



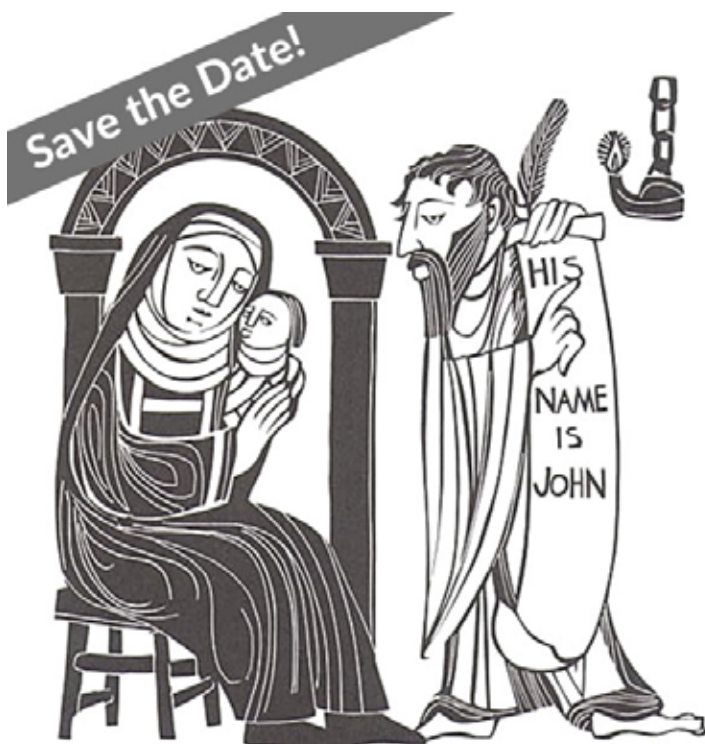
# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Pastor - Fr. John Kunz*

*Mass Schedule - Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm • Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am*

*Reconciliation - Saturday: 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm*



NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

## *Outdoor Mass & Picnic*

JUNE <b>23</b>	Rectory Parking Lot <b>10:00 AM</b>
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**WORSHIP TOGETHER | MEET FAMILIES | EAT  
LOCAL FOOD  
FUN GAMES & ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE!**

June 23, 2019

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Luke 9:11b-17

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**From the Pastor's Desk**

Today we celebrate our parish feast day - the birth of John the Baptist. We join our feast to the World Wide Church celebrating the Body & Blood of Christ. The precursor, John the Baptist, pointed us to our Savior, Jesus. Each time we come to the Eucharist, we receive this presence into our lives. Just as John's world longed for the Savior's coming, so do we. This longing and desire has not diminished. It is the search of our souls - to find the place where all of our hungers are fed. May the faith community of St. John the Baptist in Mankato find nourishment in Christ as we gather this weekend.

Peace,  
Fr. John



**Monday, June 24, 2019**  
*The Nativity of  
St. John the Baptist*

## Congratulations

Happy Anniversary to Ken and Candy Jenson celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 20th!

**JUNE 23RD @ 11AM**  
**FAMILY STATION**  
GAMES! ART! FREE PLAY!

Join us after the Outdoor Mass in the parking lot! Fun for all ages!

**St. John's Prayer Network -**  
To submit a prayer request, please call:  
**Sandy Roberts 387-1372 or**  
**Alice DiMeglio 345-5273**  
Email: Pastoral Care Associate at:  
**mike@stjohnsmankato.net**

# MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, June 24** – Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17  
Day: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80  
8:15 am – Communion Service

**Tuesday, June 25** - Gn 13:2, 5-18; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
8:15 am – Ann Frost Sobraske†, Elaine Michels†

**Wednesday, June 26** - Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20  
8:15 am – Gil & Jerre Berens†

**Thursday, June 27** – Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 [6b-12, 15-16]; Mt 7:21-29  
8:15 am – Communion Service

**Friday, June 28** - Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7  
8:15 am – Joe Reinbold†, Ken & Marilyn Berg†,  
Todd & Glenn Dezell†

**Saturday, June 29** - Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19  
Day: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19  
5:15 pm – Patricia Ireland†, Mabel & Charles Kral†, Joe Trio†,  
Pat Norris†

**Sunday, June 30** - 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62  
8:00 am – Diane Pettipiece†, Parishioners of St. John's  
10:00 am – Rosalia Maloney†, Joe Phillips†, Mary Rausch†

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We owe today's beautiful feast to a valiant woman who suffered a great deal to establish a feast out of her love for the Eucharist. Juliana was a nun in Belgium in the thirteenth century. She served in a hospital for lepers. She became convinced through her prayer that the liturgical year was incomplete because it had no feast for the Eucharist. Her efforts were not welcome, and a supervising priest sought to punish her for promoting a feast that "nobody wanted." He even had her accused of financial mismanagement and banished her from her convent.

Shortly after she was exiled, the bishop approved the feast. It quickly spread through Europe. In those days, people very seldom received Holy Communion, and so the processions through the streets with the eucharistic bread not only led to an awareness of Christ's hunger to be with us, but prepared the way for a deeper desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood in more frequent Communion. The feast grew rapidly, but Juliana disappeared into poverty and a hidden life. She ended her days as an " anchoress," a woman living in seclusion in a room attached to a parish church. Imagine her delight at seeing us gathered at the table of the Lord on this day, aware of Christ's presence in our midst, sharing fully in Christ's Body and Blood. Our celebration today invests her struggle and sorrows with dignity and meaning.

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# THE WEEK AHEAD

June 24 - 30

**Monday, June 24**  
Communion Service – 8:15 AM – Church

**Tuesday, June 25**  
Sunrise AA Meeting – 6:30 AM - Matthews Hall  
Daily Mass – 8:15 AM – Church  
Staff Meeting – 9:15 AM – Marian room  
Hope-Grief Ministry – 5:15 PM - John Paul II room  
Knights of Columbus – 6:30 PM - PLC

**Wednesday, June 26**  
Daily Mass – 8:15 AM – Church  
Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room  
PLT meeting – 6:15 PM – Marian room

**Thursday June 27**  
Communion Service – 8:15 AM – Church  
Simon Ministry – 10:30 AM – Matthews Hall  
Laurels Peak Mass – 3:00 PM – Laurels Peak

**Friday, June 28**  
Al-Anon – 6:30 AM – Parish Library  
Early Risers AA – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall  
Daily Mass – 8:15 AM – Church

**Saturday, June 29**  
Mass – 5:15 PM – Church

**Sunday, June 30**  
Mass – 8:00 AM – Church  
Mass – 10:00 AM - Church

**Weekly EM (June 24-28)**  
Jim Shaw

**Laurel's Peak Service – (June 27)**  
Chuck & Diane Frost  
(July 4) - No Service

## FREEDOM SINGS A SALUTE TO AMERICA & ITS VETERANS

7:00 pm in Mankato and St. Peter  
July 1 & 2

The Mankato Riverblenders present the *Freedom Sings a Salute to America and its Veterans* at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau Street, **Mankato on July 1** and at Church of St. Peter, 1801 West Broadway, **St. Peter on July 2**. Free will offering will be accepted.



Please donate only non-perishable food in the Echo Food Box. Fresh food like bread, fresh fruit and vegetables, spoil too quickly and cannot be used. Non-perishable food would include canned and boxed food.

Thank you!!



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Web: [www.stjohnscatholicchurch.com](http://www.stjohnscatholicchurch.com) Check out St. John's on Facebook and Instagram Youth Page!

# SACRAMENTS

## SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

**Baptism** - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

**Marriage** - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

**Becoming Catholic** - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact the parish office.

### Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing

If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

# LOYOLA NEWS

Learn about Loyola Catholic School (PS-12). Visit [www.loyolacatholicschool.org](http://www.loyolacatholicschool.org). Contact **Angela** at [acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org) or 507.388.0615 to schedule family tours.

Please prayerfully consider a planned gift to Loyola Catholic School when choosing your **legacy**.

**Congratulations to the Loyola class of 2019!** This year's Loyola grads received over \$832,000 in post-high school scholarship dollars, an average of over \$34,000 per student!

### Rockin' on the Hill Summer Music Fest

**Saturday, July 20:** - Good Counsel Hill Mankato

Food Trucks, Spirits & More - Gates open at 5:00pm

Tickets \$10 Advance/\$15 at the Gate -

Tickets on sale at: Hy-Vee, Cub Foods & online at [www.rockinonthehill.com](http://www.rockinonthehill.com)

Follow us on Facebook @[@rockinonthehill](https://www.facebook.com/rockinonthehill)

### Host an Exchange Student this semester/year!

There is 1 international student that has expressed interest in attending Loyola in the fall and is seeking out families to host him for the academic semester/year 2019-20. Families do not need to be Loyola families to host a student. **Erik** is from Germany and will be in the 11th grade. He will be attending for the fall semester only. He enjoys math and physics and enjoys the outdoors. If you are interested in possibly hosting this student and would like more information or are interested in hosting a student in the future please contact Scott Morgan- International Experience Coordinator at [iasmorgan4@yahoo.com](mailto:iasmorgan4@yahoo.com).

Want to **volunteer** at school? Call us! 507.388.0600

**THANK YOU** to all who send us Box Tops for Education, Hy-Vee receipts. **Please note- the Milk Moola program has been discontinued as of March 31. We can no longer accept Milk Moola caps or bag tops.**

Your parish support makes all we do, learn, and celebrate at Loyola possible.

*Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service.*

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

*"The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother." ~ Henry Ward Beecher.*

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend for married couple to grow in their love. The next available Weekends are Sep 14-15, 2019 in Marshall, MN and Nov 15-17, 2019 in OWATONNA, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org) or contact Miki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229.



We welcome our newest Christians into the family of God and St. John's parish.

**Hudson Lowell Alvarado**

Parents: Fred Alvarado and Megan Kunz

Baptized: June 16, 2019

**Natasha Vianey Estrada**

**Bella Scarlett Estrada**

**Martin Xavier Wisin Lee Edgar Wayne Estrada**

Parents: Luis Martin Estrada Bocanegra and Cristina Robles

Baptized: June 15, 2019

**Elena Lylah Parras Guerrero**

**Yaritz Avy Parras Guerrero**

Parents: Martin and Pricilla Parras Guerrero

Baptized: June 15, 2019



We Welcome Newcomers to

**Our Parish Family...**

Caesyn Kramer,  
Levi and Wyatt Wieland,  
Lindsey Laven and  
Joshua Wieland

Those who have entered eternal life...



Remember  
in  
Prayer

**Julie Cardinal,**  
Matt Adams' sister  
who passed away June 14, 2019  
Our deepest sympathy to her family.

### THE EUCHARIST

Just as the bread, which is made from the earth, when God is invoked is no longer common bread but the Eucharist, both earthly and heavenly, so our bodies, after we have received the Eucharist, are no longer corruptible, since they hold the hope of the resurrection.

—St. Irenaeus

# FAITH FORMATION

WHO'S ON WEDNESDAY?  
July 10, 17, 24, 31 @ 6PM: Matthews Hall

FAMILY TIES

**"Plant your roots in Christ and let Him be the foundation of your life."**  
— Colossians 2:7

Let's grow together as a parish family!!  
We will be discovering a Bible Patriarch each week. Check the bulletin for clues and guess who we'll be learning about. Skits, crafts, & end of the summer prize! For each week your family participates, your name will get entered into a drawing to have dinner with Fr. John!

## YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

If you are an upcoming 6TH GRADER OR OLDER and you enjoy mystery and intrigue then we are looking for you! We are looking for volunteers who enjoy theater, art and crafts, story activities, and singing.

Please contact Jeanne Fitterer at 507-995-7416  
If interested in helping out. Thanks!

## PRAYER WALK

Fun for the whole family!  
Come walk, pray, & build community.

6:30pm  
August 14th

Sibley Park  
Red Barn

A Catholic  
**HANDS-ON**  
Youth Mission!

JUST 5 DAYS

**Just 5 Days (Middle School Mission Trip)**  
**Appleton, WI**  
**June 24-28, 2019**

Please pray for us this week as we learn and grow in our faith while serving the impoverished communities in Appleton.

Ava Boerboom  
Nick Brauer  
Josie Haman  
Kirsten Kleinschmidt  
Emily Kodet  
Alia Meehling

### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

— 1 Corinthians 11:26

### THIS SACRED MEAL

Today we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Each of the readings includes a blessing and a sharing of food. They remind us of the central place of meals in our lives. Each meal brings to mind other meals: the sharing of cookies and milk, pizza and beer, loaves and fishes, bread and wine. When we prepare a meal for our family, our friends, even strangers, we always put something of ourselves into the preparation and the meal itself. The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ reminds us of what God put into the preparation for this meal that we celebrate today. We share this sacred meal and are transformed as we remember the death of Jesus and the sacrifice that nurtures our faith, sustains our lives, and supports our work.

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# FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

JUNE 15/16, 2019

Adult Support	\$	7,497.00
Offertory	\$	768.25
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$	16.00
Building	\$	140.00

**Money Counters:** June 24 - Team 4; July 1 - Team 1;  
July 8 - Team 2

## ST. JOHN'S YOUNG STEWARDS TIME & TREASURE

Children's Envelopes/Offering \$ 62.50

### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

**Next week**, we will take up the *Peter's Pence Collection*, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous.

For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).



We are forever grateful for your compassionate support of Catholic Charities 2019 Annual Appeal. Because of your continued generosity lives are transformed through the seventeen programs available for all. You uplift and empower the hearts and hands of staff and volunteers as they serve those in great need within the 20 southernmost counties of Minnesota. Because of you—obstacles are replaced with opportunities! God bless you for providing help and creating hope.

~Mary Alessio-Director of Advancement  
(If you would like to make your gift today, please mail to Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota, P.O. Box 379, Winona, MN. 55987 or make an online gift at [www.ccsomn.org](http://www.ccsomn.org) )

### PARISH DIRECTORY AVAILABLE



IF YOU HAD YOUR PICTURE TAKEN FOR THE DIRECTORY OR SUBMITTED A PHOTO, YOUR DIRECTORY IS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE DURING THE WEEK FROM 8:30 AM-5:00 PM.

### HOW WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR *COURIER*?

Years ago, the *Courier* was delivered in bulk to churches for parishioners to pick up after Masses, rather than individually to homes. Today, as we continue to evaluate our stewardship of diocesan resources, *Courier* staff is exploring the benefits and drawbacks of bulk mailings as one option for *Courier* delivery.

**IF YOU PREFER TO RECEIVE THE COURIER AT HOME**, you still can! Let us know, and we'll keep sending it to you, regardless of other changes we may make to our delivery method. **IF YOU'D RATHER PICK UP THE COURIER AT CHURCH**, we'd like to know that as well.

Please **send** your response along with your name, parish and reader ID (number directly above your name on the mailing label) to:

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**The Courier**

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**Winona, MN 55987**

**OR**

**email: [nreller@dowr.org](mailto:nreller@dowr.org)**

**Bulk delivery to the churches will begin with the July edition.** Thank you! - Courier Staff

### HOPE UNITED GRIEF GROUP FALL RETREAT "Healing Takes Time" September 13-15, 2019

We would like to invite you to the fall retreat, **Healing Takes Time**, sponsored by Hope United Grief Group. This retreat will focus on five different types of grief - Loss of Spouse; Loss of Child; Loss through Suicide; Pregnancy & Infant Loss and Loss of Sibling/Parent. We will have main speakers with breakout sessions that will be facilitated by those who have experience similar losses.

The retreat will be held Friday evening 7:00 pm through Sunday morning 11:00 am at the Franciscan Retreat and Spirituality Center in Prior Lake, MN. This interdenominational retreat is meant to be a **Gift from God** to remind the grieving that there **IS** hope after the loss of a loved one, no matter where they may be on their journey of grief. It will be a safe place for one to come and be in company of others who can offer their love and support.

Cost for a semi-private room is \$175. For more information or to register for the retreat please contact Marlene Hunt at 507/381-1177 or 507/931-2320 or e-mail [marlenehunt53@gmail.com](mailto:marlenehunt53@gmail.com).

# LITURGICAL MINISTERS

June 29/30

## Musicians

5:15 pm – Jeanne Makela/ LIT Singers  
8:00 am – Joyce or Jaci/Voices in Praise  
10:00 am – Mary Pribyl/Sharon Peterson

## Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Mardell Brauer, John Bulcock, Rita Dauw, Karen Dehn, Tom Rogness, Carol Frederick, Paul Gaspar, Julie Kunz  
8:00 am – Massaad Chahine, Jan Denn, Mike Denn, Teresa Depuydt, Cindy Hanson, Candy Jensen, Dwayne Witte, Mary Lou Witte  
10:00 am – JoAnn Alfson, Miriam Braunhausen, Kris Barnes, Jeff Barnett, Laurie Barnett, Mike Ulman, Monica Wagner, Helen Ward

## Lector

5:15 pm – Sheila Skilling, Craig Soupir  
8:00 am – Terri Prange, Mark Traxler  
10:00 am – Marsha Murphy, Leon Schaffer

## Sacristan

5:15 pm – Jenny Wagner  
8:00 am – Sarah Odegard  
10:00 am – Becki Stranik

## Server

5:15 pm – Olivia Altomari, Pat Rogness  
8:00 am – Collin Kirschner, Maile Meissner  
10:00 am – Calvin O'Connor, Elle Potocnik, Taylor Reuter

## Ministers of Hospitality

5:15 pm – Team 1  
8:00 am – Team 5  
10:00 am - Team 9

## Weekly EM (June 24-28)

Jim Shaw

## Laurel's Peak Service – (June 27)

Chuck & Diane Frost  
(July 4) - No Service

## GUATEMALA 2020 ARE YOU READY?

San Lucas Toliman - Mission in Guatemala  
January 22-30, 2020

**YOU** are invited to come to one of the following Informational Meetings about the 2020 trip to San Lucas. Find out cost, what you will be doing, who else is going, and get a chance to ask questions!

Hope to see you at:

**Holy Rosary Catholic Church:** Sunday June 23, after 8am Mass (about 9:15) in the church basement.

**St. John's Catholic Church:** Tuesday July 2, 6-7PM in the Marion Room

Please contact me ([mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com](mailto:mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com)) if you have any questions or can't come to either meeting.

# AREA NEWS



## Old Main Village is seeking a PT Sunday Van Driver

Primary responsibility is transporting residents to and from church services. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. but may vary according to service times. Experience with older adults is preferred.

Apply on line at [www.oldmainvillage.com](http://www.oldmainvillage.com)

Old Main Village is an equal opportunity employer.

## Annual Summer Noontime Organ Recitals 12:10 pm in Mankato June 25

The Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists presents its annual Summer Noontime Organ Recitals at 12:10 pm on Tuesdays in Mankato. In June, the final series will be at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau Street, Mankato. Performers include Garrett Steinberg. Recital is free. Visit [www.agosiouxtrails.org](http://www.agosiouxtrails.org) for more information.

## GUATEMALA 2020 ARE YOU READY?

San Lucas Tolman – Mission in Guatemala  
January 22-30, 2020

Once again the Mankato Area Group is planning a trip to San Lucas. If this has been on your "Bucket List", you want to return, or you want to go for any reason – 2020 is for you.

Join us on a trip to work, learn, and walk in solidarity with the people of San Lucas Toliman in Guatemala this winter. People of all ages from this area have been traveling here to continue the work of Fr. Greg Schaffer, a priest of the New Ulm Diocese who spent most of his priesthood in San Lucas, working to meet the needs of the people there. YOU can continue that work, learn about the life in a small village in a 3rd world country, and build amazing relationships with the group from Minnesota, groups from other places in the US and world, and the local people as well.

Plan to come to one of the Informational Meetings in June to find out more, meet others who are interested, and decide whether this is for you. IF you can't make it to one of the meetings, please contact:

Mary Beth Nygaard 507-625-1450  
[mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com](mailto:mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com)  
Martha Witte: 507-514-9282  
[mwitte@stclaircyclones.org](mailto:mwitte@stclaircyclones.org)

June Informational Meetings planned for:

To be determined, watch you bulletin for more into!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!