

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



NOVEMBER 10, 2024 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

2nd & 4th Saturday.....4:00 pm

Sunday.....9:00 am

Wednesday & Thursday.....6:45 am

1st Fridays.....7:00 am

1st & 3rd Fridays:

Pine Haven 10:00 am

2nd & 4th Fridays:

Prairie Crossing 10:00 am

PARISH OFFICE:

Hours: Monday–Thursday

7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday

7:00 - 11:00 am

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Please contact the Parish Office to:

1. Join the Parish
2. Schedule a Baptism
3. Schedule a Mass Intention
4. Become a Catholic
5. Any other questions or concerns

PRAY THE ROSARY DURING THE WEEK:

Wednesday & Thursdays at 6:25 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

1st Fridays: 6:00 - 6:45 am &

Immediately following 7:00 am Mass

Sundays: 8:00 - 8:45 am

2nd & 4th Saturdays: 3:00 pm

Readings for the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:

1st Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44



"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury."

Mark 12:43

Preparing for Advent and a Liturgical New Year

The Church's liturgical calendar ends and restarts not in January, but rather on the first Sunday of Advent. This allows us to have an additional new year's party compared to the rest of the world and also gives us a chance to make some liturgical new year's resolutions. One change that will break all our brains, highlights the character of Advent, and does what the Church asks us to do is to incorporate more silence into our celebration of Mass.



Silence is a bit of a neurological human superpower that we are gravely deprived of in our ever-increasing noisy world. Silence enables us to rest, reflect, recollect, remember and be in the present moment. When we are constantly harassed by ads, phones, streams and endless content, we do not naturally fall into the silence that is incredibly healthy for us as human beings. Not too long ago our ancestors didn't have nearly as much opportunity for visual and audible stimulation as we do today. Everyone used to tune into the same radio drama since that was really all that there was! Because of this our capacity for silence has atrophied. I notice it most obviously in myself.

To help with our prayer we need to be able to rest, reflect, recollect, and remember in order to more fully offer ourselves to God. To this end we are going to try these changes starting in Advent. After each reading, and the psalm there will be a full minute of silence. It's going to drive us all insane! That uncomfortable feeling when things get silent is exactly what we need to embrace more. So many times after Mass people will talk about the experience of forgetting what all the readings are almost immediately. If we go from one thing to the next without pausing it makes it really hard to process, internalize and think about what was just proclaimed. This silence, albeit uncomfortable, will help us pray with scripture in a better way and give us a chance to reflect on what God has provided for us in the readings. This pause will follow the first reading, psalm, second reading, Gospel and the Homily. It will be an extra five minutes of silence, hardly any time at all, but we will feel it once we stop. I promise to try and preach a little shorter to compensate!

The rubrics, or the guide for the lectionary says we should observe a time for silence after the readings and, although I have never seen it done in a parish, I do believe in the wisdom of the church. This can be a great way to stretch our brains a bit more and let Mass take its time for our spiritual betterment. Often times our need to be in a rush causes us to miss so many beautiful details, and taking more of these small pauses as a community can help us to be ok with being where we are. I encourage you to pay attention to the pace of the Mass as it goes now and see how it effects your prayer, and then to notice how extra silence changes it.

It will make us squirm a bit as we anticipate activity, but that is a great sign that the silence is helping us grow and change. This extra silence will help us stay in the present moment, reflect, rest and offer ourselves back to God.

Fr. Michael

Staff changes

Courtney, our recent hire for the role of the Director of Administrative Services, let us know that she will be moving and will no longer be able to continue to serve our parishes. We will miss Courtney, her work and service, and of course we will miss having Anthony around the office. We hope to see her and her family at Mass when they visit family in the area! As providence dictates, we were able to hire Julia Rodemeier to be our new DAS for both St. John's and Blessed Trinity! Julia is a parishioner at St. John's, and we are excited to have her continue the work that Courtney had begun, and to add her own professional background to help our parishes run well. Due to prudent rules, Julia's husband, Steve O'Neil will no longer be able to serve on St. John's Pastoral Council. Employees and family of employees aren't allowed to sit on either the Pastoral or Finance Councils. We thank Steve for his service and want to let everyone else know that he is open for new volunteering commitments!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	November 9	St. John's	4:00 pm	†Hubert & Lucille Marchand, Carol Mertzig, and Robert Savala by Family
Sunday	November 10	St. John's	9:00 am	†Sylvia Mahloch by Mel & Lorrie Free
Sunday	November 10	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners
Monday	November 11	Blessed Trinity	8:00 am	†Sr. Marcia by Donna Plageman
Tuesday	November 12	Blessed Trinity	12:10 pm	†Kyle Wagner by Mom & Dad
Wednesday	November 13	St. John's	6:45 am	†Dick Schaeetz by Paul & Linda Dros
Thursday	November 14	St. John's	6:45 am	†Eddie & Marilyn Waldoch by Chuck & Jane Waldoch
Friday	November 15	Pine Haven	10:00 am	†Donna Koenigs by Family
Friday	November 15	Blessed Trinity	12:10 pm	†Tom Holtz by Family
Saturday	November 16	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Victor & Helen Kampmann and Thomas McPherson by Family, †Alfred & Rita Grusznski by Children
Sunday	November 17	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	November 17	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Walter & Lucille Guse by Bob & Linda Guse, †Fr. Joseph Dominic's Parents by Jim & Sandy Jordan

LAY MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 17

MASSES	Sunday 9:00 am
Lectors	Angela B. Colleen Kuhn
Servers	Volunteer Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Connie Katchkey
Ushers	Steve O'Neil Peter Guske
Sacristan	Dave & Diane Hart



WELCOME TO THE PARISH: Please welcome: Jordan & Kristin Nowak and their son Edison to the parish.



PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED: The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 14 for a Parish Secretary Renewal at the Archdiocese. If there is an emergency, please contact Fr. Michael at the emergency number at 920-550-1145.



NEW SHARED BULLETIN:

Sunday, December 1 will be the first St. John Evangelist & Blessed Trinity Parishes' shared bulletin.

Due to Thanksgiving, the deadline to submit articles for the Sunday, December 1 shared bulletin is Monday, November 18 at 12:00 PM. Please email your article to bulletin@btsje.org.

After December 1, the Shared Bulletin Article Submission Deadline will be Monday at 12:00 PM. All articles are subject to the approval of Fr. Michael Lawinger, Parochial Administrator. Both parishes' articles are a priority.

CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER-BASIC PHOTOGRAPHY:



Will be held on **Monday, November 18** at St. John Evangelist Parish in the Lower Level Conference Room. Get ready for the holidays! Phil Waitkus, St. John parishioner, will give some tips on how to take a great picture. Bring your camera/phone if you want to practice the principles learned.

EVENTS CALENDAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9	
3:00 - 3:40 pm	Reconciliation
4:00 pm	Mass
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10	
8:00 - 8:40 am	Reconciliation
9:00 am	Mass <i>(Choir Sings)</i>
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12	
8:30 - 11:00 am	Mission Society
6:30 pm	Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13	
6:45 am	Mass
4:00 - 5:15 pm	Religious Education 4K- Grade 6
6:45 - 8:00 pm	Religious Education Grades 7 - 12
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14	
6:45 am	Mass
7:15 am - 8:00 pm	Adoration
2:00 pm	Bible Study
8:00 pm	Benediction
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17	
8:00 - 8:40 am	Reconciliation
9:00 am	Mass

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Paul Garni
Carol Marksteiner
Rick Michaletz
Ken Udovich

Trustees:

Toni Sarafin, Trustee Treasurer
Michael Pellegrino, Trustee Secretary

Bulletin Submission Deadline: All requests for bulletin articles must be received by Wednesday noon to be included in that weekend's bulletin. Any articles received after that will be included as space permits. For holiday weeks, the deadline may change. Thank you for your understanding.



Rocky Knoll Health Care Center 2024 Small Gift Christmas List



Miscellaneous Items

Deodorant
Aftershave/Pre-shave
Body Lotion
Shampoo
Conditioner
Kleenex
Body Mist (Male & Female)
Jewelry (variety)
Tooth paste
Individual tooth brushes
Body Sprays-Men & Women
Throw Blankets (fleece)
Adult coloring books
Colored Pencils /sharpener
Hair Accessories
Packer/Brewer/Badgers Merchandise (Larger Sizes)
Pens & Pencils w/small tablets
Small c.d. players
Nail Polish Remover
Larger Christmas Gift Bags
Electric Razors

Food Items

Mini/ regular Candy Bars
Pringle Chips or chips
Regular Hard & Soft Candy
Puff Cheese Balls
Diet Soda (Variety)
Puff Pop Corn
Regular Soda (Variety)
Variety Hard Candy
Soft Chocolates
Hostess Snack Items
Cookies: Regular & Sugar Free
Sugar Free Candy
Root Beer Barrels
Nutty Buddy Bars
Crunch n Munch

Please no Jello, Pudding or Fruit Cups

*Please return your gift items to the marked bin in the Gathering Space by **Monday, December 2**. All gifts will then be delivered to Rocky Knoll on Tuesday, December 3 – Please do not wrap items—deliver in gift bags. Thank you for your Kindness!

 **MISSION SOCIETY:** The Mission Society is seeking donations of **COTTON BROADCLOTH** fabric. The fabric needed should be a minimum of 1 1/5 yards by the width of the yardage on the bolt. Any color or pattern is fine. Thank you. Everyone is welcome to join the Mission Society. Members make quilts on Tuesdays from 8:30 - 11:00 am in the lower level quilting room.

FINANCIAL: NOVEMBER 3:
Collection: (contribution envelopes, electronic giving and loose offering): \$2,239.00.

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Friendsgiving POTLUCK!



BRING A DISH TO SHARE!
November 13 | 7 PM

St. John the Baptist, Cornerstone
Mass preceding event @ 6:30 PM



Dear Padre,

TV's "The Chosen" portrays St. Peter as married. What does the Catholic Church say about this?

Scripture gives evidence about earliest Church practice when it says bishops, presbyters (priests), and deacons should be "married only once" (see 1 Timothy 3:2, 12). That means some of them must have been married! Still, the discipline of celibacy for the sake of the kingdom was encouraged from apostolic times as a way to follow the example of Christ. In the 300s, decrees concerning celibacy of the clergy indicate it was becoming the norm.

Peter is the most frequently mentioned disciple of Jesus in all four Gospels. This Galilean fisherman—introduced to Jesus by his brother, Andrew (see John 1:40–42)—became a spokesman and figure of central importance among the other Apostles.

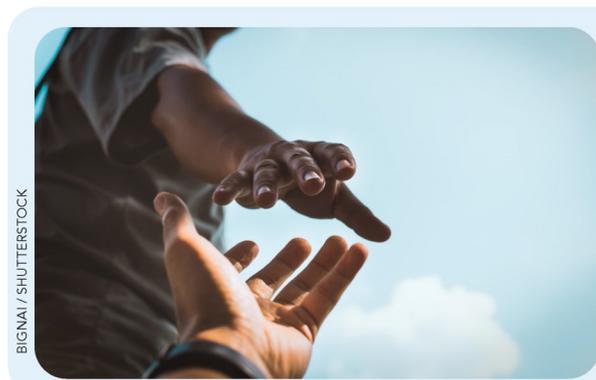
Of the Twelve, some, like Peter, were married. His wife was from Capernaum and their family household may have included his in-laws. According to Scripture, "Jesus entered the house of Peter and saw his mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever. He touched her hand, the fever left her, and she rose and waited on him" (Matthew 8:14–15; see also Mark 1:30–31 and Luke 4:38–39). Moreover, Jesus—who may never have owned a home of his own—made the house of Peter his headquarters when he ministered in Capernaum (see Matthew 4:12–13). This house of Peter and his family was venerated by early Christians. Today, the Church of St. Peter's House sits over the original dwelling. ●



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
November 11	November 12	November 13	November 14	November 15	November 16	November 17
St. Martin of Tours, Bishop	St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr	St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin	Weekday Phlm 7–20 Lk 17:20–25	Weekday 2 Jn 4–9 Lk 17:26–37	Weekday 3 Jn 5–8 Lk 18:1–8	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Dn 12:1–3 Heb 10:11–14, 18 Mk 13:24–32
Ti 1:1–9 Lk 17:1–6	Ti 2:1–8, 11–14 Lk 17:7–10	Ti 3:1–7 Lk 17:11–19				



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Let us ask ourselves, it will help us: do we want to be appreciated and gratified by what we say and what we do, or rather to be of service to God and neighbor, especially the weakest? Let us watch out for falsehood of the heart, for hypocrisy which is a dangerous illness of the soul!

ANGELUS, ROME, NOVEMBER 7, 2021