

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF LENT--MAY 24, 2020

St. John the Baptist

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Mass Schedule

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 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**.



7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you."
- Jn 17:1

Parish Meetings

MON:
TUES:
WED:


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WE
MISSED
YOU**

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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:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Linen | <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Server |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic Minister | <input type="checkbox"/> Lector |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies Sodality | <input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Columbus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Musician & Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Youth Aide | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Religious Ed. (PSR) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Helping Hands Outreach to the Poor | <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA Team or Sponsor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult Rosary Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Usher |

Upcoming Parish Events

May 25 Memorial Day
May 26-29 Father Foy gone on retreat—No Mass Tues-Fri
May 31 No Knights of Columbus 5th Sunday Breakfast
June 13-14 Annual Catholic Appeal Begins
June 14 Corpus Christi
June 21 Father's Day
August 19 First Day of School

Prayer after Communion:

I thank You, Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, for having been pleased, through no merit of mine, but of Your great mercy alone, to feed me, a sinner, and Your unworthy servant, with the precious Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. I pray that this Holy Communion may not be for my judgment and condemnation, but for my pardon and salvation. Let this Holy Communion be to me an armor of faith and a shield of good will, a cleansing of all vices, and a rooting out of all evil desires. May it increase love and patience, humility and obedience, and all virtues. May it be a firm defense against the evil designs of all my visible and invisible enemies, a perfect quieting of all the desires of soul and body. May this Holy Communion bring about a perfect union with You, the one true God, and at last enable me to reach eternal bliss when You will call me. I pray that You bring me, a sinner, to the indescribable Feast where You, with Your Son and the Holy Spirit, are to Your saints true light, full blessedness, everlasting joy, and perfect happiness. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ready to sign up? Just go to www.stjohns-gildehaus.org and click on the link. It's quick & easy! Or, go thru myParish App and click on "Giving".



Online Giving
from Our Sunday Visitor

Church Finances Stewardship of Treasure

We would like to Thank all those who have continued to financially support St. Johns during this difficult time.

Readings for the week of May 24, 2020

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 [13]/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [cf. 7b]/Jn 21:20-25



- ♦ Michael Casey 3/10/2020
- ♦ Otto Spaunhorst 3/27/2020
- ♦ Leona Scharfenberg 4/24/2020
- ♦ Norma Straatmann 4/26/2020
- ♦ Nancy Maniaci 4/29/2020
- ♦ Don Voss 5/14/2020

May They Rest in Peace

Important: If your address or phone number(s) have recently changed please let us know at the rectory 636-583-2488 so we can update your information.

****Also, if you would like to join our parish we would love to have you!** Just fill out the registration form included in this bulletin and drop it in the collection basket, mail it to the rectory, give it to Fr. Foy. Or, Give us a call, 636-583-2488. Thank you!



May 25-May 31

Mon. 8:00 a.m. Jim Swoboda
Tue. 7:00 p.m. Fr. Foy gone on retreat
Wed. 8:00 a.m. Fr. Foy gone on retreat
Thur. 8:00 a.m. Fr. Foy gone on retreat
Fri. 8:00 a.m. Fr. Foy gone on retreat
Sat. 6:00 p.m. Norma Straatmann
Sun. 7:00 a.m. Ann Hassler
Sun. 8:30 a.m. For the People
Sun. 10:30 a.m. Jim Hellmann



Flowers in Memoriam

You can donate fresh flowers for the altar 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.



Pray For...

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 Schwoeppé 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,

Happy Feast of the Ascension! This is one of the biggest solemnities of the year and I'll tell you why: because Jesus flies up to heaven. That may seem like a footnote to a happy ending, but actually this is the conclusion of the sacrifice of Jesus. The reason why the celebration of Ascension has been moved from the actual day (the event of the Ascension of Christ took place on a Thursday 40 days after the Resurrection) to Sunday is that the Ascension must be understood and remembered along with the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus otherwise we don't understand the whole picture. In fact, while we usually think of Good Friday or Easter Sunday as the climax of the Paschal Mystery it is really the Feast of the Ascension. For the sacrifice of Jesus is not complete until Jesus ascends to heaven with our human nature. He perfects our humanity by giving it a permanent place at God's right hand.

Think of it. Adam started off okay, but fell before his journey through life was over and he brought humanity's place from the garden down into the world and from the world down into Hell. Christ came down into our life and died, went down into Hell to free the souls of the just, and now He completes His pilgrimage by journeying back to the Father. In other words, our human story finally goes somewhere beyond this rebellious world. We now have a path to a new home in heaven. Furthermore, it is from heaven that Jesus exercises His priestly ministry. It is from His throne that He gives us His Flesh and Blood in the Mass.

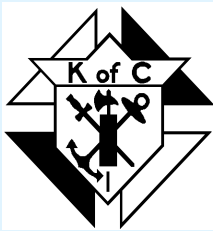
Finally, we need the Ascension to prepare us for Pentecost and the beginning of earth's Transfiguration. Recall how we pray for this in every Our Father. We ask that His Will finally be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Christ goes up taking something earthly into heaven – namely our human nature. This enables something heavenly to come down and begin to transform the earth – namely His Spirit at Pentecost. Our Church is this participation of heaven and earth interlaced together doing God's Will in His Spirit. The angels tell the apostles and us not to stand around looking at heaven, but for us to go out and do the work of Christ knowing that now we can see that His Will is taking us somewhere better.

I am so glad to be back with people in Mass. If you are not feeling that you should attend, please know that you could watch Mass at home or sit in the parking lot and come up to the church around dismissal of one of the Masses. A minister of Holy Communion will be bringing the Eucharist outside to distribute to people interested in receiving.

Now that I've said that I'm so happy to be back....I'm going on my annual retreat this Monday, May 25th after the 8 am Mass....I'll be returning this Friday the 29th in the afternoon. We will not have any liturgical services Tuesday through Friday.

God bless you and have a fantastic feast of the Ascension!

Father Foy



Monday, June 1, 7 pm Monthly business meeting in Music Room – refreshments following meeting.

5th Sunday breakfast is cancelled

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.

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

WWW.SJGSCHOOL.ORG

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St John’s School Lunch Menu

Have a great Summer!

See you in August!!



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 **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!!

School Board Nominations

Nominations are being accepted for two School Board members for the 2020-2021 school year. Terms run for three years and begin in August. Thank you to Melissa Dowil and Jill Schmelz for their time and dedication to our school and whose terms are up in May, 2020. Returning members are Father Foy, Ms. Diane Smith, John Clarkson, Jason Weggemann, Sarah Collins, and Craig Shofner.

Every active member of the parish 18 years or older may nominate two individuals each. Nomination forms can be returned to the school office or placed in the collection basket in church. Please return all nominations by Friday, March 27, 2020. Thank you.

Signature

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