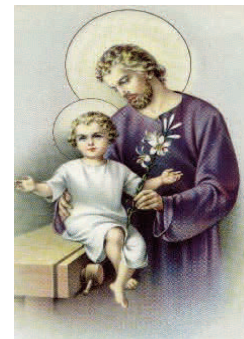


# St. Joseph Catholic Community

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 24, 2018

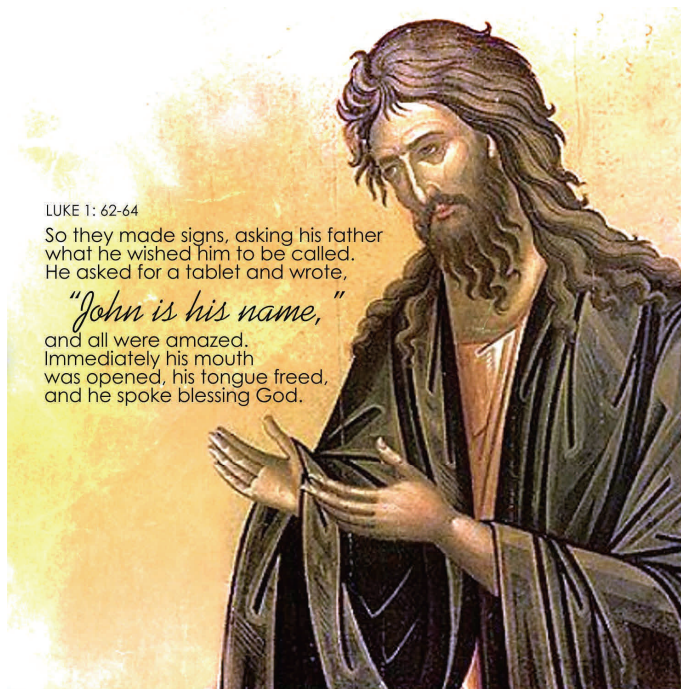


LUKE 1: 62-64

So they made signs, asking his father  
what he wished him to be called.  
He asked for a tablet and wrote,

*"John is his name,"*

and all were amazed.  
Immediately his mouth  
was opened, his tongue freed,  
and he spoke blessing God.



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Thank you for worshipping with us! Again Welcome, Bienvenidos, Benvenuto, Willkommen, Nno-nu, Byenveni!

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[ ] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[ ] We've Moved, here is our new information

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, June 23

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
8:00 a.m. No Intention  
8:30 a.m. Rosary  
4:00 p.m. Confessions  
4:35 p.m. Rosary  
5:00 p.m. Mark Makowski + by Mary Ann Bickley

### Sunday, June 24

#### - The Nativity of St. John the Baptist -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Fr. John Gillig and All Priests  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

### Monday, June 25

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
8:00 a.m. Jim Cole + by Diana Cole  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Tuesday, June 26

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
8:00 a.m. Leola Lehman + by Donna Jean Warnimont  
8:30 a.m. Rosary  
8:30 a.m. Confession

### Wednesday, June 27

6:25 p.m. Rosary  
6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer  
7:00 p.m. Lisa Cogdill Pfeifer + by Joe & Pat Pfeifer & Jenny Esmond

### Thursday, June 28

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
8:00 a.m. Mothers of Mike & Becky Anderson by Mike & Becky Anderson  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Friday, June 29

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
8:00 a.m. Mark Makowski + by a Friend  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Saturday, June 30

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
8:00 a.m. No Intention  
8:30 a.m. Rosary  
4:00 p.m. Confessions  
4:35 p.m. Rosary  
5:00 p.m. Bob & Rose Marie Bates + by All Their Children

### Sunday, July 1

#### - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Parish Family  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Maurice Harvey+ & Bill Lautzenheiser+ by Mike & Debbie Lautzenheiser

To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars;...to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends, and every day of Christ; and to spend as much time as you can, with body and with spirit in God's out-of-doors—these are little guideposts on the footpath to peace. - Henry van Dyke

## THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

(12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B)

June 24, 2018

This weekend, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Nativity, or birth, of St. John the Baptist. As we celebrate this wondrous solemnity of the forerunner of the Messiah, we will hear different readings for both the Saturday Vigil and the Sunday Masses. Yet, though the readings will be different, each of them shows us a similar truth: That St. John the Baptist always points us to Jesus.

In our first reading, from either Jeremiah 1:4-10 or Isaiah 49:1-6, we hear of how God knows and loves each of us from the very first moment of our existence. Before He even formed us in the womb, he knew us (Jer 1:5). Because of this, as the Psalmist says in Psalm 139, we are wonderfully made. Each of us is loved by God Himself. And, like John, each of us, no matter how young or old, always has a purpose in this life; A purpose that has been given to us by God.

In our second reading, from either 1 Peter 1:8-12 or Acts of the Apostles 13:22-26, we learn the purpose of John's life. His entire life's mission is to prepare the way for the Messiah (Acts 13:24). And, he does this by preaching a message of repentance. This message is one that is greatly received by all who hear it for a simple reason: John's life mirrors his message. He doesn't simply call others to repentance, but lives a life of penance himself. The authenticity of his life is what attracts all people to himself. He doesn't, however, stop there. Instead, he points them along the way to the Christ.

These readings culminate in our Gospel, where we hear about the event we are celebrating: John's miraculous birth (Luke 1). As John grew in Elizabeth's womb for nine months, so also did the word of God in the silence of Zechariah's heart. And, as John enters into the world, Zechariah breaks his silence and proclaims the goodness of God. Even in his birth, John helps point us towards God. And, as he grows and undertakes his ministry, he will utter those deepest of words, clearly reflected in his life, concerning Jesus: He must increase; I must decrease (John 3:30).

As I begin this journey with you as your pastor, I hope to take these words of John to heart. The priestly ministry is one to be lived entirely for Jesus Christ. Every word spoken, every action done, every decision made is to bring greater glory to God. That we may decrease, so that He may increase. To humble ourselves so that we may be more open to God in our lives and to allow Him to guide us. He has made, He knows us completely, and He loves us entirely. May we allow Him to increase in our hearts so that we can know the true joy that He brings into our lives. - Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

## SCRIPTURE/MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., June 25 - Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time** - 2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15a,18/ Mt 7:1-5

**Tues., June 26** - 2 Kgs 19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a,36/ Mt 7:6,12-14

**Wed., June 27 - St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** - 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/ Mt 7:15-20

**Thurs., June 28 - St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr** - 2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Mt 7:21-29

**Fri., June 29 - Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles** - Acts 12:1-11/2Tm 4:6-8,17-18/ Mt 16:13-19

**Sat., June 30 - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church** - Lam 2:2,10-14,18-19/ Mt 5:5-17

**Sun., July 1 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** - Wis 1:13-15;2:23-24/ 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15/ Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24,35b-43



**SCHEDULE MASS INTENTIONS** -The most beautiful gift one can give to another person is a Spiritual Bouquet of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

No material gift can ever compare to or equal the Infinite Value of the Holy Mass. Call the Parish office to schedule 824-1380. Masses may be scheduled for the living as well as the deceased.



**Our Love & Prayers Go Out To...** Bud & Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Fern Britton, James A. Yonker, Sr., Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, Ron Payne, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Kelsey Peters, Tom Richhart, Carol Lochtefeld, Priscilla Rhodes and Tom Williams.



### From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of  
Bill Scheer, brother of Sue Hauptert,  
died Monday, June 18, 2018

May God welcome him home,  
Fill him with peace and bless those who will miss him.

Eternal Rest Grant unto him O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine  
upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed  
through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

### CATHEDRAL BOOKS & GIFTS SALE!!!!!!!

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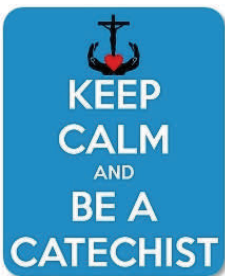


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***More information to come!***



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available! You don't feel qualified? That's  
okay, most of us don't, but we learn by teach-  
ing! Actually we never stop learning about our  
Catholic Faith and that's what is great about  
being a Catechist. Please take a moment, talk  
with God about it, maybe He is calling you to  
this special ministry!

### PARISH CALENDAR FOR JUNE/JULY 2018

- Thurs., June 28– Mass at River Terrace Estates– 10:30 a.m. and Visitation of the Sick and Homebound.
- Tues., July 3– Knight of Columbus Mtg.– Rosary at 6:40 p.m. with meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the social hall
- Wed., July 4– Independence Day– Office Closed
- Thurs., July 5– All Day Adoration– 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Evening Prayer– 6:30 p.m. /Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction– 6:45 p.m. /Mass– 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., July 7– John Lohmuller and Diane Clawson Wedding at 11:30 a.m.
- Wed., July 11– Adoration 5-7:00 p.m./ Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., July 14– Bishop Rhoades will install Fr. David Violi as Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bluffton during the 5:00 p.m. Mass. A celebration dinner will follow in the social hall.

### WEEKEND OF June 30 & July 1, 2018

#### CANTORS:

5:00 Nancy Leitz  
7:30 Mike Morrissey  
10:00 Jay Crisp

#### LECTORS:

5:00 Ginny Fenstermaker  
7:30 Carol Butler  
10:00 George Witwer

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 Twilla Herr, John Horn, Kevin or Jessica Seago  
7:30 Dave Gruss, Barb Ault, Jill Morrissey  
10:00 Diana Cole, Luisa Sumabat, Sandy Smythe, Jeff Miller, Larisa Sudhoff

#### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

5:00 Volunteers  
7:30 Dale/Sarah McCorkle Family  
10:00 Todd Hartman Family/Chris Reifsteck Family

#### SERVERS:

5:00 Wyatt Girod, Corey/Brooklynn Huss  
7:30 Brenden/Spencer McCorkle, Abby Wagner  
10:00 Quinn Dreiband, Kody Coyne, Grayson Christal

#### Collection for Weekend of June 16/17, 2018

Adult Envelopes- \$3,155.00  
Child Envelopes- \$14.00  
Loose- \$247.00  
Religious Ed. Fund- \$547.00  
Repair/Rainy Day Fund– \$10.00  
CDs- \$26.00  
**Total- \$3,999.00**

#### The amount needed each week to make budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$1,117.40 behind budget  
from last week.

#### Other Collections within our Parish:

St. Vincent de Paul- \$80.00  
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*Thank you for your gifts  
to St. Joseph's!*

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

#### Hear Fr. David on Redeemer Radio!

Join Fr. David on Redeemer Radio 106.3 FM, NE Indiana and 95.7 FM Michiana, Monday Aug.6 through Friday Aug. 10 for Redeemer Reflections! Hear meditations on the daily Mass readings, airing throughout the day. Listen to Redeemer Reflections weekdays at midday, during drive time or anytime online at Redeemerradio.com. Blessings, Carolyn Sorg, Redeemer Radio

### ALL DAY ADORATION/ EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT ST. JOSEPH, BLUFFTON



Thursday, July 5, 2018 - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. /  
Evening Prayer– 6:30 p.m. /Litany of the Eucharist/  
Benediction– 6:45 p.m. /Mass– 7:00 p.m.

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and come spend  
an hour with Jesus in quiet prayer.

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Before you speak...

**THINK!**

T - is it true?  
h - is it helpful?  
i - is it inspiring?  
n - is it necessary?  
k - is it kind?