

EASTER EGG HUNT EGG-STRAVAGANZA AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Extra prize awarded to the
finder of the special egg!



EASTER

Sunday, April 5th

after the 9 a.m. and
11 a.m. Masses



Easter Egg Hunt open
to Children ages 10
and under.

Please bring your own
baskets!

Hosted by the Hospitality Committee and Knights of Columbus

St. John ^{the} Baptist

Catholic Church

**WELCOME TO
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

We are happy that you are here. If you are just visiting for today, we wish you God's guidance on your journey. If you are seeking a church home, we would be honored to welcome you into our parish community. If you are interested in joining our parish family, parishioners are available after Mass to answer any questions and provide assistance with registrations. You may also stop by the parish office during office hours to register.

Daily Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8 am

Communion Service

Monday & Saturday 8 am

Rosary

Monday - Saturday 7:35 am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am, 11 am
(nursery available at 9 am Mass)

Baptism

Call the parish office at 952.890.9465 to register for the next Baptism class:
Monday, April 13, 7 - 8:30 pm

Marriage

Contact a priest or deacon at least six months in advance.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament is available to those seriously ill or suffering from prolonged illness. Call the parish office for more information.

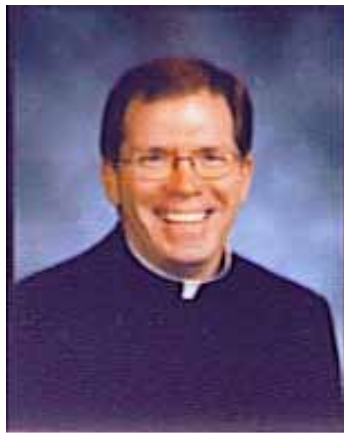
Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8 am - 4:30 pm

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

For information including sign-up: 952.882.9227 or <http://pea.g-ware.org>

◆ ◆ ◆ FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK ◆ ◆ ◆



Recently I wrote about an internal reorganization that was taking place among our parish staff. The key to this is matching gifts and talents along with parish needs. Also being fiscally prudent with a distinct focus and goal of excellence in mission. Today I want to update you about the next steps in our reorganization

Previously I wrote about changes specifically to Jim Rylander and Tracy Tredinnick since the news that Bonnie Unzen would not be returning to her position as Pastoral Minister. At that time I announced that Jim Rylander would assume the responsibilities as Pastoral Minister. Tracy

Tredinnick would focus her time on technology in the school as well as continue efforts for compliance with requirements from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops relating to Children and Youth Protection. At that same time I announced that we would be hiring for a part-time position to include coordinating RCIA and/or Stewardship.

I am glad to announce that we have now hired Brenda Schroll as Adult Faith Formation Coordinator. This part-time position of 10 hours per week will focus on coordinating RCIA with any remaining time being directed to developing opportunities of Adult Faith Formation. In recent years Brenda has been actively involved in Adult Faith Formation and been instrumental in bringing Jeff Cavins and his Bible Study to St. John's. She also has coordinated the Marriage Enrichment evening on Valentine's Day, and most recently arranged for the Father/Son Prayer Brunch with Rich Gannon. Along with the Adult Faith Formation Committee these events have brought hundreds of people here to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

I am equally glad to announce that we have hired Anja Prins as Stewardship Coordinator. Also a part-time position of 10 hours per week, this position will focus on increasing our stewardship in the parish. It is my belief that stewardship is first and foremost about hospitality and welcoming people to the parish. It is also about helping people to match their individual gifts and talents to the needs of our various parish ministries and develop a sense of ownership in all that we do together as church. Anja has been actively involved in our Hospitality Committee and recently served as its chair.

Please join me in welcoming both Brenda and Anja to their new roles among the parish staff. Always know that our role as staff is about creatively working together to serve you and the mission of the church in this time and place.

Father Mike Tix

◆ ◆ ◆ EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE ◆ ◆ ◆

ARTICLES FOR THE BULLETIN ~

- April 12, Easter bulletin, articles are due in the parish office by 10am on Wednesday, April 1.
- April 19, Divine Mercy Sunday bulletin, articles are due in the parish office by 10am on Wednesday, April 8.

◆ ◆ ◆ PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ◆ ◆ ◆

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL HAS OPENINGS

The current members of St. John’s Parish Council are: Rich Myers, Luke Bearth, Teresa Donovan, Joe Nardi, Beth Prendi and Nancy Amundson. They would like to encourage any interested parishioner to consider becoming a member of the Council. The commitment would be a three-year term, meeting once a month. Responsibilities include meeting with Fr. Tix to discuss events, information and concerns regarding the parish community. Council members must:

- ◆ be a registered member of St. John’s
- ◆ be at least 16 years of age
- ◆ completed their Christian initiation through Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation

Employees of St. John’s are not eligible to serve as members. You may pick-up an application at the parish office. Submit applications by Wednesday, April 15. Questions? Contact Rich Myers at 952.447.4503.

◆ ◆ ◆ 55+ GROUP ◆ ◆ ◆

APRIL GATHERING

On Wednesday, April 1, at 8:30am, we will gather in the atrium to learn about the Scott County Mobile Clinic. The clinic will be coming to St. John’s on a regularly scheduled basis. Please invite others who may be interested. Refreshments will be provided.

BURNSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

On Wednesday, April 15, at 7:30pm, we will attend the final dress rehearsal of *The Secret Garden* at Burnsville High School. **There is no cost for tickets but you must have a ticket to attend.** Complimentary refreshments will be available during intermission. No bus transportation will be provided. Please meet at Burnsville High School (Mraz Center) located at Hwy. 13 and Portland Avenue. RSVP to Jim Rylander at 952.890.9465, ext. 114 by Monday, April 13.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PILGRIMAGE

to the shrine in La Crosse, WI will be on Wednesday, May 13. We will depart from the church parking lot at 7am and return at 6pm. Our trip will travel along the Mississippi River and Lake Pepin. We will attend the 11am Mass followed by a pasta buffet lunch and a tour of the shrine. There will be time for you to look around on your own and enjoy the holiness of this place. The cost is \$44 which includes the motor coach, lunch and tour. Please make your reservation and payment to Jim Rylander by Tuesday, May 5. Questions? Call Jim at 952.890.9465, ext. 114.

55+ GROUP VISITS COMO AND CONSERVATORY

Wednesday, March 18 was a beautiful day for the 55+ Group to visit the Como Park Conservatory and Zoo in St. Paul. A parrot welcomed us to our private lunch as well a sloth. It was nice being



on a tour because we were able to see the new show being arranged in the conservatory and also go behind the scenes to see the floral preparation. This was a great start to spring.



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. John the Baptist Catholic community, established in 1854, continues its mission to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. As people of faith, we evangelize by worship, education, charity and social justice. God works through us as we share the blessings of our time, talent and treasure.



Parish Office
952.890.9465

- Fr. Michael Tix, Pastor
- Fr. Terry Weber, Weekend Presider
- Rev. Mr. Jerry Little, Deacon
- Rev. Mr. Bob Durham, Deacon
- Christine Kelly, Accounting
- Fred Fox, Business Administrator
- Carol Radosevich, Communications
- Ron Nord, Facilities Manager
- Tracy Tredinnick, IT Coordinator
- Tim Malone, Music & Liturgy
- Jean Thompson, Music & Liturgy
- Jim Rylander, Pastoral Minister
- Anja Prins, Stewardship Coordinator

Faith Formation
952.890.9434

- Andi Little, Director
- Brenda Schroll, Adult Faith Formation
- Jan Jirik, Junior High - Grades 7-9
- Joan Walerius, Sunday School
- Lori Taormina, Youth Minister

St. John the Baptist Catholic School
952.890.6604

- Beth Behnke, Principal
- Mike Smalley, Assistant Principal

Steppingstones Preschool
952.846.4663

Dora May, Director

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian community through the holy water of baptism:

*Katelyn Thanh Nguyen
William Earl Hoffman
Ethan Trung Tin Tran*

MARRIAGE BANS

Please remember this couple in your prayers as they prepare for their marriage:

*Michele Adelmann &
Jason Radosevich*

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome the following people who recently joined our parish community:

*Richard & Helen Raser
Jeanne Duffek
Laura Duffek
Jason Bergstrom
Jon & Angie Whitcomb ~
Grace
Anthony & Corrine Hauck ~
Kyle & Kaden*

APRIL
ST. JOHN'S
FOOLS
DAY

READINGS

For the Week of March 29

Sun: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17,
20-27, 33b-45
Mon: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62
or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11
Tue: Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/
Jn 8:31-42
Thu: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59
Fri: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
Sat: Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56
Sun: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 /
Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/
Mk 14:1 - 15:47 or 15:1-39

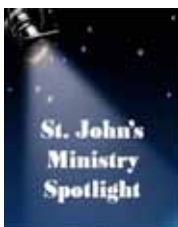


◆ ◆ ◆ ST. JOHN'S BOOK-N-GIFT STORE ◆ ◆ ◆

FIRST EUCHARIST RETREAT

will be on Saturday, April 4, and the book store will be open from 9:30am-2:30pm (in addition to after all weekend Masses) with helpful volunteers to assist you. Stop in and browse our display table of quality accessories and gift items for the boy or girl who will receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist in April or May. We have invitation cards, boxed Rosaries in clear glass or pearl heart beads for girls, and black beaded Rosaries for boys - all sized smaller for their hands. Many items are going fast.

◆ ◆ ◆ MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT ◆ ◆ ◆



This week: Hospitality Committee

Hayride, Easter Egg Hunt, Family Movie Nights... these are just a small sample of events the St. John's Hospitality Committee organizes for the parish that help set an atmosphere of fellowship, friendship and overall welcome. St. John's Hospitality Committee consists of an enthusiastic group of people who would like your help to plan and host social events. We are always looking for new ideas and suggestions. Your participation is welcome! We would love to welcome you into our group. For more information contact Anja Prins at aprins@stjohns-savage.org.

◆ ◆ ◆ ST. JOHN'S LOGO ◆ ◆ ◆

WHAT DOES OUR LOGO SYMBOLIZE?

The circle represents completeness, unity and continuity. The circle also is significantly present in the bell tower and the roof. The cross transcends heaven and earth. The cross is colorless because it is upon the cross Jesus suffered and died for our salvation and through it, we glimpse the kingdom of God. At His Baptism, Jesus received God's blessing in the form of a dove and we, the gathered faithful of St. John's, share in this blessing through the waters of Baptism. We are the parish family of St. John the Baptist.



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◆ ◆ ◆ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ◆ ◆ ◆

HELP THE EASTER BUNNY

Children in grades 3, 4 and 5 are invited to help the Easter Bunny fill baskets for the children of Theresa Living Center in St. Paul on Friday, April 3, at 6:30pm, in the parish center. A suggested donation of \$10 per child is requested to cover the cost of baskets and items to fill them. All proceeds over basket costs will also be donated to Theresa Living Center. Pre-registration is encouraged and forms are available on-line and in the RE Office. Questions? Contact Andi at alittle@stjohns-savage.org or 952.890.9434.

◆ ◆ ◆ YOUTH MINISTRY ◆ ◆ ◆

STEUBENVILLE NORTH YOUTH CONFERENCE

All students going into grades 9-12 for the 2009-2010 school year are invited to attend our first information meeting for the Steubenville Conference on Sunday, April 19, at 3pm, in the parish center.

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

On Saturday, April 25, from 6-9pm, in the parish center, Mission 09 Team will host Family Bingo Night. A free-will offering will be collected for each bingo card and \$1 for raffle tickets. Pizza, walking tacos, other food and beverages will be sold. All proceeds will go to youth attending this year's mission trip to New Orleans. Come and help support our youth while having a great time with your family.

Questions? E-mail Lori at ltaormina@stjohns-savage.org or call 952.890.9434, ext. 232.

◆ ◆ ◆ ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWS ◆ ◆ ◆

ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL LEARNING FAIR

Once again the 5th grade class of St. John's did an excellent job presenting the scientific method. Each student selected a hypothesis, conducted an experiment and in the end, learned whether or not their hypothesis was correct. Many of our students were given the opportunity to visit the displays, ask questions and take notes. One example was Sam Leonard's "The Rot Race." Sam tested which type of container would best preserve fruits and vegetables. Natalie Kincs used different blades of a wind turbine to see which was most effective and Katie Clarkson-Schweobel tested a variety of laundry detergents and learned that *Tide* works the best. This fun, interactive event takes place every year and is something our students always look forward to.

◆ ◆ ◆ PERPETUAL ADORATION ◆ ◆ ◆

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL BE REPOSED

Thursday, April 9 (Holy Thursday), at 7pm
and will resume on
Sunday, April 12 (Easter), at 12pm.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, March 30

8:00 am Communion/Prayer Service

Tuesday, March 31

8:00 am Special Intention of
Maureen Nelson

Wednesday, April 1

8:00 am † Delbert Schuette

Thursday, April 2

8:00 am †† Rose & Ed Kuplic

9:25 am Living Stations (School)

First Friday, April 3

8:00 am † Leo Picek

10:30 am † Rev. Robert Cassidy
(Augustana Regent)

First Saturday, April 4

8:00 am Communion/Prayer Service

5:00 pm † Andrea Ray

Sunday, April 5

7:30 am For the Parish

9:00 am † Dick O'Keefe

11:00 am † Margaret Mueller

LECTORS

April 4/5

5:00 pm Rich Myers
Cynthia Hagens

7:30 am Kris Lambrecht
Larry McCrory

9:00 am Jeanne Nardi
Ann Rogers

11:00 am Luke Bearth
Tracy Dennis

MASS SERVERS

Weekdays 8:00 am

March 31-April 1

Heather Smith

Jacob Smith

Jenna Kacheroski

April 2-3

Jacob Notermann

Matt Notermann

Tommy Adam

Saturday, April 4

5:00 pm Callie Fox

Jacob Notermann

Joey Hanel

Sunday, April 5

7:30 am Carrie Mannila

Marissa Mahoney

9:00 am Erin Swensen

Liliana Gomez

McKenzie Svoboda

11:00 am Charlie Nicklay

Kelly Keenan

Robert Tobroxen

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

(*SEE ARTICLE)

Monday, March 30

6:30 pm Life in the Spirit*
6:30 pm Troop 336

Tuesday, March 31

10:00 am Jeff Cavins Bible Study
7:00 pm Holy Family Prayer Group

Wednesday, April 1

8:30 am 55+ Group*
4:15 pm, 5:30 pm, 6:45 pm RE Gr. 1-6
4:15 pm Cherubim A Rehearsal
5:30 pm Cherubim B Rehearsal
6:45 pm Seraphim Rehearsal
6:45 pm RE Gr. 7-10 (on site classes)

Thursday, April 2

6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm Jeff Cavins Bible Study
7:00 pm Festival Choir

Friday, April 3

8:30 am Stations of the Cross
9:30 am Bible Study
6:00 pm Soup Supper*
6:30 pm Easter Baskets*
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross/Benediction

Saturday, April 4

9:30 am First Eucharist Retreat
6:00 pm Fellowship

Saturday/Sunday, April 4/5

Can Collection/We Care*

Sunday, April 5

8:00 am AA Meeting
9:00 am Sunday School
9:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word
10:00 am Pancake Breakfast and
Easter Egg Hunt*
10:15 am RCIA Program
12:00 pm Sister Parish VBS Meeting
6:00 pm L.I.T.E.

HOLY FAMILY FLOWERS

for the week of March 29 have been
donated in memory of

Mary Cooper

Your spirit lives in all of us.

- The Radosevich Family



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Experience the peace of the Holy
Spirit on Monday, March 30, 6:30pm.

Topic: *Baptism in the Spirit.*

◆ ◆ ◆ PARISH NEWS ◆ ◆ ◆

RICH GANNON WAS AN INSPIRATION



On Saturday, March 21, more than 250 men, fathers and sons, gathered at St. John's for breakfast and a presentation by Rich Gannon. He shared his testimony as a Catholic Christian athlete and how when you put God first in your life, you're always a winner. The morning was sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Committee. Hopefully this is the start to an enduring tradition of men's ministry. A

very special thank you to Rich Gannon who graciously shared his time that morning. A huge thank you to: the Knights of Columbus for providing a fantastic pancake breakfast, the women who volunteered to help serve the meal and those who encouraged the men in their lives to sign-up, and to the many fathers and sons who attended.

Joey Kubicek's ticket was drawn for the autographed football.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE

Youth ages 11 - 15 can learn the skills to be a confident babysitter, including infant CPR, at a day-long training course at St. John's on Saturday, April 25, from 9am-4pm. Cost is \$56 per participant. Participants should bring a bag lunch. Beverage and snacks will be provided. A minimum of eight youths are needed to host the course and we are limited to a total of 20. So don't wait to register! Absolute deadline is Wednesday, April 15. Registration materials are available on-line at www.stjohns-savage.org and in the education office or call 952.890.9434 for more information.

WOMEN! JOIN US FOR A GRACED & GIFTED EVENING

on Friday, May 8, from 7-9:30pm, at All Saint's in Lakeville. The evening's program is the *Tale of Two Sisters: Mary's Heart, Martha's World*, which features appetizers and refreshments, prayer and reflection, entertainment and laughter provided by storyteller, Debbie Reetz. Debbie is a member of the Austin Catholic Community in Austin, MN. She is a wife, mother, grandmother, mentor and catechist who spreads the Good News in her own delightful inspiring way. Cost is \$20 per person payable to *Graced & Gifted*. For a printable registration visit our website at www.stjohns-savage.org or contact Brenda at 952.233.1042.

ST. JOHN'S GARAGE SALE

will be here before you know it. Keep the garage sale in mind as you do your spring cleaning. New to this year's garage sale will be additional dates to drop off your donations. Continue to check the weekly church bulletin for information about drop off dates, garage sale dates and the **many** volunteer opportunities.

RESPECT LIFE WILL SPONSOR A DONATION DRIVE FOR THE LEWIS HOUSE IN EAGAN

For thousands of women and children, home can be frightening, lonely and for many it is very dangerous. Domestic violence is a serious social problem. The Lewis House is dedicated to helping these women and children find safety and get them back on their feet. To support these women and children we are collecting these items:

- bath towels • wash cloths • pillowcases
- twin size sheets/comforters • diapers • infant formula (all varieties)
- baby bottles/nipples • puzzles • toothbrushes • toothpaste • floss
- educational toys • videos • learning games • old cell phone with chargers
- craft supplies • women/youth clothing (any size gently used or new)

◆ ◆ ◆ PARISH NEWS CONTINUED ◆ ◆ ◆

LOAVES & FISHES, TOO

On Thursday, April 2, volunteers from Loaves & Fishes, Too will prepare and serve dinner to the needy at St. Stephen’s Church in Minneapolis. If you would like to contribute a few hours of your time to help with this project call Pat Turgeon at 952.894.5888.

DEVOTION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Join us on Saturday, April 4, for the 8am Communion/Prayer service in the church followed by the Rosary and meditation in the Holy Family Chapel.

WE CARE SUNDAY IS NEXT WEEKEND

Remember to bring non-perishable food items for the food shelves in Scott and Dakota Counties and leave items in the church entrances. Those less fortunate need your help. Thank you for your donation of 1,164 pounds for our *Food Drive Challenge* for the month of March. Can we beat our donation of food for the month of March? Our *Food Drive Challenge* for the month of April is on!

SUPPORT SJB BOOSTER CLUB NEXT WEEKEND

Bring your aluminum cans to the trailer parked in the church parking lot Saturday or Sunday, April 4/5.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

Last week’s donations:

Envelopes.....	\$22,256
Simple Giving electronic donations	\$2,186
Total donations	\$24,442
Weekly revenue budget	\$34,050
Under budget.....	\$9,606
Budget year-to-date	- \$81,394

**SIMPLE GIVING
EASTER DEDUCTIONS**

If your contributions to St. John’s are deducted through *Simple Giving*, our automatic transfer program, please note that your Easter contribution will be deducted on April 1. If you would like more information about our *Simple Giving* program, go to our website at www.stjohns-savage.org.