Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil..................5:00pm
Sunday..........................8:00am
........................................10:00am
Tuesdays.......................5:30pm
Wednesdays, Thursdays.....8:00am
Friday (School Mass)........9:00am
Saturdays......................8:00am
(Holy Days and Holidays—see bulletin
Or call Parish Office)

Sacrament of Confession
Tuesdays..........................5:00pm
Wednesdays, Thursdays........7:30am
Fridays..........................8:30am
Saturdays.......................8:30-9:30am
..................................3:30-4:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel
Open to all, 24 hours per day

Sacrament of Marriage
Couples must call Fr. Carlson 6 months in advance

Sacrament of Baptism
Please call the Parish Office 2 months prior to
child’s birth. Required classes held regularly.

Resurrection Cemetery
5555 Covington Rd, Shorewood, MN 55331

A local Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or
victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church.
Victim Assistance Hotline: (651)291-4497
**Behold St. John’s**

This weekend we kick off our Increased Offertory campaign *Behold St. John’s*. As we have heard from parishioner and school parent, Patrick Hodgdon, at all of our weekend Masses, God is never outdone in generosity. He will and does take however little that we give him and he multiplies it beyond our greatest imaginings and expectations. Here at St. John’s, we are witnesses to this generosity every day. We each offer our gifts, no matter how humble or simple, and we bring them together before the Lord. And it is then God who turns even the smallest gifts into great ones.

The *Behold St. John’s* packet that you will receive in the mail this week will showcase some of the amazing multiplication of gifts happening here in our parish. I encourage you to keep an eye on your mailbox in the coming days for this important mailer. The packet was sent to all registered parishioners and those who may not be registered but have given to our offertory collection in the past year. If, for some reason, you do not receive a mailer this week, please contact the parish office at 952-474-8868 or stjohns@stjohns-excelsior.org to request a copy. Extras will also be available next weekend on the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Place.

When you receive your packet, please take some time to read it carefully and pray about the ways that you are seeing God’s generous magnification and multiplication of gifts happening in your life and in our parish. Again, as Patrick reminded us, we are all called to spread the Gospel, but we cannot do it alone. We give to God so that He can do even more than we are capable of on our own. As a steward and disciple, how are you personally called to proclaim the Good News?

As we take the time over the next two weeks to truly *Behold St. John’s* and prayerfully consider the individual gifts that we can offer to God, trusting in his generosity to make them into something great, let us give thanks for all who makes St. John’s what it is. Each and every one of us here is an integral part of St. John’s, no matter how big or small we believe our role to be. It is not the buildings, not the staff, not the pastor, but rather each and every one of you, parishioners, visitors, and students, young, old, and in-between, the Body of Christ, here at St. John’s, that is something truly worthy to behold!

God bless,

Fr. Carlson

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*Thank you to new parishioner and school parent, Patrick Hodgdon, for sharing his beautiful stewardship witness this weekend.*

Patrick and Marie Hodgdon
Jack (9), Nicholas (7), Monica (6), Max (4), and Lucy (3)

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This week you will receive a brochure detailing the *Behold St. John’s* Increased Offertory Program we will be participating in over the next few weeks. This informative brochure is intended to communicate the financial needs of our parish and why we are having a dedicated focus on our parish offertory. We encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the parish's needs and your current level of giving. We look forward to seeing all of our parishioners at Mass next weekend for this very important Commitment Sunday. If you have any questions regarding the *Behold St. John’s* Increased Offertory Program, please contact Andrea McMerty-Brummer in the parish office.
OPEN ADORATION HOURS

Take some quiet prayer time in the adoration chapel

OPEN ADORATION HOURS
MONDAYS: 12:00AM, 12:00PM, 4:00PM, 6:00PM
TUESDAYS: WEDNESDAYS: 12:00AM, THURSDAYS: 9:00PM
FRIDAYS: 12:00AM, 4:00AM, 12:00PM, 1:00PM, 11:00PM (WEEK 4 ONLY)
SATURDAYS: 4:00AM, 7:00AM, 1:00PM, 5:00PM
SUNDAYS:

Please contact Maristel Conry at (612) 590-8882 or via email at maristel.conry@gmail.com if you are available and willing to sign up for an hour each week!

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH
We invite you to keep in your daily prayers the sick and confined of our parish who seek God’s joy in their infirmity, in particular:

- Elvera Hoops
- Betty Roy
- Mary Rosati
- Viviana Wright
- Bill Ashenbach
- Margaret Davis
- Kon Wurm
- Ruth Colnar
- Kathy Bedford
- Steve Haskins

LITURGICAL EXPEDITIONS
THE PROCESSION
BY DEACON RILEY

Philosophers since the beginning of time have been puzzling over a single question. What is the meaning of life? Why are we here, on this earth? This is an important question, and any answer that we adhere ourselves to should direct the way we live every aspect of our lives.

As Christians, we know the answer. God has revealed it to us through scripture and the wisdom of the Church. Our entire purpose is oriented toward one goal—to be with God in heaven. Our short life here is a pilgrimage, a journey from the lower to the higher. In a short span of 80 or 90 years, we meet everyone we will meet and make every friend we will have, all leading up to one day being with God in Heaven.

At the beginning of Mass, the priest shows us this journey. As he begins in the back of the church near the baptismal font, we are reminded of the beginning of our life of grace—our baptism. The priest then moves in a singular direction, from the beginning to the end. He walks among the people he knows and loves, but is undeterred in his goal. As he genuflects with the servers and the deacon, he ascends from the lower place of creation to the higher place of God. His simple walk symbolizes the journey that we are all on from our baptism to our death: to be alongside Jesus in His father’s house.

ALTERN SERVER TRAINING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH FROM 4:00 - 5:00PM.

Have you considered becoming an altar server? Do you have a child who is 4th grade or higher? Please join us on Thursday, November 4th for training! We’ll have some cookies, fruit and lemonade in the Gathering Place at 3:45pm. Pictured below are some of our altar servers when Archbishop Hebda celebrated Mass with us.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 27, 2019

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14,16-18/Ps 34:2-3,17-19,23/2Tm 4:6-8,16-18/Lk 18:9-14
Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1-6/Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-6/Lk 13:22-30
Friday: Rv 7:2-4,9-14/Ps 24:1-6/Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Next Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/Ps 145:1-2,8-11,13-14/2Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10

PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH
8:00am Mass (Hospitality)
10:00am Mass (Hospitality)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28TH
6:30pm Adult Bible Study (Lower GP)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
9:15am Adult Bible Study
7:00pm RCIA Meeting (Upper GP)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
Faith Formation

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31ST
5:00pm All Saints’ Day Mass

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST
9:00am All Saints’ Day Mass
10:00am Living Saints Museum in the Gathering Place
5:00pm All Saints’ Day Mass

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND
6:30am Men Who Pray
7:10am First Saturday Devotion
8:00am All Souls’ Day Mass (Reception to follow)
5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD
8:00am Mass (Hospitality)
10:00am Mass (Hospitality)

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS’ DAY Masses
Masses for the Holy Day of Obligation will be:
Thursday, October 31st at 5pm (vigil)
Friday, November 1st at 9am and 5pm

ALL SOULS’ DAY MASS
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND 8:00AM
Our annual Mass in memory of loved ones who have passed away in the past year will be held on Saturday, November 2nd at 8:00am. We remember those parishioners who have died, and this year would like to also remember those parents, children and siblings of members of our church family.

If you lost a parent, child or sibling in the past year and would like to have them remembered at this special Mass, please call the church office to provide the name and RSVP for Mass and the reception immediately following Mass on Saturday morning.

USHERS NEEDED!
We are in urgent need of ushers to commit to being scheduled for 10:00am Mass. Right now we have two, but if just 4 additional people will commit to ushering, we can schedule everyone for two consecutive weeks with a four-week break between assignments!

Ushers perform important functions at our Masses, including directing the offertory procession, communion, and taking care of securing offertory and ICA donations after Mass. Ushers are the eyes and ears of the parish community, watching for everything from a need for directions to the restroom or children’s area to being aware of anyone needing medical assistance.

Many may not realize it, but it takes 54 people ministering (not including the Presider, Deacon or musicians) to fully staff three weekend Masses at St. John’s. Please prayerfully consider being a part of the Usher ministry, especially if 10:00am is your regular Mass choice. Contact Megan in the church office at madam@stjohns-excelsior.org. St. John’s needs you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. October 26 8:00am ♠ Joan & Jim Hardy
5:00pm Living & deceased members of the Willoughby Family

Sun. October 27 8:00am Dominic Ryan
10:00am For the Parish

Mon. October 28 No Mass

Tue. October 29 5:30pm Bill Ashenbach Family

Wed. October 30 8:00am ♠ Gilbert Lansdale

Thurs October 31 8:00am ♠ Evelyn Tollefson
5:00pm All Saints

Fri. November 1 9:00am All Saints
5:00pm All Saints

Sat. November 2 8:00am All Souls
5:00pm For the Parish

Sun. November 3 8:00am ♠ Joan Hardy
10:00am ♠ ♠ Robert & Patricia Murphy
Guided by our Roman Catholic faith, St. John the Baptist Catholic Montessori School prepares students to live out the Gospel message, achieve academic excellence, and joyfully lead by faith, virtue and reason.

**School Open House**
**Saturday, November 9th from 9:00—11:00 AM**
Please save the date and tell your friends about our upcoming Open House!

**Turkey Bingo**
**Saturday, November 16th from 6:00—8:00PM**
Save the date for this FUNdraiser benefitting the school!

**Living Saints Museum**
**Friday, November 1st**
Our "Saints in the Making" (or commonly called School Children) invite all parishioners to join us on Friday, November 1st immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass in the Gathering Place for the Living Saints Museum. Come hear about the wonderful saints the children have been studying, enjoy a taste of the saints' regional food and experience each others company.

**School Staff Spotlight**
**Monica Whalen/Children's House 1 Guide**
Second youngest in a family of seven, Monica (Miss Monica) grew up in rural Alexandria, MN, where she was homeschooled with her siblings from start to finish. Monica’s main focuses have been sunshine, her horses, and said siblings. After graduating and studying the liberal arts at Thomas Aquinas College, she commenced her search for whole-hearted work. Inspired by her mother’s Montessori-influenced homeschool, Monica decided to become a Montessori guide. She attended the Montessori Training Center of Minnesota, and graduated from primary training in 2019 with her AMI Diploma. Monica is thrilled to begin her work as a Montessori guide in the Catholic community of SJB. When not at work, Monica loves to spend time with her ever-growing family, with a book, with the sunshine, or perhaps all of these at once. Her other interests include early mornings, coffee, running, and dear friends.
IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, October 30th:
* Confirmation Year 2 Meeting

Wednesday, November 6th:
* Confirmation Year 1 Meeting
* Safe Environment for CGS Level 1, CGS Level 2, Lux Sit, Confirmation Year 1
* First Reconciliation Meditation 1 from 5:45-6:30, Home Lessons 5-7 Due
* Confirmation Year 1 Intro Interview & Paper Due

Wednesday, November 13th:
* Confirmation Year 2 Meeting
* Safe Environment for Edge and Confirmation Year 2
* First Reconciliation Meditation 2 from 5:45-6:30pm

Calling all 8th—12th graders!

Join us on November 2nd for another Lifeline Event at the NET Center!

FATHER MIKE SCHMITZ will be back again, this time to talk about The Lesser-Known Last Judgment. Death, judgment, heaven, and hell—the four last things—are popular enough topics among Christians discussing the end times; but there’s more to these things than just our own personal end.

We will depart from St. John’s at about 4:30pm, and return around 10pm for late night pizza in the GP. Pickup at 11:30pm.

SJB has purchased 20 tickets for St. John’s youth, and they go fast!

Signup at https://tinyurl.com/sjblifeline
$15 for ticket & transportation.

GIVING TREE: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Giving Tree will be kicking off the second weekend of November. In order for this important ministry to those in need in our community, many hands are needed. Are you able to help coordinate, organize gifts, or deliver this year? Contact Taylor Gruber for more information!

THE WELL

Saturday, November 9th 6:00—8:00pm

All are welcome to join us for a night of fellowship over dinner followed by adoration with music led by Addy Diaz. Great opportunity to pray together—young and old. Please sign up so we can plan for dinner.

https://tinyurl.com/yys69gpp
STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

* Please note that fluctuation in weekly giving is often due to variable timing of annual stewardship gifts.

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**THE DEVOTION TO THE 2000 HAIL MARYS**
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND FROM 7:00AM — 5:00PM
(All are welcome to join at anytime during those hours!)
ROOM 222 AT ST. HUBERT’S (CHANHASSEN)
Everyone is welcome to join the first Saturday of each month for this ten-hour devotion. Experience the magnificent blessings of our Lord Jesus through the powerful, miraculous 2000 Hail Mary’s prayer and fasting devotion! For more information, please email Maria Peden at mariafpeden@gmail.com

**WORLD-WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**
“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;” Listen with your spouse for God’s message of love by exploring a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next weekends are: Nov 22-24, 2019 in Prior Lake, MN and Feb 7-9, 2020 in Buffalo, MN. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: twincitieswwme.org or contact us at applications@twincitieswwme.org or 612-756-8720.

**VIANNNEY VISIT**
SAINT JOHN VIANNNEY COLLEGE SEMINARY, ST. PAUL
NOVEMBER 14-16
Begins with Registration 4 – 6 pm on Thursday, November 14
Concludes Saturday, November 16 at 11 am.

Vianney Visit provides high school sophomores through college age men (ages 16 – 24) the opportunity to take a closer look and experience college seminary. Attend Mass, prayer and spiritual conferences with SJV priests and hear testimonies from SJV seminarians. There is no charge for the event. All meals are provided. To register or find out more, please contact Father David Blume, Director of Vocations, at 651-962-6890 or stpaulvocations@10000vocations.org.

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LEKTORS & ALTAR SERVERS:**
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