ask of the LORD; this I seek: To dwell in the LORD's house all the days of my life, to gaze on the LORD's beauty, to visit his temple." **Psalm 27:4**

Please consider spending a special hour with Him. Look for the sign-up sheet in back of church



Readings for the week of June 14, 2020

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12]/1 Cor

10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 [2b]/Mt 5:38-42 **Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 [cf. 3a]/Mt

5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24 [25]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 **Thursday:** Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [12a]/Mt 6:7-15 **Friday:** Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 [cf. 17]/1 Jn 4:7-16/

Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Lk

2:41-51

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 21st at 8 pm and will include a special period of adoration. Come see what it's all about!

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:

- If you received a card in the mail you can either drop it in the mail or bring it by the rectory.
- 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
- Donate through the Archdiocese website: archstl.org/aca
- 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
- Or through the online giving link on sigpsr.org



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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!



June 15-June 21

Mon. 8:00 a.m. Mary Hillerman

Tue. 7:00 p.m. Mike Ley

Wed. 8:00 a.m. Fr. Eugene F. Bendel Thur. 8:00 a.m. Norma Straatmann Fri. 8:00 a.m. Fr. William J. Kester Sat. 6:00 p.m. Mary Ann Frick

Sun. 7:00 a.m. Carl Brendel & Jake Sieve

Sun. 8:30 a.m. For the People Sun. 10:30 a.m. Don Voss

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.

The Lamb's Supper Book Club is continuing on Wednesday June 17 at 6:30pm-8:00pm. in the Music Rm. We will be studying the "Lamb's Supper" by Scott Hahn, beginning on part 2 Chapter 1, "I turned to See" Questions? Call Cindy Hofstetter 314-307-4366.



SICK IN THE PARISH: Bernice Straatmann, Debbie O'Malley, Andy Tobben, Diana Brinker, Bob Hayden Sr., Betty Brautigam, Willie Kessler, Rosie Spaunhorst, 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,

It has been great to see more and more of you at Masses, and to all of those who are watching the Livestreamed Masses and waiting – thank you for your continued patience. Keep praying – please! This weekend is the Feast of Corpus Christi which is always a special celebration at St. John's. Please consider joining our Eucharistic procession at 7 pm on Sunday. Concerning the after-party-picnic: yes, we are having one. Due to the present health concerns all of the food and drink will be store-bought as opposed to homemade, but the good news is that we will be together celebrating the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ and praying in His Presence. This feast becomes more and more important due to the diminishment in faith in the Real Presence. We as Catholics hold that Christ is truly present under the appearances of bread and wine in all of His fullness – in every Host and every drop from the chalice – His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. This is possible because His Body Risen from the dead has no limitations.

Speaking of the Eucharist, we restarted Eucharistic Adoration this past week, and you are welcome to come on Tuesdays again to adore the Lord upon the altar in the throne of His monstrance. If you are already regularly scheduled, please come when you normally come – we are currently not using a sign-up sheet.

Also, I am inviting all of the men of the parish out to participate in a regular group centered on the Eucharist for the spiritual protection of our parish. The first event will take place in Church on June 21st at 8 pm and will include a special period of adoration.

I would also like to invite the women of our parish to participate in a regular group centered on the Eucharist for the spiritual nourishment of our parish. The first event will take place in Church on July 12th at 7 pm.

On one more Adoration note – Larry Ley is spearheading our 2nd annual 40 Hour Devotion. We will have a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for adorers for the period between 5 am on June 23 and 11pm on June 24 (Feast of John the Baptist's birthday). We should have a beautiful arrangement of candles for the altar, and this will hopefully be a great opportunity for spiritual intimacy with Christ.

In other news, both of our deacons have just had the anniversaries of their ordinations. Deacon Randy Maune's big day was June 2nd and marks two years since his ordination. Deacon Randy Smith was ordained on June 3rd and has now celebrated 14 years of service to our parish. Thank you, Deacons, for all of the work with which you help me! Please congratulate them if you get a chance!!!!

I am putting some strands of prayer beads in the back of church for whoever is interested. They are not rosaries, but a way to pray for people in your life and to unite them to the intercession of the saints.

May God bless you and be your Strength,

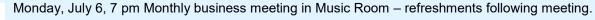
Father Foy

From a work by Saint Thomas Aguinas, priest

O precious and wonderful banquet!

Since it was the will of God's only-begotten Son that men should share in his divinity, he assumed our nature in order that by becoming man he might make men gods. Moreover, when he took our flesh he dedicated the whole of its substance to our salvation. He offered his body to God the Father on the altar of the cross as a sacrifice for our reconciliation. He shed his blood for our ransom and purification, so that we might be redeemed from our wretched state of bondage and cleansed from all sin. But to ensure that the memory of so great a gift would abide with us for ever, he left his body as food and his blood as drink for the faithful to consume in the form of bread and wine. O precious and wonderful banquet that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source, and in which we renew the memory of that surpassing love for us which Christ revealed in his passion.

It was to impress the vastness of this love more firmly upon the hearts of the faithful that our Lord instituted this sacrament at the Last Supper. As he was on the point of leaving the world to go to the Father, after celebrating the Passover with his disciples, he left it as a perpetual memorial of his passion. It was the fulfillment of ancient figures and the greatest of all his miracles, while for those who were to experience the sorrow of his departure, it was destined to be a unique and abiding consolation.





Sunday June 14th, 7 PM - Corpus Christ Procession at Church.

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

Parish School of Religion (PSR):

PSR is in need of teachers for Kindergarten, 3rd, and 4th 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 19th. 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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WE NEED YOU...As a Lector, Usher, or Eucharistic Minister—*PLEASE* consider helping out with the Mass by volunteering in one of these ministries—See Deacon Randy Smith or Deacon Randy Maune for more info.





The Feast of Corpus Christi also known as the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is a Catholic liturgical solemnity celebrating the Real Presence of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ in the elements of the Eucharist. Two months earlier, the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper is observed on Maundy Thursday in a somber atmosphere leading to Good Friday. The liturgy on that day also commemorates Christ's washing of the disciples' feet, the institution of the priesthood and the agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

The feast of Corpus Christi was proposed by St. Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church to Pope Urban IV; in order to create a feast focused solely on the Holy Eucharist, emphasizing the joy of the Eucharist being the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ. Having recognized the authenticity of the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena on input of Aquinas, in 1264, the pontiff, then living in Orvieto, established the feast of Corpus Christi as a Solemnity and extended it to the whole Roman Catholic Church.

The feast is liturgically celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday or, "where the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is not a holy day of obligation, it is assigned to the Sunday after the Most Holy Trinity as its proper day".

At the end of Holy Mass, there is often a procession of the Blessed Sacrament, generally displayed in a monstrance. The procession is followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. A notable Eucharistic procession is that presided over by the Pope each year in Rome, where it begins at the Archbasilica of St. John Lateran and passes to the Basilica of Saint Mary Major, where it concludes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

