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)
Resurrection Cemetery
5555 Covington Rd, Shorewood, MN 55331

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.

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

To know, love, serve and share Christ through worship, teaching, stewardship and witness.
**Synod Survey**

Thank you to those who have already gone online or written out their survey and turned them in! If you have not yet, please do so by March 1st. As a reminder, this parish survey is conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute and is no cost to our parish! Please help us get the highest response rate possible!

**Overview:**

*What:* a 10-15 minute online survey (paper also available) asks you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enables you to provide feedback on our parish’s efforts to help you grow.

*Why:* This information will be valuable to Archbishop Hebda, Fr. Carlson, and our parish as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be.

*When:* February 1 – March 1, 2020

*How:* The survey can be accessed via smartphone, tablet or computer at [www.disciplemakerindex.com](http://www.disciplemakerindex.com)

*Results:* We will share what we have learned when the results are received this Spring.

*Confidential:* All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about our community as a whole.

*Who:* All parishioners, even those who have already attended a Prayer & Listening Event.

All parishioners should have received an email from St. John’s with a link to the survey. If you have not, please contact Sarah Reid at sreid@stjohns-excelsior.org.

If you don’t use a smartphone, tablet or computer - there will be opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Mass. Paper copies are available in the Gathering Place. You can also obtain a paper copy by contacting Sarah Reid, please email sreid@stjohns-excelsior.org or call the parish office at 952-474-8868, ext. 208. Thank you for helping with this important project!
Open Adoration Hours
Please contact Sara Magnus at 612-708-3382 or via email at saramagnus@hotmail.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
- Mary Rosati
- Viviana Wright
- Margaret Davis
- Kon Wurm
- Ruth Colnar
- Kathy Bedford
- Steve Haskins
- Diane Martinka

Readings for the Week of February 9, 2020
Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9/1Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
Monday: 1Kgs 8:1-7,9-13/Ps 132:6-10/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1Kgs 8:22-23,27-30/Ps 84:3-5,10-11/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6,30-31,39-40/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4,35-37,40/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1Kgs 11:29-32,12:19/Ps 81:10-15/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1Kgs 12:26-32,13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7,19-22/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34/1Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

St. John’s Winter Gala 2020
We want to thank our Sponsors for supporting the largest parish fundraiser of the year which supports ALL of our parish ministries! Our Gala takes place this Saturday (February 8th). Look to next week’s bulletin for a recap of the night!

Gold Sponsors
Jean Gray
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Altar and Rosary Society
This beautiful ministry was quietly formed by a small group of women who wished to honor the Blessed Mother and care for our Lord through a ministry of service and prayer.

For this ministry to continue and grow, we are looking for more members to join in our efforts. Whether you feel called to serve through the physical work of cleaning the church, or to support the ministry through leading the Rosary while others perform the tasks of cleaning, the Altar & Rosary Society needs you! The time commitment is flexible, depending on your schedule and ability to serve. You may pray and work individually, or coordinate to pray and work with others.

The mission of the ministry is to pray the Rosary to ask for Mary’s intercession for the needs of the Church and to care for the Body of Christ through the care of His physical dwelling place in our sanctuary. Please consider this opportunity to honor our Lord and his Blessed Mother. Please contact the church office for more information at 952-474-8868 or email stjohns@stjohns-excelsior.org.

Informational Meeting for anyone interested in joining this ministry on Sunday, February 23, 9:00am in the Lower Gathering Place. Perfect timing to add a commitment to prayer and service to your Lenten practices!
Liturgical Expeditions:

Alleluia

By Deacon Riley

As the priest or deacon prepares to read from the Gospel, we sing this familiar word. Alleluia. It is a Hebrew word of rejoicing. In the Old Testament, when God would give gifts to the Israelites in the desert or ancient Jews were reminded of ways that God has protected them, they would burst out into a song of praise. Alleluia. When no other phrase or particular word seemed to fit in a joyous situation, they would exclaim “Alleluia!”

That is why it is so fitting to repeat that same joyful mantra before we listen to the Gospel at Mass. We have just heard about the struggles and victories of our Jewish brothers and sisters in the first reading. We reflected on our own personal spiritual journeys in the Psalm. We were encouraged by the ancient Church during the second reading. Finally, it has come time to hear about the reason for our faith. The culmination of creation. The high point of history. The words of God made man--Jesus Christ.

Jesus loved us enough to become one of us. Alleluia! Jesus wants us to teach us from his own mouth how to live. Alleluia! Jesus wants us to be in heaven with him so much that he offered himself on the cross. Alleluia! Jesus, in all his power, conquered death itself and rose from the dead. Alleluia!

If this free act of God, done out of love for you and I, isn’t worth rejoicing over, what is? Alleluia!

Parish Events

Sunday, February 9th
- 8:00am Mass
- 9:00am Clean Up Gathering Place after Gala
- 10:00am Mass
- 11:00am Clean Up Gathering Place after Gala

Monday, February 10th
- 9:00am Excelsior Men’s Garden Club Meeting
- 7:00pm Men’s Basketball (School Gym)

Tuesday, February 11th
- 7:00pm RCIA Meeting
- 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 12th
- Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, February 13th
- 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, February 14th

Saturday, February 15th
- 6:30am Men Who Pray
- 10:00am Confirmation Sponsor Year 1 Meeting
- 5:00pm Mass

Sunday, February 16th
- 8:00am Mass (Hospitality)
- 10:00am Mass (Hospitality)

Mass Intentions

Sat. February 8
- 8:00am For the Parish
- 5:00pm For the Parish

Sun. February 9
- 8:00am For the Parish
- 10:00am † Leslie Goodale

Mon. February 10
- No Mass

Tue. February 11
- 5:30pm † Arnold Nelson

Wed. February 12
- 8:00am † Laura Kapsner

Thurs. February 13
- 8:00am † Cy Kerber

Fri. February 14
- 9:00am † JoAnne Johnson

Sat. February 15
- 8:00am Sophie Houlton
- 5:00pm † Danny Hoo

Sun. February 16
- 8:00am For the Parish
- 10:00am Fr. John Doyle

Join the Knights of Columbus

Your decision to join the Knights could define your year. Join Catholic men just like you striving to strengthen their faith, their families, and their communities as members of the Knights of Columbus. Every Knight makes a difference. Each man brings a unique story, a particular set of skills, and a heart that is ready to serve. We invite you to take this exciting step and join us today. It’s an opportunity that could define your year and change your life. If interested, please contact Deacon Gary at deacongary@stjohns-excelsior.org
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC MONTESSORI SCHOOL

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.

IMPORTANT DATES:
Monday, February 17th: No School for President’s Day
Tuesday, February 18th: Financial Aid Application Deadline for Grades K-8
February 23rd-29th: Montessori Education Week
Wednesday, February 26th: School late start at 9:00am. Families may attend Ash Wednesday Mass at 8:00am

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK RECAP
Students celebrated Catholic Schools Week last week. From the Pancake Breakfast, non-uniform days, a ski trip, ice cream sundaes, a magic show and a dance party—there was so much laughter and enthusiasm! Thank you for all of your support for St. John the Baptist Catholic Montessori School!

SCHEDULE AN OBSERVATION TODAY!
Did you know that you can visit our school during the school day to see what we’re all about? Observations for the Children’s House, Elementary, and Middle School are available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:30am-10:30am. Observations for the Toddler Community are available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:30am-10:00am. To schedule an observation, please contact the school office at (952)474-5812.
**Important Dates**

**Wednesday, February 12th:** Faith Formation classes, Confirmation Year 1 Meets

**Saturday, February 15th:** Confirmation Year 1 Sponsor Meeting 10 am (Gathering Place)

February 21st-23rd: Confirmation Retreat Years 1 and 2

*Summer 2020 Registration open online at: [www.stjohns-excelsior.org/parish/Faith-Formation/Summer-2020](http://www.stjohns-excelsior.org/parish/Faith-Formation/Summer-2020)*

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**Steubenville St. Paul**

**Registration Now Open**

**What:** Steubenville St. Paul is a weekend conference that evangelizes, equips and empowers 8th-12th grade youth to become joyful disciples of Christ. Enjoy keynote speakers, praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, and much more.

**When:** July 24-28, 2020

**Where:** St. Paul, MN

**Who:** Current 8th-12th grade youth

**Cost:** $300

*Register by May 1st!

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**Bible Study**

Join us this spring for a Bible Study on Mary! Who is Mary? Why is she so important to Catholics? And why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries?

Featuring the insightful biblical teaching of Dr. Brant Pitre, this study examines what Scripture, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about Mary. By closely examining the connections between the Old and New Testaments, Dr. Pitre presents clear and easily understood explanations about the life and identity of Mary, the Mother of God.

**Mondays at 6:30 PM, February 17 – March 23**

**Tuesday at 9:15 AM, February 18 – March 24**

**Other:** Let us know your availability or form your own group!

Registration Form can be found online here [www.stjohns-excelsior.org/parish/Faith-Formation/Adult-Formation](http://www.stjohns-excelsior.org/parish/Faith-Formation/Adult-Formation) or in the Parish Office. Registration Fee is $15.00. Due February 7th.
**STEWARDSHIP UPDATE**

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

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**TIME TREASURE**

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS:**  
**FEBRUARY 15TH & 16TH**

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**THE JOURNEY OF LOSS AND GRIEF**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH FROM 6:30-9:00PM**

**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER, MAPLE GROVE**

*When Jesus’ friend Lazarus dies, the Gospel of John tells us that “Jesus wept” (Jn 11:35)*.

We experience many losses in our lives and the death of someone we love is just one of them. We also lose relationships, roles, bodily functions, and communities. Grief is a normal response to loss, yet grief is chaotic and hard, so much so that we want to avoid it. But grief is the only way through loss. How can we better understand the journey of grief and how to take it in a faithful way? How does God call us to grieve and, finally, from our grief? Check-in from 6:00pm - 6:30pm, presentation from 6:30pm-9:00pm. Free event, light refreshments provided.

Registration is required: [www.csbsju.edu/sot/theology-day](http://www.csbsju.edu/sot/theology-day), 320-363-3560 or theologyday@csbsju.edu.

**WOMEN’S LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH 8:45AM-1:00PM**

**HERE AT ST. JOHN'S**

We are honored to once again host the West Deanery Council of Catholic Women's Lenten Retreat at St. John's! Join other women to reflect on living courageously with grace and mercy in difficult times. Fr. James Kubicki from Relevant Radio will lead this retreat. Registration is $15 per person and you may register by calling Mary Jo Sherwood at 612-669-0450 or online: [http://bit.ly/MorningofReflection](http://bit.ly/MorningofReflection).