

June 28, 2026
**13th SUNDAY in
 ORDINARY TIME**

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Please contact Pastor at least 6 months in advance. Participation in a Marriage Preparation program is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the pastor

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register. Forms in office.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

sjsbulletin@gmail.com Bulletin submission deadline is Tuesday by noon.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM



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“Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me.” - Mt 10:37-38

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 Loose \$296.00

St. John Gifts 6/21/26

Adults \$2705.00
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 Peters Pence \$10.00
 Picnic \$100.00
 Votive Candles \$65.25

For ALL sacramental related inquiries, please contact Fr. Vincent directly at 573-238-2450. You do not have to go through the parish office since Father keeps his own calendar and makes his own appointments.

Welcome! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this weekend. If you are not currently registered with either St. John Church or St. Anthony Church and would like to do so, registration forms in the vestibule of either parish or on the parish website. We would love to have you as a part of our parish family!

Online giving is now available.

<https://osvhub.com/stjohnchurchleopold/funds>

Liturgical Roles

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 4-5, 2026

Saturday, July 4, 5 PM (SA)

Servers: Bryson & Bentley Green
Lector: Dennis Horrell
Extraordinary Min. *Gina Bueter
Ushers: Chad & Michael VanGennip
Offertory: Family of Deborah Bueter
Sacristan: Rita Holshouser
Rosary: Norbert & Debbie Nenninger

KC Sunday

Sunday, July 5, 8 AM (SJ)

Servers: Nash & Thad Adams
Lector: Abby Bohnsack
Extraordinary Min.: *Matt Beussink,
Cody Van de Ven, Ron Wesbecher
Choir Min.: Jason Van de Ven
Ushers: Francis Nenninger, Roy
Van de Ven
Offertory: KC Family of Month: Trent
Elfrink Family
Sacristan: Pam & Ron Wesbecher
Rosary: KC - Stan Seiler

Sunday, July 5, 10 AM (SJ)

Servers: Quinton & Avery Hoesli
Lector: Dustin Hoesli
Extraordinary Min.: *Sarah Deck,
Sheryl Eftink, Kim Bunger
Choir Min.: Harlan Elfrink
Ushers: Doug & Mark Deck
Offertory: Family of Bryan Deck
Sacristan: Sheryl Eftink
Rosary: Eva Dunn

StoneBridge & Homebound Extraordinary Minister for July 5: Pam Wesbecher

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES:

Due to the publishing company closing for the 4th of July holiday

Sunday, July 5 Bulletin Items
are due Sunday, June 29 at noon

Sacrament Schedule and Weekly Schedule

SJ= St. John | SA= St. Anthony

Monday, June 29, Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)
8:30 AM MASS - Gene H. Cook † (SJ)
9:00 AM - 7:00 AM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (SJ)

Tuesday, June 30

8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)
8:30 AM MASS - Alvin & Helen Vandeven † (SJ)

Wednesday, July 1

5:30-5:55 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)
6:00 PM MASS - Elmer & Ida Koenig † (SA)

Thursday, July 2

8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)
8:30 AM MASS - Susie (Deck) McCrimmons † (SJ)
No KC Adoration this month

Friday, July 3

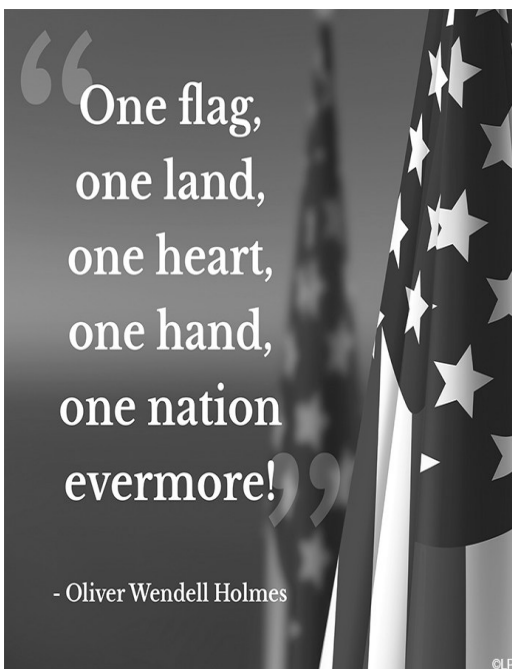
8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)
8:30 AM MASS - Melvin Holzum † (SJ)

Saturday, July 4, Independence Day

No Men's Group
8:00 AM - Women's Cursillo (church basement)
4:15-4:45 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)
5:00 PM MASS - Deborah Bueter † (SA)

Sunday, July 5

7:20-7:50 AM -and - 9:30-9:50 AM CONFESSIONS (SJ)
8:00 AM MASS - Families of St. John & St. Anthony Parishes (SJ)
10:00 AM MASS - Bryan Deck † (SJ)



“One flag,
one land,
one heart,
one hand,
one nation
evermore!”

- Oliver Wendell Holmes

DDF Totals:

St. John's
DDF Goal: \$49,107
Pledges thus far: \$39,295
& 115 out of 324
registered families having
donated thus far

St. Anthony's
DDF Goal: \$5680
Pledges thus far: \$4760
& 32 out of 59
registered families having
donated thus far

Please fill out and return your DDF
Pledge form if you have not done
so already. Thank you.

Notes from Fr. Vincent:

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.” (Hebrews 13:2)

Dorothy Day’s House of Hospitality is well known. It was a concrete expression of Christian charity and the ideals of the Catholic Worker Movement. Open to the poor, the homeless, and those in need, these houses provided food, shelter, friendship, and dignity to society’s most vulnerable members. Inspired by the Gospel and Christ’s call to serve “the least of these,” Dorothy Day saw hospitality not merely as social service but as a personal act of love and solidarity with the poor, recognizing in them the presence of Christ Himself. That is why John Chrysostom considered hospitality as the “summit of heaven”.

The first reading for this Sunday speaks about the wealthy woman of Shunem who showed remarkable hospitality to the Prophet Elisha by welcoming him into her home and even preparing a small room where he could rest whenever he passed through her town (2 Kings 4:8–10). Recognizing her generosity and kindness, God rewarded her through Elisha’s blessing with the gift of a son, despite her long years of childlessness. Her story reminds us that sincere hospitality offered in faith and love often becomes a channel of God’s abundant blessings and grace.

Saint Vincent de Paul regarded hospitality to strangers as a sacred duty rooted in the Gospel. St Vincent often reminded his followers that charity is not merely giving material assistance but receiving people with kindness, compassion, and dignity. He encouraged the members of his communities to practice a warm and gracious hospitality, believing that when we welcome those in need, we welcome Christ, who said, “I was a stranger and you welcomed me” (Matthew 25:35). For St. Vincent, hospitality was a concrete expression of God’s love and an essential part of Christian discipleship.

How wholeheartedly generous and hospitable am I towards God and others in my life?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, make our hearts truly Catholic and hospitable, so that we may welcome every person with the love, compassion, and generosity that You have shown to us. Amen.

St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony, pray for us and protect us.

Fr. Vincent Joseph VC

Adult Education Notes

There’s a line in Exodus 34, when Moses receives the Ten Commandments, that’s easy to rush past in all the drama of that mind-blowing moment. “*The LORD came down in a cloud and stood with him there*” (Exodus 34:5). Think about that. “*In a cloud*” ...in the confusion of a massive historic and spiritual moment...God showed up and simply stood there with him.

The last time I read those words, I wondered, “for how long?” I’d imagine it wasn’t short. That would be like God. I know that because of how He stands with us in the Eucharist. He’s never in a rush to leave us. The question is, when you pray, do you stand with him? Or are you always rushing off?

If I’m honest, when I sit down to pray, the first thing I usually do is glance at my watch. I know when I’ve started and when I’ll end. And my mind tends to race. But the other day I sat down to pray, thought of the next thing I had to do, and heard Him speak into my heart: “Why is everyone always rushing off?” He is always waiting for us. And we are always moving to the next thing.

Benedict XVI reflected on the love that Jesus—our Eucharistic Lord—shows us, and what that kind of love would hope for in return: “*I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer*’ (Lk 22:15) ...*In this eager desire of Jesus we can recognize the desire of God himself – his expectant love for mankind, for his creation. A love which awaits the moment of union, a love which wants to draw mankind to itself... Jesus desires us...But what about ourselves? Do we really desire him? Are we anxious to meet him?...Or are we indifferent, distracted, busy about other things?* (Homily, Basilica of St John Lateran, Holy Thursday, April 21, 2011).

The next time you sit to pray, don’t be ready to blast off into the next thing. You just arrived at the main thing. Jesus is standing here. Truly present. Stand with him for a while. Take a deep breath and be aware of His presence—whether you’re in a Church before the Blessed Sacrament or not. He wants you to bring your “real presence” to prayer.

I know, it’s not easy for distracted minds like ours. Keep trying. The better we get at being really present to him, the better we’ll be at bringing our “real presence” to everything we do.

Ministry Notes & Updates

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5898:

Seventh annual Fireworks Show and Activities this coming Saturday, July 4 on the council grounds. Bigger than ever fireworks for the 250th anniversary of the USA. The show starts around 9pm. Concessions open at 2 with an afternoon of ball games before the set up for the fireworks. Come out, enjoy the holiday and the country's big birthday party.

For Council members, the July meeting will NOT be on first Sunday, July 5 but the next Sunday, July 12 at 9:30 following 8am Mass.

VOCATION MINISTRY:

"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me."
(Matthew 10:38) Following Christ means embracing sacrifice. Are you willing to carry your cross, offering your hopes and dreams in order to follow Him and discover true peace and purpose? Have you asked God what He is calling you to in your life? Talk to Fr. Vincent at 238-3300, ext. 2. **Vocation Crucifix for June: Gerald Macke** *For those discerning their vocation, that they may respond to God's call with willing hearts, let us pray to the Lord.*

ST. JOHN PCCW:

Only a month before our main parish fundraiser. We need to start thinking about our items for the Gift Shoppe, making sure we know our work schedule, and plan to bake bread and cakes for the dinner.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

As a summer service project, we will be collecting bath tissue for the Amen Center. Please help by donating. There is a marked tote in the back of St. John Church. For monetary donations, please put in a marked envelope in the collection basket. July 20th will be the last day to drop off. Thank you!

MEN'S GROUP:

There will be NO men's group during the month of July. The next meeting will be in August. Thank you and have a great summer!

In Gratitude & Welcome:

We would like to extend our gratitude to Mark Deck, Sarah Deck, and Alan Elfrink for their dedication and service to St. John's Pastoral Council over these past few years. Their wisdom, generosity, and steadfast stewardship have truly enriched our church community and have helped nurture a spirit of unity and growth within our parish. Thank you for being a wonderful blessing to our church family.

Following the ballot count for the election of three new pastoral council members, we extend our congratulations and thanks to Matt Brotherton, Elaine Stroder, and Marcie Upchurch. Each of them has graciously accepted the opportunity to serve on the Pastoral Council for the next three years. We are excited to collaborate with them as we continue to guide and nurture our parish community, fostering growth and unity within our church family.

Remember Your Home Parish in Your Will:

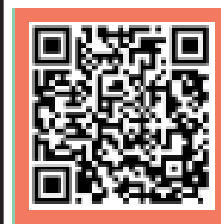
As an act of faith and gratitude, consider remembering your home parish in your will.

This lasting gift helps ensure that the Church which nurtured your faith may continue its mission for generations to come.

TOTUS TUUS 2026

The morning/grade-school program is designed for children entering 1st through 6th grades in the upcoming school year. The children will meet Monday, July 20th, through Friday, July 24th, from 9am to 2:30pm each day at Leopold School. Lunch and snacks will be provided. The evening program for junior and senior high school youth who will be entering the 7th through 12th grades in the upcoming school year. These grade levels meet each night Sunday, July 19th, through Thursday, July 23rd, from 7:00-9:15pm at Leopold School.

Scan the QR Code to register your child for



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