

Pastoral Team

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Business Administrator
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Jody Engebos – Phone Ext. 215
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School Principal
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Parish Trustees

Gary Lockstein
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Council & Committee Chairpersons

Pastoral Council – Meets the First Thursday of the Month
Chair: Dave Wojcik
Finance Council – Meets the Third Monday of Month
Chair: Kevin Rathburn
Social Concerns – Pat Webster
Worship Committee - Randy Wietor
Site Advisory Council – Honor Jensen
Board of Faith Formation – Dave Wojcik
Stewardship Committee – Roseann Mader
Welcoming Committee – Vern Ruhland
All Committee Meetings are open to Parishioners

Schedule of Worship

Eucharist

Tuesday – Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Wednesday – Friday 8:30am Mass
Saturday 4:30pm Mass
Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am Masses
Holy Days As Announced

Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30am – 10:30am (Or by appointment)

Baptism

Baptism Class is held the last Thursday of each month.
Please call the Parish Office Center at 434-2145 to register.
Baptism will be celebrated on Baptism Sunday at any Mass.
Baptism is celebrated more frequently during Easter Season.
Baptism is not celebrated during Lenten Season.

Marriage

By arrangement with Fr. John or Deacon Manny, eight months in advance

Sacrament of the Sick

Individually, by appointment - Communally, as announced

St. John the Baptist

Catholic Parish

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Visit us at our Web Site

<http://www.sjbh.org>

Welcome to Saint John the Baptist Catholic Parish – Howard, Wisconsin

O God, Hear Our Prayer

Sunday, January 29 8:00am David Kramer
10:00am People of the Parish
Tuesday, January 31 8:30am Liturgy of the Word
Wednesday, Feb. 1 8:30am Gary Nekola
Thursday, February 2 8:30am Jesse Schuchart
Friday, February 3 8:30am Edward Madigan Family
Saturday, February 4 4:30pm Leonard Meyer
Sunday, February 5 8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am All Boy & Girl Scouts

Scripture Readings – February 5, 2012

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Job 7:1-4, 6-7
Reading II 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23
Gospel Mark 1:29 - 39

Stewardship of Treasure

From the week of January 22, 2012

Weekly Contribution Budget **\$23,076**

Weekly Envelopes \$14,036.33
Loose Collection + 701.22
Total \$14,737.55

Information Regarding End of Year Statements

You should be receiving your end of year statement within the next week if you haven't already. Our statement is produced by our financial program. In order to conform with the USPS bulk mailing regulations, the statement must be published in the form of a solicitation. We accomplished this by one sentence (Please consider making a donation in 2012 which meets or exceeds this year's contributions.) located before Fr. John's signature. We would ask that no one be offended by the tone of this sentence. Our statement was reviewed and approved for bulk mailing by our local post office. If you have any questions please contact Lisa at 434-2145 ext. 202.

Children's Stewardship

Here are just a few of the many "offerings" to God from the youth at St. John the Baptist:

This is how I thanked God this week:

*I had my first reconciliation.

*I made a card for my sick grandpa.

*As I prayed I kept the poor in my mind.

***Spelling taken directly from the envelopes!

*44 youth envelopes were turned in for January 22.....\$67.14

Stewardship Corner

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." - 1 Corinthians 7:32

How many anxieties do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about attaining ever more material possessions? Yet, God tells us that only the hand that is open to give can also be open to receive His peace and joy. A heart or a hand clenched in anxiety and greed can never truly receive anything.

This Week At St. John's



Sunday, January 29, 2012

Coffee & Donuts after the 8 & 10:00am Masses

Hosted by SJB Site Advisory Council

Men's CRHP – 11:30am, Fireplace Room

Confirmation – 7:00pm, Commons & School

Adult Gym – 6:00pm, Gym

Monday, January 30, 2012

1st Eucharist Parent/Child Meeting – 6:00pm, Church

Faith Formation Grades 1-8, 6:00pm, School

Tuesday, January 31, 2012

Men's Club/Bible Study – 7:00pm, Conference Room

AA Big Book Meeting – 8:00pm, Corner Room

Wednesday, February 1, 2012

1st Eucharist Parent/Child Meeting – 6:00pm, Church

Faith Formation Grades 1- 8, 6:00pm, School

Faith Formation Grades 9 & 10 – 7:30pm, MC & School

Biblical Walk Through the Mass – 6:30pm, Commons

Thursday, February 2, 2012

Day of Adoration – begins with 8:30am Mass

Biblical Walk Through the Mass – 9:30am, Fireplace Room

Pastoral Council – 6:30pm, Conference Room

SJB Prayer Group – 7:00pm, Sacristy

Friday, February 3, 2010

3rd Annual Parents vs Student Basketball along with Spaghetti

Dinner – Gym & Commons

Saturday, February 4, 2011

K.C. Free Throw Contest – 8 – Noon in the gym

Sunday, February 5, 2012

Coffee & Donuts after the 8 & 10:00am Masses

Hosted by Boy & Girl Scouts

New Member Registration after the 8 & 10:00am Masses

Scout Mass – 10:00am

Men's CRHP – 11:30am, Fireplace Room

Boy Scout Troop 1113 – 12:30pm, Ministry Center

Adult Gym – 6:00pm, Gym

SCRIP NEWS

Papa John's Pizza is available in inventory for a limited time.

Stop in today and pick some up. These cards come in \$10

dominations at an 8% rebate. Pick some up today.

Volunteers for:

Feb 4 & 5 Cindi Gerrits & Tina Bryson

Feb 11 & 12 Mary Drzewiecki & Christine Williams

Feb 18 & 19 Mike & Joy Abel

Before you leave Church today...

✓ Stop and pick up SCRIP in the Sunday Office!

✓ Coffee & Donuts (in the school hallways) after the 8 & 10:00am Masses. Hosted by SJB Site Advisory Council.

✓ School open house on Sunday Morning!

School News

The Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation (WRISA) is pleased to announce that St. John the Baptist School is again accredited for the 2011-12 school year! Each year the WRISA Board reviews SJB School's annual report and long range plan documents (submitted by the principal) and determines whether to grant accreditation. WRISA serves school communities through standards of excellence that promote continuous improvement. Our last site visit was in January, 2009. Our next visit will occur in 2016. Congratulations to our school faculty and support staff for their continued commitment to school improvement and for maintaining WRISA's high standards.

**SJB Catholic Schools Week
"Faith, Academics and Service"
January 29 – February 4, 2012**

Sunday, January 29th – Catholic Schools Week

Opening Liturgy-10:00am

✚ School Open House

✚ Children's Choir will sing at the 10:00 liturgy.

✚ "Rolls and Coffee" – after 8:00 & 10:00 am Liturgies
- in school hallway.

✚ Teachers will be present as Eucharistic ministers and greeters before and after mass.

Monday, January 30th – "We Serve Others"

✚ CSW Prayer Service in the gym @ 8:30 am.

✚ Kick-off Service Project: collect school supplies for local organizations.

✚ St. Thomas Aquinas/St. Mary Catholic School in Peshtigo
During this week, we unite as Catholic Schools to pray for other students.

Tuesday, January 31st – "We Strive for Academic Excellence"

✚ All GRACE Schools Liturgy @ 9:00am.

✚ Science Fair 9:00 – 10:30 am.

Wednesday, Feb. 1st – "We Appreciate our Faculty and Staff"

✚ Buddy Project 8:30 - 9:00 Make valentine cards for the home bound, people in nursing homes and students at St. Thomas Aquinas School in Peshtigo.

✚ Teacher Appreciation Day Luncheon by SAC 11- 1:00 pm

Thursday, February 2nd – "We Live Our Faith"

✚ All-School Liturgy @ 8:30 am.

✚ Adoration: All grades will spend quiet time with Our Lord.

Friday, February 3rd – "We Appreciate Our Students and Grandparents"

✚ All-School Assembly/Spirit Rally – 8:30 – 9:00 am.

✚ Grandparents Day "Bingo" - Grades K-5, 9:15 – 10:45;
Lunch: 11:00 – 11:45. Express our appreciation for grandparents' support of Catholic Education

✚ Bowling - Grades 6-8 – Pro Bowl Lanes 9:45 – 11:45 am.

✚ Parent/Student Basketball Game in the evening, dinner before games; lead by SAC.

Entertainment Books on sale for \$20.00 while they last!!! Pick one up in the school or parish office.



Mark your calendars!

St John the Baptist School Presents
Lights! Camera! Auction!
Saturday, March 31, 2012
Auctioneer Pete Petoniak from Fox 11!
Join us for an evening of fun!

"LIKE" THE AUCTION FACEBOOK PAGE! "Like" the auction facebook page by Sun, Feb 5th for a chance to win a free admission to the auction! Winner will be contacted by Feb 8th. Search under "St John the Baptist School Auction – Howard W!". Check out photos from last year's auction! In the future we will post sneak peaks at some great new auction items, games and more!!

Faith Formation News

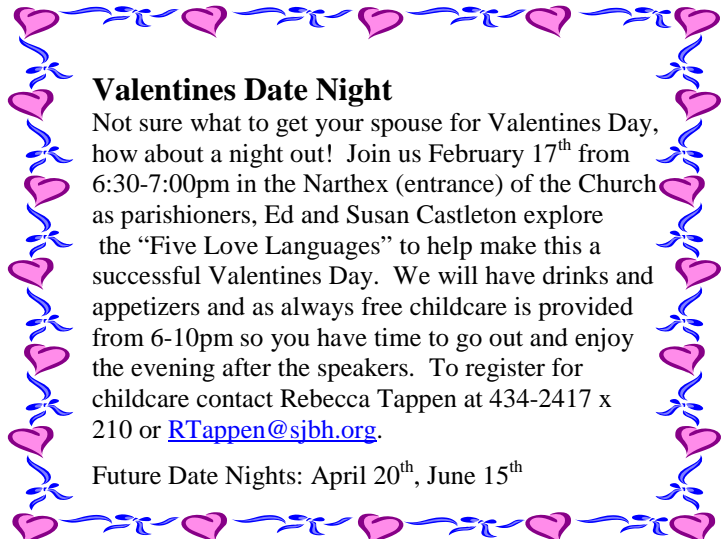


Save the date for Vacation Bible School (VBS). VBS at St. John the Baptist is scheduled for **June 25 - 29**. More details to come.

Valentines Date Night

Not sure what to get your spouse for Valentines Day, how about a night out! Join us February 17th from 6:30-7:00pm in the Narthex (entrance) of the Church as parishioners, Ed and Susan Castleton explore the "Five Love Languages" to help make this a successful Valentines Day. We will have drinks and appetizers and as always free childcare is provided from 6-10pm so you have time to go out and enjoy the evening after the speakers. To register for childcare contact Rebecca Tappen at 434-2417 x 210 or RTappen@sjbh.org.

Future Date Nights: April 20th, June 15th



Men & Women's Night Out

Save this date!! The West Side Catholic Parishes, including St. John the Baptist Parish, will again be offering an evening of adult enrichment this year. It will be on Thursday, March 1st at Rock Gardens. This "Men's and Women's Night Out" is a yearly program that includes a meal, speaker and prayer. The speaker this year will be Bishop Morneau. Brochures are located in the kiosks of church and in the parish office.



Experience God

Announcement!

The Spring 2012 CRHP dates are set.

Save the date!

Men's Weekend: March 10-11, 2012

Women's Weekend: March 17-18, 2012

EVERY St. John's member is invited to attend a CRHP weekend. The Men's and Women's teams are anxious to share their faith with you.

Break open Scripture, share in the Eucharist and get to know your fellow parishioners. Call us, before we call you!

Day of Adoration – Thursday, February 2

Do you want to grow deeper in your relationship with God? Yes or no? Do you want to grow closer to your family? Yes or no? It doesn't happen automatically. It takes time and effort. Please consider coming for a half hour or so to get guaranteed results to the above questions. Our day starts with 8:30am Mass and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day and ends with night prayer and Benediction at 7:00pm. Don't be surprised if you quickly get the answers that you are looking for.

Are you new to St. John's? Have you registered?

We look forward to meeting you and sharing all the wonderful things about St. John's with you. Ruth Holloway, Pastoral Minister, will be available in the Family Room located on the west end of the Narthex, behind the kitchen on Feb. 5 after 8 & 10:00am masses to register new members. There will be treats!

If you did not have your picture taken at the time of your registration (in the past 6 months), please, stop by the Fireplace Room after mass so we can include you on our New Member board. I look forward to meeting you! If you have any questions please contact me @ rholloway@sjbh.org or 434-2145 x209. There will also be registration on Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 7:00pm.

ALL ST. JOHN'S PARISH WOMEN

You are welcome to join the Catholic Women/Christian Mother's for our meeting on Tuesday, February 7th at 6:30pm in the school commons. Our Spiritual Enrichment will be current members talking about their personal journey and the benefits they've received. Please bring a donation for St. John the Evangelist Homeless Shelter. Clients at the shelter are in need of toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, soap, and toilet paper. Whatever you can donate is very much appreciated

Retreat Options for Adults

You will want to take some time to check out a wonderful resource added to our parish website this week. Often times you may have heard of a retreat, but you weren't sure what it really was about, when it was, or if it really was what you were looking for. The resource, [Retreat Options for Adults](#), explains what several Catholic retreats are, provides a website for more information, and gives you upcoming retreat dates. You will also find information about retreat houses or centers that provide different kind of retreats.

If your family had a child baptized at St. John's in the past three months and you inadvertently took the towel home, please return it to the parish office or to the church. Thanks. The parish washes the towels used for Baptisms and reuses them.

If you borrowed a pyx from St. John's to bring communion to a family member or friend while they were sick or recuperating from surgery and you are no longer using the pyx, please return it to church or to the parish office. Thank you!

SJB Youth Group!

**Ages 12-18: All are welcome!!!
(need not be an SJB parish member)**

Catholic Heart Work Camp July 14-21

Join us on an EPIC SERVICE MISSION TRIP where you will LOVE, SERVE & CONNECT. Step out of your comfort zone, laugh out loud, sing to the Lord, interact with new people, play hard, pray hard & work hard! Projects at this camp include: 3 summer bible school programs, neighborhood clean up, Soup Kitchen, Outreach East, Food Bank, fixing and painting homes and more! This camp will be in Davison, MN and is for youth Grades 9-12.

Cost \$465. FUNDRAISING AVAILABLE!

Extreme Faith Camp 2012 June 11-15

Extreme Faith Camp offers an exciting "up north" summer camp experience for 6th – 8th grade teens. Teens will enjoy sports, swimming, canoeing, crafts, fishing, archery, games, paddleboats, and a ropes course. 'Extreme Faith Camp' is about Jesus Christ. We'll have dynamic speakers, awesome praise and worship music, inspiring dramas, small group sessions, daily Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. During the week campers will build new friendships with other teens as they find themselves drawing closer to Jesus Christ. Held at Camp Tekawitha in Shawano, Wisconsin. Cost \$270

Fundraising is available!

*Any questions please contact - Jody Engebos 737-7357
jengebos@sjbh.org*

*face book: St John the Baptist - Youth
St. John the Baptist Youth Minister for grades 6-12*

Area Happenings:

St. John the Evangelist Homeless Shelter is still in need of volunteers. There will be a training and orientation on Tuesday, Feb. 7 from 4:00-4:45pm at the shelter. Their needs include individuals to work during the day helping with laundry and in the office as well as helping with hospitality, especially on weekends. The volunteer application form and other information can be found on their website: www.stjohnhomelesshelter.org Please consider donating your time to this worthy cause.

The Art of Marriage - DVD Seminar
For all couples: married, engaged or dating
Fri., 2/10, 7-9 pm & Sat., 2/11, 9 am-6 pm
Ss Edward & Isidore, Flintville

- Want to know God’s design for marriage?
- Want to know the purpose of marriage?
- Want to know how God can turn any marriage into a Masterpiece?

Marriage is more than a science; it’s an art. And like any art form, requires an investment of time, focused study, and the right tools. Join us if you need to soften some of the edges in your relationship, want to brighten the landscape of your marriage, or bring it up to a higher level. Cost \$50/couple; includes seminar, materials, beverages, snacks & continental breakfast, lunch & dinner on Saturday. Call 865-7844 to **sign-up by Sun., Feb. 5**. Questions; email dvine@stedwardisidore.org or visit www.familylife.com Free babysitting, call Michelle 865-4464 to register children.

WOMEN CELEBRATE 2012

Several hundred women will again gather at The Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake on Feb 10-12. Fr. Dan Schuster will be one of the main speakers and the presider at Mass. The weekend offers worship music, speakers, skits, Reconciliation and always fun and great food. Friends, sisters, neighbors, and co-workers may register on www.womencelebrate.org. The 11th annual event is sponsored by Holy Spirit, Kimberly; Holy Cross, Kaukauna; St Paul, Combined Locks; and St John, Little Chute. Questions, call Jessie 920-788-3837.

St. Patrick Parish Card Parties in Stiles
Smear & Sheepshead
February 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 1:00pm
Enjoy Hot Lunch, Raffle Drawings & Door Prizes
Cost - \$5.50

Looking for a weekend away for just the two of you?

A Marriage Encounter Weekend offers you this experience. It's a time to renew your relationship away from the everyday distractions of life. It's an opportunity to strengthen your communication and promote greater intimacy in your life together. You don't need a Marriage Encounter Weekend, but you DESERVE one. "Discover Each Other Again", more deeply, honestly and warmly. The upcoming schedule consists of February 10-12 or March 10-11 at the Norbertine Center for Spirituality in DePere. Spring weekend dates are also scheduled. For more information and to obtain an informational brochure, contact Sue & Dennis Amtmann, (920) 544-5166 or visit the website at www.gbme.org



**YOUNG ADULTS
MINISTRY**

College Connection Appreciated

During the first week of December the parish sent “Finals Care Packages” to our Freshmen students as a way to remind them of our prayers for their success and inviting them to celebrate Christmas with us while home on break. Parents and parishioners donated items to send to the students including prayer cars, candy, notecards, pop-corn and other items and the Catholic Woman Group helped with the cost of shipping and buying a few more items for the packages.

Here is part of a note from one of the students: *“I wanted to thank you for the gifts during my finals week. What a great idea...This just goes to show how lucky I am to be a part of the St. John's parish, and the people that are in this wonderful community...this really means a lot to me to have people praying and wishing I do well on my finals....”*

Here is part of a note from one parent: *“...my son loved his package... He was so surprised, I wish you could have heard his voice when he called and told me about it. He said he put the prayer card in his wallet so he would have it all times if he needed it.”*

If your student is a Freshman in college and you would like to have a care package sent to them for Lent, please contact Rebecca at 434-2145 ext.210.

Let Us Help - Are you ill or recovering from surgery and finding it difficult to prepare meals or get to appointments? Do you no longer drive but would like to attend Mass or run errands? Then Helping Hands can help. We are a group of caring volunteers eager to help you during a difficult or challenging time. Help is only a phone call (or e-mail) away! If you or someone you know could use a Helping Hand, please contact Roseann Mader 434-3732 (rmader3@new.rr.com); or Sherry Van Helvoirt 434-4997 (sherryvh@gmail.com).



We are looking for large flower pots or urns! They do not have to be perfect – they will be buried sideways in the ground. The only thing is we need them at least 24” wide. Please drop any you might have on the parish office porch – or call 434-2145 ext. 201 if you have any questions. Thanks!



Liturgical Ministries

The complete schedule is online at www.sjbh.org/parishcal.html

	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Usher	Greeter	Musicians
February 4 4:30 Sat	Colleen Pamperin Eileen Condon Erin Pamperin Mary Van De Yacht Michelle Malone Patricia White Roseann Mader Wendy Hopp	Catherine Ault – 2 Patricia White - 1 <u>Altar Server</u> Bridget Kapic Christopher Kapic	Ben Malone Chris Huempfner Dede Rife Francis Burkel Richard Malone Richard Teresinski	Damian Polczynski LaVerne Ruhland Lois O'Neil Tracey McMahan	Joyful Noise
February 5 8:00 Sun	Donald Martens Elizabeth Gaywont Eugene Gullickson Fern Martens Gary Lockstein Gwendolyn Kramer Rose Ault Rose Koenig	<u>Lector</u> Michelle Stratman –2 Robert Buss - 1 <u>Altar Server</u> Eric Stratman Jacob Stratman	Benjamin Stratman Faye Klassen John Gerczak Michael Stratman Randall Gerczak Richard Boyer	Dianne Lockstein Gary Lockstein Gwendolyn Kramer Rose Koenig	Karen's Group
February 5 10:00 Sun Scout Mass	All SJB Scouts	<u>Lector</u> Scouts <u>Altar Server</u> Scouts	All SJB Scouts	All SJB Scouts	Todd Karen & Youth Group

Notes from the Health & Wellness Committee

January is *National Glaucoma Awareness Month*.

Glaucoma is called "the sneak thief of sight" since there are no symptoms and once vision is lost, it's permanent. As much as 40% of vision can be lost without a person noticing. Glaucoma is the leading cause of *preventable* blindness. Over 2.2 million Americans, and over 60 million people worldwide, have glaucoma. Experts estimate that half of them don't know they have it. Combined with our aging population, we can see an epidemic of blindness looming if we don't raise awareness about the *importance of regular eye examinations* to preserve vision.

What is Glaucoma?

Glaucoma is a group of eye diseases that gradually steal sight without warning. Although the most common forms primarily affect the middle-aged and the elderly, glaucoma can affect people of all ages. Vision loss is caused by damage to the optic nerve. It is responsible for carrying images from the eye to the brain. There is no cure for glaucoma. However, medication or surgery can slow or prevent further vision loss. Early detection is vital to stopping the progress of the disease. Glaucoma is the second leading cause of blindness in the world, according to the World Health Organization. In the most common form, there are virtually no symptoms. Vision loss begins with peripheral or side vision, so if you have glaucoma, you may not notice anything until significant vision is lost. The best way to protect your sight from glaucoma is to get a comprehensive eye examination. Then, if you have glaucoma, treatment can begin immediately. Also, siblings of persons diagnosed with glaucoma have a significantly increased risk of having glaucoma.

Risk Factors

Those at higher risk include people of African, Asian, and Hispanic descent. Other high-risk groups include: people over 60, family members of those already diagnosed, diabetics, and people who are severely nearsighted. Regular eye exams are especially important for those at higher risk for glaucoma, and may help to prevent unnecessary vision loss.

Source: Glaucoma Research Foundation

Saturday Morning for Women is Back!!

The Health and Wellness Committees from St. John the Baptist and Ss. Edward and Isidore Parishes have listened to the positive feedback from our last women's event and decided to do it again! We had 189 women attend last time and our maximum capacity is 200. We have been working together for several months planning an exciting program for you. It has a women's health focus with inspiration, relaxation and humor for adult women of any age! We have exceptional presenters and breakout sessions, along with a chance to win a free 10 minute chair massage during the breakout sessions. Blue Sky School of Professional Massage will do the complimentary massages. This time we are starting out with refreshments and then having a delicious build your own salad lunch. Remember our hilarious entertainment last time??? We were able to get Fazes back with a new musical comedy, sure to make you laugh!! So encourage your family and friends to join you at this great event or come alone and meet some new friends. "Saturday Morning for Women" is on March 3, 2012 from 8:00am to 1:00pm for only \$10/person at Ss. Edward and Isidore Parish. Pre-Registration is required for proper planning. Please view the flyer for program details. We have limited space, so please register early, to ensure a spot. You won't want to miss this! Registration forms are available in the narthex and the parish office.
