

Bearing witness to Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life: **GO. MAKE. TEACH.**
Our Core Values: a reliance on prayer, a willingness to grow, a generous spirit



*The Solemnity of All Saints is on Wednesday, November 1.
It is a Holy Day of Obligation (meaning you must attend Mass).
Mass times at St. John's are: 6:30 am, 8:30 am, 5:30 pm, and 7:00 pm*

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PARISH CENTER HOURS

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| Monday | 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM |
| Tuesday | 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM |
| Wednesday | 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM |
| Thursday | 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM |
| Friday | 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM |
| Saturday | 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM |
| Sunday | 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM |

Church Nursery: We offer year-round nursery during both the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Sunday Masses for children ages 1-3. Children play with caring staff while you are able to fully participate in Mass.

Stay Connected:

LIKE OR FOLLOW US on FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/SJBNewBrighton/>

Follow us on Instagram: @stjohnnyb_church

Subscribe to our YouTube Channel <https://bit.ly/3n9WnGQ>

EMAIL: sjb@stjohnnyb.org

Visit our website: www.stjohnnb.com

Archdiocese's Victim/Survivor Assistance Program

651-291-4497 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Schedule of Events

Monday, October 30, 2023

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals
8:30 AM Mass (Marjorie Bussmann and John Lundak+) Church ~ Fr. Joseph
9:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Church
3:00 PM Gather to Witness Devotion ~ Facebook

Tuesday, October 31, 2023

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals
8:30 AM Mass (Christopher Eric Wolla+) Church ~ Fr. Joseph
9:00 AM Kidz Closet ~ 203
9:15 AM Synod Small Group Leader Training ~ 206/208
9:30 AM Alive in the Word ~ 210
2:30 PM Middle School D-Groups ~ LL 106
3:00 PM Gather to Witness Devotion ~ Facebook
7:00 PM Altar Guild ~ Church

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Solemnity of All Saints

6:30 AM Mass (Jade Rurik+ and Jean Ehling) Church ~ Fr. Joseph
8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals
8:30 AM Mass (The living and deceased members of the Sweeney and Grace Families) Church ~ Fr. Paul
9:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks ~ St. Therese
9:30 AM Faithfully Fit ~ 210
9:30 AM Fall Scripture Study ~ 206/208
3:00 PM Gather to Witness Devotion ~ Facebook
4:00 PM Men's Faith Study ~ 211
5:00 PM Confessions ~ Confessionals
5:30 PM Mass (Larry Wasik+) Church ~ Fr. Paul
6:15 PM Middle School Faith Formation ~ LL 106
6:15 PM Family Formation ~ St. Joseph Hall
7:00 PM Mass (Pro Populo) Church ~ Fr. Joseph
8:00 PM Altar Guild ~ Church
8:00 PM High School D-Groups ~ LL 106

Thursday, November 2, 2023

All Souls Day

6:30 AM Men's Fellowship ~ St. Joseph Hall
8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals
8:30 AM Mass (The deceased members of the Witkowski and Koslowski families) Church ~ Fr. Paul
9:30 AM Circle of Women ~ 206/208
2:00 PM Young at Heart ~ St. Joseph Hall
3:00 PM Gather to Witness Devotion ~ Facebook
7:00 PM Mass ~ Church ~ Fr. Paul
7:00 PM RCIA Class ~ 206/208
7:00 PM Synod Small Group Leader Training ~ St. Joseph Hall
8:00 PM Altar Guild ~ Church

Friday, November 3, 2023

St. Vincent de Paul Sock Drive

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals
8:30 AM Mass (Dorothy LaMere+ and John LaMere+) Church ~ Fr. Joseph
9:15 AM RCIA Friday Class ~ 206/208
9:30 AM Legion of Mary ~ 211
3:00 PM Gather to Witness Devotion ~ Facebook

Saturday, November 4, 2023

St. Vincent de Paul Sock Drive

8:30 AM GIFT Faith Study ~ 211
9:15 AM Synod Small Group Leader Training ~ St. Joseph Hall
3:00 PM Gather to Witness Prayers ~ Facebook
3:15 PM Confessions ~ Confessionals
4:30 PM Vigil Mass (Cheryl Manthis+ and John LaMere+) Church ~ Fr. Paul

Sunday, November 5, 2023

St. Vincent de Paul Sock Drive

8:30 AM Mass (Darwin Larson) Church ~ Fr. Joseph
8:30 AM Sunday Nursery ~ Nursery
8:30 AM Sunday School ~ Classrooms
10:30 AM Mass (Charles Gruzosky+) Church ~ Fr. Paul
10:30 AM Sunday Nursery ~ Nursery
10:30 AM Sunday School ~ Classrooms
11:00 AM Turkey Dinner ~ St. Joseph Hall
4:00 PM Young Men's Bible Study ~ 211
5:00 PM Confessions ~ Confessionals
5:30 PM Mass (Pro Populo) Church ~ Fr. Joseph
6:30 PM Confirmation Preparation ~ St. Joseph Hall



Witnessing Miracles at St. John's

The Lord is at work and we are witnessing His presence here at SJB! This past Saturday evening New Brighton hosted its annual Pumpkin Walk at Vet's Park just west of our campus. SJB was invited to host a station for the Trunk or Treat. We pulled together a saint themed display for the back of my truck. We had various saint statues from our church and school that I lined up in my truck bed (*see cover*). We also put together little baggies with a piece of candy and a sticker that said, "Shine God's Light-St. John the Baptist Catholic Church." It was a simple way to evangelize and share love and truth of God's love with our community. It was fun to see both children and parents admire the statues. Some of the children even recognized Jesus and were excited to see Him. I was able to share that the other statues were His parents and friends and speak a bit about Him. Fr. Joseph, Jen Livermont, and I were all dressed in our All Saints costumes as well which brought some questions and then we were able to share a bit about our saint. It was a beautiful opportunity to "Gather to Witness." We handed bulletins to those parents who we had longer conversations with. Some took the bulletins and others rejected the offer, but it was good to be able to offer them more information about our community.

We witnessed Christ's presence at our FallFest as well and it was beautiful to see the Lord show up in so many ways at the FallFest. I would like to share a story from one our parishioners Jeannie who wrote the following. I thank God for her faithfulness of being a woman of prayer. Her perseverance in gathering with the Lord in prayer gave her the opportunity to witness Christ in a profound way.

As the Father loves me, so I also love you!

Father Paul Shovelain

Miracle at SJB FallFest, 2023

I wish to share the miracle GOD allowed me to experience at this year's 2023 St. John the Baptist FallFest Fundraiser. Before I dropped my raffle tickets into the mesh ticket bin, I stopped, thinking of two people, **Jen** and **Leah**, who are suffering financially due to medical problems. **Jen** is a single mom whose right hand and arm was badly damaged and disabled from a bad fall two years ago, as well as permanent full body pain due to nerve damage. Multiple surgeries have been unable to fix them. She is disabled and unable to work, and Social Security will not give her disability. **Leah**, is a single mom of a high school kid who works with me at the store. He told me that his mom has a rare form of cancer, that doctors may not be able to cure. He's so scared of losing his mom.

So, I said a prayer: "God if you were to allow me to win some of these raffle money, yes I could use the money, but I know two people who could use it more. So, here, I put these tickets in not for me, but for Jen and Leah. And if it is your will that I win, then I will give all the money to them. Your will be done."

The other part of the miracle, is when I went to buy some more Booya for friends at 3:30 pm. I had been struggling most of the year with a very painful foot injury, grief issues, estate issues, and depression, which had put me in a really dark place. I had been questioning and doubting everything, spiritually, emotionally and mentally, missing church, and confession, and feeling far from God. It was at that time I was told that I had won the grand prize of \$5,000 ! WOW!! I thought, God does listen to prayer, and it was His will that the prize money go to Jen & Leah. Also, when I was told the winning news, I received a spiritual healing from Jesus. Suddenly, I felt pulled out of the darkness into the light, His Light. I felt Jesus was giving me a sign that even though I had pushed God away. He had not pushed me away. He knew I was struggling, that He had been beside me the whole time, and that He would stay next to me and lead me out of the darkness I had been in. I just need to trust in Him. **Praise God! Glory be to Him!! What a loving Father God we have!!!**

In Christ,

Jeannie Kratzer



WAFFLE BREAKFAST

Join us on October 29
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

All you can eat: waffles, sausages, regular and sugar-free syrup, fruit for the waffles, orange juice, coffee, milk, and water. A gluten-free option is available on request. Prices: \$10 per person, children 5 and under free, family maximum \$50 (parents and children). Cash, check, or credit card. Come and enjoy some breakfast and some fellowship, and support the Knights!

ALL SAINTS DAY NOVEMBER 1

IT IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION!

MASS SCHEDULE:

6:30 AM
8:30 AM
5:30 PM
7:00 PM

Circle of Women

Thursday, November 2,
upstairs in Room 206/208 at 9:15 am-11:30 am

We welcome women of all ages to our gathering on Thursday, November 2, 2023. We welcome SJB's own Sarah Wilder and she will present her talk titled *"Life After Death: The Promise of Blessing."* Join us as we share our faith and time in prayer with one another. Childcare is available. Grab one of our brochures from the kiosks or watch your Flocknote for details.

Any questions? Call Michelle (763-442-4936)
Hope to see you there!

Catholic Watchmen

The next Watchmen meeting is at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, November 7 in 206/208.

Our guest speaker is Ryan Skoug. He will be sharing his story of conversion and how the Eucharist drew him in.

We will have food and drink followed by the presentation, Adoration, and Confession.



Daylights Saving

Reminder, Daylights Saving Time ends on Sunday November 5. Please be sure to adjust your alarm clocks accordingly so that you don't miss Mass that weekend.

Devoted

Save the date. Our next devoted meeting is on Wednesday, November 15 in St. Joseph Hall. 7:30 pm social time and program starting at 8:00 pm.

JOIN US AT SJB FOR OUR ANNUAL

TURKEY DINNER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5
11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

PRICES:
\$13 - ADULTS
\$6 - CHILDREN
\$40 - FAMILY DEAL

Happening at St. John's

Young at Heart

(Senior Citizens)

Scavenger Hunt!

Thursday, November 2

2:00 pm ~ 4:00 pm

Meet in Room 208



8th Grade Washington D.C. Poinsettia Fundraiser

Help support the 8th graders on their annual trip to Washington D.C.

Purchase a plant between now and November 8.

Order can be placed through the link on the parish website, with this QR code, or with the order form found outside the school office. Payment due at time order is placed. Checks made payable to St. John the Baptist School.



Incense at Mass

We will have incense at Mass on

† **Wednesday, November 1 at 7:00 pm** for the Solemnity of All Saints Day.

† **Thursday, November 2 at 7:00 pm** for the Feast of All Souls Day



A Campaign for Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church and School

Dear St. John the Baptist parishioners and friends,

As we move forward with the Restore to Gather Capital Campaign, we want to address questions posed during our recent planning study and within our faith community. Over the coming weeks, we will run a series of frequently asked questions (FAQ) in the bulletin, tackling topics ranging from our campus restoration goals to general campaign questions. For more information, please call Mary May, Director of Development, at (651)633- 8333 ext.1253 or email maym@stjohnnyb.org.

The Restore to Gather Capital Campaign

Q: Why are we addressing these projects and conducting this campaign now?

A: Over the past 5 years, we have completed many smaller campus improvements, from replacing light fixtures with energy efficient LED fixtures, to upgrading campus technology, to repurposing spaces to support growth in our pre-school and grade school. It is now time to tackle some of the more major maintenance improvements which have become immediate facility needs.

Q: How will we fund these goals?

A: Our parish is in a healthy financial situation. We have been debt free for four years and have a strong parish reserve fund. We are allocating our operations surplus from our most recent fiscal year of \$197,700 to be the foundation of our fundraising effort. It is going to be a large endeavor and we will ask everyone to prayerfully consider making a sacrificial commitment to help restore our campus.

Q: Are the church projects separate from the school projects?

A: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and School is one united parish community. The school is a vital ministry of our parish, where we help young people grow in faith and virtue. We work collaboratively on many community events like FallFest, the All Saints Party, Journey to the Inn, and Wines to Wishes. We gather in shared facilities for activities like faith formation, Sunday school, celebration of Sacraments, and more. These events and many others bring church and school together. As we work to achieve our campaign goals, we envision strengthening our entire community.

November Formation

Wednesday, November 1

5:30pm All Saints Mass

6:00pm Dinner

6:30-7:30pm Formation - children in classrooms, Parent Program in St. Joseph Hall

WHERE HEAVEN & EARTH MEET PART 2

Our November Parent Formation will continue our discussion on how we can encounter Christ more deeply at Mass with our children. The night will be crafted from parent feedback and led by Jill and the Parent Core Team.



JILL FINK, DIRECTOR OF DISCIPLESHIP

St John Baptist
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

Alive in the Word

Sister Clarinda's "Forgiveness and Sunday Scripture" There are 5 Lessons in this series. Classes are on Tuesdays from 9:30 am—11:00 am.

The first class is on November 7, 2023. Register early for only \$10. Online registrations are open! Please visit our website to register, stjohnnb.com or scan the QR code with your phone.

"I invite you to journey together with me studying Sunday Scripture and Scripture based Church Teachings."



Anointing Mass

Friday, November 10 at 10:30 am in the church, with luncheon to follow in St. Joseph Hall. Everyone in need of the Sacrament of the Sick is welcome to participate. Please come early enough to check in and stay for lunch. It is a beautiful morning, well worth showing up. Help us spread the word if you know others who could use the extra spiritual boost. Never underestimate the power of Jesus in His Sacraments! See you there! For more information, contact Mary in the Pastoral Ministry Office – kohhaasm@stjohnnyb.org , 763.242.4229, 651.633.8333 x1229.

The SJB Kidz Closet

Did you know that one of the ministries at our parish is the SJB Kidz Closet? This wonderful resource is an opportunity to help families in need of infant and children's clothing and other simple childcare essentials.

The Kidz Closet depends on your generous donations to fill our shelves. We accept both new and gently used/clean items that vary each season to best serve families in a timely manner. Currently our greatest need is clothing sizes 3T- size 8 for both boys and girls, specifically:

- Warm jackets, sweatshirts, hoodies, long sleeve shirts
- Snow pants, mittens, warm hats
- Sweat pants, jeans, leggings
- Boots, sneakers

We do accept donations of small toys and high demand items such as strollers and pack & plays, but due to storage constraints and legalities, large items (cribs, car seats, bikes, riding toys, etc.) are challenging and are better directed to other donation sites aside from our SJB campus. A general rule of thumb is if a toy fits into a toy box or on a shelf, we can take it!

Donation bins are marked for Kidz Closet and are located near the main entrances of the church. We are open each Tuesday from 9:30-11am and families can book appointments by calling 1-800-221-8211 or online at stjohnnb.com

The SJB Kidz Closet team thanks you for your ongoing support and generosity!

Christmas Wreaths

The Grandparent Ministry will continue the former Boy Scout sale of Christmas wreaths, swags, and crosses after masses on the weekend before and the weekend after Thanksgiving.

Council of Catholic Women



The Council of Catholic Women would like to thank everyone that came to the Living Rosary on October 16 and a special thanks to Father Paul for leading us in this beautiful devotion. Our next meeting will be November 20 at 6:00 pm. in St. Joseph Hall. For more information please contact Theresa Cermak at theresacermak100@gmail.com or by phone 763-786-7051.

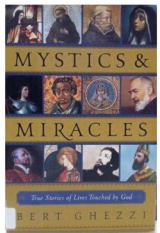
Joseph Hall. For more information please contact Theresa Cermak at theresacermak100@gmail.com or by phone 763-786-7051.

"We must keep ourselves in the presence of God as much as possible and have no other view or end, in all our actions but the divine honor."

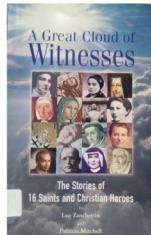
~ Saint Charles Borromeo
(Feast Day November 4)



Parish Library News



Celebrate! Celebrate all the saints God has given us through the ages, most of them ordinary people like you and me who God touched in extraordinary ways!! They come from all walks of life; some started out as unbelievers, far from God, that God reached out and pulled them into his love and grace. See how God continues to give us saints even today in the 21st century. Check out books, DVD's, CD's and learn more in our Saints, Conversion Stories, Biography/Autobiography, and Christian Life sections.



Library Hours: Open after all weekend Masses, including Sunday evening!

The Library is up the ramp across from the Archives case.

Books, DVDs, and CDs to enrich your faith.

Saint John the Baptist Parish Library

Scripture Questions

First Reading:

We hear today some of the laws that Moses received from God on Mount Sinai. Namely, God's expectation that we show compassion for those most vulnerable in society. How could you show care for those in need this week?

Gospel Reading:

For Jesus, love of God and love of neighbor and self are the most important commandments. Which of these commandments do you do best?

Readings For The Week

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/
1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/
Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/
Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab,
5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday: Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/
Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/
Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a,
14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/
1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Please Pray For...

Those who have entered eternal life:

Lillian Faulhaber

Those who are ill:

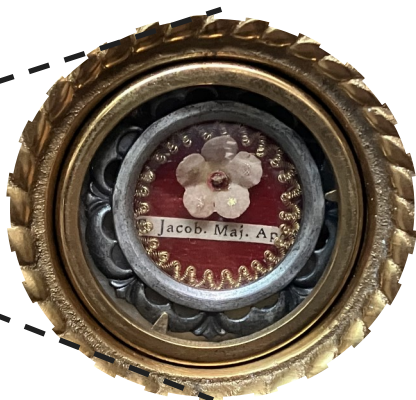
Sadlovsky Family, Sheehan Family, Cameron Santos, Patricia Roy, Dave Willette, Madi Rippey, Sydney Jo Rippey, Jesse McDonough, Daryl Stevens, Geraldine and Gloria Hangartner, Sarah Miller, Emily Dahl, Theresa People, Josephine Schmidt, Erik Engebretson, Chris Natheos, Randy Vogland, Don Lumby, Alex Pearson, Thomas Jones, Jean Isacson, Fulton Francis Dobbs, Susan Welsh, Robert Cuddigan, Jenny Bruening, Annette Foreman, Mary Clare Farrell, Sawyer Anderson, Betsy Brown, Jim Smith, Jerry Renk, Dale Phillips, Dennis Fox, Kathleen Schopf, Steve Lauinger, Charlotte Thrun, Poppy Craft, Annette Kirwan, Emma Lutsilili, Beverly Aplikowski, Mary Gormally, Georgianna Warden, Mary Spitzka, Michael Ferdelman, Cassie Cramer, Jon Clark, Donna Yenish, John Leibrich, Nella Pitzen, Doug Brekke, Philip Jarosz, Kay and Gary Mayer, Elaine Loscheider, Diana Goebel, Danielle Pratt, Claire Kriz, Carol Esterley-Ruff, Joe Brownrigg, Brigit Voss, Brandon Boss, The Viker Family, Robert Lauinger, Phyllis Norbeck, Jennifer Norbeck, Joseph Wutsch, John Wiggins, Mary Jo Beaudry, Greg Najbert, Colleen Judd, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Cele Winter, Paul Jacobs, Jeremy Mainello, Deacon Rod and Susan Amos Palmer, Dottie Searles, Sylvia Meagher, Mary Andersohn, Kris Mellstrom, Kay Hildreth, Stacey Miller, Mary Erickson, Steve Johnson, Audrey Geneva, Tim Steffl, Braxton Battaglia, Helen Heinks, JoAnn Cedarholm, Tom Goebel, Engracia Houle, Jon Latham, Marlene Nickel, Christa Jones, Sue Klinkner, Larry Tenold, Sam Schullo, Carri Buckanogwa, Joe Brennan, Irene Tschida, Nancy Winiecki, Jean Schullo, Doug Lausen, Margaret Wright, Rebecca Valverde, Suzanne Loscheider, Oswald Tschida, Dave Tucci, Trudy Nimis, Joe Miskowic, George Huard, Dustin, Katie and Harper Boor, Don Grant, Marge McCann, Fr. Michael Skluzacek, Keira Friedman, Joan Geiger, Greg Windsterger, Jeannette Wyatt, Cindy Skenderovic, Geoffrey Rurik, Mary Battmer, Marilyn Ward, John Klingler

If your name has been removed from this list and you would like to be prayed for, please call the parish office.

Prayer Line 651-633-1618/651-247-4202 Call with your prayer requests. Requests are confidential.

Birthright Caring help for pregnant women.
651-646-7033 Saint Paul, 763-757-0715 Coon Rapids

Parish Life ~ Saint's Relics we have at SJB



Saint James the Greater

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Apostle and Martyr

Brother to St. John
the Evangelist

Patron of Spain
Feast July 25

St. John's recently acquired this small crucifix reliquary containing the relics of five amazing Saints! See more below:



Saint Ursula

Virgin and Martyr
Feast October 21
Little else known



Saint Agnes

c. 291~c. 304

Virgin and Martyr
Patron of young girls
Feast January 21



Saint Ignatius

1491~1556

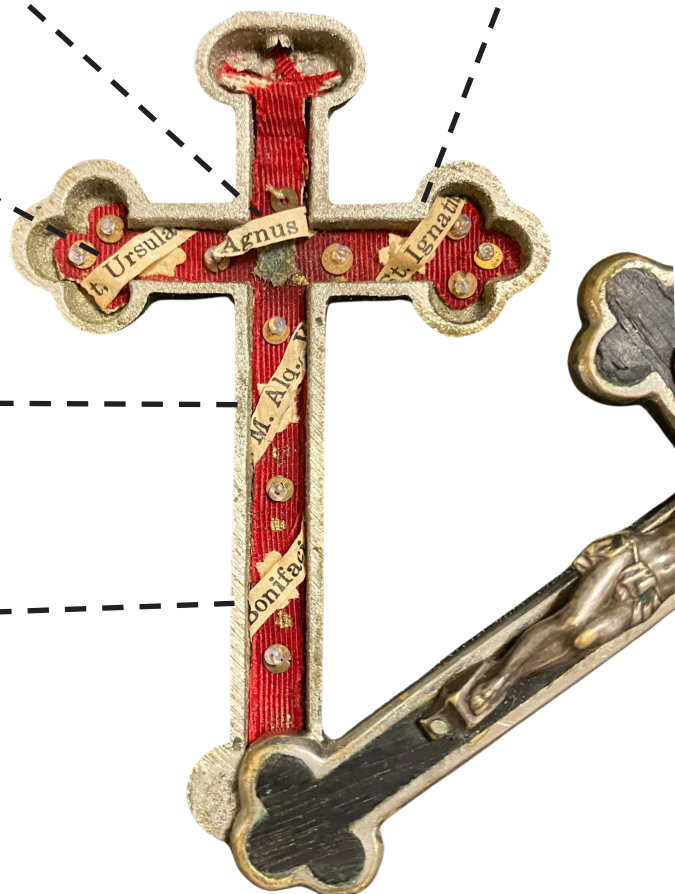
Priest and Founder of
the Society of Jesus
Feast July 31



Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

1647~1690

Nun who spread
devotion to the Sacred
Heart of Jesus
Feast October 16



Saint Boniface

c. 675~754

Archbishop and Martyr
Patron Saint of Germany
Feast June 5

Parish Life ~ Saint's Relics we have at SJB

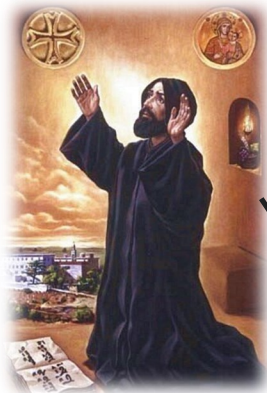


Blessed Stanley Rother

1935 ~ 1981
First U.S.-born priest and martyr to be beatified by the Catholic Church

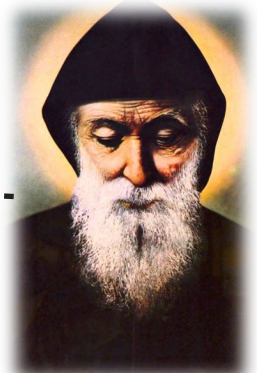
Missionary in Guatemala

Feast July 28



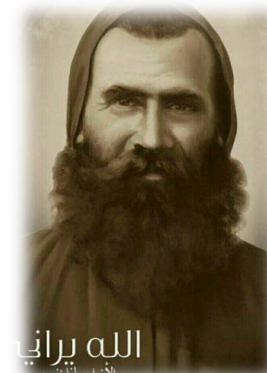
Saint Nimatullah

1808 ~ 1858
Priest and Scholar
Patron of Beirut
Feast December 14



Saint Charbel

1828 ~ 1898
Abbot
Patron of Lebanon
Feast July 24



Saint Stephen Nehme

1889 ~ 1938
Priest who worked to alleviate people's suffering during World War I
Feast August 30



Saint Rafqa

1832 ~ 1914
Nun of the Lebanese Maronite Order
Patron of lost parents
Feast March 23



Gather to Witness in our Finances!

The financial report above summarizes St. John's operating revenues and expenses for the first 3 months of the fiscal year with a comparison to the same period last year and to the year-to-date budget for the current fiscal year. Below are notes on the numbers, arranged with letters that correspond to letters in the table. For questions or more information, please contact Mark Dittman, Director of Business Operations, at dittmanm@stjohnnyb.org or 651-633-8333, ext. 1215.

Thank you for your generosity!

- a. Sunday Giving is up 12% from prior year and is 7% above budgeted. We budgeted a 3.6% increase in Sunday Giving from 2022/23 to 2023/24. We continue to ask for your ongoing financial commitment to support our important ministries and operations. Thank you!
- b. For 2023/24 we budgeted for 390 K-8 students, while enrollment is now 404. Enrollment for 2022/23 was 349.
- c. In 2022/23 we expensed the fees required to sell the convent (\$21,890) and realized higher utility costs. In 2023/24 we are thus far seeing utility costs that are lower than 2022/23 and below budget.
- d. School Operations expense is up due primarily to higher enrollment.

St. John the Baptist Operating Revenue and Expenses July 2023 to September 2023

It is interesting to note that our Mass attendance for the month of September has gone up each year for the past two years. September's total attendance for 2023 was up 9% over 2022, and up 13% over 2021. It is delightful to see more people coming to St. John's for worship and community!

We trust in the Lord's providence in our finances as we prudently monitor our expenses. There is always reason to hope in the Lord! Thank you again for your ongoing generosity and commitment to our core values!

| 3 Months Ending September 30: | 3 Months Actual | | 3 Months Budget |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2023-24 | 2022-23 | |
| Sunday and Holy Day Collections | 469,669 | a. 420,067 | 438,143 |
| School Tuition Revenue | 447,725 | b. 367,061 | 435,630 |
| Other School Revenue | 371,508 | 310,558 | 382,965 |
| Other Parish Revenue | 48,380 | 77,819 | 38,877 |
| Total Revenue | 1,337,282 | 1,175,505 | 1,295,615 |
| Salary and Benefits - Parish | 349,220 | 343,854 | 364,147 |
| Salary and Benefits - School | 558,380 | 492,905 | 546,917 |
| Facility and Operation Costs | 138,301 | c. 171,969 | 146,397 |
| School Operating Expenses | 191,495 | d. 160,367 | 187,116 |
| Parish Ministry Expenses | 44,088 | 42,426 | 53,273 |
| Total Expenses | 1,281,484 | 1,211,521 | 1,297,850 |
| Revenue Minus Expense | 55,798 | (36,016) | (2,235) |

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Featured speaker
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11 Saturday
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9:30 am - Registration
10:00 am - Mass
10:45 am - "Living Your Life Widowed"
talk by Deacon Mike
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