

**All Are Welcome . . .**

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

May 29, 2005

**MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**

## Our Parish Vision

In the name of the Father, we, the Catholic community of St. John the Baptist, empowered by the Holy Spirit, the sacraments and prayer, seek to follow the call of Jesus Christ by sharing our individual gifts and talents. Our mission is:

To Love, Serve and Reach out.

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. John Kalicky, CPPS.....Pastor  
Rev. Gary Scherer, CPPS.....Associate Pastor  
Deacon Joseph Manchak  
Rev. John Zvijak, CPPS.....In Residence  
Brother Terry Nufer, CPPS.....In Residence

## Business Office

Florence Gazda, Louise Kaminsky

## Telephone (219)/Website Information

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Parish Fax.....473-7551  
Parish Email.....[sjbwhiting@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sjbwhiting@sbcglobal.net)  
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School Fax.....473-7553  
School website:  
[www.myschoolonline.com/IN/stjohnbaptistschool](http://www.myschoolonline.com/IN/stjohnbaptistschool)  
Religious Formation.....473-7557  
St. John Program:  
Baptism.....473-7557  
RCIA.....473-7557  
Sacred Heart Program.....659-1088  
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Marjie Biel: [marjebiel@yahoo.com](mailto:marjebiel@yahoo.com) or 973-1283  
Candi Stapleton: [cms615@yahoo.com](mailto:cms615@yahoo.com) or 659-1663  
Cafeteria.....659-3041  
Gymnasium.....473-7556  
Helping Hands.....473-7554  
Marian Theatre.....473-7555  
Panel Room.....659-3041 or 473-0535



## Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses.....7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM  
Vigil Mass, Saturday.....4:30 PM  
Daily Mass ..... 7:00 AM  
School Children's Mass ..... 8:30 AM Tues., Wed., Fri.

## Sacraments

### Reconciliation

Every Saturday.....3:30-4:00 PM  
Thursday before First Friday of the month...4-5 PM  
Weekdays.....after the 7:00 AM Mass

### Baptism

Call Diane Pupilava at 473-7557

### Marriage

Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding date.

### Communion to the Sick and Shut-Ins

Sundays and First Fridays. Call the Rectory Office.

### Hospital Calls

If you or one of your family members is entering the hospital, please inform the rectory.

### Registration

Welcome to all. Please register by calling the rectory.

### Business Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

### Bulletin Deadline

Please submit bulletin articles by 1:00 PM Monday.



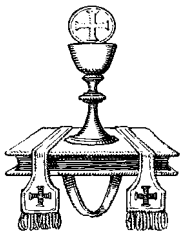
FEAST OF THE  
MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD  
SATISFY YOUR HUNGER  
AND THIRST!

The Body and Blood of the risen Christ possess extraordinary features. When we eat ordinary food, we turn it into our own being. But when we eat His Body and drink His Blood, we are transformed by it. We remain in Him, and He remains in us. A bond is forged that not only grants us life, but endures into eternal life. Furthermore, we are bound together with all others who partake of this food and drink. At the heart of the mystery that we celebrated today is the fundamental mystery of God's love for us. We have been created with a craving for God. As St. Augustine said, "Our hearts are restless until they rest in you." While we await our final fulfillment in God, we have the Body and Blood of Christ to satisfy our hunger and our thirst. Once we realize this, we will not be satisfied with anything less.

(Dianne Bergant, America Magazine)

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

As we continue in this time of world unrest, please join us as we celebrate our Annual Memorial Day field Mass at St. John/St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery on Monday, May 30, at 10:30 a.m., next to the cemetery office. Join us as we honor the memory of our loved ones that have served our nation.



CONGRATULATIONS  
AND BLESSINGS!

Please pray for the following young men who are nearing their final preparations before ordination to the priesthood. Deacon Michael Hoffman and Deacon Leonard Gajardo will be ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Melczek on June 4, 2005, for the Diocese of Gary. Brother Christopher Saliga, a member of the Order of St. Benedict, will be ordained to the priesthood at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C., June 10. Father Saliga will be celebrating his Mass of Thanksgiving here at St. John's on Sunday, June 19, at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

BAPTISM MINISTRY

Our next series of parish Baptisms will be held during the month of June. Please call Diane Puplava at 473-7557 for more information or to register.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Celebrate the treasures of your Catholic Faith at an outdoor Mass & Procession with the Blessed Sacrament, Sunday, today, 12 Noon, at St. Mary Church, 144th & Indianapolis, East Chicago.

*Mass Intentions*

- Monday, May 30, Memorial Day
  - 7:00 am †Linda Shimala Talaby Off: Mother, Martha & Family
  - 10:30 am Memorial Day Mass at St. John/St. Joseph Cemetery
- Tuesday, May 31, Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
  - 7:00 am Living & Deceased Members of St. John Rosary Society
  - 8:30 am †Pauline A. Molson Off: A Child's Work
- Wednesday, June 1, Justin, martyr
  - 7:00 am †Deceased of Tumidalsky & Dosen Families Off: Richard & Geraldine & Family
  - 8:30 am †Joseph & Ann Knazur Off: Daughter, Maria
- Thursday, June 2, Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs
  - 7:00 am †Mary Tomko Off: Husband, Michael & Family
- Friday, June 3, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
  - 7:00 am †Mary Kissel Off: Daughter, Margaret Springer
  - 8:30 am †Anne Clinton Off: De Cero Family
- Saturday, June 4, Immaculate Heart of Mary
  - 7:00 am Living & Deceased Members of Sabol & Furiak Families Off: Donnie & Family
  - 2:00 pm John Bucher & Amy Shimala Wedding
  - 4:30 pm For Our Parish Family
- Sunday, June 5, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
  - 7:00 am For Our Parish Family
  - 9:00 am For Our Parish Family
  - 11:00 am For Our Parish Family



PRAY FOR...

Mary Banik, Charles Beerling, Susan Biel, John Dubec, Danielle Summers-Ellis, Skylar Ann Ellis, Joe Geffert, Paul E. Gerba, Florence Golding, Pat Grenchik, Jerry Hajduch, Rev. Joseph Hajduch, C.P.P.S., Patrica Iwan, Catherine Kallicky, Michael Kasarda, Eugene M. Kasper, Susan Kenda, Alma Koch, Julia Kukta, Rose Leslie, John Lofay, Ann Mihalso, Sylvester Nemcek, John Gabriel Pena, Marie Silich, Victor Silich, Joseph Sotak, Margaret Springer, Angie & Joseph Srncik, Rev. John Zvijak, C.P.P.S.

Please Note: Individual names will be kept on the prayer list for one month. If the person you have placed on the list has a long term illness or needs to be on the list for a period of time longer than a month, please call the rectory 659-0023 and inform the secretary.

*Rest in Peace* Dorothy A. Mika

## ADMINISTRATION & STEWARDSHIP

### SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Adults.....	\$9,371.99
Loose.....	\$491.25
High School.....	\$26.00
Grade School.....	\$197.96
Total for the Week.....	\$10,087.20
Haiti Collection.....	\$2,084.75

### CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Many thanks to the 389 families who have responded. Your gift helps support those less fortunate. Prayerfully consider sharing a gift from your heart. Return your pledge card to the parish office, or place it in the offertory basket at Mass. Thank you for sharing the gifts you have been blessed with from God.

## PARISH LIFE

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Vacation Bible School is held one week during the summer from 9-11:30 am to help young children grow in their faith in a fun and active manner. We would like to offer

this summer program for children ages 4 to 10 years in our community.

We have been unable to offer this exciting program for the past 3 years because we have not had enough volunteer adults. No experience is necessary, but a love of children and the desire to help them grow in their love of the Lord is a plus! Training and program materials will be provided to enable volunteers to present the program to the children. (Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles are welcome to volunteer.)

We have not yet set a date because we are willing to work around the dates volunteers might be available. If you would like to help us offer this program this summer, please call Mrs. Diane Puplava at 473-7557.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Ann Furiak, who celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday on May 19<sup>th</sup>!

### PLANTING SEEDS OF HOPE

St. Catherine Hospital, 4321 Fir Street, East Chicago, is hosting "Planting Seeds of Hope" session for cancer survivors and their families on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 pm, in the Professional Building classroom at the Hospital. No charge, but call 219-836-3477 to register by June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK  
LIBERTY SAVINGS  
1900 Indianapolis Blvd. Whiting  
219-659-6700

## OUR LADY OF THE MILLENNIUM STATUE

Visit the 33 ft and 8,500 lb. Statue of Our Lady of the Millennium at St. Anne's Chapel in Lawton, Michigan, from May 31 to June 11. While you're there, feel free also to attend one of the two Masses scheduled for each day or participate in the various devotions that will take place. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the chapel for adoration and private prayer throughout the day, and opportunities will also be available to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Vespers. Each day will close with a procession and Rosary. For more information visit [www.societycantius.org](http://www.societycantius.org) or call 312-243-7373.

### AND THE WINNERS ARE...

The St. John Rosary Society Spring Raffle winners are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Jennifer Klapak; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: J & A Matura; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Ann Kaminsky; 4<sup>th</sup> Prize: Marie Zambo. Congratulations to these lucky winners and thanks to all who purchased raffle tickets. We would also like to thank all those who came to the recent Bake Sale and purchased homemade goodies or enjoyed fellowship over coffee and rolls. It was a successful morning and we are most grateful to the Parish community for your continued support.

### THANK YOU

To the Family of Joseph T. & Ann S. Knazur for their very generous donation of \$1,000 to the St. John School Endowment Fund.

### TUNE IN TO WJOB

In recognition of his 39 years of service to St. John School, Mr. Tom Puplava will be a guest on WJOB AM1230 and WIMS 1420's "Way Back Wednesday" show, June 8, at 9 a.m. The call-in show is hosted by parishioner Tom Dabertin, along with Dave Ennis and Roman Sawczak.

### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

All graduating High School Seniors will be recognized at the 11 am Mass, Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. A small reception follows. You may wear your cap and gown to Mass. RSVP to Candi Stapleton 659-1663 or e-mail [cms6156@yahoo.com](mailto:cms6156@yahoo.com) by June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### CHURCH HUMOR

Six-year-old Angie and her four-year-old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

Wedding  Banns

III John Bucher & Amy Shimala

## LITURGY ASSIGNMENTS

4:30 pm, June 4

Lectors: J. Wagner, D. McCampbell  
 Euch Min: G&C Rosen, M&K Wagner, J. Wozniak, R&B Jerzyk  
 Altar Servers: Nickolas Lerma, Alex Lewandowski, Jason Kresich

7:00 am, June 5

Lectors: M. Saliga, L. Barron  
 Euch Min: T. Barilla, J. Biel, H. Canner, B. Chidalek, E. Matuska, G. Jancosek, T. Adam  
 Altar Servers: Colin & Katherine Chiluski, Julio Casares IV

9:00 am, June 5

Lectors: N. Gomez, S. Silva  
 Euch Min: I. Dominguez, A. Jurek, L. Kilander, S. Rosendo, L. Wade, E. Igras  
 Altar Servers: Robert Markovich, Javier Mena, Daniel Lazur

11:00 am, June 5

Lectors: R. Mikola, R. Jakubielski  
 Euch Min: N&M Lewandowski, C. Lannon, M. Knazur, J. Bondi, MJ Kansky  
 Altar Servers: Drew Dybel, Joshua Flores, Emily Curosh

### CARE CENTER

June 5: 10:00 a.m. E. Matuska, L. Biel

### WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 am

May 30 & 31: Amanda Blackwell & Jessica Banaszak  
 June 1 & 2: Ryan Brown & Rachel Boland  
 June 3 & 4: Jackie Camacho & Brittany Bulatovich

### DAY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pope John Paul II proclaimed October 2004 through October 2005 as the Year of the Eucharist. The Office of Worship is planning a Day of the Eucharist in celebration of this Year. It will be held at Cathedral of the Holy Angeles, Gary, Saturday, September 24. Rev. Ronald J. Lewinski and Ms. Mary Frances Reza will be the Keynoters for the Day of the Eucharist. Father Lewinski is a former Director of the Office of Worship for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Mary Frances Reza is a Liturgist and Musician from Santa Fe, NM. Fr. Lewinski will focus on the theology of the Eucharist. Ms. Reza will focus on how the Eucharist leads us to solidarity and mission. Both speakers will enrich our personal spirituality, as well as provide practical applications for the parish. Small breakout sessions will be conducted after each talk. Lunch will be available. The day will begin at 9:00 am with a Eucharistic Liturgy celebrated by Bishop Melczek, and concludes at 3:00 pm with prayer. The opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration will be available throughout the day. Plan on participating in this event on Saturday, September 24, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. For information call 769-9292, Kristopher Seaman Ext. 226 or Ext. 280 Anne Verbeke.

## PARISH DIRECTORY

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chair: Leo Barron, Damian Bondi, Debbie Franko, Anne Marie Gyure, Luz Gonzales, Robert Hildreth, Colleen Lannon, Nancy Mitchell, Mary Poppen, Martha Shimala, Dorris Weber, Janel Zubeck

### FINANCE COUNCIL

Chair: Edward Bojda, Darlene Beerling, Dan Botich, Linda Gajewski, Florence Gazda, Don Kaminsky, Milan Kruszynski

### COMMISSIONS:

#### STEWARDSHIP/ADMINISTRATION

Bulletin.....Mary Igras, Louise Kaminsky  
 Buildings/Grounds Director ..... Don Kaminsky  
 Church/Rectory  
 School Building Facilities..... Joseph Lazur

#### EDUCATION

Director of Religious Education .....Diane Puplava  
 Elizabeth Ministry .Diane Puplava, Kathleen Tallman  
 Gymnasium ..... Liz Delgado  
 Helping Hands.....Rebecca Flores  
 Home/School Association Chair.... Charles Remmers  
 Panel Room Manager.....Nickalus Janiga  
 School Band Director.....Rich Mlynarski  
 St. John School Advisory Board...Ch: Scott Thrasher,  
 Anna Howard, Jean Lovasko, Robert Rodriguez,  
 Deanne Shimala, Monique Jakubielski  
 St. John School: Principal.....Thomas Puplava  
 Secretary.....Marilyn Schaufele  
 School Cafeteria Manager.....Liz Delgado

#### PARISH LIFE

Rosary Society.....Carole Mareta  
 Cub Scouts.....Damian Bondi  
 Girl Scouts..... Jeannine Dabertin  
 Homebound.....Deacon Joe Manchak  
 Holy Name Society.....Anthony Barilla  
 Life Teen.....Marjie Biel, Candi Stapleton  
 Marian Theatre Guild.....Martin Dybel  
 Pirohi Makers .....Geri Tumidalsky

#### SPIRITUAL LIFE

Altar Ministers..... Fr. Gary Scherer  
 Environment.....Martin Dybel  
 Care Center Coordinator ..... Joseph Kruczek  
 Eucharistic Ministers..... Eve Duray  
 Lectors..... Nancy Gomez  
 Liturgy Committee..... Margaret Saliga  
 Marriage Coordinators:Anne Marie Gyure; Mary Tolin  
 Parish Music Director.....Geraldine Hildreth  
 Prayer Group..... Marilou Tonkovich  
 Sacristan.....Margaret Matuska

#### PEACE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Food Collection..... Thomas Chocholek  
 St. Vincent de Paul Society.....Diane Kaminsky

## WEEKLY CALENDAR



**June**  
**Month of**  
**The Sacred**  
**Heart of Jesus**

Sunday, May 29  
11:00 am Children's Liturgy  
of the Word

Monday, May 30  
10:30 am Memorial Day Mass St. John/St.  
Joseph Cemetery

Tuesday, May 31  
8:00-11:00 am Parish Library open

Wednesday, June 1  
2:30 pm SJS Sr. Choir  
7:00 pm Prayer Group

Thursday, June 2  
8:00-11:00 am Parish Library open  
4:00-5:00 pm Confessions  
6:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Cluster Meeting

Friday, June 3  
8:30 am Communion to the Homebound  
1:15-6:00 pm Eucharistic Devotions  
2:30 pm SJS Jr. Choir

Saturday, June 4

Sunday, June 5  
11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word  
2:00 pm Kindergarten Graduation  
7:00 pm C.P.P.S. Companions Gathering,  
Founders Room

### COMING UP:

Hammond Dog Walk: Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. at the green space at the corner of Hohman & Sibley. During the Walk all will stop in front of St. Joseph's Catholic Church for a special blessing of the animals. Registration fees; call Sandy Wojtaszek 219-844-1876. Website [www.neighborhoodsinc.com](http://www.neighborhoodsinc.com) (under programs/Events/DogWalk).

Annual Slovak Day Celebration, Sunday, June 19, Salvatorian Shrine, Merrillville.

HoosierRx Drug Card: If you are age 65 or over and do not have prescription drug assistance through insurance/Medicaid, you may be eligible for a HoosierRx Drug Card that can save seniors 75%. Get an application at your pharmacy, call 1-866-267-4679, or visit [www.IN.gov/HoosierRx](http://www.IN.gov/HoosierRx).