BENEDICTINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

SAINT JOSEPH & SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

NOVEMBER 26, 2023 | OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

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SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

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PARISH WINTERWALK FESTIVITIES—FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

The City of St. Joseph will once again be abuzz with activity on Friday, December 1st for Winterwalk Festivities beginning at 4:00 pm. Our parish grounds will host the tree lighting, a sloppy joe sandwich dinner, a bake sale and the holiday craft fair. Stop by Heritage Hall to view and purchase one-of-a-kind gifts and holiday items from over 20 vendors, enjoy a delicious sloppy joe , listen to talented harpists, and support the Faith Formation bake sale.

Volunteers and baked goods are still needed for the event. Please contact Marian at 320-363-7505 x533 to sign up.

Have artistic flare and creative skills but don't have enough to fill a table? Consider donating your items to the parish table. Contact Mary Kay at 320-260-9379.

St. Joseph: We, the Church of Saint Joseph, are a Catholic, Benedictine faith community. Through our liturgy and faith formation, we build on a solid foundation as active witnesses of Christ, and we eagerly respond to the needs of the Parish and the global community.

Where the Community Comes

St John the Baptist: 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.

Weekly Schedules

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MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE saturday, november 25

4:00 pm	Reconciliation	
	Church of Saint Joseph	
5:00 pm	Mass †Ken Heinen	
	Church of Saint Joseph	

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

8:30 am	Mass For Our Parishes		
	Saint John the Baptist		
10:00 am	Mass †Deceased members of the Eickhoff family		

Church of Saint Joseph

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

No Mass Today

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

9:00 am Mass †Peter Taufen Church of Saint Joseph *Adoration before Mass: 8:30-9:00 am

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

8:30 am Mass †Abigail †Jason & †Gene Ruprecht Saint John the Baptist *Adoration after Mass until 9:15 am

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:00 am Mass †Delores Giroux Church of Saint Joseph

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

9:00 am Mass †Deceased Members of the Bill Laudenbach Family Church of Saint Joseph

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

4:00 pm	Reconciliation	
	Church of Saint Joseph	
5:00 pm	Mass †Dan Nierengarten	
	Church of Saint Joseph	

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

8:30 am	For Our Parishes Saint John the Baptist Parish
10:00 am	Mass †Delores Giroux Church of Saint Joseph

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 10:00 am | LOW, Gathering Space 11:00 am | Social Sunday, Heritage Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

8:00 am I Church Cleaning Volunteers Church of Saint Joseph8:00 am I Parish Quilters, Heritage Hall

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

8:00 am | Parish Quilters, Heritage Hall
1:30 pm | Enhanced Fitness, Heritage Hall
7:00 pm | Contemporary Choir, Church of Saint Joseph

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00 am I Coffee and Conversation Saint John the Baptist
10:00 am I Willing Hands, Heritage Hall
1:30 pm I Chair Yoga, Heritage Hall
6:30 pm I HOPE Night: Intergenerational, Youth & Adults, Heritage Hall

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

1:30 pm | Enhanced Fitness, Heritage Hall
4:00 pm | Weight Loss Support Group, Heritage Hall
5:00 pm | Adult FF, Heritage Hall
6:30 pm | Parish Finance Council Meeting, Heritage Hall
7:00 pm | Adult Choir , Church of Saint Joseph

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

9:30 am | Friday Social, Heritage Hall 4:00-8:00 pm | Art & Craft Sale , Bake Sale and Sloppy Joe meal

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

8:30 am—12 noon | KC Breakfast, Heritage Hall
9:30 am | Saint John the Baptist Faith Formation, Parish Center
9:30 am | Hospitality after Mass, Saint John the Baptist Parish Center
6:30 pm | FF grades 9-11, Heritage Hall

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Many of us have participated in Thanksgiving meals with family or friends over the last several days or maybe even today. We are grateful to God that we are able to be together and share in each other's company once again. We give thanks for the fruits of the earth that sustain our lives and for the fruits of our labors that build up our human world. We rejoice at the good news that many share. We pray for the needs of those who are facing an illness or some other difficulty in their life at this time.

The Eucharist is a Greek word that means Thanksgiving. The early family of followers of Christ gathered over the shared meal. They told of the works and words of Jesus that were remembered by the first disciples and handed on to them. They brought gifts of food or perhaps money to help those in their midst who needed food. They gave thanks for the new life they had received through the death and Resurrection of Christ and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. They prayed for help in their struggles with difficulties, sometimes including per-

with difficulties, sometimes including persecution. Recalling Jesus' command to "do this in memory of me" a designated leader prayed a special prayer over bread and wine. The power of the Holy Spirit make them his Body and Blood. They partook of this heavenly food that nourished the divine life within them.

I'm grateful for the energy and generosity with which parishioners in the Benedictine Catholic Communities of St. Joseph and St. John the Baptist support the life of these parishes, this Area Catholic Community. I'm grateful for the generosity with which parishioners extend the love of Christ beyond our parish communities. You support works that provide food and clothing, extend companionship to elderly people, educate young people, welcome newcomers to our communities, promote a culture of life, sustain and shape the institutions that support our local and wider communities, and many other good works. May God bless you and our parish communities and increase peace in our world.

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Prayer & Reflection

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GOSPEL REFLECTION—NOVEMBER 26



The Gospel for today Is the story of the Last Judgement, when Jesus reminds us that the way we treat others is the way we treat Him. He tells of the separation of the sheep and the goats, those who do things for others and those who refuse to give to the poor and the stranger. Listen to what Jesus says about feeding the hungry and giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger and giving clothes to the naked. "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did to me." This week again we are reminded to be prepared for the final coming. What will you do this week to prepare for the final coming of Jesus? What you do for others, you do for Jesus!

—S. Betty Larson, OSB Pastoral Ministry

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 26

SUNDAY:	Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)		
	1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46		

- MONDAY: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 Lk 21:1-4
- **TUESDAY:** Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 Lk 21:5-11
- WEDNESDAY: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19
- THURSDAY: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

FRIDAY: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 Lk 21:29-33

- **SATURDAY:** Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 8 Lk 21:34-36
- NEXT SUNDAY: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOV 26

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe **Thursday:** St. Andrew, Apostle

UPCOMING HOLY DAY MASSES

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

9:00 am	Mass †Darlene Thielman		
	Church of Saint Joseph		
6:30 pm	Mass for Our Parishes		
	Church of Saint Joseph		

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

All who are lonely, grieving or estranged, military men and women and their families, all the ill or suffering, people of the Diocese of Vijayapuram, India, all farmers, healthcare workers and workers & volunteers in foreign lands.

CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

A Special Intention, Duffy Barton, Mary Brixius, Carol Broom, Carol Brophy, Judy Bruemmer, Vince DeVargas, Carol Fries, Beatriz Adriana Gomez, Larry Hering, Kenneth Hiemenz, Cliff Hilsgen, Anita Janey, Jack Johnson, Amy Klaphake, Becky Klaphake, Ann Leedahl, Becky Maus-Nelson, Richard Schleper, Elaine Schleper, Carla Schneider, Susan Sink, Gene VanderHeyden, Eileen Walz, Leonard Walz, Bill Wasner and Sue Zimmer.

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

George Bauer, Karen VanBeusekom, Paul Dukowitz, Gloria Ebacher, Denis Hynes, Leo Heck, Baby Henry Lomheim, Larry Notch, Anthony Scholz, and Nancy Wenner

To add or remove a name for the Prayer Corner, call the parish office.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

Remember in your prayers those who have recently died.

Herbert "Herb" Bechtold

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

ACC & AREA EVENTS DEC 3-KC BREAKFAST IN TOWN!

KC Council #7057 Parish Breakfast is on Sunday, December 3rd from 8:30 am-NOON. Take the family out for a great homemade breakfast that includes Pep's pork sausage, St. Joseph Meat Market sausage, pancakes, hash

browns, fruit, scrambled eggs, caramel rolls and cinnamon rolls, includes beverages. \$10.00 for adults and \$4.00 for ages 6-12. We are now accepting credit cards.

DEC—18 DISCOVER NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP)!

NFP cooperates with nature and God's plan for married love. The Billings Ovulation Method is a natural, highly effective method for postponing or achieving pregnancy without the use of drugs or devices. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in: St. Cloud on Monday, December 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Office of Marriage & Family. For more information, or to register, contact Sheila Reineke at omf@gw.stcdio.org or (320) 258-7609. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – Matthew 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness, or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.



Stewardship Updates SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Adult Contributions	\$1,220.00
Nov. 15th Electronic Contributions	\$2,935.00
Donations for Current Fiscal Year	\$47,364.00
Budgeted Donations	\$55,335.00
Children's Envelopes	\$7.00

Thank you to those who continue to mail contributions and contribute via Electronic Bank transfers, your generosity is greatly appreciated.



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD Join Us for Mass!

CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH 5:00 PM SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY 2900 Abbey Plaza, Collegeville, MN 9:00 PM CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH 12 Minnesota St W, St. Joseph, MN



CHRISTMAS DAY MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH 9:00 AM CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH 12 Minnesota St W, St. Joseph, MN

SAINT JOSEPH

Budget 11/12	\$8,696.06
Adult/ 11/12	\$11,375.00
Youth 11/12	\$37.01
Additional Online Giving	\$1,73128
Difference	\$4,44723
Budgeted Year to Date	\$240,391.20
Received Year to Date	\$215,009.07

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Year to Date Difference

**Please Note: Through the next couple months, due to publication deadlines, there will be a delay in reporting the weekly collection totals. If you have any questions regarding Sunday Offering, please call the parish office. **

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SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

We encourage you to follow the parish on social media. Daily meditation or parish updates can be found on our Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/sjtbparish</u> or subscribe to our **Benedictine Catholic Community** YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UC2Sw98uxz5BJ7_Ders65WJw</u> for notifications of Live Mass recordings.

NEW PARISH FUNDRAISER: CARAMEL ROLLS

Caramel Roll Sale! Sunday, November 26th after 8:30 am Mass, we will be selling freshly baked Caramel Rolls! Plan to pick up a box of 6 rolls or just one, either way proceeds will go to our parish! If you would like to volunteer with this fundraiser, please see Julie in the parish office or signup on the bulletin board. Thanks for your support.

COFFEE CAKE ORDERS

Now is the time to place your coffee cake orders! Paid orders are due by December 1st. Order forms can be found on the parish website (home page) or the bulletin board. Our delicious coffee cakes make a one-of-a-kind Christmas gift as well! Coffee Cakes will be baked and ready for pick up on Friday, December 8th or Sunday, December 10th after Mass.

GREEN ENVELOPES

In your packs of contribution envelopes are included monthly, Green Special Needs/Facilities envelopes. These Green Special Needs/Facilities contributions help support the maintenance and upkeep needs of our Parish Center. As our building continues to age, we need to continue to budget for replacement and repairs in order to keep our Parish Center the home of our parish. Please consider a Green Special Needs/Facilities donation.

A NOTE FROM PARISH LIFE

Thank you to everyone who helped with and attended Turkey Bingo. We may have set a record for the amount of first and second place winners in the games! As always, we thank the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this great family event with their generosity of funding and participation - we love our Knights!

A NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you to the nurses and parishioners who offered their help and support during my medical emergency. I thank each and every one of you. I am recouping at home, having received a pacemaker. Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers.—Dottie Eisenschenk

FAITH FORMATION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

- 8:30 AM: Mass
- 9:15 AM: FF grades Preschool-12
- 9:15 AM: Adult Enrichment: Parishioner Therese Wallner will speak about anxiety: what to be aware of, symptoms of the illness, and how to manage it.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 8:30 AM Mass
- 9:15 AM: FF grades Preschool-12
- 9:15 AM: Adult Enrichment: It is a new liturgical year, and we will learn more about the Gospel of Mark from Anna Mercedes, professor of Theology at CSB/SJU.
- 9:30 AM: Hospitality by Parish Life Committee

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

- 1:00pm: First Reconciliation for grade 2 students **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17**
- 8:30am: Mass
- 9:15am: Faith Formation for Preschool-Grade 12
- 9:15am: Adult Enrichment: Pat Norton, a parishioner from St. Joseph, will explain about his childhood journey, meeting Mother Teresa, and how he came to the United States.

THANK YOU: FLEECE BLANKETS

- Annie Hanson for purchasing all the fleece and matching pieces together.
- Barb Lyndgaard, Barb Brinkman, Char Eisenschenk, Jane Simon, Alice Mayers, Therese Wallner, Mary Reischl, and Al and Lois Lepinski for helping prepare the fleece blankets for tying. We appreciate your cutting skills and perseverance.
- The Knights of Columbus who helped pay for fleece.

PARISH DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Please hold the families of the following whose death anniversaries take place during the coming week in your prayers.

November 26, 1949 MacDonald. Ann November 26, 1983 Mever. Clement November 28, 1981 Koop, Hermon Early, Jr. November 30. 2007 Klein, Lucille E. December 1, 1919 Reisinger, Michael December 2, 1906 Brocker, Henry December 2, 1934 Reisinger, Marv M. December 2, 1997 Pueringer, John May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

DATE	LECTOR(S)	EUCHARIST MINISTERS	SACRISTAN	USHERS	SERVER	MUSIC
Dec 3 rd 8:30 am	Nick Hansen	Greg Hansen, Alice Mayers, Bob Mayers, Dan Ortloff	Dan Ortloff	Joyce Abeln Arnie Sauerer	Bob Simon	Volunteers Needed

CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH Kid's Night Out

Friday, December 15, 2023

Heritage Hall-5:00-7:30 pm Church of Saint Joseph



An indoor "picnic supper" will be served for the children. "Carnival Games, prizes, surprises and much more."

Children-ages 4 through grade 6—To register, please call or email the Faith Formation Office (so we have enough of everything)! If it's a last-minute decision and you cannot register beforehand, come anyway!

> Students-Grades 7 and older are invited to sign up as helpers. by calling or emailing the Faith Formation Office.

Admission: \$5.00 per child/\$15.00 max per family

Plus, a non-perishable food item for the St. Joseph Food Shelf.

Note to Parents: It's also your "Night Out!" Here's a chance for you to have some time for yourself, get some last-minute shopping done, have a relaxing dinner out!

> Contact: Marian Bach, Director of Faith Formation 363-7505 ext. 533 ffdirector@churchstjoseph.org

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH GROUP WEDNESDAY, NOV 29

- 6:30-8:30 pm: HOPE Night, Heritage Hall **SUNDAY, DECEMBE 3**
- 6:30-8:00 pm: FF grades 9-11, Heritage Hall

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

- 5:00-6:00 pm: Adult FF Round table, Heritage Hall
- 6:30-8:30 pm: Youth Group, Heritage Hall

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

• 5:00-6:00 pm: Adult FF Round table, Heritage Hall

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

- 9:00—9:50 am: FF grades 1-8, Heritage Hall
- 10 AM Mass: LOW, Gathering Space
- 6:30-8:00 pm: FF grades 9-11, Heritage Hall

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

- 5:00-6:00 PM: RCIA, Parish Meeting Room
- 6:30-8:30 pm: Youth Group, Heritage Hall

LECTOR WORKBOOKS FOR 2024

Lector workbooks are now available in the East entrance, please pick up your copy. The new workbook begins the weekend of December 2/3, with the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the new liturgical year. Hope Night

Join the St. Joseph youth group For

Wednesday, November 29th 6:30-8:30pm in Heritage Hall Snacks: games: and faith-sharing A chance for connection and conversation between Catholic youth and older generations

"Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope" ~Peter 3:15

	Sat. Dec 2 5pm	Sun. Dec 3 10 am
Sacristans	Holmstrom	Holmstrom
Greeters	Harold Brinkman Marilyn Brinkman Nelda Dehn Allen Gill	Joe Miller Shirley Miller Nix Family Nix Family
Ushers	Tom Schleper Ruth Schleper Ed Broom Leonard Vossen	John Stang Andy Brixius Roger Drontle Jerry Ethen
Servers	Sloane Husen Hazel Wittrock	Haley Miller Hannah Miller
Lector	Trish Gannon	Peter & Kendra Ohmann
Eucharistic Ministers	Dan Wippler Rick Baron Jane Bierschbach Del Brown Lloyd Bruemmer	Shirley Miller Eric Popp Greg Reinhardt Ann Reischl Alex Schleper
Music	Cantor	Cantor
Gift Bearers	Bob & Mary Klein	Pete Giroux



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