

All Are Welcome . . .

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

July 24, 2005

SEVENTEENTH 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
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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.

SPIRITUAL LIFE



STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE

In today's first reading, rather than asking for riches and possessions, Solomon asks God for the gift of wisdom. God grants Solomon's request and Solomon becomes known for his understanding heart and wise decisions. May we, too, recognize the importance of the gifts we have been given, especially those which we are called to use to continue Jesus' mission to care for all of creation.

BAPTISM MINISTRY

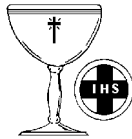
The next series of parish baptisms will be held during the month of August. Please contact Diane Pupilava at 473-7557 or dpupilava@hotmail.com for more information or to register.

BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to join with members of our W/R Catholic Community as we participate in scripture study on a weekly basis. Bring your Bible and come to the Sacred Heart Church Rectory, 1731 LaPorte Ave., Whiting each Monday from 10:30 until 11:45 a.m. Bring your thoughts and questions and increase your knowledge and understanding of sacred scripture.

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC DAY

Pope John Paul II, promulgated his apostolic letter *Mane Nobiscum Domine—Stay With Us Lord* to mark the beginning of the Year of the Eucharist, which is from October 2004 to October 2005. Bishop Melczek and the members of the Priest Council have designated September 24th as the Diocesan Eucharistic Day in celebration of the Year of the Eucharist. This event will be held at the Cathedral of the Holy Angeles, beginning at 9:00 am with Eucharistic Liturgy celebrated by Bishop Melczek.



Keynote Speakers

Morning Session: Fr. Ron Lewinski, Topic: "Eucharist as Sacrament and Mystery of Light"

Afternoon Session: Mary Frances Reza, Topic: "Eucharist 'communion' and Mission"

Fr. Gilberto Gonzalez, O.F.M. will give both talks in Spanish for the non-English speaking attendees. Time will be provided for Eucharistic Adoration. Lunch will be available for \$5.00.

RESPECT LIFE MASS

You are invited to a Respect Life Mass, Saturday, August 6, at 9 am, at St. Stephen Martyr in Merrillville. The Mass intention is to promote the culture of life. It is sponsored by Children of the Rosary. Confessions are from 8:30—8:50 am. Call Sharon at 219-988-4159 for more information.

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 25, James, apostle

7:00 am †Mia Sanchez Off: The DeCero Family

Tuesday, July 26, Joachim & Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 am Intention of John & Marie Dubec

Wednesday, July 27

7:00 am †Margaret Repay Off: Family

Thursday, July 28

7:00 am †John & Mary (Pafco) Kudroch Off: Mary Ann Warner

Friday, July 29, Martha

7:00 am †Vladimir (Loddy) Lissy Off: Kris Visher & Deborah Beaird

Saturday, July 30, Peter Chrysologus, bp., doctor

7:00 am †John Drac Off: St. John Rosary Society

12:00 pm James Costello & Erica Martinez Wedding

2:00 pm Kurt Pramuk & Luann Morgan Wedding

4:30 pm For Our Parish Family

Sunday, July 31, Eighteenth 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



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



Edward Elbaor
Helen Kandalec

ADMINISTRATION & STEWARDSHIP

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Adults.....	\$7,920.00
Loose.....	\$487.60
High School.....	\$25.50
Grade School.....	\$85.00
Total for the Week.....	\$8,518.10
Haiti Collection.....	\$3,286.50

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Many thanks to the 491 families who have responded thus far. Prayerfully consider sharing. Your gift helps support those less fortunate. Please return pledge cards to the parish office, or place in the offertory basket at Mass.

PEACE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

WHITING FIRE FUND

The City of Whiting organized a special fund to financially help the victims of the recent fire that destroyed two single-family homes and a two-unit apartment on Fischrupp Avenue. The Whiting/Robertsdale Cluster Parishes collected \$4,701.42 during a second collection last Sunday. Thank you for your generosity! If you wish to make a donation, call the Mayor's office at 659-7700.

ADOPTION INFORMATION MEETING

Children all over the world are in need of a loving family. Sunny Ridge Family Center invites you to attend a free Domestic & Inter-country Adoption Information Meeting Tuesday, August 9th at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be at the Munster Public Library, 8701 Calumet Avenue. Learn about children in the United States, Guatemala, China, Ukraine, Poland, and elsewhere, and requirements and process for adopting. For more information or to register for this free meeting, call Sunny Ridge at 219-836-2117 or visit www.sunnyridge.org.

BATTER UP SPIDER-MAN!!!

Help Spider-Man knock child abuse out of the RailCats ballpark, Thursday, August 4th, 7 pm. For tickets call New HOPE Women's Outreach 219-838-1093. Make checks payable to: Batter Up Spider-Man, 2646 Highway Ave. #204, Highland, IN. 46322; or call Renee Connelly/RailCats Manager 219-882-BALL. Proceeds fund child abuse education/prevention and help care for victims.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

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.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
WHITING FLOWER SHOP
1347 -119TH STREET, WHITING
219-659-0326

ST. JOHN GOLF OUTING

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 am, and a delicious dinner is being planned for the evening. Fees are \$50 for golf and \$15.00 for dinner. Advance payment required. Call Greg 659-1382 with your reservations.

WHITING PARK FESTIVAL CHORUS

Rehearsals for the Festival Chorus began Wed., July 20, and continue every Wednesday thereafter at 6:30 pm at Sacred Heart Church, 1730 LaPorte Ave. Faith Pratt is directing the choir. Everyone is welcome to sing for the concert conducted by Robert Vodnoy of Valparaiso University. Please join us for a fun time in singing for this special occasion.



FIRST CATHOLIC SLOVAK LADIES JR. BRANCH #58

Is celebrating its 100 Year Anniversary by going to the Schererville Golf & Fun Center on Saturday, August 6th at 10:30 a.m. Members of FCSLA Jr. Br.#58 only, may RSVP by July 28th by calling 659-4546.



SHARE FOUNDATION LEPRECHAUN HUNT

The Share Foundation will hold its 11th Annual Leprechaun Hunt And Family Fun Day Sunday, August 7th from noon to 6:00 p.m. at Sharing Meadows in Rolling Prairie, Indiana. Twenty-eight leprechauns are waiting to be found, worth from \$50 to \$1,500. Admission is \$40 in advance, \$45 at the gate per adult, \$35 in advance, \$40 at the gate for senior citizens (65+) and children 17 and under are free with parent or grandparent. This includes delicious food, drinks, games and continuous Irish entertainment. For tickets call 219-778-2585. All funds benefit programs for other-abled adults. Come out and join the fun!

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WEDDING BANNS

II David Serrano & Sarah M. Tomko
III Kurt Pramuk & Luann Morgan
III James Costello & Erica Martinez

LITURGY ASSIGNMENTS

4:30 pm, July 30

Lectors: F. Stofcik, J. Wagner
 Euch Min: L. Barron, G&C Rosen, C. Vrabel,
 M. Poppen, E. Duray, MJ Kansky
 Altar Servers: Nicole Massoels, Javier Mena, Michelle
 Mirza

7:00 am, July 31

Lectors: R. Matlon, Helen Marie
 Euch Min: T. Barilla, B. Chidalek, D&R Barnes,
 G. Jancosek, T. Adam, L. Kilander
 Altar Servers: Katherine Chiluski, Emily Curosh,
 Donnella Casillas

9:00 am, July 31

Lectors: F. Powell, E. Bodja
 Euch Min: S&E Bakajza, A. Jurek, D. McCampbell,
 ML Tonkovich, L. Wade
 Altar Servers: David Moats, Joshua & Jacob Pelletier

11:00 am, July 31

Lectors: R. Jakubielski, R. Mikola
 Euch Min: N&M Lewandowski, M&K Wagner,
 K. Saliga, S. Rosendo
 Altar Servers: Daisy Cruz, Amanda Delinck, Mikayla
 Dross

CARE CENTER

July 31: 10:00 a.m. E. Matuska, J. Kaminsky

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 am

July 25 & 26: Matthew & Brittany Bulatovich
 July 27 & 28: Jackie Camacho & Julio Casares IV
 July 29 & 30: Carla & Carlo, Jr. Casas

SUMMER NUTRITION PROGRAM

A Summer Child Nutrition program will be offered to the Whiting Community. All children from ages 18 months to 18 years of age can eat lunch at no cost. The Whiting food service department will be serving lunch Monday through Friday through August 19th. Lunch will be served in the cafeteria at Whiting High School, Entrance #6 off New York Avenue from 10:30 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. daily. Call 473-0961.

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 Tues. & Wed., July 26th & 27th between 9 am to 8 pm or call Rose Marie Malburg 836-8779 to arrange a truck pick up.

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

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 24

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, July 25

10:30 am Bible Study, SH Rectory

Tuesday, July 26

Parish Library closed

Wednesday, July 27

7:00 pm Prayer Group

Thursday, July 28

7:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting
Parish Library Closed

Friday, July 29 — Whiting Pierogi Fest

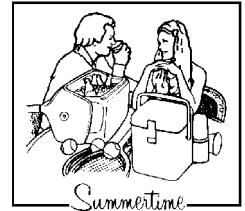
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9:00 am K of C Corporate Communion, St. John

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

*Come to the
Whiting Pierogi Fest!
Friday, Saturday, & Sunday
July 29, 30, and 31*



HAPPENING ELSEWHERE:

Children's Day Festival: St. John Cantius Church Parking Lot, 139th and Pulaski, East Chicago, IN. Friday, July 29th 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. Free admission between the hours of 12:00-2:00 p.m. with the donation of two can goods. After 2:00 p.m. Admission \$2.00. Come and join in on the celebration.

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.

Catholic Charities Men's Golf Outing, Wednesday, August 10th Briar Ridge Country Club, Schererville. Tickets \$175. Call Rita 663-8417, Ext. 325.