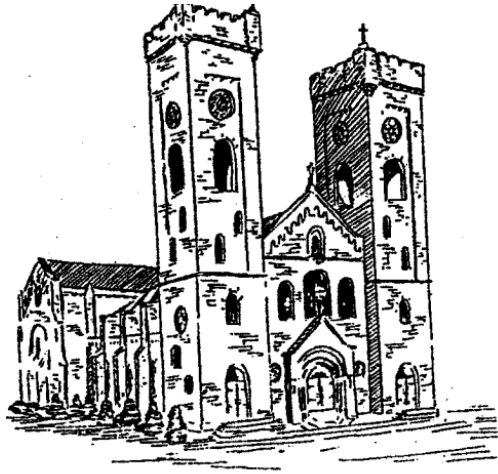


St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

701 East Court Street, Beloit, Kansas



Parish Offices

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St. John's School website: www.GoSTJ.com

Salina Diocesan website: www.salinadiocese.org

MASS SCHEDULE: Monday & Friday-7 a.m., Tuesday & Thursday-8 a.m.,
Wednesday-7 p.m., Saturday-6 p.m. and Sunday-8 a.m. & 10 a.m., First Saturdays-8 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday before Mass,
Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m., Sunday 7:30-7:45 a.m. & 9:30-9:45 a.m., anytime by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptismal instructions are required for parents if this is their first child or if
parents are in-active Catholics. Call the parish office (738-2851) to make appointments for this sacrament as
well as for instructions.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office (738-2851) six months in advance of the
anticipated date to begin preparation.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS: Are you or someone you know interested in the priesthood? Contact
Fr. Jarett Konrade the Vocation Director for our diocese at fatherkonrade@yahoo.com or 785-827-8746.

RCIA: Weekly classes start in September through Easter Vigil.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday by 5:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you to St. John's Parish. Please stop by the parish office to register.
Let us all pray for one another.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

SEPTEMBER 26-27 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

6:00 P.M. Charlotte Campbell, Rose Cramb, Allan Gengler, Lisa Long, Gary Scoggan, Dennis & Marilyn Vossman

8:00 A.M. Richard & Sylvia Budke, Terry Collins, Jerry Eilert, Scott Heidrick, Paul & Linda O'Hara

10:00 A.M. Jeff & Tammy Bechard, Kim Budke, Brian & Susan Dillner, Sheri Eilert, Nadine Karlin

Lectors: 6:00 P.M. Lynn Vossman **8:00 A.M.** Gerald Zimmer **10:00 A.M.** Chuck & Pat Heidrick

Gift Bearer Family: 6:00 P.M. Brad Eilert **8:00 A.M.** Bernadine Bartak **10:00 A.M.** Craig Gengler

Organists: 6:00 P.M. Marlene Mispagel **8:00 A.M.** Elaine Peters **10:00 A.M.** Annette Burks

Altar Servers: 6:00 P.M. John Gengler, Braden Sahlfeld, Claire Pastrovich

8:00 A.M. Kaley Broeckelman, Marissa Budke, David Lutgen

10:00 A.M. Jessica Boden, Andrew Eilert, Logan Eilert

OCTOBER 3-4 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

6:00 P.M. Brad & Vickie Eilert, Kim Gengler, Mrs. Chuck Heidrick, Larry & Pat Heidrick, Ginger Robinson

8:00 A.M. Rachel Elsen, Paula Kisslinger, John Kolarik, Betty Litton, Charles Long, Richard Reiter, Teresa Reiter

10:00 A.M. Allen & Marcy Kee, Kyle & Cassie Kopsa, John & Clara Lackey, Shirley McGuire

Lectors: 6:00 P.M. Monica Heidrick **8:00 A.M.** Janet Hesting **10:00 A.M.** Heather Johnson

Gift Bearer Family: 6:00 P.M. Doug Eilert **8:00 A.M.** William Charbonneau **10:00 A.M.** Rick Koster

Organists: 6:00 P.M. Annette Burks **8:00 A.M.** Elaine Peters **10:00 A.M.** Ben Dahl

Altar Servers: 6:00 P.M. Avery Gates, Parker Gates, Riley Gates

8:00 A.M. Davis Dubbert, Trey Dubbert, Luke Peters

10:00 A.M. Alexandra Greenwood, Jacob Greenwood, Katie Greenwood

OCTOBER 10-11 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

6:00 P.M. Ron Eilert, Rosella Krier, Francis & Alvera Long, Lennie & Janelle Pacey, Lynn Vossman

8:00 A.M. Richard & Sylvia Budke, Scott Heidrick, Paul & Linda O'Hara, Doug & Arlene Thiessen

10:00 A.M. Ruth Emerson, Jim & Heather Johnson, Andrew Niewald, Diane Schmitz, Joan Schwerman, Rita Soler

Lectors: 6:00 P.M. Janice McMillan **8:00 A.M.** Rachel Elsen **10:00 A.M.** Phyllis Oetting

Gift Bearer Family: 6:00 P.M. Brian Gates **8:00 A.M.** Craig Reiter **10:00 A.M.** CYO

Organists: 6:00 P.M. **8:00 A.M.** Lindy & Corbyn Broeckelman **10:00 A.M.** CYO

Altar Servers: 6:00 P.M. Adam Bates, Shanell Criswell, Shania Criswell

8:00 A.M. Jimmy Broeckelman, Brianna Elsen, Haley Elsen

10:00 A.M. Austin Bechard, Caydren Cox, Savanna Cox

USHER ASSIGNMENTS: JULY 4-5 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 26-27

6:00 P.M. David Martinitz, Bob Richard, Ken Richard, Cole Thomas, Max Thomas

8:00 A.M. Bill Charbonneau, Don Bergmann, Don Poelma, Max Reiter, Richard Reiter, Jerry Wessling

10:00 A.M. Steven W. Heidrick, Rodger Schmitz, Hector Soler, Leo Eilert, Jerry Oetting

USHER ASSIGNMENTS: OCTOBER 3-4 THROUGH DECEMBER 26-27

6:00 P.M. Robert Silsby, Don Goodeyon, Brian Schmitz, Mike Tiernan, Bill Zachary, OPEN

8:00 P.M. Randy Budke, Clarence Brummer, Gene Hennes, Josh Hesting, Kirby Kisslinger, Daniel Peters

10:00 A.M. Pat Ziegler, Jon Bingesser, Byron Palen, Tom Stover, OPEN, OPEN

PARISH & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

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| Sun. | Sept. 27 | 4:30 P.M. | Challenge Girls Club Meeting @ Niewald's |
| | | 4:30 P.M. | Conquest Boys Club Meeting @ Bechard's |
| | | 7:00 P.M. | Father-Son Rosary |
| Mon. | Sept. 28 | 8:00 A.M. | Student Council Conference in Salina |
| | | 6:00 P.M. | Legion of Mary |
| | | 6:00 P.M. | JV FB @ Lucas-Luray |
| Tues. | Sept. 29 | 9:00 A.M. | Mom's in Touch Prayer Group @ Conference Room |
| | | 4:00 P.M. | HS VB Quad @ Mankato |
| Wed. | Sept. 30 | 5:00 P.M. | Light Weigh Meeting @ Conference Room |
| | | 7:00 P.M. | CCD Classes |
| | | 7:30 P.M. | Eucharistic Adoration (7:30 p.m. Wed. - 7:00 a.m. Fri.) |
| | | 8:00 P.M. | RCIA @ Cafeteria |
| Thurs. | Oct. 1 | 6:00 A.M. | That Man Is You Meeting @ Cafeteria |
| | | 4:00 P.M. | MS VB/FB vs. Rock Hills @ Mankato |
| Fri. | Oct. 2 | 8:00 A.M. | Student Council Bake Sale @ Perfect Pair |
| | | | Social Justice Day and Community Food Drive |
| | | 7:00 P.M. | HS FB vs. Flint Hills Christian @ Home |
| Sat. | Oct. 3 | | JV VB Tournament @ Home |
| Sun. | Oct. 4 | | Knights of Columbus Food Drive @ Church |
| | | 9:00 P.M. | First Sunday Social @ Cafeteria 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. |
| | | 3:15 P.M. | Life Chain on Main Street Prayer Vigil |

SOCIAL JUSTICE VOLUNTEERS - Parent volunteers to help assist with our 4th Annual Social Justice Day on Friday, October 2. If you can help, please contact Sheri Eilert at 738-2942.

ST. JOHN'S SOCIAL JUSTICE DAY AND COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE – On Friday, October 2, St. John's Catholic School students are holding their Social Justice Day in our community. Students will be available to any Beloit resident or business from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Examples of requests include small painting jobs, washing windows, deep cleaning of house/garage, cleaning cars, and varied outside work. Please call Sheri Eilert at 738-3884 to request students for any job. There is no charge for these services. Also on this day, St. John's students will be picking up food for the Beloit Food Pantry. Leave the food you wish to donate on your front porch before 9:00 a.m. and the students will pick it up and deliver it to the food pantry before 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions about the food drive, please call St. John's Catholic High School at 738-2942.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE - The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food for the Mitchell County Food Pantry the first Sunday of every month. There will be a different "most needed" item featured each month. The first collection is scheduled for Sunday, October 4 and the most needed item is cereal. Please bring to Church and drop off in the collection boxes located at all of the exits. The Knights of Columbus thanks you for your support.

ST. JOHN'S BOOSTER CLUB is selling 39-gallon lawn/leaf bags or 15-gallon kitchen bags for \$9.50 a roll. They can be purchased at St. John's High School or by contacting one of the Booster Club members: Adam Cheney 738-6542, Loran Chism 738-4372, Brad Eilert 738-7887, Doug Eilert 738-7195, Julie Gates 569-1049, Annie Moritz-Nicholson 738-7859 or Angela Shellito 738-6646.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Our 2009/2010 Fiscal Year began July 1, 2009

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| Budgeted Envelopes/Offering | |
| Per Week | \$14,324.00 |
| Envelopes/Offering received on | |
| Sept. 19-20, 2009 | \$14,344.30 |
| Budgeted Envelopes/Offering | |
| Year to Date | \$171,888.00 |
| Actual Envelopes/Offering received | |
| Year to Date | \$156,047.37 |
| As of Sept. 20 we are: | |
| Short | (\$15,840.63) |

SPECIAL COLLECTION—Next weekend for Fuel and Insurance.

BAPTISM—Cameron Lee McGuire, son of Brett and Jennifer McGuire, was baptized on September 19, 2009 by Fr. Joseph Kieffer. Godparents are Kendall Peterson and Christine Peterson.

SALINA RESCUE MISSION'S ANNUAL BANQUET – You are cordially invited to attend the Salina Rescue Mission's "Rescuing the Lost" Banquet on Tuesday, October 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ramada Hotel in Salina. The Salina Rescue Mission is a not-for-profit, faith-based, nondenominational shelter founded in Salina in 1981 by George Knight. The facility provides Christian ministry to homeless men in need of food, shelter, clothing and other basic needs and rehabilitates through teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. There is no charge for attending the banquet, expenses have been underwritten by a corporate sponsor. All donations received will go directly to the ministry of the Mission and are tax-deductible. Please RSVP by October 2 by calling 785-823-2610. To learn more about the Salina Rescue Mission contact Rev. Steve Kmetz at steve@salinarescuemission.com.

ATTENTION LECTORS: The new Lector workbooks have arrived. Please pick up your copy in the east sacristy and check your name off the list when you pick up your copy so that we will know who has received them.

PRAY FOR THE SICK - Lord Jesus, we lift these people to you: Luella Weber, Phyllis File, Stella Mans, Keeran Seehafer, Larry Parker, Aaron Copp, and Dennis Thompson. May we continue to pray for those who are sick, and may His inner peace come to us all.

Names will be removed from the prayer list after two months. If the person is still in need of prayers, call the Parish Office at 738-2851 and we will gladly put their name back on the list.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD - *"I have never been more convinced that God moves powerfully to love His wounded people back to life than that weekend at the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. It was a mountain top experience!"* - Testimony after a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. Healing and hope are awaiting you on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. Call 1-877-447-4383 or email rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org.

MISSION SUNDAY ROSARY: Mission Sunday is October 17-18, 2009. Please consider praying the World Mission Rosary in October. Mission Sunday Rosaries and prayer guides are available (for adults \$10, children \$5 + shipping) by contacting Renee Thompson, Diocesan Propagation of the Faith Office, PO Box 980, Salina, KS 67402-0980 or call 785-827-8746 or email receptionist@salinadiocese.org.

WORD OF LIFE - To the tragic and widespread scourge of abortion we may well have to add in the future the systematic eugenic programming of births. At the other end of the spectrum, a pro-euthanasia mindset is making inroads as an equally damaging assertion of control over life that under certain circumstances is deemed no longer worth living. Underlying these scenarios are cultural viewpoints that deny human dignity. —Pope Benedict XVI

THE CATHOLIC DEVOTIONAL PRAYER BOOK – is available in the back of Church for anyone wishing to have a copy.

LIFE CHAIN ON MAIN STREET PRAYER VIGIL – The first event for Respect Life Month will be a Life Chain on Main Street Prayer Vigil. The chain will form in front of the Mitchell County Courthouse from 3:15 until 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 4. Participants stand at arm’s length apart and pray individually or as a group. This is an opportunity to visibly show the community our opposition to abortion. Walkers from Heartbeat Pregnancy Center’s Walk for Life will arrive at 4:00 p.m. for a brief prayer service. Parishioners of all ages are invited to participate. For more information, please call Peggy Thompson at 785-738-3601.

RETRouvaille - The word Retrouvaille (pronounced re-tro-vi with a long i.) is a French word meaning rediscovery. The program offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. Thousands of couples headed for cold, unloving relationships or divorce have successfully overcome their marriage problems by attending the program. The Retrouvaille Program consists of a weekend experience combined with a series of 6-12 post-weekend sessions over 3 months. It provides the tools to help put your marriage in order again. The main emphasis of the program is on communication in marriage. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. The next Retrouvaille weekend will be October 9-11 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita. To register contact Reg and Jan Konrade, Salina Diocese Family Life Coordinators, at 785-827-5135 or email familylife@salinadiocese.org.

ST. JOHN’S PRAYER QUILT MINISTRY - A prayer quilt is a tangible symbol of prayers that are said for a person who is experiencing a physical and/or emotional crisis, who feels they could benefit from being “covered in prayer.” You may request a prayer quilt for yourself or be a sponsor for someone who is in need of one. A prayer quilt should never be a surprise. A “sponsor” must ask the recipient if they are willing to accept a prayer quilt, as sometimes the recipient may not be comfortable being a “prayer focus” for the parish. Following a request, the quilt, along with a card, will be placed at the back of Church where individuals may pray for that person as they tie a knot in the quilt. Upon completion of the knots, the recipient will be presented with the quilt and card, being able to “see” all the prayers that were said for them. To request a prayer quilt, please complete a simple form available at the parish office. Call Debbie Lutgen with questions (738-3322).

FIRST SUNDAY SOCIAL—Everyone is invited to the cafeteria for the First Sunday Social after the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses for coffee, donuts and fellowship on October 4.

HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING will be Sunday, October 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school business room. All parents of Pre-K through high school students are invited.

ST. JOHN’S SCHOOL ALUMNI RAFFLE:

- Sept. 21 \$30 Adam Cheney, Beloit
- Sept. 22 \$30 Dan Schmitt, Marshalltown, IA
- Sept. 23 \$30 Joe Reiter, Beloit
- Sept. 24 \$30 Max Heidrick, Beloit
- Sept. 25 \$30 Nancy Hennes, Beloit
- Sept. 26 \$30 Chris Lackey, Salina, KS
- Sept. 27 \$50 **Pauline Allison, Beloit**

Get your name in the drawing! Stop by the Parish Office for tickets.

MASS INTENTIONS:

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| Sat. | Sept. 26 | 6:00 P.M. | Bob & Lois Gengler—50th Wedding Anniversary |
| Sun. | Sept. 27 | 8:00 A.M. | People of the Parish |
| | | 10:00 A.M. | +Ruth Wessling |
| | | 4:00 P.M. | Mass in the Extraordinary Form Celebrated by Fr. Ramon Decaen |
| Mon. | Sept. 28 | 7:00 A.M. | +Mae DeLude |
| Tues | Sept. 29 | 8:00 A.M. | +Amber Stroede |
| Wed. | Sept. 30 | 7:00 P.M. | +Ed Sahlfeld & +Lucille Sahlfeld |
| Thurs. | Oct. 1 | 8:00 A.M. | +Katherine Cooper |
| Fri. | Oct. 2 | 7:00 A.M. | +Eberhard Crone |
| | | 9:45 A.M. | Hilltop Mass |
| Sat. | Oct. 3 | 8:00 A.M. | +Betty Palen |
| | | 6:00 P.M. | +Jim Thiessen |
| Sun. | Oct. 4 | 8:00 A.M. | +William & +Cecilia Stover Family |
| | | 10:00 A.M. | People of the Parish |

NOTES FROM FR. KIEFFER:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Friday, October 2 is the Feast of the Guardian Angels. It is an important feast for us as Christians because as we read in Psalm 91:11 “For He will give His angels charge of you to guard you in all your ways.” St. Bernard says that, “These words should fill you will respect, inspire devotion and instill confidence; respect for the presence of angels, devotion because of their loving service, and confidence because of their protection.” And so we honor them on this day for their constant watch over us. The word angel is not so much their name, but their function. The word angel means messenger. As we read through the scriptures we see that they are often bringing messages to people from God or they are sent to guard us in battle or from any other harm. As we begin and end each day let us pray to our guardian angel in the following words to watch over us and keep us from the snares of the devil: *Angel of God, my guardian dear. To whom God’s love commits me here. Ever this day (night) be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.*

*Yours in Christ,
Fr. Kieffer*

STEWARDSHIP IS— *“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” - Mark 9:35*

Our Lord’s comment about the simple gesture of giving a drink of water is a reminder of how Jesus taught that we would all be judged at the end of time. *“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.” Matthew 25:35.* Our service and sacrifice to our parish and the greater Church allows us to care for Jesus when He is hungry, thirsty, ill or in need.

“How can I repay the Lord for all the good He has done for me?” - Psalm 116:12