



October 25, 2009

in the Parish Center after the 9am & 11am Masses

TASTE OF NATIONS WILL FEATURE SAMPLES OF FOODS AND SHOWCASE CULTURAL ITEMS FROM VARIOUS NATIONALITIES THAT REFLECT THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH.

**JOIN US FOR THIS FREE EVENT!**

**SPONSORED BY THE CULTURAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

Currently we have parishioners from Columbia, Peru, Nigeria, Poland, Germany, Vietnam, Norway, Liberia, the Caribbean, Holland, Italy, Slovenia, Mexico, Ukraine, Russia, Honduras, Ireland and Native American.

St. John <sup>the</sup> 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. If you are over the age of 21 we ask you to register. 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

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Rosary**

Monday - Saturday: 7:25 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, November 9, 7 - 8:30 pm

**Marriage**

Contact a priest or a 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 call Jack at 952.882.9227 or <http://pea.g-ware.org>

**Bulletin Deadline**

E-mail articles to [bulletin@stjohns-savage.org](mailto:bulletin@stjohns-savage.org) by 10 am on Friday.

◆ ◆ ◆ FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK ◆ ◆ ◆



With the focus these days being on our annual stewardship appeal, the following reflection about gratitude is timely. It is not from here but what it says is good for all of us to consider. Stewardship is first and foremost about recognizing that God is the giver of all things good. In response we are called to a life of thanksgiving and gratitude expressed in tangible witness for everyday life.

*Recently I received a check from a parishioner whose children had attended our parish school in the 1980's. Her note spoke of the scholarship article recently published in the church bulletin. "Please use this check to help parents who are struggling with tuition payments," the note continued. She went on to recall the deep recession of the early 1980's and the challenge posed by tuition payments. "Now I am in a position to help others and I thank God for that!"*

*In a recent Catholic update, Father Richard Gula, S.S. wrote that gratitude is the doorway to successfully negotiating hard times when people are concerned about job loss, devastated retirement funds, and possible foreclosures. Gratitude opens the way to a relationship that brings wisdom, courage and hope. Gratitude reminds us that our lives are gifts from God that invite a response. The only proper response is THANK YOU, LORD.*

*Like all virtues, gratitude must be practiced. And so we say thank you each morning for a new day, for nourishment, for parents, spouses, children, friends. And we say thank you for coming safely to the end of the day. Doing all this, we become the children of God drawing nearer to the Father each day. And the Father, in turn, deepens our faith, enlivens our hope and increases our courage.*

Father Mike Tix

◆ ◆ ◆ ALL SOUL'S DAY ◆ ◆ ◆

**A TIME TO REMEMBER**

Our Catholic tradition reserves a special time to remember the deceased members of our families and friends. All Soul's Day is traditionally celebrated on Nov. 2. As you come to church that weekend you will see lit candles that will burn continuously. Each candle represents someone who has been buried from St. John's this past year. The names of these individuals will also be included in the general intercessions for the day. An additional candle will also be lit to remember other loved ones we want to remember during these special days. You are invited to submit names of those who you would like to be remembered by using the All Soul's Day envelope that was mailed to you. Also, you are invited to write names in the *Book of Remembrance* placed near the altar.



Besides Mass on Monday, Nov. 2, we will remember our loved ones who died on Sunday, Nov. 1, at the Feast of All Saints.

◆ ◆ ◆ FAMILY EVENT ◆ ◆ ◆

**FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

Mark your calendar for our second annual St. John’s Hayride and Bonfire on Saturday, Oct. 24, at 6:30pm, at the Minnesota Harvest Orchard located at 8251 Old Highway 169 Blvd. in Jordan. Cost is \$8 per family or \$3 per person. Children two and under are free. **You can sign up for this event this weekend after all Masses in the atrium.** For more information contact Lori Taormina at [ltaormina@stjohns-savage.org](mailto:ltaormina@stjohns-savage.org) or call 952.890.9434, ext. 232.



◆ ◆ ◆ SAVE THE DATE ◆ ◆ ◆

**ST. JOHN’S ANNUAL CRAFT SALE**

is on Saturday, Nov. 14, from 9am-4pm, in the school gym. Many local crafters and vendors will be there with items for your holiday shopping. Questions? 📞 Wendy Turner at 612.803.4355.

**CHILDREN’S SHOPPING SPREE**

will be on Sunday, Dec. 6, from 8am-12:30pm, in the parish center. Adult volunteers with VIRTUS training are also needed. Questions? E-mail Lori Kapusinski at [kapusins@integraonline.com](mailto:kapusins@integraonline.com) or call 952.226.5372.

**CATHOLICISM, COFFEE & DESSERT— ADULT CCD**

will host an evening with Rich Klisch on the topic of Annulments on Sunday, Nov 1, from 6:30-8pm, in the atrium. Rich will help us to understand the reason for and the process of annulments. Childcare will be available by calling Colleen at 952.894.8205 to make your reservation.

◆ ◆ ◆ STEWARDSHIP ◆ ◆ ◆

**WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?**



Stewardship is Vern Hei, who has given many years of service to St. John’s by attending daily Mass, serving as sacristan, participating in Eucharistic Adoration, ushering at 7:30am Mass, serving meals at Loaves and Fishes, Too, volunteering with the Annual Catholic Services Appeal, delivering food to local food shelves that was gathered from “We Care Sunday,” participating in the funeral lunch ministry, garage sale worker, and making an arrangements with local Aldi stores to take food items to area food shelves. Vern loves to volunteer and is readily available with a helping hand and smiling face to express his faith with a resounding, “Yes!”

On Saturday, Oct. 10, Vern received an annual award presented on behalf of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis to an individual who exemplifies the Spirit of Stewardship as outlined in the United States of Conference of Catholic Bishops in their document, “Stewardship - A Disciples’ Response”. Thank you, Vern for your example of living your faith and sharing it with all of us.

**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
- Laurie Dietz, Administrative Assistant
- Joyce Irlbeck, Administrative Assistant
- 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

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

**BAPTISM**

We welcome *Kevin Paul Bruski* into the Christian community through the holy water of baptism.

**MARRIAGE BANNES**

Please remember these couples in your prayers as they prepare for their marriage:

*Sandy Mason & Michael Stone*  
*Lindsay Ruter & Darren Hudak*

**REMEMBER  
IN YOUR PRAYERS**

† *Tyler Magnuson*, son of  
Gregg and Mary  
brother of Marisa and Tanner

† *Kyle Beckel*, son of  
Kevin & Denise  
brother of Kayla & Erik

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

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

*Jason & Christie Hagemann ~  
Cole*

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to St. John's Church in memory of *Gerald Kleve*. Let us remember *Gerald* and all the faithful departed in our prayers.

**READINGS**

For the Week of October 18

Sun: Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/  
Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Mon: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21

Tue: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/  
Lk 12:35-38

Wed: Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48

Thu: Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53

Fri: Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59

Sat: Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9

Sun: Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/  
Mk 10:46-52

**◆ ◆ ◆ PASTORAL CARE ◆ ◆ ◆****CATHOLIC COALITION FOR SEPARATED AND DIVORCED**

The next presentation will be on Monday, Oct. 19, at St. Thomas Beckett Church, 4455 South Robert Trail in Eagan. Ted Bowman, trainer, consultant, educator and author will speak on *Loss of Dreams*. Registration is at 6:45pm, speaker at 7pm. Donation per session is \$2. Call Jim Rylander for more information at 952.890.9465, ext. 114.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Our next meeting will be on Monday, Oct. 19, at 6:30pm, in the atrium (use door #7) for those who are making prayer shawls or those who would like to learn. We will pray, knit or crochet and enjoy music and fellowship. RSVP to Ann Hagen at 952.440.5463. Donations of new yarn to support this ministry are always welcome.

**◆ ◆ ◆ LOSS OF SPOUSE ◆ ◆ ◆****OUR NEXT LUNCHEON**

will be on Saturday, Oct. 31, at 12pm, in the rectory. There is no charge, as a parish family has offered to provide the meal. If you know of a friend, neighbor, or relative who has lost a spouse they are most welcome to join us. Call Jim Rylander at 952.890.9465, ext. 114, by Tuesday, Oct. 27, to make your reservation.

**◆ ◆ ◆ 55+ GROUP ◆ ◆ ◆****SAINT JOHN'S UNIVERSITY**

Reminder for all those who are signed up to go on Wednesday, Oct. 21, to Saint John's University in Colleeville we will leave the church parking lot at 8am and return by 5pm.

**"SLEEP AS WE GROW OLDER"**

will be the topic of the 55+ Group gathering on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 8:30am, in the atrium. Rachel Fergel who is the Clinical Operations Supervisor at the St. Francis Sleep Center in Shakopee will present the program. Anyone who would benefit from this presentation is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

**◆ ◆ ◆ PARISHIONER IN THE NEWS ◆ ◆ ◆****NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP**

Former St. John's student and parishioner Thomas Pelletier, a senior at St. Thomas Academy, has been named Commended Students in the 2010 National Merit Scholarship Program. Commended Students, which represents the top 5% of U.S. high school seniors, is made up of the highest scoring entrants in each state. **Congratulations Thomas!**

**◆ ◆ ◆ THE SAINT PAUL SEMINARY ◆ ◆ ◆****AN APPEAL FOR OUR SEMINARIANS**

The weekend of Oct. 31-Nov. 1 a collection will be taken for The Saint Paul Seminary. With 37 men in formation for our Archdiocese, the future is bright for the priesthood for our local Church. All funds collected through this appeal will directly benefit our seminarians through the seminary's *I Will Give You Shepherds* campaign. For more information or to make a gift on-line, visit [www.saintpaulseminary.org](http://www.saintpaulseminary.org).

◆ ◆ ◆ ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWS ◆ ◆ ◆

**OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS IS**

on Tuesday, Nov. 10, from 6-7pm, in the Fr. Wittman Auditorium (enter through door #1). This is an open house for prospective students and their families from preschool through grade 8. The open house will include school tours, faculty and student presentation, before and after school care and financial aid information. Please invite families you know who might be interested in St. John's School. It is the perfect time for them to learn about our foundation in faith and values, our 50 years of *Excellence in Education*, our talented teachers, our sports and activities, and more. For more information about the open house or to receive a brochure, contact the school office at 952.890.6604.

◆ ◆ ◆ YOUTH MINISTRY ◆ ◆ ◆

**MISSION TRIP 2010**

An information meeting for this year's Mission trip is on Sunday, Oct. 25, at 3pm in the youth room. Applications are available in the atrium or the education office. Questions? Contact Lori at [ltaormina@stjohns-savage.org](mailto:ltaormina@stjohns-savage.org).

**NIGHT WITHOUT A HOME**

Youth in grades 6-8 are invited to stay overnight at St. John's on Friday, Nov. 6, to experience and learn what it is like to be homeless. The night will begin at 8pm with an education session on homelessness. Then throughout the night, you will sleep outside in a cardboard box around fire pits. The experience of being cold and hungry might be for only this one night, but the wisdom gained will last a lifetime.



**FOR THE FOOD SHELVES**

Families and teens are invited to rustle up their spirit and help fill the CAP Agency Food Shelves on Friday, Oct. 30, during St. John's Annual **Trick or Treat for the Food Shelves**. Groups will gather at 6:30pm in the atrium to form carpools and travel to neighborhoods to collect non-perishable food, personal hygiene items and small household goods. Costumes are optional.

Afterwards, we'll celebrate our "saintly" good deeds with a bit of Halloween fun. Cost is \$5 per person to cover costs. Anything over our costs will be donated to the Food Shelf. Registration materials are available in the Education Office and on-line at the parish website [www.stjohns-savage.org](http://www.stjohns-savage.org). Deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 21, to make sure we have enough drivers.

◆ ◆ ◆ VIRTUS ◆ ◆ ◆

**VIRTUS: PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN**

VIRTUS is an adult training program that focuses on preventing child sexual abuse and is required for all adult volunteers working with youth at St. John's. It includes facts and myths about abuse as well as a five-step process to protect children. The next training session is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 9am, in the atrium and is open to all adults over the age of 18. To register go on-line to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and click on *Registration*. If you have questions or cannot register on-line call Tracy at 952.890.9465, ext. 118.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday, October 19  
8:00 am Communion/Prayer Service
- Tuesday, October 20  
8:00 am Rosella & Eldred Johnson  
66<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
- Wednesday, October 21  
8:00 am For Family Healing & Blessings
- Thursday, October 22  
8:00 am †† Rest in Peace for the Departed  
9:25 am † Dale Beckel  
(School Mass)
- Friday, October 23  
8:00 am Special Intention for  
Tina Huttner  
5:00 pm Sandy Mason &  
Michael Stone Wedding
- Saturday, October 24  
8:00 am Communion/Prayer Service  
5:00 pm † Richard O'Keefe
- Sunday, October 25  
7:30 am † Lucille Kartes  
9:00 am For the Parish  
11:00 am † Dianne Roscoe

**LECTORS**

- October 24/25  
5:00 pm Veronica Bartsch  
Jon Pitton  
7:30 am Blaise Eisenbeil  
Andi Little  
9:00 am Bob Brickweg  
Christine Brickweg  
11:00 am Janet Williams  
Wilfred Williams

**MASS SERVERS**

- Weekdays 8:00 am  
Oct. 20/21 Kelly Keenan, Ryan Gall  
Oct. 22/23 Laura Wee, Megan Cleary
- October 24  
5:00 pm Callie Fox, Jacob Notermann,  
Matt Notermann
- Sunday, October 25  
7:30 am Carrie Mannila  
Will Diedrick  
9:00 am Kyle Thomas, McKenzie  
Svoboda, Megan Cleary  
11:00 am Abby Broadwell, Anna  
Brunner, Molly Kate Jones

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

- 5:00 pm Margaret Eustice  
7:30 am Cheryal Monnens  
9:00 am Ron Schrupp  
11:00 am Andi Sadowski
- Please call your team members for the month of November.

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

(\*SEE ARTICLE)

### Monday, October 19

6:30 pm Troop 336  
6:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.\*  
7:00 pm Home & School Mtg.

### Tuesday, October 20

10:00 am Jeff Cavins Bible Study  
7:00 pm Cub Scout Pack Mtg.  
7:00 pm Holy Family Prayer Group

### Wednesday, October 21

8:00 am Departure for 55+ Group\*  
9:00 am VIRTUS\*  
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 RE Gr. 7-10 (on site classes)

### Thursday, October 22

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

### Friday, October 23

8:30 am Stations of the Cross  
9:30 am Bible Study

### Saturday, October 24

8:00 am BeFriender Training  
9:00 am Wee Faith  
4:00 pm Saturday Singers Rehearsal  
6:30 pm Parish Hayride\*

### Sunday, October 25

8:00 am AA Meeting  
10:00 am Taste of Nations\*  
9:00 am Sunday School  
9:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word  
10:15 am RCIA Program  
3:00 pm Mission Trip Mtg.\*  
6:00 pm Youth Ministry

## HOLY FAMILY FLOWERS



have been donated in  
memory of  
*Jacob Felicijan*  
- The Boles Family

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO REMEMBER SOMEONE OR AN OCCASION IN A SPECIAL WAY?

For a donation of \$35, a plant will be placed by the statues of Mary and Joseph in the back of the church for a two week period. You may also have your intention published in the bulletin. If you are interested, call the parish office at 952.890.9465.

## ◆ ◆ ◆ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ◆ ◆ ◆

Religious Education Classes Resume ~  
Grades 1-12, Wednesday, Oct. 21  
Sunday School, Sunday, Oct. 25

### HEALTHY AND HOLY RELATIONSHIPS

is the topic Bob Bartlett will present Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 6:45-8pm, in the church. This presentation is part of the series of large group presentations scheduled through St. John's RE program for all youth in grades 7-12 and Confirmation candidates. This serves as their class session for that evening. However, everyone is welcome to attend. Bob Bartlett is a therapist with Phoenix Process Consultants in Minnetonka. He has served as a youth minister, theology instructor, campus minister and counselor at the Academy of Holy Angels and is a featured guest speaker for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. His area of expertise is marriage and family counseling, with a specialty in teen issues. For more information about Bob's presentation, contact Andi Little at [alittle@stjohns-savage.org](mailto:alittle@stjohns-savage.org) or call 952.890.9434.

### FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN - FMSC

Children in grade 5, their families, friends and anyone who wishes to join us are invited to *Feed My Starving Children* in Chanhassen, on Saturday, Nov. 14, from 11:30am-1:30pm. Bus transportation to and from the site will be provided. We will leave St. John's parking lot at 11am and return by 2pm. FMSC is a non-profit Christian organization committed to feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals formulated specially for starving children and then the meals are sent to more than 60 countries. Since March, FMSC has received requests for more than 25 million meals to feed our world's starving children. Cost is \$5 per person for bus transportation. Children who are not accompanied by parent/guardian should be in the fifth grade and older and have returned a completed permission slip by Wednesday, Nov. 4. For more information about this parish-wide service opportunity, contact Andi Little at 952.890.9434 or [alittle@stjohns-savage.org](mailto:alittle@stjohns-savage.org).

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

### A RECOGNITION

During the Jubilee *Year of the Priest*, as declared by Pope Benedict XVI, Sunday Oct. 25 is set aside as Priesthood Sunday. This is a day to show our appreciation and support of our parish priests and a time to support them with prayer and encouragement. Our bookstore offers a nice selection of priest appreciation cards and laminated prayer cards. Be sure to browse our display that also focuses on book selections that depict real life stories of priestly vocations, such as *Still Called By Name* and *He Leadeth Me*. We also have a permanent display dedicated to the Sacrament of Holy Orders for both men and women.

## ◆ ◆ ◆ STAY IN THE LOOP FOR INFO ◆ ◆ ◆

### ST. JOHN'S E-MAIL LIST

Do you want to stay informed with up-to-date parish news and events with periodic e-mails? Would you like to receive the bulletin at your home and/or work computer? Sign-up to be on the St. John's Church burst e-mail list. Contact Carol Radosevich at [cradosevich@stjohns-savage.org](mailto:cradosevich@stjohns-savage.org).

◆ ◆ ◆ ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY ◆ ◆ ◆

**REMINDER**

According to our cemetery policy all vases should have been emptied and removed by Sept. 30. Winter wreaths may be placed after Sunday, Nov. 15. Cemetery management may remove real and artificial flowers whenever they are no longer respectful.

◆ ◆ ◆ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ◆ ◆ ◆

**ARE SPONSORING A:**

- ➔ Casserole and salad luncheon on Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 11am-1pm, at the Shakopee Knights of Columbus Hall, 1760 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E. Cost is \$7 per person.
- ➔ Turkey dinner on Sunday, Oct. 25, from 4-7pm, at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The cost is \$10 per person; \$4 for children ages 3-10; and age 2 and younger eat for free.

*“But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

- Mk 10:43-45

**FINANCIAL BLESSINGS**

Last week's donations:

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| Envelopes.....                              | \$21,921   |
| Simple Giving<br>electronic donations ..... | \$2,219    |
| Total donations .....                       | \$24,140   |
| Weekly revenue budget .....                 | \$32,625   |
| Under budget.....                           | \$8,483    |
| Budget year-to-date .....                   | - \$58,041 |

**MARRIED COUPLES  
ENJOY A GET AWAY  
WEEKEND**

Come to the Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Nov. 20-22 at Franciscan Retreats located at 16385 St. Francis Lane in Prior Lake. To register for the November weekend or for more information visit their website at [www.wwmesection8.org/](http://www.wwmesection8.org/) or call 612.840.7630.