

Our Mission

St. John the Baptist Catholic Community, inspired by the Spirit of Christ, reaches out, educates, helps and nurtures all people, as we worship and serve Our Heavenly Father.

All are Welcome Parishioners, New Members, Visitors and Guests:

Thank you for joining our worshipping community. Please stop by our parish office to register and let us know if we can be of assistance.

Sunday Mass

English:

7:30am, 10:00am,

6:30pm

Spanish: 12:00 noon

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:30pm

Daily Mass

Mon., Tues., Wed, Fri,

7:00am Mass

Thursday & Saturday

8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00-5:00 Sat. or by appointment

Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hours for prayer. Call the office for the code.

Parish Office

Tues.- Friday

9am - 5pm

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February 13, 2011

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“...whoever does the commandments and teaches them shall be called great in the Kingdom of heaven.”

Brothers and Sisters,

In our society these days, there seems to be a great craving for celebrity status. People want to be called “great” and want to do whatever it takes to gain celebrity status. It is good to be great and gain media attention but the snag here is that in an attempt to seek greatness, people sometimes forgot all about God and even try to take His place. Unfortunately there are also people who seem to adore celebrities, spending lots of time discussing the type of dress or car the celebrity owns, than to spend some time for spiritual nourishment. People adore great athletes, musicians, actors and politicians.

Our Lord Jesus Christ tells us today how to get genuine greatness. It is to be found in fulfilling the requirements of the commandments of God and in teaching others to do so. In so doing, then one shall be called great not just in the world but in the kingdom of heaven. In order to achieve this “celebrity status” in heaven one must do away with whatever leads to sin. Just as a doctor might remove some part of the body that is diseased in order to preserve the life of the whole body, so must we be ready to part with anything that causes us to sin.

Welcome back Fr. Maxy, it is nice to have you back again in our midst to minister to us. Thank you all for your assistance and guidance to me while Fr. Maxy was away. May God reward you abundantly.

Fr. Francis Kule

Parochial Vicar



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Calendar for This Week

Monday, February 14-Valentine's Day

Mass	7:00am	Church
After School Care	3:15pm	Daycare Rm
Beginners	6:45pm	Parish Center
Spanish Prayer Grp	7:00pm	Church
AlaTeen/AA/Alanon	7:30pm	Parish Center

Tuesday, February 15

Mass	7:00am	Church
Good Grief Group	10:00am	Saalfeld
After School Care	3:15pm	Daycare Rm
RCIA	7:00pm	Saal/Jor/Cafe
St. Vincent de Paul	7:00pm	Church
Knights of Columbus	7:00pm	Jordan

Wednesday, February 16

Mass	7:00am	Church
Staff Meeting	9:30am	Jordan
After School Care	12:15pm	Daycare Rm
Pinochle	1-4pm	Saalfeld
Religious Education	5:30pm	Parish Campus
Legion of Mary	7:00pm	Jordan

Thursday, February 17-No School

Mass	8:30am	Church
School Advisory C	6:30pm	Library
Adult Education	7:00pm	Saalfeld
Spanish Bible Study	7:00pm	Cafeteria

Friday, February 18 - No School

Mass	7:00am	Church
Scouts	6:30pm	Cafeteria
Encuentro Mat	7:00pm	Jordan

Saturday, February 19 - No School

Men's Group	7:00am	Jordan
Spaghetti Dinner Crew	7:00am	Kitchen
Mass	8:30am	Church
Spanish Baptism Class	10:00am	Jordan
Confessions	4-5pm	Church
Vigil Mass	5:30pm	Church
Confirmation Retreat at Mt. Angel		

Sunday, February 20

Masses: 7:30am; 10:00am; 6:30pm		
Spanish Mass: 12:00 Noon		
Liturgy Commission	8:45am	Jordan
Liturgy of Word	10:00am	Jordan
Spanish Band	10:45am	Jordan
Youth Band	11:15am	RE Office
Spanish Lit of Word	12:00noon	Jordan
Ushers Ministry Training	2:00pm	Church
Boy Scouts	5:00pm	Cafeteria
Girl Scouts to Host Coffee & donuts		

Blood Pressure Screening in the parish center after morning Masses



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Adult Education

Adult Ed classes meet the following Thursday evenings at 7:00pm.

February 17th

Patrick David, our youth minister and RE coordinator will lead us in a Bible study through the mysteries of the Rosary called Rosary Scripture Study. Contemplating Jesus through the Eyes of Mary. (Have you noticed the posters?) Join Patrick as he helps you break open this ancient prayer. Experience today how it still can bring power and peace to your life. **NOTE: This class will be held in the Saalfeld room at 7:00pm.**

February 24th

Deacon Gerry Delgado will lead us in a class on the basics of prayer. Do you ever feel you are not able to “devote” enough time to your prayer life. Gerry will help us with some very basic prayers that we can pray all day and any time of the day. “Pray Always” is what Our Lord asks of us. **NOTE: This class will be back in the school and we will use the classroom just inside the door so you can avoid stairs.**



Save the Date

Ushers, E.M.'s and Lectors

Ushers

Fr. Maxy will lead a day of reflection on the ministry of ushers on Sunday February 20 at 2pm or Thursday February 24th at 7pm. You only need to attend one presentation.

Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Maxy will lead your day of reflection on Thursday March 10th at 7pm or Sunday, March 13th at 2pm

Lectors

Fr. Maxy will lead your day of reflection on Sunday March 27th at 2pm or Thursday March 31st at 7pm.

You only need to attend one of the presentations. Father is just offering two choices.

Baptism



Are you expecting or do you have a baby who you would like to baptize? St. John's offers baptism once a month on the first Sunday of the month. First the parents must attend a

baptism class.

Please register by either calling Pat at 503-654-5449 or email at pat.raschio@gmail.com

Funerals in January:

Frances Dietl	1-06-2011
Alice DeVito	1-22-2011
John Johnson	1-22-2011
Merle Hansen	1-26-2011



No Baptisms in January



No Weddings in January



Collection	This week	BUDGET (Average/week)	
02/06/2011	\$14,381	\$14,135	
Week 32 of 52	2010/2011	2010/2011	Over (Short) Year to Date:
Fiscal Year to Date:	\$434,566	\$452,320	(\$17,754)
Prior year to Date (2010):	\$424,796		
Building Maintenance Fund this week: \$814			

Living Your Strengths

Living Your Strengths and Growing Spiritually

Do you know what specific gifts you have been given by God? Discover your God-given gifts (also known as *signature themes*) in the book, **Living Your Strengths**, available at no cost through the parish office. In the first letter of Peter, Chapter 4, he says:

“Each of you has been blessed with one of God’s many wonderful gifts to be used in the service of others. So use your gift well. If you have the gift of speaking, preach God’s message. If you have the gift of helping others, do it with the strength that God supplies. Everything should be done in a way that will bring honor to God because of Jesus Christ, who is glorious and powerful forever.”

This week we look at the gift that instinctively causes you to impose structure on your world. For you, things need to be predictable, ordered, and planned. Routines are important, as are timelines and deadlines. While you may not need things neat and clean necessarily, you need precision and want to feel in control. Discipline is the gift that allows you to help others understand and even appreciate the need for structure.

One piece of scripture that relates to this gift comes from Proverbs 21:5 “*The plans of the diligent are sure of profit, but all rash haste leads certainly to poverty.*” And 1 Corinthians 14:40 “*...but everything must be done properly and in order.*”

Do you recognize yourself? LYS says “Discipline talents are valuable because they make you efficient *and* effective.” One way to grow spiritually is to “make Bible reading and prayer part of your daily routine. You’ll come to love the predictability, and you will grow spiritually as a result.” Remember though, “Recognize that others may not be as disciplined as you are. Sometimes their processes will seem clumsy and disorganized to you. Try to look beyond the processes and instead assess the results.”



Please contact Libbie Allen in the parish office at 503.654.5449 to get your copy of **Living Your Strengths**.

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, Feb. 14

Genesis 4:1-25; Psalm 50:1-21; Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 15

Gen. 6:5-8; 7:1-10; Psalm 29:1-10; Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 16

Genesis 8:6-22; Psalm 116:12-19; Mark 8:22-26

Thursday, Feb. 17

Genesis 9:1-13; Psalm 102:16-23; Mark 8:27-33

Friday, Feb. 18

Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 33:10-15;

Mark 8:34-9:1

Saturday, Feb. 19

Hebrews 11:1-7; Psalm 145:2-11;

Mark 9:2-13

Sunday, Feb. 20

Lev. 19:1-18; Ps. 103:1-13; 1 Cor. 3:16-23;
Matthew 5:38-48

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, Feb. 14

7:00: Scott Gavin (d)...Mom & Sisters

Tuesday, Feb. 15

7:00: Eigner Family-Living & Deceased...
Mary Vaetz

Wednesday, Feb. 16

7:00: Harold & Catherine Adams (d)..
Don & Kathleen Adams

Thursday, Feb. 17

8:30: Special Intention...Robert Sanvitale

Friday, Feb. 18

7:00: Dee Dee Laszlo (d)...Ruth Bingold

Saturday, Feb. 19

8:30: Margaret Peterson (Int)...Geri Foy

5:30pm: Millard Becker (Int)...Good Grief Group

Sunday, Feb. 20

7:30am: Neil McEachern (d)...Allan & Betty Jones

10:00am: For the People of the Parish...Pastor

12:00pm: Joseph McCoffney & Family...

Orv & Shirley Lulay

6:30pm: John Monaco (d)...

Gene & Lois Monaco

Altar Servers



Saturday, Feb. 19

5:30 Mass:

Luke Guasco,
Griffin McLaughlin,
Jack Gabrish

Sunday, Feb. 20

7:30 Mass:

Hannah Scruggs,
Jeff & Ben Valdivinos

10:00 Mass:

Lilly Christopher,
Nicholas Child,
Lauren Casey

12:00 Mass:

Bart Torres, Alonso R-S,
Danna Guzman

6:30 Mass:

Nicholas Childs,
Ben Snyder,
Kyle Obermire



**Prayer Concerns
for February**

Karl Anderson, Hal Bauer
Millard Becker, Kathleen Butler
Jeffrey Luna, Paul Newman
Maggie Schwab, Joe Shelley

Family Faith Sharing Questions

Matthew 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37

In this gospel passage, we find Jesus teaching his disciples about the Ten Commandments. And he tells them that they must live their lives according to these commandments, which were handed down to them from Moses. Jesus says they must follow the commandments in order to get into the Kingdom of Heaven.

*Jesus talks about the importance of making—
and keeping—an oath*

(an oath is a promise you make in the name of God).

Have you ever broken a promise that you made? Describe what that felt like. Did it affect your relationship with the person you made the promise to? How?

Liturgy of the Word for Children:

We are in desperate need of volunteers to lead the children on the readings for Sunday's. If we do not have at least two more leaders for Liturgy of the Word for Children we will need to drop this. Training is available. Once every four weeks during the 10:00am Mass an adult takes the children to the parish center where you share the readings and reflection for the day in age appropriate ways. Don't worry we have all the materials ready for you to lead these sessions.



You will gain a deeper understanding of the scriptures as you do this ministry. Please, please send your name and contact information to pat.raschio@gmail.com or call 503-654-5449.



Adult Confirmation

If you are an adult who has not received this sacrament our

Archbishop invites you to prepare for the celebration of Adult Confirmation in May at the Cathedral. If you would like to participate and need more information and to register for the reception of the sacrament please call or email Pat;

pat.raschio@gmail.com or

503-654-5449.

The sacrament of Confirmation completes the sacraments of Initiation. As the Catechism article #1285 states: "a reception of the sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of baptismal grace. For the sacrament of Confirmation, {the baptized} are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit.



Party Time!

Catholic women are invited to a **Bunco Party** on Sunday, Feb. 13th at St. John the Baptist Parish Center, Milwaukie,

from 2:00-5:00pm. Sponsored by Young Ladies Institute, members will take questions and outline YLI interests and activities and hope you have an ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON! For more information call Christine 503-654-3908.

Ministry of the Sacristan

Please consider this ministry.

A sacristan provides the leg work to help other people worship. He or she makes sure all the things necessary for the celebration of the liturgy are ready before Mass begins. This is known as a "behind the scenes" ministry.

Rich DeVitis has been the parish sacristan for several years and we thank him for his service (no, he is not leaving). A sacristan is needed at all our liturgies and this is becoming too much for one person. For this reason we ask you to prayerfully search your heart and soul and see if this is a ministry you are called to. Please call Pat, 503-654-5449 with questions or to express your interest. Training will be offered.



February 14—
St. Valentine,
bishop, martyr



There probably were two Valentines, both martyred around the year 269. One of them may have been the bishop of Terni, Italy. In those days of persecution, Christians met secretly and hid their faith to protect their lives. bishops were unable to hide and were often the first Christians in their communities to be tortured and killed. Often a bishop died in the hope that other Christians would not be hunted out.

The other Valentine was a priest and physician in Rome. A legend says that he sent letters of love and encouragement to the people of his community who lived in fear of persecution. From that legend the practice of sending valentines on his feast day may have begun.

But there is another explanation for the custom of sending valentines. In the Middle Ages people believed that on February 14, the day St. Valentine died, birds began choosing their mates for the springtime. So this day came to be thought of as the perfect day to choose a sweetheart.



Outside News

Catholic Charities

Everyday women in our community are in need, especially new moms. If you are willing to volunteer and help new mothers, we need you! The Catholic Charities Moms Helping Moms Program is looking for positive role models to mentor pregnant or newly parenting mothers. With an average of just one hour per week, you can provide friendship, practical experience, emotional support, encouragement, parenting advice or transportation for new moms who may feel isolated or without support. For more information, please contact Catholic Charities Pregnancy Support & Adoption Social Worker Emily Noack at 503-688-2615.

Medjugorje Pilgrimages

Spring pilgrimage, May 19-27, 2011, \$2640. Deposit due March 13. Fall Pilgrimage Sept. 14-Sept. 23, 2011, \$2697. Deposit due July 16. Spiritual Director: Fr. Ignacio Llorente, St. Mary Parish, OSU Newman Center, Corvallis, OR. Pilgrimages includes air from Portland, OR), airport taxes and land transportation. English speaking guide, accommodations with 2 meals a day in Medjugorje, and more. For info call Center For Peace—West 503-646-4435.

Camp Joshua

When: March 20-23, 2011 Sunday-Wednesday
Where: Macleay Christian Retreat Center, Salem.
What: Intense leadership training with other excited pro-life young people.
Keynote Speaker: Alan Shlemon from Stand to Reason
Bonus: Graduate from Camp Joshua and Oregon right to Life will provide either registration at the 2011 ORTL Conference or registration and lodging at the 2011 National Right to Life convention in Jacksonville, Florida
Cost: \$150.00 per student. Includes overnight accommodations and all meals. Scholarships available. Scholarships available. More Info or apply to attend, visit www.campjoshua.net.
Application deadline is February 18, 2011.

Care Ministry News

Blood Pressure Screening will be available on Sunday, February 20th after the 7:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. Mass

Controlling High Blood Pressure: High blood pressure is called the silent killer. This is because many people who have it don't know it. Normal blood pressure is less than 120/80. Know your blood pressure and remember to check it regularly. Doing so can save your life.



Here are some things you can do to help control your blood pressure.

Choose heart –healthy foods, Maintain a healthy weight, Get up and get active, Manage stress, Limit alcohol and quit smoking.

Grief Support

There will be a 7 - session Support Group beginning Tuesday, March 1st here at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. It will be held in the Saalfeld Room on Tuesdays, starting at 1:30 pm. Each session will involve participants supporting each other in their grief by reflecting on questions provided by the National Catholic Ministry to the Bereaved and sharing of grief. The seventh session will be a memorial and healing service followed by a reception.

If you are interested or have questions please call Barbara Dunlap at 503-654-5449

**A cut finger
Is numb before it bleeds,
It bleeds before it hurts,
It hurts until it begins to heal.
It forms a scab and itches until
finally, the scab is gone and
a small scar is left where
once there was a wound.
Grief is the deepest wound you have
ever had. Like a cut finger,
It goes through stages and
leaves a scar.**

Source Unknown