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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

Thursday – Millhousen 5PM Holy Hour – 6PM Mass

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

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!

October 22, 2023 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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“Whose image is this and whose inscription?” They replied, “Caesar’s.”
At that Jesus said to them, “Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.”

Our Civic Duty

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Today’s readings appear as campaigns for public office are under way throughout the United States. The readings might not tell us how to vote, but they do throw some light on the notion of civic duty.

In the first reading, Cyrus was the Persian king whose foreign policy allowed conquered and displaced people to return to their homelands, even though they would still be under Persian control. In the Isaian passage, this foreign king is called the Lord’s anointed and is blessed by God despite the fact that he is unaware of it. This suggests that even those who do not know or worship the God of Israel can be competent civic leaders as long as they work for the benefit of their citizenry.

The Gospel story is a bit more complex. Jewish law banned making a graven image of a person, as was found on Roman coins. This means that those trying to trap Jesus exposed their own violation of the law by possessing such a coin. Jesus did not condemn the Romans for casting such coins. Rather, he says that political leaders deserve our civic allegiance. How the Jews were to accomplish this without using forbidden Roman coins isn’t explained. But then, how civic-minded people are to uphold complicated political and social values today is hard to explain as well. This is one of the challenges of belonging to a pluralist society. No political ticket perfectly mirrors all the gospel values. Our civic duty is to decide which values we should advance. †

Bring Home the Word –October 2023

A Word from Pope Francis

To pay taxes is a duty of citizens, as is complying with the just laws of the state. At the same time, it is necessary to affirm God’s primacy in human life and in history, respecting God’s right over all that belongs to him. Hence the mission of the Church...to speak of God and bear witness to him....



ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 18, 2020

Reflection Questions

- Is Civic Duty important to you?
- How informed are you about the candidates you support? And those you don’t?



Stewardship

“Render therefore to Caesar the things that are

Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.”
Matthew 22:21

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second, especially our money.

PRAYER

God of every nation, may all that we do bear in mind the needs of others everywhere, especially those who are struggling.

We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen

The Redemptorists

World Mission Sunday

We celebrate World Mission Sunday on October 22, 2023. This Year’s Theme: “Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move”

Today we celebrate World Mission Sunday, heeding Pope Francis’s call to keep our “Hearts on fire, feet on the move.” On this day, we reflect our baptismal promise to be disciples and missionaries, sharing the Good News. The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith directly aids priests, religious and lay leaders in the Pope’s missions, allowing them to minister to and uplift communities in dire need. Let’s light up the world with our prayers and generosity.

To remain connected and engaged with the Pope’s missions throughout the year please visit OneFamilyInMission.org. Your commitment to the universal mission of the Church is deeply appreciated.

Thank you for your heartfelt contribution!

www.onefamilyinmission.org

October 29, 2023 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."



God's Lessons of Love

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

The readings today are all about love. The first reading tells us who we should love; the Gospel tells us how we should love. We know that it is not difficult to love those who love us, who are kind and generous to us, who make us feel that we are important. The reading from Exodus moves us in a different direction. We are to love the alien, the widow, the orphan, and the poor neighbor.

In a patriarchal society, such as was ancient Israel, aliens, widows, and orphans were the ultimate outsiders. They had no male relative through whom they would benefit from the kinship structure. While the neighbor might be of the same tribe or clan, it is the poor neighbor who was to be loved, the one who might be a drag on one's life and resources.

In other words, we are to love the ones who cannot promise to make our lives more comfortable or enjoyable. In fact, the point of loving them is to make *their* lives more comfortable and enjoyable. How are we to love them? The Gospel reading offers two different answers that are very much alike. We are to love God totally, with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind. We are to love others as we love ourselves, with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind. More practically, we must do for others what we would do for ourselves, for to love them is to love God. †

Bringing Home the Word, October 2023

Reflection Questions

- Who are the outsiders or people living on the margins of your society?
- What can you do to make their lives more comfortable or enjoyable?

A Word from Pope Francis

This is the test: if I say "I love God" and do not love my neighbor, it does not work. The verification that I love God is that I love my neighbor. As long as there is a brother or sister to whom we close our hearts, we will still be far from being disciples as Jesus asks us.



ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 11, 2020

Prayer All-embracing God, teach us to welcome the stranger, to speak for the voiceless, to share generously, to love as you love.

We pray in Jesus' name. AMEN

The Redemptorists



Stewardship

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your

heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

– Matthew 22:37

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? Putting God first in everything helps keep us from becoming a slave to our possessions and to our pride.

*For all those living in need in our communities
We pray to the Lord*

Dolores Simon will be celebrating her 90th birthday on October 26. Let's show her our love by sending her a card for her special day! Her address is as follows:

Dolores Simon

St. Andrew's Health Campus

1400 Lammers Pike

Batesville, IN 47006



Come One! Come All!!

St John's Annual Turkey

Bingo will be **Saturday,**

November 4 after the 5:00

Mass in the Church

Basement.

ALL are invited!

Parish Support

October 08	Weekly	2,004.00
October 15	Weekly	2280.00
Votive Candles		263.70

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	Oct 21	8:00 AM	✚ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Oct 21	5:00 PM	✚ Gary Taylor
Sun	Oct 22	7:30 AM	✚ Barb Givan
Wed	Oct 25	8:00 AM	✚ Joan Carter
Fri	Oct 27	8:00 AM	✚ Corry Daoust
Sat	Oct 28	8:00 AM	✚ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Oct 28	5:00 PM	✚ Emily Mathes
Sun	Oct 29	7:30 AM	✚ 65 th Wedding Anniv Girlie & Don Newhart
Wed	Nov 01	5:30 PM	✚ Nic Meister
Thur	Nov 02	4:30 PM	✚ Tom & Jim McCain
Fri	Nov 03	8:00 AM	✚ Halle Grace Purdy
Sat	Nov 04	8:00 AM	✚ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Nov 04	5:00 PM	✚ Deceased Karl Cord Fam
Sun	Nov 05	7:30 AM	✚ Keith Hillenburg

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	<u>October 28</u>	<u>October 29</u>
Coordinator	MS Westmeier	Joan Carter
Greeter	Steve Mathes	Ron Miller
Lector	Sharon Voegeli	Jessica Gorman
Eucharistic M	Ron Ebinger	Jessica Gorman
	<u>November 4</u>	<u>November 5</u>
Coordinator	Ron Miller	MA Westmeier
Greeter	Jill Jansing	Steve Mathes
Lector	Jill Jansing	Gary Payne
Eucharistic M	Bob Green	Jessica Gorman

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

Rosemary & Idona Newhart	Week of Nov 5
Ted Wissel & MJ Hunter	Week of Nov 12
Sue Gridley & Margaret Jarvis	Week of Nov 19
Mary Ann W & Susan Banta	Week of Nov 26

Thank you all for your time and hard work!

FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

Any food and household cleaning items.



2024 United Catholic Appeal United in the Eucharist- St John's Goal \$11,919

Teaching

The Appeal directly impacts each parish – supporting our current priests, training our future priests and deacons and teaching children and adults to know, love and serve Jesus. Your gifts to the United Catholic Appeal provide:

- Education
- Formation of Deacons
- Support and formation of our priests
- Training for lay ministers
- Formation resources for teachers, catechists
- Care for retired priests

PRAYER

Almighty Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you send us forth to love as you have love us.

United in Christ, grant us generous and faithful hearts, as we love our neighbor, as we clothe the poor, as we feed the hungry, as we care for the sick, as we speak our words to others, as we share your blessings.

Be our joy, strength, and guide, that we may become one Body, one Spirit in Christ, to the praise of your glory.
AMEN

Resuming Wine

Distribution at All Masses

On November 4th we are planning to resume wine distribution at all Masses.

Training for those who will be distributing wine will be after all Masses on the weekends of:

**October 21/22 and
October 28/29**



- Amy Castner
- Tim Castner
- Todd Castner
- Mary K Chambers
- Elliott Elkins
- Peggy Fear
- Paul Graf
- Amy Graham
- Aaron Greiwe
- Lily Handt
- Todd Holzer
- Keith Jarvis
- Larry Kendall
- Linda McCain
- Mark Meister
- Teresita Noah
- Tom Noah
- Eileen Ogden
- Pavi Pathak Family
- Randy Simon
- Dolores Simon
- Pam Thomas
- Darin Toops
- Sharon Voegeli
- Ben Zigan

Denotes Active Service Deployment

Up Coming Holiday & Holyday Mass Schedule

Tuesday, October 31 – Vigil All Saints Day	6:00PM Millhousen
Wednesday, November 01 – All Saints Day	5:30PM Osgood
Wednesday, November 01 – All Saints Day	7:00PM Napoleon
Thursday, November 02 - All Souls Day	4:30PM Osgood Cemetery, 6:00PM Millhousen