

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Meetings: 1st Thursdays @ 8PM

Parish Center Office Hours
Hours are approximate & will remain flexible & subject to change.

Fr. John:
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and
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If you are willing to be involved in Mass Ministry, please contact the parish office. We are all called to partake in the liturgy. A big thank you to all who have served and continue to serve. You are appreciated!

MASS SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 16TH-23RD			
DAY	TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
Mon. 12/16	- No Mass on Mondays - Father's Day Off		
Tues. 12/17	8:30 AM	Parkview	Tony Mages
"	9:30 AM	Southwind	Melvin Hines
Wed. 12/18	8:30 AM	Parkview	Austin & Katie Kropp
Thurs. 12/19	8:30 AM	Parkview	Bob Peintner
Fri. 12/20	8:30 AM	Parkview	Rick Indiek
Sat. 12/21	6:30 PM	Church	Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
Sun. 12/22	8:00 AM	Church	Ed Ackerman
Confessions: Saturdays at 5:45 PM or by appointment.			

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.
ST. LEONARD'S COUNCIL #1539

KofC Meetings
1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows


The Daughters of Isabella
St. Vincent de Paul #211

DofI Meetings
2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room



Scan to find us on Facebook!

If you'd like to be added to the email prayer chain ministry, or have a prayer request to send out, please contact either Ginny Werner (ginny_werner@yahoo.com) or Lynnette Hessman (nettemae1984@yahoo.com).



MASS MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 21ST & 22ND		
Collection: Nathan Stein		Collection Asst: Rich Gleason
	SATURDAY - 6:30 PM	SUNDAY - 8:00 AM
Sacristans	Teresa Konrade	Dana Howerton
Servers	Emma Ackerman, Bellanie Friess, Jaelin Friess	Clare Bowman, Lena Gleason, Emalye Stegman
Lectors	Cindy Hubbell	Rich Gleason
EMCs	Mike Hubbell, Steve Hubbell, Tonya Hubbell	LynAnn Bowman, Chelsea Gleason, Phil Gleason
Musician	Dana Howerton	Dana Howerton
Cantor	Chase Howerton	Chase Howerton
Ushers	Carson Konrade, Louie Konrade	Phil Gleason, Kelly Stein
Gifts	Carson Konrade Family	Whitney Gleason Family

Vocation Views: "What ought we to do?" Let joy and gladness show forth in you. You are called to be the presence of Jesus. (Luke 3:10-18)

-- If you're discerning the priesthood, contact **Fr. Ted Stoecklein** at vicargeneral@dcdiocese.org or **620-227-1555**--

Parish News

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

Today's Gospel provides a blueprint for good stewardship: "Let the man who has two coats give to him who has none. The man who has food should do the same."

TITHING REPORT for DEC. 7TH & 8TH

Box Collection: \$ 1,422.00
Online Giving: \$ 1,420.00

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE:

There will be an Advent Penance Service on Sunday, December 22nd at 4 PM where Fr. John and Fr. Ted Stoecklein will be hearing confessions. If this time does not work for you, confessions are always offered every Saturday around 5:45pm before the 6:30 Mass or by appointment. *Father will always do his best to make himself available for anyone seeking this sacrament.*

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL:

In the church entryway, you will find Donation Cards and return envelopes for Catholic Charities of SWKS. They have begun their annual appeal. If you feel called to give during this Advent and Christmas season, please pick up a card and envelope, or scan the QR code on the card, or go to www.CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org to donate online. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE:

For anyone who can make it, there will be a choir practice THIS Sunday, December 15th right after the 8 AM Mass. Any additional practices may be determined at that time. If you are interested in singing and did not receive an email from Jenny, please just show up! There are binders with music on the entryway table.



PARISH ROSARY CHALLENGE:

When you receive the statue, pray the rosary daily for a week, for your own intentions and for the special intentions listed. **December** - For the upcoming jubilee year, that it strengthens our faith and helps us to recognize Christ in our daily lives.

December 15th-22nd: Phil and Judy Gleason

**KofC MEMBERS:**
Annual Membership Stag/Stagette
Saturday, January 11, 2025

Members of St. Leonard's Council #1539, their spouses, and the spouses of deceased members are welcome!
Come pay your dues for 2025 and enjoy a fun evening with us!
--Doors and bar open at 5:30 pm
--Meal catered by Brian Myers after Mass at 7:30 pm
--Monte Carlo games put on by the Wright KofC Council
St. John the Baptist Parish Center

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE:

On Saturday, January 25th, there will be a Pilgrimage for Life Event starting at the Cathedral at 10 AM. The day will begin with a presentation by Catholic Charities, followed by a 2-mile prayer walk which will end up back at the Cathedral for Mass at 11:30 and a light lunch to finish. This is a free event, but please scan the code to register online so they can get a count for lunch. Participants are encouraged to also bring a non-food pantry item for Catholic Charities (laundry detergent, shampoo, deodorant, diapers, etc.)

Scan to Register Online:



Birthdays December 16th - 22nd	
December 16th	Melvin Habiger
December 17th	Pat Habiger, Chris Konrade, Kelton
December 18th	Frank Mages, Gayle Linnebur, Austin Ruiz