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A NEWSLETTER OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Letter From Our Pastor

We skipped a month during this summer, but we are back. *FrameWorks* goes to all our families, so I'm going to bring a few things up to date. We have started an electronic news briefing on a weekly basis. We call it St. John the Baptist Parish eNews.

Using electronic delivery allows us to produce and send a news briefing into your homes in a very short time. In addition, the eNews saves the costs of printing, addressing, sorting and mailing. We do not want to drive anyone out of business, but those in the printing industry know the realities of today's technology.

We know that this *FrameWorks* goes to all the homes of those on the parish list. If you are not receiving eNews from us, and have an email address, please send that to us. We'll be more than happy to add you to those receiving eNews. While you're at it, if you have a cell or smartphone, please send us that number. We promise not to bombard you with messages, but on occasion we may want to blast out something special to all of our parishioners.

I think most of you are aware that Lynda Provence has left our parish staff after serving us

for 21 years. She was named administrative assistant and secretary to our new Bishop Charles Thompson. We are proud that she was chosen to such a prestigious and important post. But we miss her creative presence here at the parish.

She spearheaded and designed a number of ministries that are currently the backbone of our presence in our community. She was also the voice that many people called on to express and inform us of what was going on in the parish and people's lives. We ask God's blessings on her, her family and her current ministry of serving the larger community in the Diocese of Evansville.

We have added new faces and names to our parish administrative team. Dr. Charlotte Bennett continues as principal and, thus, the leader in St. John School. Paul Keller is Business Manager and directs the tasks of facilities management, finances and accounting, and marketing and development. Vince Bernardin returns to us as deacon after serving Christ the King Parish for three years. Vince is director of Religious Formation and Spiritual Life here at St. John.

So, we have some new faces. Our intent is to provide more services to our people. Details will be forthcoming on more opportunities for learning teachings of our faith. We will put this in the context of a Sunday School setting – allowing people to attend Sunday Mass and



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St. John Parish Ministry Grows With Addition Of Child Care

St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish launched its newest ministry last month...St. John Kinder Kountry Preschool and Child Care.

The new child care joins the existing preschool and offers parents the option of before- and after- preschool care for ages 3, 4 and 5. Enrollment was first opened last spring to families of existing preschool students, then to the parish and beyond. The child care is currently at 17 children, with the capacity to serve up to 36.

“We are still accepting children for the child care, as well as the preschool,” said director Julie Swihart. “Two of the six preschool classes are now full, with openings in the remaining four classes.”

The preschool, which is housed at the front of the elementary school, offers 2-, 3-, and 5-day classes from 7:30-10 a.m. or 11:45 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. The child care, located in the former preschool building behind the school, adds the benefit of before- and after-care. Hours for the preschool & child care are 7 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday-Friday year-round.

The staff includes: preschool & child care director Julie Swihart; child care coordinator Linda Reising; preschool/pre-K teachers Mary Peak and Karen Wening; and two child care teachers (yet to be named at press time).

Julie says St. John Kinder Kountry Preschool & Child Care is unique



To view more photos, find us on Facebook at “St. John Kinder Kountry Preschool and Child Care”.

because the learning does not stop once preschool stops. “We carry the learning and the spirituality from preschool to

child care. This is not a day care, it is an extension of what is being taught in preschool. The children have a wonderful time while continuing to learn, play and interact with each other.”

The children receive both academic and religious instruction. They learn through hands-on activities, including “center time” (such as a “sensory center,” “kitchen center,” or “block center”) and free play. Fresh activities are offered on a daily basis. In the summer, children will participate in weekly field trips and activities.

The child care was started to meet the community need for an affordable, quality child care program that incorporates learning in a Christian environment. The brochure best captures the philosophy of the program:

“We want to create a link between the preschool, child care and home with constant emphasis on the community resources which surround all of us. Communities grow when individuals feel a genuine connection in a Christian atmosphere. Helping to build strong families is an effective way to ensure that children will grow up healthy and resilient.”

To learn more about Kinder Kountry Preschool & Child Care –or to enroll – contact Julie at 812-490-3000 or jswhart@sjbnewburgh.org. Also, be sure to visit our Facebook page (St. John Kinder Kountry Preschool & Child Care) and “like us.”

Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary

Catholics have a special reverence for Mary, the Mother of God. The months of May and October are set aside to honor Mary, with May as the month of Mary and October the month of the rosary.

Why is the rosary such a great tool for prayer?

The rosary was given to us by Mary, and Catholics deeply value it as a way of examining faith and connecting to Christ through Mary. The five decades allow us to focus on a different mystery with each decade, ranging between Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious. (A new set of mysteries – Luminous – was added by Pope John Paul II in 2002, and is now prayed by many.)

In short, the rosary is designed to keep count of the number of prayers said. The fingers are moved along the beads as prayers are recited. The Hail Mary is said on the ten beads within a decade, while the Our Father is said on the large bead before each decade. A new mystery is meditated upon at each of the large beads.

For many – like parishioner Cathy Keller – the rosary holds a special place in their heart. Cathy has prayed the rosary since she was a first-grader and is even more devoted to it today.

“My family prayed the rosary every day growing up. Even when we were on vacation we would say it in the car. I taught it to my children and I continue to pray it.”

Cathy has also taught the rosary to RCIA classes, with the hope that candidates will embrace it.

“It is something very personal to people. You have to grasp it, claim it, and want to pray it. It is a different experience for every person.”

Cathy said she likes to use the rosary to pray for family members and special intentions as she reflects on the mysteries and on scripture. Each bead, each decade and each rosary has special meaning.

“There are 50 beads, and each of those beads can represent a different prayer. Each bead can be an opportunity to reflect on the life of Christ. Each decade can be a different intention. There are so many ways that you can reflect as you pray the rosary.

The rosary is also a great tool to help us grow and expand our Christian faith in Jesus Christ. As you walk through the decades, you can walk with Christ from conception to death, as you pray and reflect on scripture.”

The Mysteries of the rosary follow the life of Christ from the Annunciation to the Ascension. They are meant as meditations on the life of Christ.

Leo XIII, the “Rosary Pope”, explained the importance of the rosary as the road to God...from the

Father to the Son, then to his Mother, and from her to us. The rosary is a way to participate in the life of Mary and to find the way to Christ.

“The Virgin Mary is our mentor and there is no better woman to emulate,” Cathy added. “She allows us to pray to her, and she listens and offers intercession on our behalf. The rosary is a tool we can all use to ask for assistance and better focus on our prayer life.”

For those who wish to learn how to focus on scripture as they pray the rosary, Cathy recommends the book, *The Scriptural Rosary*. For a guide on how to pray the rosary, call 490-1000 or stop by the Parish Office.





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Welcome New Members of St. John

May

Jonathan Andrews
10570 Titan Dr.
Newburgh, IN 47630

Judy and C Ronald Ary
8833 Shadow Ridge Dr.
Newburgh, IN 47630

James Cohlmeier
604 Prince Dr.
Newburgh, IN 47630

Aaron and Courtney Dewees
5885 Medinah Dr.
Newburgh, IN 47630

Patrick and Nancy Gottfried
5844 Cypress Pointe Dr.
Newburgh, IN 47630

Daniel and Anelia Hohne
6166 Laurel Ridge Dr.
Newburgh, IN 47630

Mike and Marissa Mitchell
6866 Cottage Lane
Newburgh, IN 47630

Erin and Lynda O'Daniel
6811 Newburgh Road
Evansville, IN 47715

Stephen and Geraldine Schnaus
4833 Bell Road Unit 603
Newburgh, IN 47630

Darlene Sims
718 Village Lane Apt. 14
Newburgh, IN 47630

June

Michael and Samantha Gutscher
1177 Mt. Gilead Road
Boonville, IN 47601

Kevin Harris
6722 Mill Creek Road
Newburgh, IN 47630

Stewart and Cortney Hite
10611 Pollack Ave.
Newburgh, IN 47630

David Mangold
2533 Oak Trail Dr.
Newburgh, IN 47630

Richard and Reina Maria Patilano
521 Reserve Blvd.
Evansville, IN 47715

George and Helen Schoenbaechler
7644 Briar Ct.
Newburgh, IN 47630

July

Peter and Lilia Doll
941 Bellewood Dr.
Henderson, KY 42420

John and Sarah Kavanaugh
6444 Belle Rive Dr
Newburgh, IN 47630

Thomas and Tamara Litney
P.O. Box 133
Newburgh, IN 47630

Charles and Cynthia McDaniel
9333 Millicent Court
Newburgh, IN 47630

Paul and Jenifer Nugent
6401 Waterstone Court
Newburgh, IN 47630

Kenneth and Anne Parker
2222 Huffmann Road
Boonville, IN 47601

Kimberly Terry
6611 Valley Road
Newburgh, IN 47630

Theresa White
7666 Gourley Lane
Newburgh, IN 47630

Nate and Carolyn Whyte
1465 Hewins Road
Boonville, IN 47601

Baptisms

JUNE BAPTISMS

James Kyrian Beavin	June 12, 2011	child of Joshua and Cindy Beavin
Juliana Marie Beavin	June 12, 2011	child of Joshua and Cindy Beavin
Kendall Mae Strange	June 19, 2011	child of Mark and Brooke Strange
Sara Raquin Inserto	June 25, 2011	child of John and Lara Inserto
Hadley Rose Ternet	June 26, 2011	child of Ty and Melissa Ternet

JULY BAPTISMS

Karl Heinrich Motz	July 2, 2011	child of Joseph and Aileen Motz
Olivia Rose Williams	July 17, 2011	child of Nicholas and Kira Williams
Carter Dean Shelley	July 23, 2011	child of Tommy and Richelle Shelley
Devin Anders Day	July 30, 2011	child of Stephen and Jami Day
Kylie Marie Arnold	July 31, 2011	child of Tommy and Melissa Arnold
Haley Ann Brown	July 31, 2011	child of Kenneth and Rebecca Brown
Adam Michael Mathias Sitzman	July 31, 2011	child of Brandon and Jennifer Sitzman





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Stewardship Notables

- Special thanks to **Lynda Provence** for countless hours spent coordinating the launch of the new Child Care. Also, thanks to those who put in many hours coordinating, cleaning, organizing, creating and doing what was necessary to get the Child Care ready: **Julie Swihart, Jerry and Susan Jindrich, Angie Knust, Chad Bennett, Jim and Debbie Egen (Sycamore Printing), Bill Wallace, Linda Schenk (and her Ivy Tech volunteers), David Hanson, George Provence, Madalyn Schadler, Mike Rodenberg, Sean West, David Shields, Ed Mullis and the Kinder Ministry staff.** And last, thanks to the many, many people who stepped forward to donate toys, furniture, games, puzzles and other items for the child care.
- Thanks to the many volunteers who stepped forward and helped out during our **Parish Work Day.**
- Special thanks to **Summer Social coordinators Pete and Jenny Barry, Summer Social Committee members, booth chairpersons, booth workers, volunteers...**and those who attended the social, rode the rides, played the games and ate the food.
- Thanks to our volunteers who keep **Mother T's** running day after day...we would be lost without you. Thanks also to our **Parish Office front desk volunteers...** bless you for making things run smoothly!
- Thank you to all those who have come forward to pass on the faith by serving as **catechists for all of our religious education programs** at St. John! Our students will be blessed by your presence. We thank God for you!
- Blessings to all the wonderful ladies serving in the Elizabeth Ministry, with special thanks to those serving on the steering committee: **Colleen York, Director; Brittney Jennings, Visitation Manager; Amanda Scurry, Publicity & Events; Fran Dickinson, Prayer Partner Coordinator; Lisa McFadden, Meals Coordinator; and Jilliane Howell, Gift Coordinator.**
- Thank you **Cathy Ruppel** for your years of service as Gift Coordinator creating the beautiful gifts shared by the Elizabeth Ministry with new mothers and those in crisis. Cathy's special talent in choosing just the right gift and making each so special has touched many lives.
- Many heartfelt thanks to all the ladies currently serving on the Mother to Mother Ministry Steering Committee: **Liz Niehaus, President; Suzanne Selby, Communications; Jen Dill, Social; Jenny Keller, Treasurer; Nanette Angel, Secretary; Tiffani Sinn-Trulock, Meeting Planner; Cynthia Barfield, Children's Coordinator; and Rhonda Felker, Hospitality.**
- And to those leaving their posts on the M2M Steering Committee, with gratitude for all you have shared: **Lisa Bindley, Ashley Niehaus, Karen Thompson, and Erin Gries.** We greatly appreciate all your time, energy, and service dedicated to this special ministry!!
- Thank you **Niehaus Family** for all the work installing the roof on the Parish Office.

LIVE

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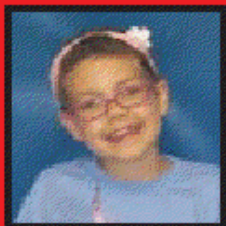
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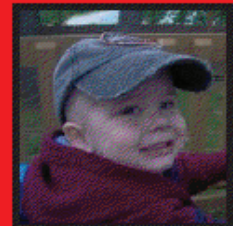
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BENEFIT CONCERT



Claire Hood

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Sunday

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11:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

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then stay (or come early) for a teaching session. These will not be a Sunday after Sunday offering, but several weeks running to cover various topics adequately. Detailed information will be forthcoming soon.

We will continue to present the Thursday evening Bible classes led by Jeff Sickman, who is a deacon in training. In addition we'll have special presenta-

tions throughout the year. Our Parish Mission will be Oct. 9-13. The Mission theme is on forgiveness: of self, of God, of others. I think you'll enjoy the two presenters. They operate with a team-tag approach.

Let us keep one another in prayer. Remember especially our young, our homebound, those sick or in nursing homes. Blessings to all.



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