



St. John ^{the} Baptist

Catholic Church

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

If you are interested in joining our parish community and are at least 21 years of age, parishioners are available after weekend Masses to answer any questions and provide assistance with registration. 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, July 14, 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>

Bulletin Deadline

Submit articles to the parish office by 10 am on Monday.

◆ ◆ ◆ FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK ◆ ◆ ◆

The month of May was a chain of horrible natural disasters here in America, including in our own state and, of course as far away as Myanmar and China. Seldom have we seen such widespread devastation, massive loss of life and hopelessness due to tornadoes, earthquakes and floods.

We felt the sorrow here in our Archdiocese in the wake of the tornado that took a toddler's life and destroyed 60 homes in Hugo. Prior to that, there were the widespread tornadoes in the central and southern states, most notably Georgia, Missouri, Colorado and Oklahoma that claimed scores of lives and left many homeless, wounded and helpless.

In the country of Myanmar (Burma), the death toll from a cyclone of biblical proportions is expected to reach 100,000 and millions are homeless and starving. In China's Sichuan Province, the deaths from the earthquake have already exceeded 60,000. Whole villages are buried. Schools full of children were wiped away and 5 million are homeless.

At all Masses in our Archdiocese on Sunday, June 22, we will conduct a special collection to aid the suffering victims of these near cataclysmic disasters. Funds collected will be shared by relief efforts in Hugo, the other U. S. States, Myanmar and China.

We are pained by China's treatment of our religious and their disregard for life evident in their promotion of abortions. Nonetheless, when children and innocent people suffer greatly, it is our duty as Christians and Catholics to follow our Lord's directive and to do what we can to ease their suffering. The concern in Myanmar is whether foreign aid is permitted by the junta, but that situation appears to have been resolved for the positive.

Thank you for your continued generosity. God Bless You.

Most Reverend John C. Nienstedt

At St. John's a portion of the weekend's collection will be tithed to this effort. People wanting to make a more direct gift are invited to make your checks out to the "Archdiocese of Saint Paul Disaster Relief Fund" and place them in the Sunday collection or mail them to the Archdiocese Chancery, 226 Summit Ave., St. Paul, MN 55102.

— Father Mike Tix

◆ ◆ ◆ PICTORIAL DIRECTORY ◆ ◆ ◆

Schedule your appointment today either on-line at our parish website at www.stjohns-savage.org or sign-up after any of the Masses this weekend, June 14/15, and June 28/29. Early sign-ups will get the first choice of times.

Tuesday, July 29 to Friday, Aug. 1 from 2:30 - 9pm

Saturday, Aug. 2 from 10am - 3pm

Monday, Aug. 4 to Friday, Aug. 8 from 2:30 - 9pm

Tuesday, Aug. 19 to Friday, Aug. 22 from 2:30 - 9pm

Saturday, Aug. 23 from 10am - 4pm

Monday, Aug. 25 to Thursday, Aug. 28 from 2:30 - 9pm

Volunteers are still needed to staff the appointment tables on the designated weekends and to be hosts and hostesses during the photo sessions. For more information or to volunteer, call Carol Radosevich at 952.890.9465, ext. 248.

◆ ◆ ◆ UPCOMING EVENTS ◆ ◆ ◆

RAISE THE ROOF RAFFLE AND PICNIC

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy our second annual parish picnic and Raise the Roof Raffle on Saturday, Aug. 2. An outdoor Mass will be at Warren Butler Park, next to M. W. Savage Elementary School at 5pm followed by a potluck dinner.

Tickets are now on sale for the Raise the Roof Raffle after all weekend Masses in the atrium and at the parish office. Cost of a ticket is \$100. Only 500 tickets will be sold! First prize is \$10,000. Proceeds will go to offset the cost of the new roof for the church.

Ticket information:

- The winners will be drawn at the parish picnic on Saturday, Aug. 2
- Winners need not be present to win
- One name per ticket
- Purchaser and winner must be 18 years of age or older

ST. JOHN'S GARAGE SALE

<u>Drop-off dates:</u>	Sunday, June 15	8:30am - 1pm
	Monday and Tuesday, June 16/17	8:30am - 7pm
	Wednesday, June 18	8:30am - noon
<u>Sale starts:</u>	Early Bird Sale, Wednesday, June 18	5pm - 8pm
	Thursday and Friday, June 19/20	9am - 8pm
<u>Bag sale:</u>	Saturday, June 21	9am - noon
	\$5 per bag or 5 bags for \$20	

New guidelines have been implemented for items that the church garage sale can and cannot accept. Please review the list below before donating items.

We will accept these items in good, clean condition: furniture, gently used clothing, non-electric household items, bikes, skates, games, toys, bedding, personal accessories.

We cannot accept these items: any item which uses electricity to function, equipment powered by gasoline or other motor fuels, computer parts of any type, oil, paint, any hazardous chemicals, magazines, sofa beds, mattresses, tires, large exercise equipment, playground equipment, cribs, car seats, playpens, baby swings or walkers.

Contact Kris Marko at 952.447.7392:

- to volunteer,
- if you have large furniture items that you are unable to transport, or
- if you have questions.

EARLY BIRD SALE

CLIP THIS COUPON TO RECEIVE
 \$1 OFF THE ADMISSION PRICE FOR
 THE EARLY BIRD SALE ON
 WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 5 - 8PM



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

Pastor

Fr. Michael Tix..... ext. 111

Weekend Presider

Fr. Terry Weber..... ext. 130

Deacons

Jerry Little ext. 131

Bob Durham ext. 132

Facilities Manager

Ron Nord..... ext. 125

Director of Parish Life

Jim Rylander ext. 114

Director of Music & Liturgy

Karin Barrett..... ext. 116

Director of Pastoral Ministry

Bonnie Unzen..... ext. 120

Director of Finance & Business

Fred Fox ext. 112

Bookkeeper

Christine Kelly ext. 117

Director of Shared Ministry

Tracy Tredinnick..... ext. 118

Communications Coordinator

Carol Radosevich ext. 248

St. John the Baptist

Catholic School 952.890.6604

Principal

Beth Behnke ext. 245

Assistant Principal

Mike Smalley ext. 234

St. John's Steppingstones

Preschool 952.846.4663

Dora May, Director ext. 244

Religious Education, 952.890.9434

Andi Little, Director ext. 249

Jan Jirik, Gr. 7-9 ext. 236

Joan Walerius, Sunday School .. ext. 252

Lori Taormina, Youth Minister.....ext. 232

BAPTISMS

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

*Alex John-Michael Lund
Allie Kathryn Irene Butler
Benjamin John Halberg
Morgan Lynn Johnson
Erica Rose Johnson*

MARRIAGE BANNS

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

Nicole Lind & Tony Lemieux

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

*Catherine Illes ~ Adam, Megan
Thomas & Judith Lund ~ Alex*

At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for this harvest."

Mt 9:36-38

ASK A CATHOLIC QUESTION

Q: *What are the effects of Holy Communion?*

A: Communion with the Body and Blood of Christ increases the communicant's union with the Lord, forgives their venial sins, and preserves them from grave sins. Receiving this sacrament strengthens the bonds of charity between the communicant and Christ. It also reinforces the unity of the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ.

Source: United States Catholic Catechism for Adults

◆ ◆ ◆ PARISH EVENTS ◆ ◆ ◆

SISTER PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

This event is a wonderful opportunity to have a great time playing golf with fellow parishioners. Money raised will be used for Vacation Bible School at our Sister Parish to be held in July which will benefit up to 100 children.

When: Sunday, June 22 – registration starts at 2:30pm; tee-off at 3:30pm; dinner to follow

Where: Heritage Links Golf Course in Lakeville

Sign-up: after weekend Masses through June 21/22, in the atrium

HOSPITALITY GROUP

Do you like to plan events? Do you seem to be the one with the fun ideas for gatherings? We would like to get together with you to talk about the Hospitality Committee which is responsible for fun events in the parish. In the past we have sponsored events such as the Wine and Cheese Party and Card Night. We are meeting on Monday, June 23, at 7pm, in the Cathedral Room to discuss ideas and events for next year. If you have questions, call Tracy Tredinnick at 952.890.9465, ext. 118.

55+ GROUP

All are invited to join us on Tuesday, July 1, at 8:30am, in the atrium. A representative from Great Lakes Management will be here to talk about and provide information and visuals pertaining to Glendale Place. This is the building currently under construction on 123rd Street a few blocks from St. John's. Great Lakes Management is the company responsible for managing and leasing this senior housing complex. Refreshments will be served.

THE GREAT ADVENTURE IS COMING TO ST. JOHN'S

Mark your calendar and plan to welcome Jeff Cavins as he leads an 11-week scripture study of the *Letters of James* on Tuesdays, starting Sept. 16, from 10am to noon. In February, he returns to lead a study of the *Book of Psalms*, again on Tuesdays, starting Feb. 3, 2009, from 10am to noon.

Can't make a morning session? The series will be videotaped and available for evening group studies. The *Letters of James* evening session will be on Mondays, starting Oct. 6, from 6:30-8:30pm; the *Book of Psalms* will be on Thursdays, starting Feb. 19, 2009, from 6:30-8:30pm.

Cost to attend is \$75 if you register immediately for both fall and spring series and \$50 to register for either the *Letters of James* or the *Book of Psalms*. Registration deadline is Monday, Aug. 25. Forms will be available on-line at www.stjohns-savage.org and in the atrium and parish/education offices. For more information, contact Andi Little at alittle@stjohns-savage.org or call 952.890.9434, ext. 249. Childcare information is available on the parish website.

WHAT'S NEW AT ST. JOHN'S BOOK - N - GIFT STORE

The church recommends devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus during the month of June. Browse our display designated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You will find spiritual reading materials, a beautiful figurine, tabletop framed pictures for the home and laminated prayer cards.

Invited to a wedding or anniversary? We have lovely gifts, cards and gift bags that are appropriate for these events.

◆ ◆ ◆ PARISH EVENT ◆ ◆ ◆

STRONG INTEREST IN TASTE OF NATIONS SUNDAY

The Cultural Outreach Team is very encouraged that so many St. John's parishioners came forward to express interest in sharing their culture at the *Taste of Nations* in October. We were excited to learn that we have a diverse community represented by many countries, such as:

Colombia, China, Caribbean, Ecuador, Germany, Honduras, Ireland, Italy, Liberia, Mexico, Native American, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Peru, Poland, Russia, Slovenia, Ukraine, Vietnam

What's your heritage? We invite other parishioners to share your culture.

Also, the planning committee will need many volunteers to make this welcoming event a success. If you are interested in becoming involved in any way, contact Deb and Jon Pitton at 952.895.9401.

◆ ◆ ◆ YOUTH MINISTRY ◆ ◆ ◆

LORI TAORMINA: Itaormina@stjohns-savage.org or 952.890.9434, ext. 232

COOKOUT

All youth and adults attending this summer's Steubenville North are invited to a cookout on Sunday, June 22, from 12-2pm. Bring food or drinks to share, and games for outdoors. If you are unable to make it, contact Lori.

PLAY BALL!

The Christian Youth Softball League starts on Tuesday, June 24, for youth going into grades 8-12. We need a minimum of 5 girls and 5 boys. If you are interested in joining the St. John's team, contact Coach Lori.

FAMILY BBQ

The Mission Team will host a Family BBQ on Saturday, June 28, from 6-8pm, in the parish center. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 for a family of 4 or more. Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend and next weekend, and at the door. Join us for a fun night filled with food, music and games for all ages. Proceeds will go to this summer's mission trip. Questions? Contact Lori.

ATTENTION MISSION TEAM '08

Our final meeting is on Sunday, July 13, from 12-2pm, in the parish center.

Do not forget to bring your required and personal safety tools that will be packed together. If you are unable to attend or have further questions, contact Lori.

◆ ◆ ◆ RESPECT LIFE ◆ ◆ ◆

PRENATAL PARTNERS FOR LIFE

would like to invite you to their 2nd Annual Benefit Evening on Thursday, June 26, from 6-10pm, at St. Raphael's Church in Crystal. The evening will feature emcee Kalley Yanta, a silent and live auction and a Spanish tapas buffet. The cost is \$30 for individuals or \$50 for couples. *Prenatal Partners for Life* is a community of families offering support, information and encouragement to parents who have received an adverse diagnosis for their child before or after birth. For tickets and more information visit their website at www.prenatalpartnersforlife.org or call Pam McSweeney at 952.808.0847.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 16

8:00 am Communion/Prayer Service

Tuesday, June 17

8:00 am † John Hammer

Wednesday, June 18

8:00 am †† William & Helen Lannon

Thursday, June 19

8:00 am †† Clarence & Lillian DeGrave

Friday, June 20

8:00 am †† Jack Egan & Pat Geis

Saturday, June 21

8:00 am Communion/Prayer Service

2:00 pm Nicole Lind & Tony Lemieux
Wedding

5:00 pm † Paul Pannier

Sunday, June 22

7:30 am For the Parish

9:00 am † Joseph Liet

11:00 am † George Jurgens

LECTORS

June 21/22

5:00 pm Diane Chase
Martha Simms

7:30 am Don Kuplic
Jeff Olson

9:00 am Linda Moriarity
Sharon Warmka

11:00 am Kent Anderson
Mick Finn

MASS SERVERS

Weekdays 8:00 am

June 17-18 Ariel Behnke
Ryan Gall

Joseph Mosset
June 19-20 Jacob Noterman
Alexa Orr
Nicole Swensen

Saturday, June 21

5:00 pm Lindsay Becker
Brian Brokofsky
Zach Gartner

Sunday, June 22

7:30 am Matt Berg
Nate Berg

9:00 am Katie Cleary
Luke Elfering
Alexa Orr

11:00 am Sam Hinh
John Kelly
Robert Tobroxen

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

(*SEE ARTICLE)

Monday, June 16

6:30 pm Troop 336

Tuesday, June 17

7:00 pm Summer Stretch Parent Mtg.

7:00 pm Holy Family Prayer Group

Wednesday, June 18

6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, June 19

6:00 pm RCIA Team Meeting

7:00 pm Summer Stretch Parent Mtg.

Friday, June 20

8:30 am Stations of the Cross

Saturday/Sunday, June 21/22

Family BBQ Ticket Sale*

Raise the Roof Ticket Sale*

Golf Tournament Sign-up*

Sunday, June 22

8:00 am AA Meeting

12:00 pm Steubenville North Cookout*

2:30 pm Golf Tournament*

READINGS

For the Week of June 15

Sun: Ex 19:2-6a/Rom 5:6-11/
Mt 9:36-10:8

Mon: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Mt 5:38-42

Tue: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Mt 5:43-48

Wed: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thu: Sir 48:1-14/Mt 6:7-15

Fri: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/
Mt 6:19-23

Sat: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Mt 6:24-34

Sun: Jer 20:10-13/Rom 5:12-15/
Mt 10:26-33

SAVE YOUR ALUMINUM CANS

Are you wondering what to do with empty pop cans from your graduation open house? Every weekend in June you may drop off your aluminum cans at the trailer in the church parking lot. The money from the can collections goes to the Booster Club for school activities.

◆ ◆ ◆ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ◆ ◆ ◆

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

The R. E. Office is officially “closed.” You may still contact R. E. staff by calling 952.890.9434 and leave a voice message. You may also contact staff members via e-mail until Friday, Aug. 1. The R. E. Office will re-open Monday, Aug. 4.

Andi Little: alittle@stjohns-savage.org

Lori Taormina: ltaormina@stjohns-savage.org

Jan Jirik: jjirik@stjohns-savage.org

Registration materials for the 2008-09 R. E. programs will be mailed to all parish homes in early August. Call us if you have questions about our parish R. E. programs – including this summer’s Vacation Bible School and Son Days.

EUREKA! IT’S TIME FOR VBS & SON DAYS

Registration materials for St. John’s VBS and Son Days experience are available on-line at the parish website (www.stjohns-savage.org), in the parish office and in the atrium. VBS is for children who are currently 4 years old through grade 3 this fall; Son Days, which runs concurrently with VBS, is for children who will enter grades 4 through 6 this fall. Both sessions run Monday through Friday, Aug. 11-15, from 9am to noon. Two optional afternoon experiences are offered to children enrolled in the Son Days morning program. Cost for the morning programs (either VBS or Son Days) is \$40 per participant. Optional Son Days activities cost:

- \$10 to go to *Feed My Starving Children* on Tuesday, Aug. 12
- \$20 for Cascade Bay Water Park on Thursday, Aug. 14

VOLUNTEERS, adults and teens grade 7 and older, are needed for these programs. Complete the “volunteer” section of the registration form to join our Eureka team.

All adult volunteers MUST have completed a background check and VIRTUS awareness training in accordance with Archdiocesan risk management policies and the US Bishops’ Charter. VIRTUS training will be offered at St. John’s on Tuesday, June 24, from 6-9pm. (This is the last time VIRTUS will be offered at St. John’s until August.)

If you would like more information, contact the R. E. Office at alittle@stjohns-savage.org or 952.890.9434, ext. 249.

◆ ◆ ◆ BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT ◆ ◆ ◆

Robb Witte is our sales representative from Liturgical Publications, our bulletin publisher. He will be at St. John’s the week of June 23-26. If you are interested or know of someone who would like to advertise or would like more information about advertising on our bulletin call Robb at 952.861.3206. Advertisements can be purchased for a business, or a sponsor ad can be purchased supporting community service organizations like emergency pregnancy counseling, or women’s shelter, etc. Please give these ideas some thought. The revenue from our ads make our bulletin possible.

HOSPITALITY TO STRANGERS IS ONE OF THE CRITERIA UPON WHICH OUR OWN FINAL JUDGMENT WILL BE BASED.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In many parish churches, more rarely in monastery churches and cathedrals, the tabernacle with the Blessed Sacrament is visible from a doorway or aisle in the church.

Normally, a person is to give the proper sign of reverence, a genuflection, when passing in proximity to the tabernacle. The word “genuflect” comes from Latin roots meaning bending (or flexing) the knee. A common-sense exception to the rule is for a sacristan who is taking care of the church and can’t be genuflecting every 30 seconds during a vacuum run. Also excepted are persons in procession entrusted with important symbols of the Lord’s presence. So, a cross bearer or a minister carrying the Gospel book, or ministers on their way to their Communion stations do not genuflect. For everyone else, the usual sign of reverence for the Lord’s presence in the Blessed Sacrament is to genuflect on the right knee.

The oldest form of reverence during prayer in our tradition is standing; kneeling or genuflecting is a sign borrowed from old civic practice. The posture of kneeling, even on one knee, is a sign of submission. Servants would take this position before their masters in the ancient world. It said: *I’m here for you.*

This is what your genuflection says when you enter a Catholic church where the place of reservation of the Blessed Sacrament is visible to you: *I’m yours.*

- Rev. James Field, Copyright, J.S. Paluch Co.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

Last week’s donations:

Envelopes/cash	\$24,684
Simple Giving electronic donations	\$2,210
Total donations	\$26,894
Weekly revenue budget.....	\$34,014
Under budget.....	\$7,120
Under budget year-to-date	\$72,072

MORNING PRAYER

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart. Keep myself, my family and friends safe and in your guidance.
Amen.