

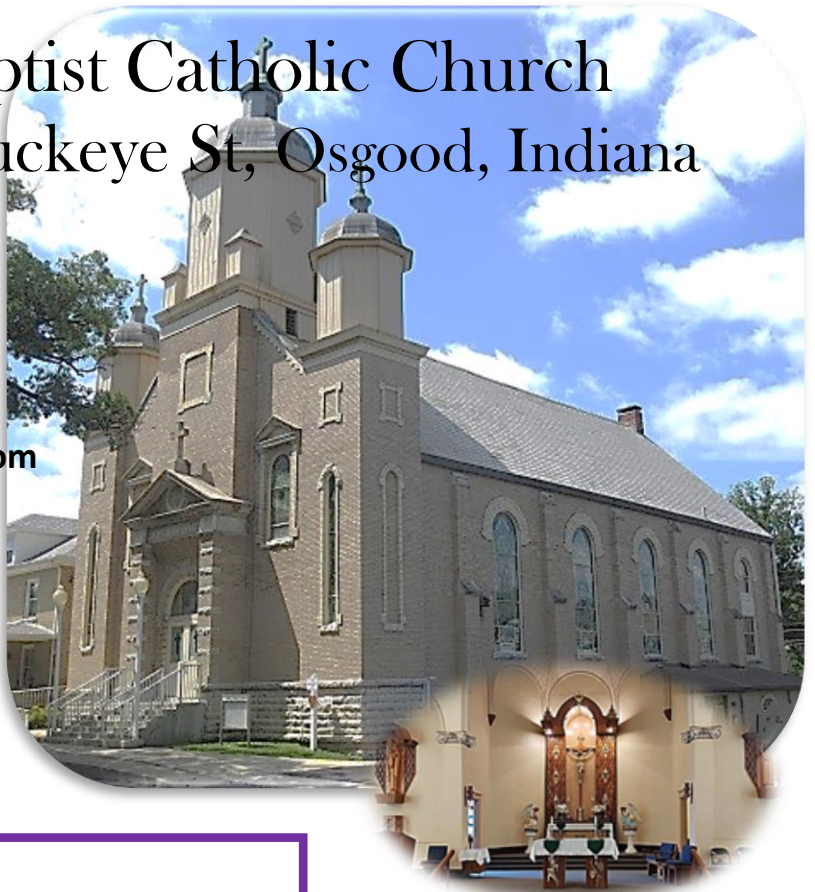
St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday – No Mass

Tuesday – St Maurice 5PM Holy Hour – 6PM Mass

Wednesday – St John 7AM Holy Hour – 8AM Mass

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Saturday – St John 7AM Holy Hour – 8AM Mass

Sunday Obligation

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday - 3:00 to 6:00PM

Reconciliation

Saturday – 4:45PM

Friday – 3-4PM

**"Welcome one another as Christ has
welcomed you for the
Glory of God"**

states St Paul Romans 15:7.

Our God is a welcoming God and His Son, Jesus, also welcomes everyone into His presence. As parishioners of St John the Baptist parish we too wish to display this same welcoming attitude. And so we say, "Welcome to each of you who visit our Church.

Welcome into our lives of faith, of family and of community.

May God Bless You with Peace and All Good Gifts!

July 30, 2023 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

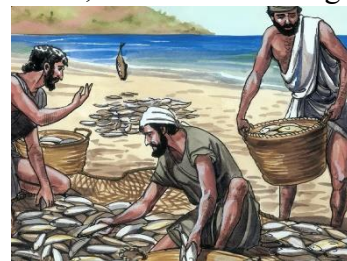
August 6, 2023 – The Transfiguration of the Lord

July 30, 2023 – The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

What is the Kingdom of Heaven worth to you?



God says to Solomon, “Ask something of me and I will give it to you.” “The Lord was pleased that Solomon” asked for an understanding heart instead of for long life or riches—for health and wealth can easily be lost, whereas “all things work for good for those who love God.” The desire of Solomon is what characterizes the heart of the man who sells all he has to buy the treasure-bearing field. The desire of Solomon is what sets apart the merchant who risks his whole livelihood to buy what he judges to be the “pearl of great price.” They can make these sacrifices with certainty because that treasure, that pearl corresponds to the very call and purpose of God in their lives. And what is that purpose? To be conformed to the image of his Son—in all his glory.



The parable in the Gospel describes various life situations in which decisions have to be made. In the first two instances, a question is posed: What is the kingdom of heaven worth to you? What are you willing to give up in order to attain it? The third depicts fishing with a net, a very strenuous task. A question here might be: Are you willing to work hard at this? Are you discerning in separating good actions from bad? It takes real wisdom to answer such questions.

Bring Home the Word & Magnificat, July 2023

Sunday Readings

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Give your servant a listening heart to judge your people and to distinguish between good and evil.

Romans 8:28-30

We know that all things work for good for those who love God.

Matthew 13:44-52, 13:44-46

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.”

Reflection Questions

King Solomon asks for “a listening heart,” the knowledge needed to rule his people wisely.

- Who are the wise people in your life?
- Do you have someone to whom you can turn for wisdom and guidance?

A Word from Pope Francis

Do not forget that Declaration which proclaimed that all men and women are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights and that governments exist in order to protect and defend those rights....May this country and each of you be renewed in gratitude for the many blessings and freedoms that you enjoy.



*Independence Hall, Philadelphia
September 26, 2015*

Prayer

God of Wisdom, change our minds to know the good, our hearts to desire the good, our wills to do only good.

We pray in Jesus' name. AMEN



Stewardship

“We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.”-Romans 8:28

In today's Gospel, Jesus stresses the importance and the beauty of the Kingdom of Heaven. Faith without works is dead; this week go out and be at service to God and neighbor. Perhaps do some “summer cleaning” and donate some old clothes you no longer need.

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

For our parish, our ministries and all those served by those ministries.

We Pray to the Lord.



August 6, 2023 - The Transfiguration of the Lord
Here is God's beloved Son: Come let us bow down in worship before him!

The feast of the Transfiguration is a celebration of God's revelation. The glory of God that was veiled in the law and prophets—from Moses to Elijah—is now unveiled before the Church, to the apostles and us who receive their message. This feast does not simply point to a God who is brilliant upon a mountain. It also prepares us to remain faithful to a God crucified on a mountain. We ourselves have been saved through this vision of Christ in glory and Christ on the cross and are now continually transformed by both Tabor and Calvary. "All of us, gazing on the Lord's glory with unveiled faces, are being transformed from glory to glory into his very image by the Lord who is the Spirit"

Who really changed? Jesus the Christ, the Messiah, the Lord of Lords and King of Kings, the One who was at the beginning of time and who will be at the end? Or was the change in Peter, James and John? I can imagine Jesus walking along the dusty roads of Palestine, shining like the sun, maybe conversing with a long-dead prophet or two. Folks didn't notice. He looked ordinary, just the carpenter's son.

I figure what could have happened up on the mountain is that the eyes of the disciples were opened to the way Jesus was all the time. They were given a glimpse of a deeper reality. For just a moment they were given Resurrection Eyes. We need Resurrection Eyes. We need to see others and ourselves as God sees us—shining like the sun and full of light. Perhaps it will happen if we heed the voice from the cloud: "This is my beloved Son...listen to him."

Magnificat and Bringing Home the Word, August 2023

Sunday Readings

Deuteronomy 7:9-10, 13-14

Know, then, that the Lord, your God, is God: the faithful God who keeps covenant mercy to the thousandth generation toward those who love him and keep his commandments.

2 Peter 1:16-19

We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain.

Matthew 17:1-9

Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Reflection Questions

- Can you imagine seeing yourself and other people as God sees?
- What looks different?

A Word from Pope Francis

Prayer in Christ and in the Holy Spirit transforms the person from the inside and can illuminate others and the surrounding world. How often have we found people who illuminate, who exude light from their eyes, who have that luminous gaze? They pray, and prayer does this: it makes us luminous with the light of the Holy Spirit.



Angelus, Rome, March 17, 2019

PRAYER For the grace of open eyes, that we may see the face of God in each person we meet this day and God's will in each task set before us.

We pray in His name. AMEN

The Redemptorists



Stewardship

"...then from the cloud come a voice that said. This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Matthew 17:5

In today's Gospel, Jesus take Peter, James and John high up the mountain and was transfigured before them.

When Peter, James and John heard this they immediately fell prostrate to the ground and they "were very much afraid." We too, may respond the same way when we hear God's voice. How many times do you become fearful when invited to participate more fully in the life of the Church? Or, when someone says something negative about the Church, are you afraid to respond? Remember, we too, are beloved sons and daughters of God; Jesus is there to help us, but we need to listen.

The Transfiguration of the Lord is the 4th Luminous Mystery of the Rosary. This week, try praying the Rosary. It is a wonderful devotion that will help deepen your faith.

MASS Intentions

Mass Intentions Available. Please stop in the parish office, mail, call or drop in the collection basket to have a Mass said for your loved ones. Mass stipends are \$10

Sat	July 28	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	July 29	5:00 PM	✠ Emily Mathes
Sun	July 30	7:30 AM	✠ Charlie Billman
Wed	Aug 2	8:00 AM	✠ For the Parishioners
Fri	Aug 4	8:00 AM	✠ Gary Taylor
Sat	Aug 5	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Aug 5	5:00 PM	✠ Tom McCain
Sun	Aug 6	7:30 AM	✠ The Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed	Aug 9	8:00 AM	✠ For the Parishioners
Fri	Aug 11	8:00 AM	✠ Kris Taylor
Sat	Aug 12	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Aug 12	5:00 PM	✠ Eddie Purdy
Sun	Aug 13	7:30 AM	✠ Gary Patton

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	<u>August 5</u>	<u>August 6</u>
Coordinator	Ron Miller	Ted Wissel
Greeter	Bob Voegeli	Jill Jansing
Lector	Jennifer Tunny	Jessica Gorman
Eucharistic M	Ron Miller	Jill Jansing
	<u>August 12</u>	<u>August 13</u>
Coordinator	Sharon Voegeli	Ron Miller
Greeter	Bob Voegeli	
Lector	Gary Payne	Andy Miller
Eucharistic M	Stephanie Green	Jessica Gorman

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

Rosemary & Idona Newhart	Week of Aug 6
Ted Wissel & MJ Hunter	Week of Aug 13
Sue Gridley & Margaret Jarvis	Week of Aug 20
Mary Ann W & Susan Banta	Week of Aug 27

Thank you all for your time and hard work!

FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

August Needs: Canned Fruits and Vegetables Thank you.



Ladies Society Meeting

Tuesday, August 1, 5:30 PM

We will be discussing plans for the October Rummage Sale.

All ladies of the parish are welcome.

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July 16	\$ 1,672.00
July 23	1,878.00
Capital Improvements	35.00
Votive Candles	227.00

MANY, MANY THANKS

to *Jennifer and Jesse Tunny*



for installing the baby changing stations in each of the restrooms in the parish hall.

ANOTHER THANK YOU

Ron Ebinger and Bob Voegeli for removing the landscaping in front of the



rectory and beside the church ramp. ***New landscaping will be installed this September.***

Signs of the Times

In the front yard of a funeral home – “Drive carefully, we’ll wait.”

Outside a muffler shop, “No appointment necessary. We’ll hear you coming!”

In a non-smoking area, “If we see you smoking, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action.”



Rita Bedel
Amy Castner
Tim Castner
Todd Castner
Melissa Chapman
Elliott Elkins
Paul Graf
Amy Graham
Lily Handt
Todd Holzer
Seth Hull
Keith Jarvis
Larry Kendall
David Lewis 
Linda McCain
Mark Meister
Teresita Noah
Tom Noah
Eileen Ogden
Pavi Pathak Family
Randy Simon
Dolores Simon
Pam Thomas
Darin Toops
Sharon Voegeli
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