Saint John Parish

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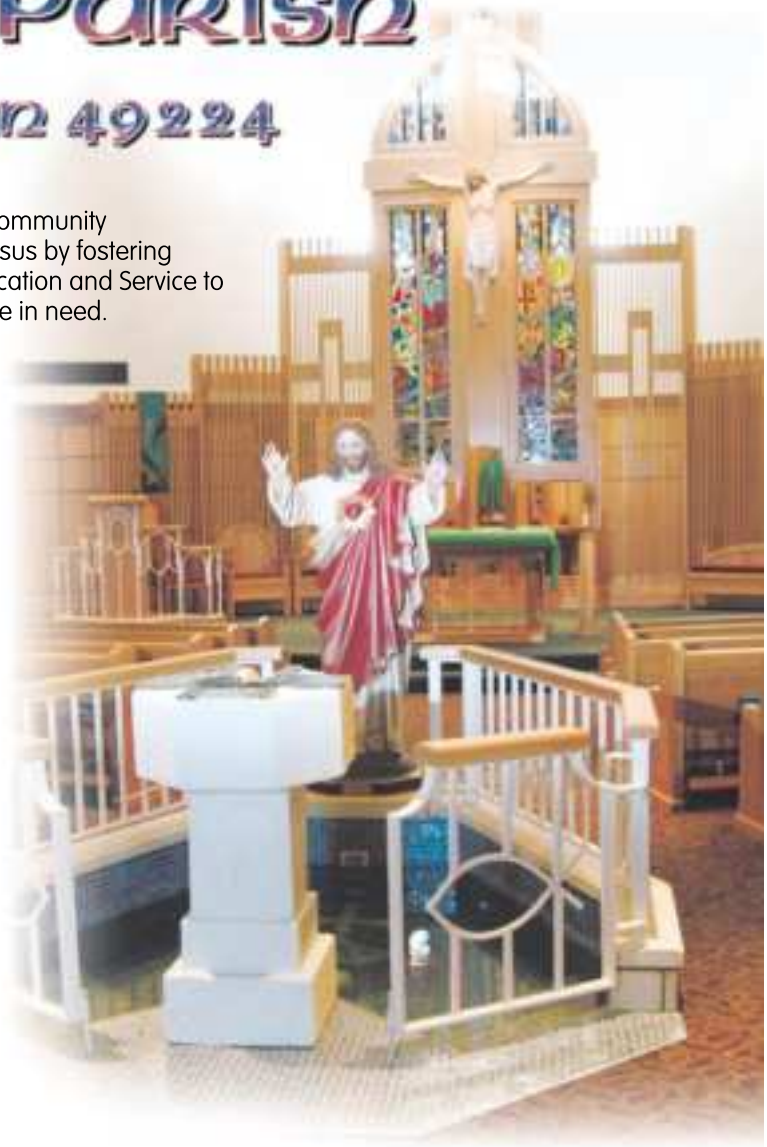


OUR MISSION
Led by the Spirit, Saint John Parish Community
is dedicated to being a living witness to Jesus by fostering
Spiritual growth through Worship, Catholic Education and Service to
God and His people, especially those in need.

PASTORAL STAFF:
Fr. Carl Peltz - Pastor -phone ext.10
Mr. Tom McGuire-
Secretary to the Pastor/Administrative Assistant- phone ext. 11
Linda Markovich - DRE- phone ext. 15
Director of Finance and Development - Mary Topa-phone ext.17

RECTORY: 879 Finley Drive
PHONE: 629-8678

CHURCH AND FAMILY CENTER: 1020 Irwin Avenue

OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Phone	517-629-4532
Fax	517-629-5462
Parish Web Site	www.stjohn-church.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Friday of week prior by 5:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register at the Parish Office, if you are 18 years or older.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

MASS SCHEDULE:
Weekdays and Holy Days: Consult Bulletin

Vigil - Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS OR RCIA: Contact the office.

WEDDINGS:
Contact the office six months before desired date.
If there is a previous marriage, one year

CARE OF THE SICK: Contact the office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m. at K.C. Hall

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY: 3rd Monday of the month from April to October

PRAYER NETWORK: call Marge Murray at 629-9271 or the Parish Office

Mass Schedule: March 8-15, 2009

Sunday, March 15
8:00 AM...Mass...People of St John Parish
9:15 AM...Religious Education Classes
10:30 AM...Mass...Anna Weiskittel
by Mr./Mrs. Mike Peckham & Family

Monday, March 16
No Mass

Tuesday, March 17
No Mass

Wednesday, March 18...50 Uppers Pot Luck
No Mass
7:00 PM...Choir Practice

Thursday, March 19...Theology on Tap
No Mass

Friday, March 20...Fish Fry
No Mass
4:30 PM...Stations of the Cross
5:00 - 7:00 PM...Fish Fry

Saturday, March 21
4:30 PM...Mass...Leo & Lucille Lammers & Phyllis
by Lammers Family
3:30—4:00 PM...Confessions

Sunday, March 22
8:00 AM...Mass...Marjorie Paniccia
By Kay Eagen
9:15 AM...Religious Education Classes
10:30 AM...Mass...Jose Ortez

Communal Penance Liturgy
We will have a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Penance next Sunday, March 22nd at 4:00 PM. So far two other priests will be joining Fr. Peltz.

Sponsor of the Week

Wolf's Auto Repair

Next Week Liturgy Team Four

Saturday, March 21 4:30 PM
Commentator: Al Lake
Lector: Vicky Snyder
E.M.: Gerald & Loretta Lammers, Jackie Olma
Altar Servers: Isabel & Rebekah Snyder
Ushers: Bill Zenoniani, Sr., Steve Zenoniani

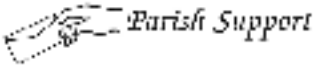
Sunday, March 22 8:00 AM
Commentator: Kevin Markovich
Lector: Sue Harden
E.M.: Shirley Wood, Ophelia Garza, Kay Eagen
Altar Servers: Alex Harden, Keith Clemons
Ushers: Ken Waito, Volunteer

Sunday, March 22 10:30 AM
Commentator: Nancy Polnasek
Lector: Jill Mestdagh
E.M.: Carl Weiskittel, Alicia Botello, Greg Polnasek
Altar Servers: Tom Hickey, Mike McAuliffe
Ushers: Carl Solis, Pilar Rivera, III

Pray for Our Troops
Pray for protection and safe return home of Nick Nystrom, Quintin Phillips, Kyle Hagemann, and Garret Coppin.

Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish:
Marge & Sharon Bommarito, Cris Solis, Jr; Margaret Richardson, Edna Sheldon, Kathy Matson, John Owdziej, Zenon Ortiz, Nick Fuentes, Virginia Karmalski, Irene Campbell, Carol deNicola, David Riano, Fr. Peltz, Beverly Eis, Arlene Marzic, Gail Waidelich, Hank Paskett, Michael Lerma

Please call the Parish Office to have anyone who is sick or serving in the military added to the Parish Prayer List. Tel: 517-629-4532



Our Return to God of His Gifts to Us
March 7-8

Weekly budgeted amount	$4,615.38
Adult, Loose	$3,605.00
Children's	$13.00
Easter Flowers	$75.00
Parish Development	$60.00

Alms
Our Alms Box is located in front of the Baptism Font/ Pool. Please consider this "spiritual discipline" as being one of your Lenten practices. The free will offerings of alms will go to Rice Bowl, A.I.M., and our parish fund to help the needy.

Pastor's Lenten Retreat
Fr. Peltz will be making an "in house Lenten Retreat" from Monday, March 16th until Saturday morning March 21st. Another priest will be visiting him daily to act as his retreat director and the two will celebrate Eucharist together in the rectory chapel, then share their reflections on that day's Gospel reading.

Daily Masses will be offered for both the living and all deceased members of our parish. Masses cannot be scheduled for parishioners because Father's Priest Director will not know until the day before when he can visit Father the following day.

Please respect Father's need to spend time alone only with his Lord, and God. Father will break his retreat for emergency anointings, funerals and to give his presentation on "Religious Addiction vs Gospel Spirituality" to our college students this Thursday evening. Please pray for your pastor this week as he will be praying for all of us and our deceased loved ones.

Clifford's Birthday
Fr. Peltz's "Big Red Dog", Clifford will be 8 years old this Thursday, March 19th. He will get one pound of hamburger for lunch, two to three pound chuck roast for dinner, and a vanilla cup cake in the evening. Guess what? Clifford will eat everything and still look for more food!

Afternoon of Reflection (College Students)
The Catholic Connections, a peer support group in our Parish out-reach Campus Ministry will sponsor an Afternoon of Reflection at our parish facilities on Sunday, March 29th from after the 10:30 AM Mass till 5:00 PM. A flyer with more information will also be sent to Roman Catholic Christians attending Albion College in the near future.

Please pray for those who will participate in this Afternoon of Reflection.

Fish Fry
Once again I would like to thank all those who are contributing to make our Lenten Friday Fish Dinners such a success in many ways. The rumors I heard last weekend and announced at the Masses about "our 400 dinners" being served, proved to be not in keeping with the facts. However, it was one of our largest events regarding dinners sold, but not, a "record breaker". I apologize for the error! Lesson learned: "Don't believe rumors even when they are good! Get all the facts first from those who actually have them!!"

Fr. Peltz

Congratulations
On behalf of our parish, I wish to congratulate Andrew Clarke, Joseph Clemons, Charlotte Connamacher and Raymond Snyder. These four students showed their love for God and for other people when they asked God for forgiveness through their first Reconciliation last Saturday. Thanks to Barb Buller and Julie Koledo they were well prepared and did good!

Fr. Peltz

Friday, March 20: Stations of the Cross: 4:30 PM
Leader: Nancy Polnasek
Private Stations
The church will be open Friday 5:00-6:30 PM for individuals, unable to make the 4:30 PM communal service, to privately pray the Stations of the Cross. Leaders of Stations please be in the sacristy at 4:15 PM.

Theology on Tap
Our first Theology on Tap, (T.O.P.) will be held this Thursday, March 19th beginning at 7:00PM. For all college students. Fr. Peltz will give a presentation on the differences between Religious Addiction and the Spirituality endorsed by Jesus Christ in the Gospel. Discussion following presentation. Students will receive free food and non-alcoholic drinks. Those 21 years of age or older are free to purchase their own alcoholic beverages.

Adult parishioners are welcome to attend as observers. They may not ask any questions or participate in the discussions. This program is intended solely for college students because it is being funded by our Campus Ministry Fund. Adults will also have to pay for their own food and rink.