

# Saint John's "GILDEHAUS" CHURCH

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## Mass Schedule

**Weekend:** Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:30 am

**Weekday:** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday &

Friday 8:00 am & Tuesday 7:00 pm

## Holy Days of Obligation

7:30 pm (vigil), 6:00 am, 8:00 am & 5:30 pm

## Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday following Mass 8:00 am

## Adoration

Every Tuesday beginning at 7:00 am.

## Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesdays at 6:45 pm followed by Mass at 7:00 pm

## First Saturday Devotions

Rosary 7:45 am • Mass 8:00 am

## Confessions

Saturday 5:00-5:45 pm

7:00-7:30 am Monday thru Thursday or by appointment.

## Baptisms

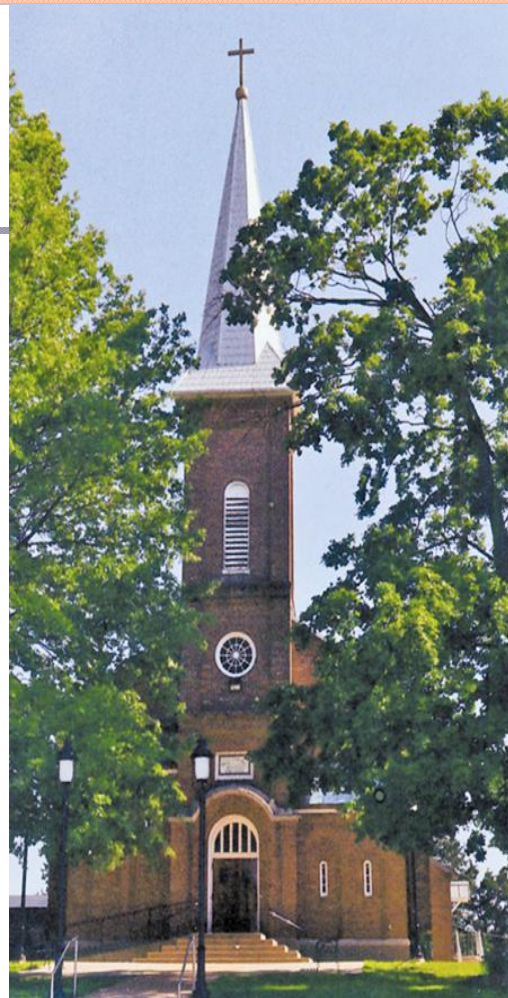
Parishioners are asked to please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

## Marriages

Parishioners are asked to make arrangements with the pastor at least six months in advance.

## Bulletin Deadline

Please contact the Pastor or Sara Maune, Parish Secretary, at 636-583-2488 or email stjohnsgild@yhti.net by **Noon** on **Wednesday**.



## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

As he blessed them he parted  
from them and was taken up  
to heaven. - Lk 24:51

# Parish Meetings

**MON:** 6/3 Knights of Columbus, 7:00 Music Rm.  
**TUES:** Quilting all day by the ladies of the parish. Lunch will be available in the cafeteria. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend and enjoy the day with them.

## St. John the Baptist German Games



### German Games Sponsorship

We are looking for monetary sponsors for our bigger and even better German Games. The games will take place on Sat. June 22<sup>nd</sup> to celebrate the Feast of St. John the Baptist. Any monetary donations will help us purchase items/supplies needed for this event. Please drop donations in the Sunday collection basket marked "German Games". All sponsors will be listed in our German Games brochure.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business \_\_\_\_\_

Donation amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### SAINT JOHN'S REGISTRATION FORM

If you have not registered, please join our parish by filling out this registration form and dropping it off in either the collection basket or the parish office. If you have any questions about how you can participate in the spiritual or sacramental life of our Church, please call Father Foy.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### These organizations/ministries are available, if interested:

- Altar Linen
- Eucharistic Minister
- Ladies Sodality
- Musician & Choir
- Parish Youth Aide
- Helping Hands Outreach to the Poor
- Altar Server
- Lector
- Knights of Columbus
- Men's Club
- Parish Religious Education
- RCIA Team or Sponsor

# Upcoming Parish Event

June 2 Deacon Randy Maune's One year Ordination Anniversary!  
 June 8 Latin Mass 8am  
 June 16 Father's Day  
*June 21-22 St. John's Polka Dance and German Games!*  
 June 23 Corpus Christi  
 Aug 15 First Day of School!!

### Liturgical Ministers Weekend of June 8th & 9th

#### Lectors:

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Rose Rosebrock  
 Sun. 7:00 a.m. Mary Patke  
 Sun. 8:30 a.m. Don Brinker  
 Sun. 10:30 a.m. Harry Benhardt

#### Eucharistic Ministers:

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Karen Doorack, Marie Thomas, Mike Whitworth  
 Sun. 7:00 a.m. Joe Tobben, Patty Dignon  
 Sun. 8:30 a.m. Bob & Cindy Hayden, Larry Ley Laverne Schwoeppe—choir  
 Sun 10:30 a.m. Randy Maune, Angie Weidemann, Tina Brueggemann

#### Ushers:

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Tom Frick, Jerry Leiweke  
 Sun. 7:00 a.m. Ken Jasper, Kevin Maune  
 Sun. 8:30 a.m. Roland Schwoeppe, Mickey Howell  
 Sun. 10:30 a.m. Carl Forsythe, Tom Pfohl

#### Servers:

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Zach Hoffman, Josie & Maddie Kluesner  
 Sun. 7:00 a.m. Dave Patke, Tim Straatmann, Wayne Sahn  
 Sun. 8:30 a.m. Joshua Ley, William Riegel, Jacob Schwoeppe  
 Sun. 10:30 a.m. Alan & Tristen Wiedemann, Riley Zeitmann

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### Church Finances Stewardship of Treasure

*May 19, 2019*

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## Readings for the week of June 2, 2019

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53

7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [cf. 7b]/Jn 21:20-25

**Important:** If your address or phone number(s) have recently changed please let us know at the rectory 636-583-2488 so we can update your information. Also, if you have been visiting and would like to **join our parish we would love to have you!** Just fill out the registration form on the front of this bulletin and drop it in the collection basket, mail it to the rectory or give it to Father Foy. Thanks!

**Parish School of Religion (PSR)** registration is now open for the upcoming 2019/2020 school year. You can go to the website: [sjgpsr.org](http://sjgpsr.org) and print the form or, we now have Online Registration. If you register online, just send your payment to the parish office made out to "St. John's PSR". Questions can be emailed to Adam Weber at [awpsrstjohn@aol.com](mailto:awpsrstjohn@aol.com) or call/text 314-330-0599

## SUMMER FLOWER WATERING

As in past summers, we are looking for parishioners to volunteer through the months of June-October to water flowers around church, the rectory and behind church by school. The sign-up sheets are in the church vestibule with more information. Please help keep our church grounds looking beautiful! We have made it easy. It will take a little of your time, but at your convenience.



THANK YOU to all who have signed up in the past.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**YOTS (YOUNG OLD TIMERS SOCIETY)** Next Gathering, June 12, 2019 at 1:30pm, Cafeteria of the Parish Center at St Gertrude's Parish, Krakow

**St. Maurus Parish** picnic will be held on Sat. June 29. Join us for Kettle Cooked Beef and fried Chicken served buffet style in our air-conditioned Hall from 3-7:30pm. Adult \$10, children 6-11 \$5. Bingo, Games, kids activities, Country Store, Raffle, Music. Take I-55 to Biehle Exit 123, 2 miles south on Hwy B. Mass 4pm, Celebrant is Rev. Jim French



## June 3-June 9

Mon. 8:00 a.m. Priest Purgatorial Society (D)  
Tue. 7:00 p.m. Fr. Rodger Fleming  
Wed. 8:00 a.m. Alan E. Kleekamp  
Thur. 8:00 a.m. Robert Chappell  
Fri. 8:00 a.m. Kenny Gildehaus  
Sat. 8:00 a.m. Rudolph, Rosemary, Paul, Neil Straatmann  
Sat. 6:00 p.m. Marilyn Kleekamp  
Sun. 7:00 a.m. Lawrence, Marilyn, Edw. F & Bernadine Straatmann  
Sun. 8:30 a.m. Sue Weber  
Sun. 10:30 a.m. For the People

**WE NEED YOU...**As a Lector, Eucharistic Minister or Choir Member—**PLEASE** consider helping out with the Mass by volunteering as a minister—See Deacon Randy Smith or Deacon Randy Maune for more info.

*Vitae Foundation is hosting its Annual Pro-Life Event on Thursday, June 6, 2019, at the St. Louis Marriott West.*

*The featured speaker is Andrew Klavan.*

*Mr. Klavan was the screen writer for "Gosnell" and the international best-selling author of several novels, including "True Crime," "Don't Say a Word," and the memoir, "The Great Good Thing: A Secular Jew Comes to Faith in Christ."*

*Come for an exciting evening and learn how Vitae is making a difference in St. Louis and across the country in helping women with unintended pregnancies find Pregnancy Help Centers. Registration fee is \$100 per person. The Event begins at 7:00 p.m. Seating is limited to those with reservations, so make YOURS soon by calling 573-634-4316 or online at [VitaeFoundation.org/events](http://VitaeFoundation.org/events)*



**SICK IN THE PARISH:** Bob Hayden Sr., Betty Brautigam, Willie Kessler, Otto Spaunhorst, Jim Moranville, Allen Gephardt, Rich Skiljan, Vernon Brinker, Nancy Maniaci, and Alec Ingram. We ask the Lord to bless all those who are sick or injured in our community, those who are in a nursing home, and those homebound.

**PRAYER CHAIN**—Don't forget to get help from our Prayer Chain—It's been around for a while now, so it's easy to take it for granted and overlook the POWER of united prayer. When you have a pressing need, please don't forget to make use of this resource of people who care and want to be there in prayer with you. Call Laverne Schwoepppe at 636-742-5754 or 636-288-6382. She will get all on the Prayer Chain to pray with you. You do not have to be a member of this Prayer Chain to make a prayer request.

**HOMEBOUND/SHUT-IN**—Please keep in mind if you or someone you know is convalescing or returning from the hospital and would like Communion at home, please call the rectory.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you had a relaxing and yet reflective Memorial Day. This week we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus Christ. The ascension is a vital moment to our redemption – it actually completes the sequence of Jesus’ death and resurrection. So much so that if Christ had not ascended we would not yet have salvation. Jesus told us in John 16:7, “I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go.” He had to go to prepare our own way into heaven. He has gone before us that He might eventually take us to our new dwelling place. You could think of it this way: Christ is the way to heaven Himself – so He needs to actually go and reside there so that He can lead us to our destination. From His throne He intercedes for us constantly before God our Father and sends us His Holy Spirit. The following quote from Archbishop Fulton Sheen reveals how Christ repairs the damage done to our very nature itself – for all people who join His church. “As the fall of the first man was the fall of his descendants, so the Ascension of the Son of Man would be the ascension of all who were grafted unto Him.” Thank you, Jesus.

Father Foy

**From a sermon by Saint Leo the Great, pope**

*Our faith is increased by the Lord’s ascension*

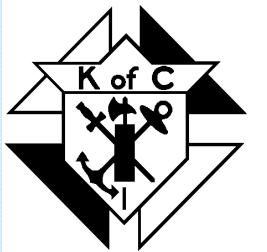
At Easter, beloved brethren, it was the Lord’s resurrection which was the cause of our joy; our present rejoicing is on account of his ascension into heaven. With all due solemnity we are commemorating that day on which our poor human nature was carried up, in Christ, above all the hosts of heaven, above all the ranks of angels, beyond the highest heavenly powers to the very throne of God the Father. It is upon this ordered structure of divine acts that we have been firmly established, so that the grace of God may show itself still more marvelous when, in spite of the withdrawal from men’s sight of everything that is rightly felt to command their reverence, faith does not fail, hope is not shaken, charity does not grow cold.

For such is the power of great minds, such is the light of truly believing souls, that they put unhesitating faith in what is not seen with the bodily eye; they fix their desires on what is beyond sight. Such fidelity could never be born in our hearts, nor could anyone be justified by faith, if our salvation lay only in what was visible.

And so our Redeemer’s visible presence has passed into the sacraments. Our faith is nobler and stronger because sight has been replaced by a doctrine whose authority is accepted by believing hearts, enlightened from on high. This faith was increased by the Lord’s ascension and strengthened by the gift of the Spirit; it would remain unshaken by fetters and imprisonment, exile and hunger, fire and ravening beasts, and the most refined tortures ever devised by brutal persecutors. Throughout the world women no less than men, tender girls as well as boys, have given their life’s blood in the struggle for this faith. It is a faith that has driven out devils, healed the sick and raised the dead.

Even the blessed apostles, though they had been strengthened by so many miracles and instructed by so much teaching, took fright at the cruel suffering of the Lord’s passion and could not accept his resurrection without hesitation. Yet they made such progress through his ascension that they now found joy in what had terrified them before. They were able to fix their minds on Christ’s divinity as he sat at the right hand of his Father, since what was presented to their bodily eyes no longer hindered them from turning all their attention to the realization that he had not left his Father when he came down to earth, nor had he abandoned his disciples when he ascended into heaven.

The truth is that the Son of Man was revealed as Son of God in a more perfect and transcendent way once he had entered into his Father’s glory; he now began to be indescribably more present in his divinity to those from whom he was further removed in his humanity. A more mature faith enabled their minds to stretch upward to the Son in his equality with the Father; it no longer needed contact with Christ’s tangible body, in which as man he is inferior to the Father. For while his glorified body retained the same nature, the faith of those who believed in him was now summoned to heights where, as the Father’s equal, the only-begotten Son is reached not by physical handling but by spiritual discernment.



The 2019 **K of C State Horseshoe tournament will be held in Washington** this year. Our council 8073 will be covering the entry fee for 4 teams this year. If you intend on participating, please coordinate with Ed Jasper at (636) 390-3315. You can register at online at <https://www.kc1121.org>. Tournament registration deadline is July 15.

Our Financial Secretary desires to retire from this position after 5 years of doing this important role within our council. If anyone is willing to step up and take this position over or know of anyone willing to help, please contact me at the phone number below. Craig has committed to help make the transition as smooth as possible.

Next Monthly business meeting: Monday, June 3, 2019, **7pm** in Music Room – refreshments following meeting.

If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus or would like more information, please contact Jon Derner at (314) 808-2400.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THEY HAVE A CAREER OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE AS A FIELD AGENT IN THE SOUTHEAST MISSOURI AREA. IF YOU ARE A SELF-MOTIVATED, PEOPLE ORIENTED PERSON LOOKING FOR A GREAT CAREER; THIS FULL TIME POSITION COULD BE FOR YOU! THE POSITION OFFERS FULL BENEFITS INCLUDING HEALTH INSURANCE AND A RETIREMENT PLAN.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL Mike York AT (573) 230-9202 OR E-MAIL [mike.york@kofc.org](mailto:mike.york@kofc.org)

### Flowers in Memoriam

You can donate fresh flowers for the altar any Sunday for **\$50**. They can be for a special occasion, in memory of someone, or anonymous. Just drop a note in the collection basket with your requested date along with the donation.



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Devotions in honor of Our Lady of Fatima will be held on Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Adoration Chapel. Come join us in praying to Mary for our country, religious freedom, for persecuted Christians throughout the world, for fallen away Catholics to return to the faith, and your own special intentions.

### Join us in running the way of love!

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women ages 18 - 40 who are considering religious life for a Monastic Experience, July 8-12, 2019, or for a personal discernment retreat at our monastery in Clyde, Mo. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of our life where you can join us in singing the divine office, attend daily Mass, spend time in personal prayer and open your heart to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend, and more details can be found at [www.benedictinesisters.org](http://www.benedictinesisters.org). To register, please contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ex. 127 or e-mail [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org).

Please continue to drop off **cans** to Door #5. Mrs. Dowil will take them in to be recycled and the money will be used for the kitchen such as new cleaning supplies (scrub brushes, sponges, etc.) and smaller baking essentials. The money is also going to be used to purchase local produce that is to be used on the salad bar and menu.

### Box Tops for Education

Please continue to clip Box Top coupons. Each coupon is worth 10 cents for our school! Box tops can be found on hundreds of quality products. Visit [btf.com](http://btf.com) for a complete list of participating brands and to learn more about how you can help our school. Thank you to everyone for participating and supporting our school! *There is an envelope in the back of church marked for Box Tops!*

### Amendments to Proposed Cemetery Rules: Please Advise

Due to the rising maintenance costs and additional mowing there will be some restrictions as to what can be placed in the cemetery. The restrictions are as follows:

1. Ornamental trees, shrubs, or live plants are not allowed.
2. Glass or ceramic decorations are not allowed.
3. Styrofoam mounted flowers must be placed in a vase attached to the monument.
4. Funeral flowers will be removed after 7 days or when they become unsightly.
5. Spring Clean-Up dates will occur within the month of March. Fall Clean-Up dates will occur within the time period of mid-September to Mid-October. These dates will be posted in the parish bulletin. All grave decorations will be removed during these dates.

Signs in the cemetery will be posted soon.

~Don Brinker

Vase or flower arrangement holders for monuments can be purchased at Washington Monument, St. Clair Monument, or any Monument company.