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My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It's my pleasure to present the 2026 edition of St. John's Ministry Guide Book and Parish Directory. I continue to be amazed at how ministries and organizations are active here, and I'm certain that everyone can find one in which to participate. I love being the Pastor of this vibrant and growing Church community! The diversity of our parish helps us to be everything our Lord wishes us to be, but it's the participation in the life of the Church that allows each of us to use the gifts that the Holy Spirit has provided. Spend a little time looking through the pages of this book and familiarize yourself with the many diverse opportunities to serve others. You may discover ministries or organizations that you didn't even know existed. Being part of a Parish means so much more than just attending Sunday Mass and contributing to the collection. We're each called to be stewards of not only our financial resources, but our time and talents as well. When we use our God-given gifts in the service of others, all of us benefit. On behalf of the parish staff and all the members of our parish family, know that we feel truly blessed that you have made St. John's your spiritual home.

Fraternally Yours in Christ,

Rev. Bryan K. Lowe, Pastor

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am, 11:30am, and 5:30pm

Daily Masses:

Monday-Saturday: 8:30am
Tuesday: 6:15am
Wednesday & Thursday: 6:30pm

Holy Day Masses:

6:00am, 8:30am and 6:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wednesday and Thursday: 5:30pm - 6:20pm
Saturday: 3:30pm - 5:00pm
Other times by request

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Wednesday: 5:00pm - 6:20pm
First Friday: 9:00am - 9:00pm
First Saturday: 9:00am - 10:00am

Parish Office Directory

Pastoral Staff

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Quick Answers

Joining the Parish

Registration forms and welcome packets are available after any weekend Mass at the Welcome Desk. You may also stop by the Parish Office or visit our website, www.stjohnbchurch.org; click “Our Church”; “I’m New Here”; “Parish Registration.”

Office Hours

The Parish Office is open Monday-Thursday, 8:00am-4:00pm and Friday 8:00am-1:00pm. The office is closed for most federal holidays, Holy Days of Obligation, Christmas week, and Easter Monday.

Change of Contact Information

Please notify the Parish Office or visit our website, www.stjohnbchurch.org and click “Our Church”, “I’m New Here”, “Parish Registration” if you are planning to or have recently moved, changed phone numbers or email address. By ensuring that we have your most current contact information, you will be able to stay up to date on all of the latest parish news and will continue to receive your weekly offertory envelopes and One Voice Diocesan Newspaper.

Baptisms

In order to have a child baptized at St. John’s, parents need to be registered members of St. John’s and attend the Baptism Preparation class (offered on the last Wednesday of every month). Baptisms are scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Sunday at 1:00pm.

Godparents, Witnesses, and Sponsors

Have you been asked to be a Godparent? A Confirmation Sponsor? A Best Man or Maid of Honor? Many churches will request a letter or certificate be provided that states you are a Catholic in good standing and capable of fulfilling these important roles. Please contact the Parish Office to request such a letter.

Marriages

Engaged couples desiring to be married at St. John’s should contact Deacon Dan Laurita at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date. Couples must be registered as adults at St. John’s. It is recommended that couples make contact with the parish at the very beginning of their engagement to ensure an orderly and reflective preparation process. Preparation will involve three areas: documents, spiritual formation, and preparing for the ceremony.

Funerals

If you need to arrange a funeral or are interested in funeral planning, please call the Parish Office.

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The Columbarium serves as an appropriate place for earthly remains of any of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church parishioners and their eligible family members. Members of other Parishes who are current, active, contributing, registered members of area Catholic Churches may purchase a niche as well. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions are available for parish weekday Masses for the repose of the soul of a deceased loved one or on the occasion of a serious illness. The person for whom the Mass is offered is remembered in a special way by name in the Prayers of the Faithful, and their name is printed in the parish bulletin among the Mass Intentions listed for the week they will be remembered. If you would like to have a loved one remembered at a parish Mass, please contact our Parish Office to schedule an available time. Masses can be scheduled within 3 months of the current date.

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers can be donated in memory of a loved one or to mark a special anniversary. To schedule a weekend or for more information contact the Parish Office at 256-722-0130.

Sick/Hospital Visit

Please call the Parish Office, 256-722-0130, if there is an emergency, if you or a loved one are about to have surgery, are in the hospital or nursing home, or have become homebound. The Anointing of the Sick is a healing sacrament available to the young and old, the chronically or terminally ill, and also offered prior to surgery. For an after-hours emergency, please call the Rectory at 205-902-9990.

First Communion

Children preparing for First Communion must have two years of active participation in the religious education program (grades 1 and 2), or have attended Catholic school, or an approved Catholic Home School Program. First sacraments are celebrated in the 2nd grade. Families with children older than second grade who would like their children prepared for these sacraments should contact the Director of Religious Education.

Confirmation

Our goal in preparing teens for the Sacrament of Confirmation is to equip them with knowledge of the faith and, with the help of the Holy Spirit, ignite in them a fire to share it. Guided by our mission to nurture a personal relationship with Christ and the Church, St. John's Confirmation program provides students with opportunities to prayerfully reflect on the graces of an ever-deepening relationship of love for God and neighbor and the mission of the Church. Emphasis is placed on sharing our gifts from God and the call to lead and change the world by our faith (Acts 1:8). Students typically receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the 9th grade year provided they have met all program requirements and prerequisites (see full description on the RE webpage).

Becoming Catholic

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which people can learn more about the Catholic faith and prepare for participating in the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Classes are held on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall from September-May. Please contact the Director of Adult Faith Formation by email (ocia@stjohnbchurch.org) or 256-722-0130.

St. John's Catholic School

St. John the Baptist Catholic School was established in 1996 as a non-profit educational institution dedicated to the academic, spiritual, and physical development of every child who has been entrusted to its care. The school is part of the educational ministry of the parish and offers programs for grades K4-8. For more information, visit www.stjohnb.com or call 256-722-0772.

Nursery

The nursery is available for young children (age 5 and younger) during the Sunday 8:30am and 11:30am Masses, as well as the 8:30am Holy Day Masses.

Parish Library

St. John's Parish Library is located on the basement level. It contains inspirational and faith based books, CDs and DVDs for children, teens and adults. Visit our online catalog www.stjohnbchurch.org/library. Regular Library Hours are Sunday 9:30am-11:30am during the academic year.

Annulments/ Convalidations

If you are divorced and would like to pursue an annulment of your previous marriage or would like some information concerning annulments or have your marriage convalidated in the church please contact Deacon Dan.

Reserving a Room

As parishioners of St. John's, we are committed to being good stewards of our facilities, keeping them in a well-maintained condition and welcoming our families to use these facilities to carry out our mission of supporting the Catholic faith. Together we take care of our beautiful buildings and church grounds. Help us by sharing in our commitment of stewardship. The use of St. John's facilities is restricted to appropriate church and school-related activities. The Parish Hall is available to rent for wedding and anniversary celebrations. Please call the Parish Office to inquire.

Prayer Requests

St. John's publishes a list in the bulletin each week of all those who are ill and have requested our prayers. If you would like to add your name or the name of a loved one to this list, please contact the Parish Office. We cannot publish any names without family consent.

Bulletin Notices

The weekly bulletin, along with our weekly eNews letter, are our primary means of parish communications. Bulletin space is limited to parish and ministry events. Items to be considered for publication in the bulletin can be submitted by email to parishoffice@stjohnbchurch.org. Notices must be submitted no later than noon on Friday the week before they are to appear. Announcements are generally limited to twice per event and may be edited for space.



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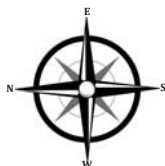
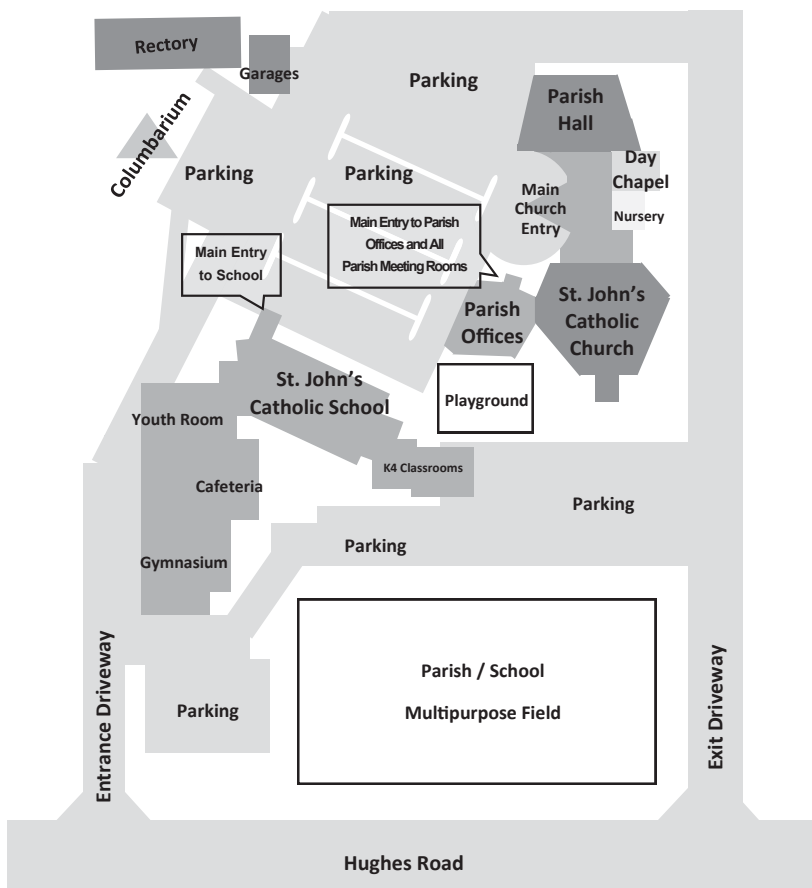


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St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Campus Map



Parish Room Locations

Office Building

Parish Office (Main Level)
Parish Conference Room (Main Level)
All Purpose Room (Lower Level)
Choir Room (Lower Level)
Mini Purpose Room (Lower Level)

Church Basement

Parish Basement Gathering Hall
Knights of Columbus
Parish Library
Prayer Room
Legion Of Mary

Councils, Commissions, Committees and Ministries Listings

Parish Pastoral Council

*Dan McLean, Chair, Mcleandm54@gmail.com
Stacey Harring, Secretary, stacey.harring@gmail.com*

- The Pastoral Council in virtue of Baptism shares in the ministry of leading and animating all the ministries of St. John's Parish.
- Every spring there is a call/invitation for 4 new members.
- The Pastoral Council meets approximately 6 times annually.
- Members, if willing, serve 1 term of 3 years.

Meets on the 4th Monday, 6:30pm, Office Conference Room. Regular meetings are held every other month from August to June.

Finance Council

*Rick White, Chair, 256-830-2739
Annette Gass, Co-Chair, 256-721-5608*

- The Finance Council in virtue of Baptism shares in the ministry of financial management and future planning of St. John's Parish.
- Members are chosen by the pastor and serve an unlimited term at the pastor's behest. Officers are appointed by the pastor.
- Each member reviews the full parish financial statements.

Meets the 3rd Monday of each month, 6:30pm, Church Conference Room (closed meeting).

St. John the Baptist Catholic School Advisory Council

*Advisory Council Chair: Michael Mai
Vice Chair: Kathryn Stites
Secretary: Patrick Lyons*

- Promotes Catholic education and the concept of lay ministry. Serves as a conduit for communications between the pastor, principal, parents, and parish.
- The Advisory Council's responsibilities are advisory to the principal and pastor and include strategic planning, development and formulation of policy, financial oversight, public relations, review major project changes, and principal recruitment.

Meets the 1st Monday of each month, 6:00pm, School Conference Room (open meeting).

Liturgy Commission

The Liturgical Ministries that serve our weekly Masses call forth a regular commitment to serve as altar server, greeter, lector, Mass coordinator, music minister, or Eucharistic minister. Participants are asked to register with our online scheduling program, which schedules liturgical ministers for the Masses that best fit their schedules. Commitment is confirmed on an annual basis, and training for new volunteers is offered throughout the year.

Ministry leads meet quarterly on the 2nd Monday, 6:30pm, Church Conference Room.

Altar Servers

Kristen Fierro, 256-722-0130 - kfierro@stjohnbchurch.org

- Assist the priest by serving at Masses.
- Open to boys and girls 3rd grade and up.
- Altar servers are fully prepared through biannual training and workshops.

Eucharistic Ministers

Joe Witkowski, 314-800-5110 - wittl03@aol.com

- Sets up and purifies the vessels for weekend Masses.
- Assists the priest in the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ.
- Assists celebrant when deacon is not present.
- Ministers must be confirmed Catholics and at least 16 years of age.
- Brings Communion to the sick and homebound.
- Contact Christine Sharp 256-651-3090 - Homebound and Assisted Living Facilities, Hospital and Rehab Facilities.

Mass Greeters

Deanne Hingel, 256-325-6441 - curly_d@knology.net

Greeters welcome and interact with parishioners and visitors as they arrive and depart Mass and are available to answer questions as needed.

Lectors

Kevin Healy, 256-509-1499 - alahealy1@gmail.com

- Proclaim the Word of God, and on occasion, the Prayers of the Faithful.
- Ministers must be confirmed Catholics and at least 16 years of age.
- Each lector receives a workbook which contains the year's Sunday readings, and suggestions that help in their proclamation.



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Music Ministry

Andrew Tygielski - atygielski@stjohnbchurch.org

Kristen Fierro - kfierro@stjohnbchurch.org

- Consists of adult choir, youth choir, and cantors.
- Enhances worship at Mass by providing music.
- Training and preparation are covered during these weekly rehearsals:
- Adult Choir: Meets academic year: Wednesdays from 7:15-8:30pm.
- Children's Choir: Meets academic year: Tuesdays from 3:15-4:30pm, grades 2-8.

Ushers

Jonathan Jumper, 256-679-9472 - johnjw101@yahoo.com

- Assist the greeters in welcoming parishioners and seating them for Mass.
- Assist in the weekly collection.
- Select gift-bearers to bring the gifts of bread, wine, and the collection baskets to the altar.
- Distribute bulletins after Mass.
- Straighten up sanctuary after Mass and lock doors when necessary.

Ministries that Serve the Liturgy at St. John's

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Maura & Bill Edwards, 256-837-0385 - wprojectpro@aol.com

- The Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the monstrance with committed adorers.
- Exposition hours:
 - Wednesdays: 5:00pm-6:20pm
 - First Fridays: 9:00am to 9:00pm
 - First Saturday: Holy Hour after 8:30am Mass
- Prayer books are available for those who wish to use them.

Please sign-in using the booklet near the Chapel entrance.

Arts & Environment

Connie Sieja, cdsieja@gmail.com

- Prepares an artistic enhancement to the liturgical space in keeping with the seasons of the liturgical year. Organizes and stores materials.

Altar Guild

Mary Chandler, marycchandler@att.net

- Keeps the sanctuary items polished, cleaned and in good repair for all liturgical celebrations in the church.
- Maintains linens, vestments, albs, candles, holy water, carpets, and altar.

Education & Spirituality Commission

Catholic Homeschoolers

Karen Parkes, parkesdk@yahoo.com

- Provides information and support for families new to home education or those homeschoolers new to St. John the Baptist parish.

Faith in Fiction Book Club

Jennifer Culver, 256-722-7929 x120 - library@stjohnbchurch.org

- Each month a new book is discussed focusing on themes of faith, virtues, and morality.
- Books are chosen from both current and classical fiction.

Meets during the academic year: one Monday a month, 7:00-9:00pm, Parish Library. Check bulletin and web for details.

Intercessory Prayer Group

Carlos Fernandez, 256-698-5144

- Parishioners write their prayer requests in a book located outside the chapel.
- The Intercessory Prayer Group prays for all requests written in the book.

Meets year-round: Tuesdays, 6:15pm, Cry Room in the Main Church Sanctuary.

Library

Jennifer Culver, 256-722-7929 x120 - library@stjohnbchurch.org

- Contains inspirational and faith-based books, CDs and DVDs for children and adults.
- To view the library catalog, go to stjohnbchurch.org, Our Church, and then Library.
- Items are checked out for two weeks but may be renewed.

Hours: Sundays 9:30-11:30am during the Academic Year. Contact library@stjohnbchurch.org to set up a Library account or to volunteer.

Men of St. Joseph

Chris Kantack - ckantack@yahoo.com

- A ministry for lay Catholic men dedicated to becoming the spiritual leaders of their families.
- Gathers for discussion of faith and prayer life, giving men new ways to reflect upon their lives to be better servants to God and their family.

Meets year-round: 1st and 3rd Thursdays 7:10pm to 8:15pm Parish Library.

Mothers Ministry (SJMM) – sjmothersministry@gmail.com

Leah Skinner, 256-289-3616

Payton Glasscock, 256-347-4166

- Fosters the spiritual growth of mothers through faith sharing discussion and fellowship.
- Catholic books and videos relevant to motherhood and spirituality are discussed each week.
- Nursery is provided for ages 5 and under.

Meets September through Mid-May: Thursdays, 9:15 – 11:15am, Church Basement.

Religious Education and Sacraments for Youth, PreK4 – Confirmation

Lisa Mason: 256-722-7929 x108 – lmason@stjohnbchurch.org

Kara Tollefson: 256-722-7929 x106 – ktollefson@stjohnbchuech.org

Children should be enrolled in Religious Education each academic year if they attend public school.

- Weekly religious education classes for K4-8 during the academic year.
Sunday Morning Sessions, 10:00am – 11:15am or
Wednesday Evening Sessions, 5:30pm – 6:45pm
- Sacramental preparation for youth.
Preparation for First Sacraments typically takes place during 2nd grade year.
Sacrament preparation for students (grades 3-12) is offered only
Wednesday evenings.
Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation takes place in the
9th grade.
Sunday Afternoon Sessions, 3:30pm – 5:00pm
Wednesday Evening Sessions, 5:30pm - 6:45pm

Volunteer teachers are always needed. Students must be registered to attend classes.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Jennifer Colsch – Coordinator of OCIA, 256-722-7929 x109

- This class serves to introduce inquirers to the Catholic faith and potentially to provide sacramental preparation for adults desiring to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.
- Participants include:
- Those who have never been baptized.
- Those who have begun their Christian journey in other denominations and who have been baptized.
- Baptized Catholics who have not yet completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and/or First Communion).
- Volunteers are needed to be sponsors.

Meets during the academic year: Thursdays, 7:00pm, Parish Hall.

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St. John the Baptist Parish School

Scott Smith, Principal, 256-722-0772

- St. John's Catholic School is a K4-8th grade accredited school committed to faith formation and academic excellence.
- The mission of the school is to prepare students to be faith-filled servants of God and productive citizens.
- To learn more about our school, please visit our website: www.stjohnb.com.

Sunday Morning Adult Religious Education

Deacon Daniel J. Laurita, 256-722-0130

- This class meets on Sunday morning between the 8:30am and 11:30am Masses and presents an educational opportunity for adults to continue their faith formation.
- Class presentations offer a variety of topics and speakers including scripture study, church history, doctrine and devotions, and current issues for Catholics.

Meets during the academic year: Sundays, 10:00-11:00am, Church Basement; childcare available.

Tuesday Morning Scripture Study

Joe Witkowski, 314-800-5110 - wittstl03@aol.com

- Gathers for prayerful study of sacred scripture and Catholic tradition.
- Fosters faith formation and spiritual growth of men and women.

Meets Tuesdays, 9:30am, Church Basement.

Wednesday Evening Rosary Group

Kathy and Joe McCarty, 256-270-9327 - joemccarty.nd64@gmail.com

- Prays the rosary offering prayers for the St. John's community.

Meets year round: Wednesdays following 6:30pm Mass, Chapel.

Wednesday Evening Scripture Study

Deacon Dan Laurita, deacondan@stjohnbchurch.org

- Studies the Bible in depth to gain a better understanding of what God's word means and how it applies to daily living.

Meets during the academic year: Wednesdays, 7:15pm, Basement.

Women Sharing the Sunday Word

Paula Turner, gpturn4@aol.com

- Focusing on The Sunday Mass Readings, we use Our Sunday Readings (by Edrienne Ezell, oursundayreadings.wordpress.com); At Home With the Word: Sunday Scriptures and Scripture Insights, LTP; and other reflections, along with Questions and Answer Discussion. Through that we learn and grow as Catholic women as we learn to apply those readings to our lives. We end in prayer for our church, our community, and our daily lives as Catholics.

Meets during the academic year: Wednesday, 9:30am, in the All-Purpose Room.

Young Adult Book Club

Vincent Brown, 931-993-5816 – vdb255@gmail.com

- A group of young Catholics in their 20's and up, both married and single, that gather to grow in their faith through the study and discussion of sacred scripture and Catholic literature.
- Past works the group has discussed include "Confessions" by St. Augustine, "Vibrant Paradoxes" by Bishop Robert Barron, and "Silence" by Shusaku Endo.
- Discussion of each book is generally spread out over several weeks to allow the group to deeply explore the topics and themes contained within it.

Meets year round: Tuesdays, 7:00pm, Parish Library.

Parish Life Commission

Healing Hearts (Bereavement Ministry)

Anh Downhour, Coordinator, anhdownhour@gmail.com

Autumn Aiello, autumnaiello1992@gmail.com

- Committee members send cards and CareNotes to parishioners who have experienced the loss of a parent, spouse, child, or sibling.
- Sponsors an All-Souls liturgy in November for babies who were stillborn or miscarried and for all children who have passed away. Autumn Aiello will plan and lead grief discussions, workshops, and relevant presentations.

Care & Compassion

Belinda Arnold, 256-655-6484 – arnoldbelinda@yahoo.com

- Provides home-cooked meals to families afflicted with illness, disability, or in grief.
- Meals are scheduled using the takethemameal.com website.

Compassion & Cancer Support

Parish Office

- Supports parish members diagnosed with cancer and other life-threatening illness by home visits with Communion, telephone calls and/or prayer.
- A wonderful Cancer and Knitting Ministries gift bag is given to the sick during first visit. Includes a beautiful gifts bag with much needed ministry resources (home cooked meal delivered, free home cleaning by a Licensed professional home cleaning company.) Offers a summarized list of practical help resources to those affected with/by cancer.

Hospitality Teams

Leslie Harris, Kitchen Coordinator, 256-722-7929 x121 – lharris@stjohnbchurch.org

- Teams of parishioners assist staff and ministry leads, plans and execute various parish events.
- Events include, but are not limited to funerals, sacramental receptions, retreats, and special occasions.

Meets at the beginning of each school year to discuss new ideas for Parish Hospitality Events.

Knit One, Pray Too

Ann LeRoy, 256-714-6768 – ann.leroy40@gmail.com

- Knits/crochets prayer shawls, prayer angels, blankets, caps, and bookmarks for those suffering from cancer or other serious illnesses.
- Prays for the ill as well as reads scripture.

Meets during the academic year: Mondays, 1:00pm, All Purpose Room.

Mommy & Me

Kaleigh Robertson, kaycas@gmail.com

Jordan Eagles, mjeagles186@gmail.com

- Mommy & Me playgroup is a chance for mothers of young children to get together and chat while their children play.

Meets in the Nursery on Tuesdays from 9:30am – 11:15am.

Nursery

Jennifer Culver, Coordinator, 256-722-7929 x120 – nursery@stjohnbchurch.org

- Provides care for children aged 6 months to 4 years during 8:30am and 11:30am Sunday Masses.
- The nursery provides care to support several ministries; refer to the weekly bulletin for availability.
- Volunteers, 6th grade and higher, are always welcome.

Email: nursery@stjohnbchurch.org for the link to register your child for the nursery.

Prime Timers - Senior Fellowship

Ann Marie Crosswhite, 256-603-3185 – crosswhiteannmarie@gmail.com

Dorothy Kaliszak, 814-449-8677 – dotkaliszak@gmail.com

- Provides social and spiritual programs for 50+ parishioners. Plans monthly social gatherings to include:
- luncheons, potlucks, movies, day trips and breakfast club.

Planning committee meets during the academic year: 1st Thursdays, 11:00am, Library.

Quilting Ministry

Alison Callahan, macallahan82@gmail.com

Sally Jacobs, mrsjake06@bellsouth.net

- Experienced and beginning quilters celebrate life by enjoying fellowship, learning quilting skills, and making quilts to be donated to Catholic Family Services and other organizations in need. Sessions are held on Thursdays in the All Purpose Room from 2 - 4pm.

Meeting in the All Purpose Room.

St. John's Religious Gift Shop

Deanne Hingel 256-520-9296, curly_d@knology.net

- Many devotional and religious items are available for sale.
- Volunteer sales associates are always needed.
- All proceeds are donated to the building fund.

Hours: Tuesday – Thursday 1pm - 2pm. Open after weekend Masses when volunteers are available.

St. John's Young Adult Fellowship

Olivia & Ian Wells, mtmtderlld25@gmail.com

- Young Adults in their 20's and up, both married and single, and with kids who meet regularly to socialize, grow in faith, and contribute to the community.
- Activities include bi-weekly meetings, First Friday adoration, social gatherings, outings, and volunteer work.
- Events are scheduled through the GroupMe app. For a complete schedule of activities, contact the coordinators listed above to be added to the GroupMe group.

Meets year round, every other Sunday, 6:45pm, All Purpose Room.

Service Outreach Commission

Baby Basket Ministry

Sharon McFalls - mcfalls007@gmail.com

- Provides prayers, support, and needed baby items to crisis pregnancy agencies and mothers in need.
- Donated items may be placed in the baby basket next to the nursery.

Habitat for Humanity

Wayne Sovocool, 256-503-6981 - wsovocool@gmail.com

Irene Garoppo, 256-830-5989 - igaroppo@knology.net

- A parish ministry, working ecumenically with other Christian churches, to build a home each year in our local community for a family in need of a helping hand. Through this apostolic work, we demonstrate our love for Christ. Parishioners enjoy fellowship with like-minded Christians while developing practical skills and the confidence to use them in their own homes.

The start of each build will be announced in the parish bulletin, usually in early spring.

Meals on Wheels

Susan Kollman, 256-722-8520 – mark.kollman@att.net

- Working with a partner, volunteers bring meals from the Madison Senior Center to the elderly and homebound.
- Please arrive at the Madison Senior Center (located at 1329 Browns Ferry Rd. Madison, AL 35758) on your assigned Tuesday of the month at 11:00am.
- Additional delivery and assembly support needed other days. Call Levoneia Ayers at 256-722-6258.

St. Joseph the Worker Job Networking Club

Dave Fledderman, – info@sjwjobclub.org

- Club Membership and Meetings are free and open to anyone who is a job seeker from recent graduates, returning to the workforce, and all the way to rocket scientists.
- Meetings are an excellent opportunity to learn and network with others who can help with your resume, or make contacts for job openings that are advertised, and some that are not yet advertised. Each Club meeting features a speaker on a vital topic of interest to job seekers. We also have a LinkedIn Group at: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3021863>.
- Volunteers are needed to serve job seekers: speakers, resume review, and coaching.
- The Club meets year-round: Each Tuesday, from 12:30pm, in the Church Basement, please park in the lower parking lot. Weeks with holidays the club does not meet.
- See our website calendar page <http://www.sjwjobclub.org>.

Meets year-round: Tuesdays, 12:30pm, Church Basement, please park in the lower parking lot.

The Giving Tree and Giving Cross

Maryellen Franklin, maryzfrank@gmail.com, 937-926-9029

Allison Callahan, macallahan82@gmail.com

- This group collects Christmas presents for the needy North Alabama.
- Gifts are collected in the church foyer and distributed to several charities in Madison in time for Christmas deliveries.
- During Lent, items in need are collected and distributed to selected charities.

Meetings: No organizational meetings are held. Communication is via email.

Youth Commission

High School Youth Ministry (Grades 9 – 12)

256-722-0130, or 256-722-7929 x113, rgranger@stjohnbchurch.org

Rachel Granger, Parish Director of Youth Ministry

“Young People do not bury your talents. Dare to be more.” Pope Francis

- This is where Bold Faith meets big dreams (and really good snacks).
- E² Youth Group Meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm.
- Small Groups meet seasonally on Sundays from 3:30–5pm.

Middle School Youth Ministry (ages 12 years old to 8th grade)

Cassey Stout cstout@stjohnbchurch.org

Faith, Fun and the Occasional Pizza

- “Life with Christ is a Wonderful Adventure.” St Pope John Paul II
- Middle School Youth Group Meets on Sundays from 12:45–2:30pm.

UAH Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM)

catholicministry@uah.eduOCIA

Boy Scout Troop 350 (Boys)

Gene Cummins, geneoramy@yahoo.com

- The program is boy-led with guidance provided by trained adult leaders.
- A wide range of activities dealing with service, citizenship, leadership, health, finances, first aid, and outdoor skills prepare the boys to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes.
- Open to boys 11-18 years old and requires no previous scouting experience or qualifications.

BSA Troop 350 meets year-round: Mondays, 6:45pm in the Parish Hall.

Cub Scout Pack 350

Paul Smith, lacroseguru16@gmail.com

- Provides a positive safe atmosphere where scouts will grow and develop.
- Objectives are citizenship training, character development, out-of-doors skills, and personal fitness through activities that are fun and exciting.
- Open to youth from K through 5th grade.

Pack Meeting: Meets monthly, Parish Hall. Contact Cubmaster for more information on date and times.

Den Meeting: Meets during the academic year: individual dens meet on various days at various times.

Girl Scouts

Kristie Bloodworth, kristie.bloodworth715@gmail.com

- Girl Scouts build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. Our Girl Scout Troop includes Brownies, Juniors and Cadettes for girls in grades 2-8.

Individual Girl Scout Troops meet on various days at various times, Parish Campus.

National & Auxiliary Organizations

Catholic Campus Ministry

Campus Minister: Betsy Lashley, 256-777-9330

blashley@stjohnbchurch.org

- The purpose of UAH Catholic Campus Ministry is to provide fellowship with other Catholic students; to provide opportunities to explore topics related to the Catholic faith and spiritual growth; to provide opportunities to stay engaged in the sacramental life of the church via on-campus meetings, Mass and Reconciliation.

Social Media: @uahccm

Website: uahccm.org

Cursillo Ultreya

John & Robin Kutsor, 256-658-2425 – jdkutsor@yahoo.com

- After leaving their Cursillo weekend, Cursillistas meet in small friendship groups where they discuss, challenge, and encourage each other on their faith journey.
- The Cursillo Charism, approved by the Catholic Church in 1971, stresses that its members live what is fundamental to being a Christian through friendship.
- Once a month, the entire St. John's Cursillo community meets for a witness talk and fellowship. The meeting is called Ultreya and brings the Cursillistas at St. John's together to grow in friendship and strengthen their community.

Meets year round: 4th Thursdays, 7:15pm, Parish Library.

St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus Council 10232

For more information contact Danny Garcia, Past Grand Knight, 256-722-7929 x102

- The local unit of an international organization of practical Catholic men, age 18 and older, who serve, support, and participate in the life of their parishes and local communities through good works instilled by the virtues of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.
- Supports St. John's, the local Madison community, and surrounding area by leading and accomplishing activities that: foster growth in Faith and religious vocations; nurtures the practical and spiritual growth of the Family; upholds the respect for Life; and strengthens the Community by assisting individuals and organizations in need.

*Council 10232 meets year-round: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:00pm, Knights Room
Assembly 2420 (Patriotic Order) meets year-round: 2nd Thursdays, 7:00pm, Knights Room.*

St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary

President: Mary Duffy, mcduffy430@gmail.com

Vice President: Angela Bender, angelajmb@aol.com

- The objectives of this organization are to 1) Assist the Knights of Columbus Council 10232 in their endeavors; 2) Participate in charitable, church, community, and family activities; 3) Grow our faith through service and by promoting friendship among members and their families.
- The membership of this organization is open to all practicing Catholic women, eighteen (18) years or older, in good standing with the Church, and need not be related to a member of the Knights of Columbus. The Auxiliary may have associate members of other faiths if these ladies abide by the bylaws of the Auxiliary and are not in opposition to the practices and teachings of the Catholic Church.

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month, 6:00pm, All-Purpose Room.

Legion of Mary

Chris Sharp, 256-651-3090

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's work.

- The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of everyone.
- The members participate in the life of the parish through visiting families and the sick in their homes, nursing homes, and/or in hospitals.

Meets year-round: Saturdays, 9:30am, Legion Meeting Room in the basement of the church located next to the St. Vincent De Paul pantry.

St. Vincent de Paul

John Mee, 571-455-4441, john.p.mee1@gmail.com

- Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul strive to grow spiritually by showing God's love and mercy through works and deeds.
- An essential precept of the Society's work is to provide help while conscientiously maintaining the confidentiality and dignity of those who are served. We offer tangible assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis through weekly visits in both Madison and Madison County.
- Other special works and behind the scenes projects include the backpack program of providing food for school children to take home on the weekends; purchasing groceries and stocking the pantry; Wheels for Working Program; and the Christmas food and present project.
- In addition, St. Vincent de Paul recognizes we must assume a role of advocacy for those who are defenseless or voiceless.

Meetings are year-round: Tuesdays, 6:30pm, All Purpose Room.