

All Are Welcome . . .

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

July 10, 2005

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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Cafeteria.....659-3041
Gymnasium.....473-7556
Helping Hands.....473-7554
Marian Theatre.....473-7555
Panel Room.....659-3041



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 Mass8:30 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.



FROM THE PASTOR

CLUSTER NEWS

Dear Parishioners of the
Whiting/Robertsdale Cluster,

With Father Dominik receiving Senior Priest Status and Fr. Malagon being reassigned to another parish, Bishop Melczek asked me to assume pastoral responsibility for the entire cluster.

I accepted the position with trust in the Lord and trust in you that together we can and will meet the challenges we face in the future.

Through our baptism we become the one body of Jesus Christ. Like the universal church, we are many parts, diverse in background, culture, experience, talents and gifts. Our diversity is a gift to our individual parishes and certainly to the members of our cluster. God has called us to be stewards. We have the responsibility to foster these gifts and share them with one another.

I have met with the Pastoral Councils of all four parishes. They view the future not as a problem to solve but as a challenge for growth. This challenge will make the Catholic church in our area stronger and even more vital. I will work with the members of the Councils. As parish leaders, they are willing to give of their time and talent to address the needs and future direction of the parish and of the cluster.

The Mass schedule remains the same until the middle of August. This includes the Mass in Polish and in Spanish.

St. John School begins August 17, and so an additional Mass will be added during the week for the children. All four Pastoral Councils agreed that beginning August 15, weekday Masses will be celebrated at St. Adalbert, Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart at 8:00 a.m. one week at a time on a rotating basis. Since between 60 to 70 people attend Mass at St. John's on a daily basis, the weekday 7:00 a.m. Mass will remain the same and not be included in the rotation.

The Mass schedule for future Sunday Masses will be discussed with the Pastoral Councils.

Please continue praying for our parishes and for the cluster. May all of us be open to God's guidance as we meet future challenges.

Blessings!

Fr. John

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 11, Benedict, abbot
7:00 am †Mary, Frank & Charles Kocsis Off: Frank & Janet Kocsis

Tuesday, July 12
7:00 am †Rose Zajac Off: Husband, Stan & Family

Wednesday, July 13, Henry
7:00 am †Frank Shimala (Anniv.) Off: Wife, Martha & Family

Thursday, July 14, Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha,
virgin
7:00 am †John & Ann Kaminsky & Family Off:
Daughter, Maggie

Friday, July 15, Bonaventure, bishop & doctor
7:00 am †Mary Kissel Off: Daughter, Margaret
Springer

Saturday, July 16, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
7:00 am †Eleanor Tokarz Off: Ron & Barb Jerzyk &
Family
4:30 pm For Our Parish Family
50th Wedding Anniversary,
George & Janet Morrison

Sunday, July 17, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time
7:00 am For Our Parish Family
9:00 am For Our Parish Family



Mary Banik, Charles Beerling,
Susan Biel, Rita Biesen, John
Dubec, Joe Geffert, Paul E.
Gerba, Florence Golding, Pat
Grenchik, Jerry Hajduch, Rev. Joseph Hajduch, C.PP.
S., Patrica Iwan, Catherine Kalicky, Michael Kasarda,
Eugene M. Kasper, Susan Kenda, Barbara Kotlowski,
Julia Kukta, Joyce Lesar, Rose Leslie, John Lofay,
Florence Lukasik, Ann Mihalso, Sylvester Nemcek,
Marie Silich, Victor Silich, Joseph Sotak, Angie & Jo-
seph Srencik, Rev. John Zvijak, C.PP.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.



Margaret M. Veslocki
Georgene A. Smaluk

ADMINISTRATION & STEWARDSHIP

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Adults.....	\$9,682.36
Loose.....	\$430.00
High School.....	\$29.25
Grade School.....	\$67.20
Total for the Week.....	\$10,208.81

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Many thanks to the 478 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.

HOLY NAME SUNDAY

The St. John Holy Name Society monthly Mass and Communion is today, Sunday, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All men of the parish are welcome. There will be no meeting. The next meeting will be August 14th.

MIGRANT MASS

The office of Hispanic Ministry for the Diocese of Gary would like to invite the public to their third "Migrant Mass" on Sunday, July 17th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Edward's Parish, 216 S. Nichols St., Lowell. Celebrant will be Fr. Frank Torres. Join us for the social hour immediately following the Mass. For information call 219-397-2125.

WWW.SPIRITEDTALK.ORG

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BLUE ARMY RUMMAGE SALE

The Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima is sponsoring a Rummage Sale, Friday & Saturday, July 29th & 30th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at St. Thomas More School Gym, 8501 Calumet Ave., Munster. If you have items you would like to donate, please bring them to the school gym on Tuesday & Wednesday, July 26th & 27th between 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. or call Rose Marie Malburg at 836-8779 to arrange a truck pick up. Tax receipts will be given.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
ALVIN G. DEMPSEY, STATE FARM AGENT
1110 -119TH STREET
219-659-2111

ST. JOHN SPORTS SIGNUPS

For those who have not yet signed up for Volleyball, Cross Country, or Soccer there will be a sign up day on Monday, July 18th from 5:00-6:30 p.m. in the Gym Lobby. If there are any questions or you would be interested in coaching Volleyball or Soccer please contact Matt Saliga, Athletic Director at mrsaliga@hotmail.com or 219-659-0057.

FREE HEALTH TESTS FOR SENIORS 55+

"Festival of the Lakes Senior Day", Friday July 22nd from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 pm, at the Environmental Education Center, 2405 Calumet. Free health tests: Blood Pressure, Cholesterol, Glucose and Bone Density. Call Hammond Health Dept. 853-6358.

SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL WREATH 81

Annual picnic Sunday, August 7th at Sacred Heart Rose Room, 12 noon. An afternoon of food, fun, and fraternal fellowship is planned. The picnic is free and open to members. Reservations required. Call Mary Ann Hajduch 659-0681 before July 29th.

CALLING ALL GOLFERS

It is time to dust off those clubs and shine up those shoes! The annual St. John Golf Outing is scheduled for August 6th at the Lost Marsh Golf Course in Hammond. The first T-time is at 10:00 a.m., and a delicious dinner is being planned for the evening. Fees are \$50 for golf and \$15.00 for dinner. Advance payment is required. Call Greg at 659-1382 with your reservations.

CRIME WATCH

The Whiting/Robertsdale Crime Watch meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14th at 6:00 p.m., at Calumet College of St. Joseph, Room 200. Let's work together as one community to keep our neighborhoods safe! All are welcome!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

This past Friday prayer shawls were presented to the residents of the Hammond-Whiting Care Center. The knitters have lovingly put in many hours creating beautiful shawls. If you are a knitter and are interested in joining this ministry, they meet Mondays at 1 p.m. at the Whiting Library. Call Doris 659-1469 for information.

SOLUTIONS FOR TAX RELIEF

Reverse Mortgage information for seniors, July 12 at Neighborhoods Inc., Hammond. Handicapped accessible site. Call 219-844-1876 to register.

WEDDING BANNES

I Kurt Pramuk & Luann Morgan
I James Costello & Erica Martinez
II Michael Chovan & Angela Lopez
II Salvador Herrera & Melissa Flores

LITURGY ASSIGNMENTS

4:30 pm, July 16

Lectors: J. Wagner, J. Kozak
 Euch Min: MJ Kansky, C. Vrabel, D. McCampbell,
 M. Poppen, R&B Jerzyk, E. Duray
 Altar Servers: Krystle Howard, Joseph Igras, Alison
 Kouris

7:00 am, July 17

Lectors: Helen Marie, R. Matlon
 Euch Min: T. Barilla, L. Barron, B. Chidalek,
 G. Jancosek, D&R Barnes, T. Adam
 Altar Servers: Alec, Eric & Rafael Rodriguez

9:00 am, July 17

Lectors: E. Bojda, F. Powell
 Euch Min: S&E Bakajza, A. Jurek, ML Tonkovich,
 L. Wade, D. Weber
 Altar Servers: Christine Krilich, Jason Kresich, Kyle
 Kruszynski

11:00 am, July 17

Lectors: R. Mikola, R. Jakubielski
 Euch Min: N&M Lewandowski, M. Knazur,
 M&K Wagner, C. Lannon
 Altar Servers: Eric Roldan, Adam Rosado, Vincent
 Rossodivito

CARE CENTER

July 17: 10:00 a.m. R. Mikola, J. Bobos

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 am

July 11 & 12: Aimee Perhach & Krista Perez
 July 13 & 14: Ashley Pokraka & Clarke Remmers
 July 15 & 16: Emerik & Anthony Quiroz

ST. ANN'S FEAST DAY JULY 26, 2005

A bus will leave from Sacred Heart Church, 1731 La-
 Porte Ave., Whiting, for St. Ann's Shrine in St. Ann,
 Illinois on Tuesday, July 26th at 8:00 a.m. and return
 at 5:30 p.m. For further information and reserva-
 tions, call Anne Singel 659-2846 or 659-3210.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY CARMELITE HOME COLLECTION

Yes, we know it's not Christmas, but can you please
 help us! Our Holy Innocents Room shelves are
 empty. We are collecting supplies for children of the
 Carmelite Home on Sunday, July 24: Diapers, pull-
 ups, wipes, lotion, shampoo, toys, socks, clothes
 (sizes 1-10), T-shirts, toothpaste, toothbrushes,
 Vaseline, A&D ointment, personal hygiene products,
 sanitizing hand soap, underwear for little boys and
 girls, etc. Please deliver to Holy Trinity Church,
 4754 Carey St., East Chicago, the last Saturday of
 each month. For information or to arrange pickups,
 call the parish at 398-3061, Many thanks!

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 EducationDiane Puplava
 Elizabeth Ministry .Diane Puplava, Kathleen Tallman
 GymnasiumMatthew Saliga
 Helping Hands.....Rebecca Flores
 Home/School Association Chair.... Charles Remmers
 Panel Room Manager.....Carol Vargo
 School Band DirectorRich Mlynarski
 St. John School Advisory Board...Ch: Scott Thrasher,
 Anna Howard, Jean Lovasko, Robert Rodriguez,
 Deanne Shimala, Monique Jakubielski
 St. John School: PrincipalThomas Feltz
 Secretary.....Marilyn Schaufele
 School Cafeteria Manager.....Liz Delgado

PARISH LIFE

Rosary Society.....Ann Klochan
 Cub Scouts.....Damian Bondi
 Girl Scouts..... Jeannine Dabertin
 Homebound.....Deacon Joe Manchak
 Holy Name SocietyAnthony Barilla
 Life Teen.....Marjie Biel, Candi Stapleton
 Marian Theatre Guild.....Martin Dybel
 Pirohi MakersGeri 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

Sunday, July 10

9:00 am Holy Name Sunday
11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, July 11

10:30 am Bible Study, SH Rectory

Tuesday, July 12

Parish Library closed
Solutions for Tax Relief Program

Wednesday, July 13

10:00 am FCCLA
7:00 pm Prayer Group

Thursday, July 14

Parish Library Closed
6:00 pm Crime Watch, Rm. 200 Calumet College

Friday, July 15

Saturday, July 16

Sunday, July 17

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

PARISH LIBRARY

For the summer the Parish Library is available by appointment only. Please call Rita Krilich at 659-2965.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

You may pick up your offering envelopes at the Rectory during business hours 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

HAPPENING ELSEWHERE:

St. Patrick Church Summer Festival, 3810 Grand Blvd., East Chicago, Friday July 15—Sunday, July 17: disco, bingo, rummage sale, Puerto Rican, Mexican, American food, raffle, games. Call 219-398-1036.

St. Stanislaus Parish Festival, 808 W. 150th St., East Chicago, Sunday, July 17, Noon to 10 PM. Polish, American, Mexican food, bingo, music, dancing, games, raffle. Call 398-2341 for information.

Catholic Charities Men's Golf Outing, Wednesday, August 10th at Briar Ridge Country Club, Schererville. Tickets \$175 and include golf, lunch, prizes, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. All are Welcome. Call Rita at 663-8417, Ext. 325 to register.