

OCTOBER 13, 2019

# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

CATHOLIC CHURCH • NORTH BENNINGTON, VERMONT



## MISSION STATEMENT

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church is a community of baptized people who have, as their common goals: to love, model, teach, serve, and celebrate Christ in our lives. Committed to the Eucharist, our Bread of Life, and guided by the Holy Spirit, we are dedicated to service to God's people and center our faith-life around liturgical celebrations, the Gospel, and prayer. Based on the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, we reach out to all people lovingly, acknowledging their uniqueness and dignity, and treat all with respect, tolerance, and acceptance, having the love of Jesus as our core.

## EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil  
5:30 PM

Sunday  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Monday through Thursday  
9:00 AM

Holy Day Mass  
(refer to schedule on inside cover)

Eucharistic Adoration  
Wednesdays 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

*Gluten-free hosts are available upon request. Visitors or parishioners need to notify the Pastor or Deacon prior to the particular Mass they are attending.*

## RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 4:30 PM-5:00 PM and by appointment.

## VISITORS

Welcome. Thank you for joining us for our Eucharistic Celebration. Please know that we have a long tradition of kneeling after every Mass to say a brief prayer for vocations.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome new parishioners to St. John's and ask that they register at the parish office. Parishioners with new addresses or who are moving should also contact the parish office.

A photograph of a scenic autumn landscape with rolling hills, colorful trees in shades of red, orange, and yellow, and mountains in the distance under a blue sky with white clouds.

*28<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. - Lk 17:15-16



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Rev. Mr. David M. O'Brien—Deacon

The Congregation of Holy Cross Priests and Brothers have offered continuous service for over 60 years to the Diocese of Burlington and the Bennington area.

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

EMAIL: [saintjohnchurch1@gmail.com](mailto:saintjohnchurch1@gmail.com)

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# Mass Intentions

And Liturgical Celebrations for 10/12-10/20

## Sat./Sun., 10/12-10/13 – Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 5:30 p.m. For our parishioners
- 9:00 a.m. Joe Talbot (17<sup>th</sup> anniversary) by his wife Bea & Family
- 11:00 a.m. Dolores Lowre by Sophia Healy

## Monday, 10/14 – Saint Callistus I

- 9:00 a.m. Mary Scarey Dailey by Ron, Rosemary, & Molly

## Tuesday, 10/15 – Saint Teresa of Jesus

- 9:00 a.m. Therese Densmore by Paul & Betty Becker

## Wednesday, 10/16 – Saint Hedwig;

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

- 9:00 a.m. Marie Mullooley by Joan Monroe

## Thursday, 10/17 – Saint Ignatius of Antioch

- 9:00 a.m. In Celebration of Joan LaVigne's Birthday by Lowre & David LaCroix

## Friday, 10/18 – Saint Luke

No Mass

## Sat./Sun., 10/19-10/20 – Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 5:30 p.m. For our parishioners
- 9:00 a.m. Florence & Harold McMahon by Linda Meskun
- 11:00 a.m. Betty Kees by the Kees Family



And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" - Lk 17:15-18

### Readings for the week of October 13, 2019

- Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19
- Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13b]/Lk 11:42-46
- Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [7]/Lk 11:47-54
- Friday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9
- Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8a]/Lk 12:8-12
- Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 2]/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

## Question of the Week Why pray for the dead?

Praying for the dead is an ancient practice. The Jewish community was doing it two centuries before Christ, and inscriptions and ancient liturgies of the church testify that early Christians followed this practice.

The belief in the communion of saints is an acknowledgment that death doesn't break the bonds of our relationships to one another. The holy ones are praying for us, and we are praying for the less-than-holy-ones still working out the details of their journey to total union with God. Because God is love, anything unloving has to be left behind for that union to take place. In the "economy of salvation" the currency we use to assist our friends is prayer.

Praying for the dead means more than only saying prayers for them. It can include any good work performed for their intention. Should we do these things for bad people, even really bad ones who may have hurt us? Those folks more than any others need our help! Jesus tells us to love our enemies and to bless those who injure us. Certainly we can bless others in death as well as in life. Those who have gone before us need our prayers. And someday we will likely need theirs.

—Alice Camille

### Sunday Summary

**2 Kings 5:4-17** A foreign leprosy sufferer is healed by Israel's God and pledges his allegiance.

**Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4** In the sight of all nations God's justice is made real.

**2 Timothy 2:8-13** Fidelity to Christ will bear us up even in crisis and distress.

**Luke 17:11-19** Ten lepers, 10 healings, one thankful heart. There's a gratitude shortage.



Thank you to those who have given to the 2019 Bishop's Appeal. Your gift supports a variety of ministries and services impacting all of our 69 parishes, 13 Catholic schools, emergency aid to 2,000 individuals, vocations, religious education, and so much more. For more information or to make a gift, please visit [bishopsappealvt.org](http://bishopsappealvt.org).

To date, our parish has raised \$25,162 toward our goal of \$30,998. This is 81% of our parish goal.

### Financial Report



### Week Ending 10/6/2019...

Mass Offerings:	\$3354.00
Fuel Fund:	\$1148.35
Other income:	\$0.00

*Weekly Budgeted Expenses:* \$4205.28

# Liturgical Ministries

For this weekend (Sat. 10/12, Sun. 10/13)



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

- 5:30 p.m. Deacon David O'Brien, Henry & Kathy Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Deacon David O'Brien, Kathy Hauser, Jennifer McKenna
- 11:00 a.m. Deacon David & Gail O'Brien, Terri Whitman

## LECTORS

- 5:30 p.m. Tom Paquin, Paul Lamontagne
- 9:00 a.m. Joyce Scarey, Brian McKenna
- 11:00 a.m. Kevin Kees, Rosemary Lindsey

## ALTAR SERVERS

- 5:30 p.m. Noah & Sadie Warner
- 9:00 a.m. Karalina & Gracie Hastings, Nieve McKenna
- 11:00 a.m. Karl Dooling, Eric Whitman

**Lectors Needed:** We are in special need of more lectors for the 5:30 Saturday Mass. Training is provided. Scheduling is at your convenience. If you would like to become part of this important ministry, please contact Margy Boulet at 442-3434.



## All Hazards Church Preparedness

"Preparing for defining moments and critical incidents in places of worship."

### October 22 and October 23

We will discuss the need for 21st century churches to plan ahead and be prepared to handle situations that were unheard of in recent history. Medical emergencies, fires, active shooters, and other unexpected situations catch us by surprise and require making life or death decisions at a frightening pace. These decisions have a major impact on how communities move towards healing and recovery. Assessing threats, risks and hazards, developing response plans with community partners, and exercising these plans is a must for today's faith communities.

**Presenter:** Bill Elwell is the owner and Chief Chaplain of First Responder Core Wellness, LLC. He has served, equipped, and supported first responders, who are the heart of our public safety infrastructure for over twenty years. Over the past twenty years Bill also served as a full time licensed Pastor in the United Methodist Church.

This two hour program will be held at both parishes.

**St. John the Baptist**  
**Tuesday, October 22**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales**  
**Wednesday, October 23**  
**10:00 a.m.**

# This Week

- 10/12-13/2019** – Sodality Food & Bake Sale after Mass
- 10/15/2019** – Food Shelf open from 3-4 p.m.
- 10/16/2019** – Eucharistic Adoration from 4-5 p.m.
- 10/19/2019** – Al-Anon Group meets from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- 10/20/2019** – Altar Server Class at 6:00 p.m.
- 10/22/2019** – Church Preparedness at 7 p.m. at St. John's
- 10/23/2019** – Church Preparedness at 10 a.m. at SHSF
- 10/23/2019** – Eucharistic Adoration from 4-5 p.m.



**Food and Bake Sale:** The Ladies' Sodality of St. John's Church will be holding a Food and Bake Sale after all the Masses this weekend, **October 12 - 13**. Be sure to stop by and check out all of the delicious foods being offered! Donations are welcome.



Next weekend, **October 19 - 20**, we will celebrate **World Mission Sunday**. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know someone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church or has questions about our Catholic Faith? Someone who:

- Has never been baptized?
- Has been baptized, but is not a practicing Catholic?
- Has been baptized, but never been confirmed?

If you know of someone like this, please ask them if they would be interested in becoming a full member of our Catholic Church. This year's RCIA program will be starting on **October 27**. Please contact Scott Murphy at 802-245-4990 or Patty Dailey at 802-345-9555. Or you may call the parish office at 447-7504.



The Cemetery Committee requests that all plants be removed from the cemetery before **November 1**. Any plants left after that date will be disposed of. Thank you for your cooperation.