



# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

CATHOLIC CHURCH of Collegetown

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## Welcome

We are a progressive Catholic Benedictine Community encountering Christ through the celebration of Word and Sacrament, one another, nature, and our thirst to create a just world.

# Baptism OF THE Lord



"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

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### EVENTS IN OUR AREA

**January 13, Cold Spring, Breakfast:** The St Boniface Christian Women annual fundraiser breakfast 13th from 9AM to 12 Noon at the St. Boniface Parish Center. The menu includes sausage and liver sausage, scrambled eggs and fried potatoes, Texas toast, fresh fruit, baked goods and beverages

**January 20, St. Cloud, Vespers For Life:** Held at the Church of St. Anthony, 2405 N 1st St, St. Cloud. Rosary at 3:30 p.m. and Vespers at 4:00 p.m. Bishop Donald Kettler will preside at the Vespers service. The service includes music, prayer, scripture and reflection for the over 60 million children who have been aborted since 1973. Monetary donations accepted to Mother Mary's Fund to assist crisis pregnancy centers in the Diocese of Saint Cloud. For more information, visit [http://omf.stcldio.org/th\\_event/vespers-for-life-4/](http://omf.stcldio.org/th_event/vespers-for-life-4/).

**January 20, St. Cloud, Parish Breakfast:** Serving from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the St. Anthony Parish Center, 2410 1st St N, St. Cloud. The menu features fresh and smoked sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, pancakes with fruit toppings, fresh fruit, rolls, hash browns, coffee, and milk or orange juice. Adults \$8, kids 6-12 years old \$3 and preschool: free.

**January 22, St. Paul, March For Life:** Join us on the bus for a prayer service and the March for Life on January 22 at the Cathedral of St. Paul. The bus will leave after the 7:15 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony Parish parking lot in St. Cloud, picking up at several locations in the diocese. Check our website for the most up-to-date information.

A free-will offering will be accepted to help defer the cost of the bus. To reserve a space for the bus ride, register online, contact the Office of Marriage & Family at 320-252-4721 or visit: [http://omf.stcldio.org/th\\_event/march-for-life-3/](http://omf.stcldio.org/th_event/march-for-life-3/).

**February 1, Avon, Mardi Gras:** St. Benedict's Parish, **Mardi Gras** at Fisher's Club, Avon starting 5:30 Social Hour, 6:30 Buffet Dinner and Music 7:30-10:00pm. Tickets are \$30.00(includes buffet dinner, 1 drink ticket, musical entertainment) Menu - stuffed pork tenderloin, beef roast, seasoned mashed potatoes, sauteed green beans, salad and dinner roll, coffee and water, cupcakes for dessert. Tickets available at the St. Benedict's Parish office, after masses Sunday and online: [jason.prigge@stbenedictavon.org](mailto:jason.prigge@stbenedictavon.org) (extra fee for online purchases).

**February 19, St. Paul, Catholics at the Capitol:** Minnesota Catholics will be gathering at the State Capitol to learn about the issues impacting our faith and daily life. You'll have the chance to hear from and meet with legislators, pray with fellow Catholics and get a window into the legislative process. These are opportunities for you to share

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b> 8:30AM Mass 9:30AM Faith Formation 10:45AM Faith Formation Committee Meeting	Parish Office Closed  7:00PM Social Justice Committee Meeting		8:00AM MASS Breakfast	6:00PM Finance Council Meeting	8:00AM MASS Benediction	5:30 PM MASS +George & Viola Dullinger	2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

## YOUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Adult Envelope	\$3,055.00	Special Needs (Green Envelope)	\$0.00
Donations Fiscal Year To Date	\$65,780.00	Children's Envelope	\$0.00
Budgeted Donations Fiscal Year To Date	\$76,000.00	Wednesday Coffee Cup	\$7.00
Loose Plate	\$90.00	Baptism Record Keeping stipend	\$10.00

Thank you to those who regularly and generously give of their treasure as well as those who give of their time and talent to support the work of our parish.



Louise Bartlett, Julia Beckmann, Lorraine Degiovanni, Angeline Dufner, Bob Dumonceaux, Gloria Ebacher, Ben Hamilton, Elizabeth Hamilton, Leo Heck, Dcn. Mike Keable, Alvina Klocker, Susan McKeon, Clara Meyer, Judy Ruprecht, Bob Simon, Charlie & Nancy Wenner, Military Men, Women and their families.

Please contact the parish office to have your name added or removed from the list.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY JANUARY 19TH 5:30 PM						
GREETERS:	SERVERS:	LECTOR:	GIFT BEARERS:	EUCH. MINISTERS:	SACRISTAN:	MUSIC:
Bob Mayers Alice Mayers	Holly Hansen Isaac Hansen	Lori Fuchs	Jim & Dorothy Eisenschenk	Sharon Beach Kelly Haeg Volunteer Needed	Chuck Lauer	Michael and Peggy Roske

Liturgical Ministry Volunteer Schedules are available on the parish website as well as paper copies on the bulletin board. Thank you to those who volunteer for our various liturgical ministries.

## MASS SCHEDULES

### St. John the Baptist Church

Wednesday 8:00 AM  
Friday 8:00 AM  
Saturday 5:30 PM

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:30 PM

### St. Benedict Church

Tuesday 8:00 AM  
Thursday 8:00 AM  
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Reconciliation: Thursdays at 7:30 AM

### St. John the Baptist Parish Sunday Mass Schedule:

Mark your calendars to join us for monthly Faith Formation Sunday Masses which have been scheduled for 8:30AM on:

**SUNDAYS** → January 13, February 10, March 10, April 7

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

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## PARISH HAPPENINGS

### AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY 2019 CLUSTER UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who attended our town hall meeting recently concerning the Area Catholic Community proposal for our parish, the details of our discussions have been forwarded to the Diocesan Planning Office for review. Wednesday, January 30 will be a meeting for the priests on the planning process. For the latest information on the process please feel free to visit the diocesan planning website at [www.stcdio.org/planning](http://www.stcdio.org/planning).

### PARENTING POINTER

January 13 is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. If your children are old enough recount with them the story of their baptism. If you can remember, tell the story of your own baptism and what it has meant to you.

-Susan Vogt, [www.susanvogt.net](http://www.susanvogt.net)

### FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Just a reminder; the Faith Formation Committee will meet on Sunday, January 13th at 10:45AM in the Parish Center. Parents and Catechists are encouraged to attend. Childcare will be provided.

### BEING, BELONGING, BECOMING IN OUR BENEDICTINE COMMUNITY

We believe in our 1,500-year-old Benedictine tradition and want to share that belief with you. We extend to you the opportunity to discover what it would mean to belong to our community. If you are a single, Catholic woman under the age of 45, consider spending some time with us. The day will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. Learn the history of our chapel and sacred spaces through a guided tour. Celebrate the Eucharist with the community and share a meal in our monastic dining room. To register please contact Sister Lisa Rose, director of vocations, at [lrose@csbsju.edu](mailto:lrose@csbsju.edu) or (320) 363-7180

Dates:

Saturday, January 19, 2019  
Saturday, February 16, 2019  
Saturday, March 16, 2019  
Saturday, April 13, 2019

### Hope For Those Who Mourn Group

The Greif Support Group; Hope For Those Who Mourn will meet monthly in the Mary Chapel at the Parish Center. Sister Joyce Iten facilitates this grief support group. Next meeting: **Saturday, January 26th at 4:00 PM.**

### SOCIAL JUSTICE & MINISTRY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Social Justice Committee will meet on Monday, January 14th at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

### THEOLOGY DAY

Exploring the Gospel of Luke Sponsored by Saint John's School of Theology and Seminary. Presenter: Fr. Michael Patella, OSB. January 25th, check-in from 8:30am - 9am, presentation from 9am-12pm., Emmaus Hall, Saint John's University, Collegeville. Free event. Lunch provided following presentation. Registration is required: [www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday](http://www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday), 320-363-3560 or [theologyday@csbsju.edu](mailto:theologyday@csbsju.edu)

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

January 27 – February 2 – The theme is "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed." Schools typically observe the annual celebration with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members to highlight the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation. Please keep in your prayers during this designated week: Faculty, students and families of our Catholic Schools.

### I HAVE CALLED YOU BY NAME

Born into a new life in Christ and joined to our Faith Community through the water of Baptism, we welcome: Elijah Joseph, son of Rebecca and Dan Backes.



### Save the Date for Fish FRYdays

We will be hosting two Fish Fry Dinners during Lent. Please plan to attend or volunteer at BOTH: March 8 and March 15, 2019. Volunteers can sign-up on the bulletin board in the parish center or by emailing Julie in the parish office ([jortloff@csbsju.edu](mailto:jortloff@csbsju.edu)).

### Electronic Church Donations:

Have you considered changing your weekly cash/check to Electronic Donations? Our parish processes Electronic Donations on the business day nearest to the 15th of each month. You choose the monthly amount you wish to contribute, you provide the parish with your private banking information. Monthly the parish processes the transfer file, the funds are directly transferred from your bank account to the parish bank account, and your donation is recorded as a regular donation on your membership record for tax purposes. This method of donating is time saving for the parish, cost effective, saves paper, is completely confidential and secure and aids in parish budgeting. If you have questions please contact Julie in the parish office. Electronic Donation enrollment forms are available on the Bulletin Board (pink sheet) or the parish website.