



LET US PRAY

Through the intercession of the Precious Blood of Jesus shed for all of us, please join in prayer for the victims of war and violence, victims whose blood is being shed needlessly in today's wars and conflicts throughout the world.

We pray:

God our Father, you reveal that those who work for peace will be called your sons and daughters. Help us to work unceasingly for that justice which brings true and lasting peace. Because you love all people, look with mercy on us. Banish the violence and evil around us and within us and restore tranquility and peace.

Eternal Father, we offer you the Precious Blood of Jesus, poured out on the cross and offered daily on the altar for peace and justice among all nations. Amen

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

If you read last week's bulletin, you observed how the Society helped 152 families with financial assistance for rent, utilities, and emergency housing. This would only be possible through your support. Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Society. We would appreciate your financial and prayerful support. God bless you!

BAPTISM MINISTRY

Our next series of preparation sessions for parents who wish to have their children baptized in one of the Whiting Cluster parishes will be held during the month of August. Please contact Diane Pupilava at 219-473-7557 or dpupilava@sjbcatholicparish.org for information or to register.

RITE OF INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA (Rite of Initiation of Adults) is the process by which people become full members of the Roman Catholic Church. The RCIA is designed for those desiring Baptism as well as for baptized Christians from other denominations who are seeking membership in the Catholic Church. The RCIA process is also open to baptized Catholics who would like to complete their initiation as members of the Church and are seeking Confirmation and or Holy Communion.

The first stage of the RCIA process is called the Period of Inquiry. This is a time for questions, finding out more about the Church and the life of faith. We are beginning the Period of Inquiry during the summer months. Our next Inquiry session will be held on Monday, August 14th. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the RCIA, please contact Diane Pupilava at 219-473-7557 or dpupilava@sjbcatholicparish.org.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Members of our parish community, family, or friends are serving in the armed services. Please pray for these brave men and women: Robert Bughman, Larry Gazafy, Gerardo Gonzalez, Thomas Gormley, James Grunhard Jr., Jonathan Joseph, Thomas M. Kaminsky, Mark Koval, Philip Mlynarski, Curtis Mordus, Nicholas Okamura, Thomas Pupilava Jr., Eric Schaufele, John Starzyk, Aaron Suarez, and Nathan Wilson. Please call the Rectory to add a name.



Listing includes Masses for St. Adalbert, Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, and St. John the Baptist parishes.

Monday, July 24, Sharbel Makhluof, priest
7:00 am †Michael Repay Off: Eugene Smith & Family (SJB)
8:00 am †O'Keefe & Perry Families (SH)

Tuesday, July 25, James, apostle
7:00 am †Joseph T. & Ann S. Knazur Off: Son, Joseph (SJB)
8:00 am †George Desatnick (SH)

Wednesday, July 26, Joachim & Anne, parents of Mary
7:00 am Living & Deceased Members of St. John Rosary Society (SJB)
8:00 am †Emma Borowski (SH)

Thursday, July 27
7:00 am †Milan Kansky Off: Wife, Mary Jane (SJB)
8:00 am †Paul Sinal (SH)

Friday, July 28
7:00 am †John & Mary (Pafco) Kudroch Off: Mary Ann Warner (SJB)
8:00 am †Mitzie Singel (SH)

Saturday, July 29, Martha
7:00 am †Deceased Members of Markovich - Mihalov Families Off: Tom (SJB)
4:30 pm Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SJB)
5:30 pm †Rose Leslie (SH)

Sunday, July 30, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SJB)
8:00 am †Harry Scivinsky (SA)
8:15 am †George Kusbel (IC)
8:30 am Whiting Robertsdale Catholic Community (SH)
9:00 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SJB)
10:15 am Al & Theresa Rokosz (SA)
10:45 am †Betty Talabay (SH)
11:00 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SJB)
5:30 pm Life Teen Mass (SJB) & Life Nite (SJB)

Pray For

Mary Bayus, Charles Beerling, Susan Biel, Joan Bruder, Lucy Campbell, Mary Danielson, John Dubec, Magdalene Doucette, Marie Emro, Sophie Foley, Eugene M. Kasper, Susan Kenda, Joseph Knish, Jerry Korba, Vicki Krause, Laura Kresich, Julia Kukta, Ann Latta, Joyce Lesar, David Luttrell, Dixie Luttrell, Ruth Magurany, Ann Mihalso, Victoria Miller, Janet Moran, Marie Silich, Victor Silich, Joseph Sotak, Angie Srencik, Mary Talabay, Virginia Troksa, Bobby Joe Watkins, Rev. John Zvijak, C.P.P.S.



Rosemary Bobos

Christian One Liners...

Prayer: Don't give God instructions, just report for duty!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekly.....	\$7,082.71
Loose.....	\$487.75
High School.....	\$46.00
Grade School.....	\$82.93
Total for the Week.....	\$7,699.39

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Young adult Catholics, in your 20's & 30's married or single, make plans to tap into Theology On Tap! The Greater Highland Area Young Adult Ministry invites you to join them on July Sundays (23, 30), at 7 p.m. at Langel's Pizza in Highland. For information, visit www.garyontap.com.

Theology on Tap is also offered at Annunciata Parish, 111th & Avenue G, Chicago. The third session is July 25, at 7:30 pm. The evenings topic will be "The Sacraments: Guaranteed Encounters with God."

HELP WANTED

There is an opening for a part-time custodial helper. Please call the Church Rectory, 659-0023, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 4 pm, to apply.

**FOREVER BLUE & GOLD
~ST. JOHN FAMILY~**

Mother Theodore Guerin founded the Sisters of Providence in 1840 at Saint Mary of the Woods, Indiana. On July 1st of this year, Pope Benedict XVI announced that Mother Theodore will be canonized on October 15, 2006. We will certainly join with Catholics throughout the world in celebrating this wonderful event.

Plan to visit the Forever Blue and Gold exhibit at Pierogi Fest. Alumni Jim Kozak, class of '66 has offered the use of his American Family Insurance Agency windows (1333 119th Street) for a tribute to the alumni of St. John School. Be sure to stop by to view videos of the early days of the school as well as see a display of school memorabilia from many classes. If you haven't yet shared your contact information with us, you can do that too! An added bonus for those who complete the alumni information at Pierogi Fest will be a chance to win a DVD player, donated by Alumni Mark Dominiak, class of '77.

CARE TO SHARE GIFT SHOP

The Care to Share gift shop, located at 1842-B on 45th Street in Munster next to Sterk's Grocery Store, is a shop of finer things such as crystal, china, framed art, lamps, figurines, jewelry and furniture. It is staffed by dedicated volunteers. The shop is special because all proceeds benefit Hospice of the Calumet Area. Hospice is a non-profit agency that provides compassionate care for persons facing end-of-life illnesses, regardless of their ability to pay. All items sold in the Care to Share Shop are donations or are sold on a 50/50 consignment basis. They are in need of more items for this shop. Store hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The shop is closed on Thursdays for consignment appointments. Please call Joanne Jurgens at 219-922-3727 if you have any questions if you wish to donate items for sale or to set up a consignment appointment. We encourage you to visit Care to Share to find the perfect gift.

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICES

The Church of the Annunciata, 11128 S. Ave G, Chicago, is offering two Taize prayer services on Tuesday, July 28, at 8 pm, "Celebration!", and Thursday, August 24, 8 pm, "Peace-able Kingdom." Musicians are invited to participate. Call Tim Quistorff at Annunciata for information at 773-221-1040, Ex. 24.

**IN GOD WE TRUST
LICENSE PLATE DESIGN POLL**

Visit www.InGodPlate.com to cast your vote in this unscientific poll by the Indiana license plate design firm.



dailygospel.org

Is it time for some new Bible technology in your life? Have you always wanted to read the Catholic Scriptures that are used everyday at Mass but you did not have time to sit down and do it before you left your home for work? Or do you not like "clicking" through a Catholic website to find the readings for the day? Well, we have good news for you. Go to dailygospel.org You will immediately and without any cost, be asked to list your email address and then The Daily Gospel will begin to send you the daily Catholic Mass reading automatically. They pop up when you visit your emails and you can choose to read them immediately or save them for another time. This is also a great tool if you are a parish Lector or ever wanted to practice to be one. It is a very well done website and should very nicely meet your needs to stay in touch with the Scriptures on a daily basis.



The School office is closed for the month of July. However, regular mail will be picked up and sorted daily. Voice mail has been activated and will be checked. You may also contact us through email at: principal, Mr. Feltz at tfeltz@sjbcatholicparish.org; school secretary, Mrs. Schaufele at mschaufele@sjbcatholicparish.org for any tuition questions; and Mrs. Delgado for questions about free/reduced lunches at ldelgado@sjbcatholicparish.org. For emergencies please contact the rectory.

There are still openings for full day Kindergarten. The child must be 5 years old by August 1. Please contact the school office to make arrangements for registration.

TRIP PROGRAM

Registration began July 1, 2006 and Ends September 1, 2006. There will be no second registration during the school year. You may drop your registration in the collection basket, school office, or the TRIP box outside the auditorium. TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program) is designed to help families by lowering tuition costs on an incentive basis. For information call TRIP committee members Mrs. Christine Filipek 219-659-5940, or Mrs. Andrea Matura 219-659-4960. You may also go to the parish website at <http://sjbcatholicparish.org> click on #1 St. John the Baptist/Welcome page.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
Alvin G. Dempsey, State Farm Agent
1110 -119th Street Whiting
219-659-2111

LITURGY ASSIGNMENTS

4:30 pm, July 29

Lectors: R. Mikola, F. Stofcik
 Euch Min: D. McCampbell, N. Mitchell, M. Poppen,
 M & K Wagner, MJ Kansky, E. Duray
 Altar Servers: Nicholas Curosh, Colin Chiluski,
 Brittany Bulatovich

7:00 am, July 30

Lectors: L. Barron, D. Guiden
 Euch Min: T. Barilla, B. Chidalek, E. Matuska,
 M. Saliga, G. Jancosek, T&S Adam
 Altar Servers: Andrew Franko, Bianca Gonzalez,
 Rachel Grunhard

9:00 am, July 30

Lectors: E. Bojda, A. Perz
 Euch Min: S&E Bakajza, D&L Blackwell, A. Jurek,
 L. Wade
 Altar Servers: Jessica Hatzcel, Krystle Howard,
 Joseph Igras

11:00 am, July 30

Lectors: K. Lannon, D. Botich
 Euch Min: N&M Lewandowski, R&B Jerzyk, Beth
 Jerzyk, C. Lannon
 Altar Servers: Rachel Hurtig, Alyce Jakubielski,
 Katelyn Kruszynski

5:30 pm, July 30

Altar Servers: Alison Kouris, Jason Kresich, Annie
 Labus

CARE CENTER

July 30: 10:00 a.m. N. Gomez, J. Kaminsky

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 am

July 24 & 25: Samuel DeCero, Amanda Delinck
 July 26 & 27: Mikayla Dross, John Duha
 July 28 & 29: Manuel Estrada, Joshua Flores

RIGHT TO LIFE UPDATES

The U.S. Senate will begin discussion regarding legislation that would make it a crime to transport a teenager across state borders for the purpose of having an abortion. PLEASE ask our Indiana Senators Evan Bayh and Richard Lugar to support the Child Protection Act. The U.S. Capitol Switchboard number is: 202-224-3121. It is such an easy process to give your name and address, and your message will be passed on to them.

PRAYER SHAWL KNITTERS

Attention Knitters! The Prayer Shawl knitters group is looking for new members who knit or crochet. Instructions are available. They meet every Monday at the Whiting Library from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. For more information call Doris at 659-1469.

CAUTION! Pangere Company is working in the church attic to construct a new catwalk, using the south side of the building. Please use caution when walking in that area.

PARISH DIRECTORY

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chair: Colleen Lannon, Robert Hildreth, Edward Igras, Rita Krilich, Marcia Krull, Nancy Mitchell, Gary Pieters, Mary Poppen, Martha Shimala, Chris Suarez, Minerva Wieczorek, 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 DirectorDon Kaminsky
 Church/Rectory
 School Building Facilities.....Pat Shalack

EDUCATION

Director of Religious Education Diane Pupilava
 Elizabeth Ministry: Diane Pupilava, Kathleen Tallman
 GymnasiumMatthew Saliga
 Helping Hands.....Rebecca Flores
 Home/School Association Chair...Charles Remmers
 Panel Room Manager.....Carol Vargo
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 Jean Lovasko, Robert Rodriguez, Scott Thrasher
 St. John School Principal.....Thomas Feltz
 Secretary.....Marilyn Schaufele
 School Band DirectorRich Mlynarski
 School Cafeteria Manager.....Liz Delgado
 Cub Scouts Michael Maloney
 Girl Scouts Jeannine Dabertin

PARISH LIFE

Holy Name SocietyAnthony Barilla
 HomeboundDeacon Joe Manchak
 Life Teen.....Marjie Biel, Candi Stapleton
 Marian Theatre GuildMartin Dybel
 Pirohi MakersGeri Tumidalsky
 Rosary Society.....Marsha Banik

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Altar Ministers..... Fr. Gary Scherer
 Care Center Coordinator Joseph Kruczek
 Environment.....Martin Dybel
 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

Sunday, JULY 23

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJ)
5:30 pm Life Teen Mass & Life Nite (SJ)

Monday, JULY 24

10:30 am Bible Study at (SH) rectory

Tuesday, JULY 25

Wednesday, JULY 26

7:00 pm Prayer Group (SJ)

Thursday, JULY 27

7:00 pm Pastoral Council (SJ)

Friday, JULY 28, PIEROGI FEST

Saturday, JULY 29, PIEROGI FEST

St. Vincent de Paul Second Collection (SJ)

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES CRUISE

Catholic Charities invites you to attend their Lake Michigan "Sunset Cruise," Thursday, August 10, departing from the East Chicago Marina. A \$65/person donation includes a social hour/buffet at 5:30 pm followed by a cruise on Lake Michigan. Call 219-663-8417, ext. 325.

F.C.S.L.A. BRANCH #81 ANNUAL DINNER

Save this date! September 24, 2006 — F.C.S.L.A. Br. #81 Annual Dinner at the St. John Panel Room. For all members. No charge. Details to follow!



CATHOLIC CHARITIES MEN'S GOLF OUTING

Monday, August 28, Briar Ridge Country Club, Schererville. Tickets are \$175 for this years event and include golf, lunch, prizes, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. All are Welcome. Call Rita 663-8417 Ext. 325 to register.

ST. JOHN CATERING/BANQUET FACILITIES

Are you having a wedding, graduation party, class reunion, bridal shower or quinceanera? Would you like us to cook for you, or would you like to bring your own food and rent a room? Call Carol Vargo at 219-659-3041 or go to www.sjbcatholicparish.org and click on the Meetings and Facilities tab for more information.