

Sunday, January 18, 2009 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Parish Staff**

Phone 722-0130 / Fax 722-0303

Rectory - *Emergencies only, please 895-9745*

**Councils, Commissions & Committees**

|                                 |   |                  |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------|
| Pastor                          | Fr. Philip O'Kennedy<br><i>fphil@stjohnbchurch.org</i>          | 722-0130         |
| Asst. Priest in Residence       | Fr. Mark Spruill<br><i>fmark@stjohnbchurch.org</i>              | 722-0130         |
| Pastoral Associate              | Sr. Virginia Rohling, OSB<br><i>svrohling@stjohnbchurch.org</i> | 722-8590         |
| Deacon                          | Rev. Mr. Dan Laurita<br><i>deacondan@stjohnbchurch.org</i>      | 230-6474         |
| Deacon                          | Rev. Mr. Darrell Diem<br><i>deacondarrell@stjohnbchurch.org</i> | 722-7929<br>x353 |
| Deacon                          | Rev. Mr. Skip Graffagnini                                       | 464-7262         |
| School Principal                | Mrs. Sherry Lewis<br><i>slewis@stjohnb.org</i>                  | 722-0772         |
| Youth Ministry                  | Greg Thompson<br><i>gthompson@stjohnbchurch.org</i>             | 325-7596         |
| Music Director                  | Andrew Tygielski<br><i>atygielski@stjohnbchurch.org</i>         | 772-4028         |
| Office Administrator            | Terry Hecker<br><i>thecker@stjohnbchurch.org</i>                | 722-7929<br>x100 |
| Financial Secretary             | Judy Berkowitz<br><i>jberkowitz@stjohnbchurch.org</i>           | 722-7929<br>x101 |
| Administrative Assistant        | Alice Cislo<br><i>acislo@stjohnbchurch.org</i>                  | 722-7929<br>x108 |
| Nursery Coordinator             | Elizabeth Servidio  | 722-0130         |
| Building Security               | Derek Daugherty   | 722-0130         |
| Master of all Trades            | Bill Moeller  | 722-0130         |
| <b>Total Faith Formation:</b>   |   |                  |
| PreK-8 <sup>th</sup>            | Tandra Lavallee<br><i>tlavallee@stjohnbchurch.org</i>           | 722-9398         |
| High School, 9-12 <sup>th</sup> | Greg Thompson<br><i>gthompson@stjohnbchurch.org</i>             | 325-7596         |
| Adults                          | Christina Semmens<br><i>csemmens@stjohnbchurch.org</i>          | 722-7929<br>x102 |

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| <b>Councils</b>                                   | <b>Point of Contact</b>  | <b>Phone</b>    |
| Pastoral Council                                  | Kora Davis   | 716-0646        |
| Finance Council                                   | Annette Gass   | 721-5608        |
| <b>St John's School</b>                           | <b>Sherry Lewis, Principal</b>   | <b>722-0772</b> |
| School Board                                      | Desiree Possel   | 772-2409        |
| PTO   | Betsy Lashley  | 722-0772        |
| Education Foundation                              | John Simmons   | 772-8344        |
| <b>Liturgy Commission</b>                         | <b>Bernard Acker</b>   | <b>721-6922</b> |
| Sacristan   | Rose Basinski  | 430-0423        |
| Ushers  | Joey Pharo   | 658-0540        |
| Lectors   | Kevin Healy  | 509-1499        |
| Special Ministers of Holy Communion               | Peggy Shirley  | 430-0587        |
| Music Ministry                                    | Andrew Tygielski   | 772-4028        |
| Altar Servers                                     | James Clark  | 837-9407        |
| Children's Liturgy of the Word                    | Cheri Furno  | 772-0449        |
| Arts and Environment Committee                    | Thea Schouten  | 895-0866        |
| Eucharistic Adoration                             | Maura Edwards  | 837-0385        |
| Intercessory Prayer Group                         | Miguel Rodriguez   | 464-5866        |
| Wedding Coordinator                               | Kim Balzer   | 464-5270        |
| <b>Total Faith Formation Commission</b>           |  |                 |
| Religious Education (Pre-K-8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Tandra Lavallee  | 722-9398        |
| Sacramental Preparation                           | Tandra Lavallee  | 722-9398        |
| Adult Faith Formation Team                        | Christina Semmens  | 603-0225        |
| RCIA  | Christina Semmens  | 603-0225        |
| Adult Education                                   | Christina Semmens  | 603-0225        |
| Bereavement Ministry                              | Bobby Pearson  | 721-0280        |
| Religious Goods Store                             | Kay Lawler   | 325-3256        |
| Tues Morning Bible Study                          | Lynne Downs  | 830-9425        |
| Women Sharing the Word                            | Sharon Boirun  | 890-4000        |
| Mother's Ministry                                 | Sinead Turner  | 417-8886        |
| Married Fellowship                                | Gene & Lynne Downs   | 830-9425        |
| Mommy and Me                                      | Gricelda Benfield  | 722-9515        |
| Men's Ministry                                    | Gregory Bazile   | 721-9134        |
| Small Faith Sharing Communities                   | Terry Trinko   | 325-3259        |
| Ladybug Rosary Group                              | Mayra Short  | 461-8230        |
| <b>Youth Commission</b>                           |  |                 |
| High School (HSYM)                                | Greg Thompson  | 325-7596        |
| Jr. High School (JRYM)                            | Greg Thompson  | 325-7596        |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade (PTYM)     | Greg Thompson  | 325-7596        |
| XLT Scripture Group                               | Greg Thompson  | 325-7596        |
| Pop Warner Football                               | Steve Koubek   | 726-8723        |
| Scouting:   | <i>Girl Scouts: Joan Kammer 837-5572; Troop 350 Jim Hauser 726-0372</i>    |                 |
|   | <i>Cub Pack 350: Mike Fazah 722-9614 Venture 007: David Abell 830-2779</i> |                 |
|   | <i>Ship 42: Greg Thomas 772-1968</i>                                       |                 |

**Welcome,**

**New Parishioners!**

Registration Forms and Welcome Packets can be picked up at the **Welcome Center**, located in the church vestibule, before or after weekend masses, or stop by the parish office during the week.

The parish offices of the church are located in the Parish Administrative Building, located adjacent to the Church. Offices are open Monday to Friday from 8:00am to 4:00pm.

**Membership at St. John's is usually determined by:**

- Registration at the parish for at least six months;
- Attendance at Mass every weekend;
- Use of your financial stewardship envelopes;
- Where possible, participation in at least one parish ministry, activity, program or organization.

Active membership status is required to serve on parish councils and commissions and to have parishioner status at St. John's School.

**Baptisms:** Parents must attend a formation session prior to scheduling a baptism. Baptism preparation classes are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 10:00am in the All Purpose Room.

**Holy Communion for Sick or Homebound:** Hospitals and nursing homes do not notify the parish or reveal names of patients due to confidentiality laws. Please call the parish to arrange visitation.

**Weddings:** Arrangements must be made at least six months before the wedding. Couples must complete a marriage preparation program. Contact the church office with queries.

**Parish Life Commission**

|                                       |                      |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Women's Club                          | Betty Frank          | 325-5600 |
| Funeral Receptions                    | Cathy Kucera         | 325-1409 |
| Care & Compassion (Meals to the Sick) | Robin Kutsor         | 721-0422 |
| 50+ Ministry                          | Ann Marie Crosswhite | 726-9204 |
| Hispanic Ministry                     | Miguel Rodriguez     | 464-5866 |
| Singles & Single Again                |                      |          |
| Welcome Committee                     | Denise Shrontz       | 971-1363 |

**Social Concerns Commission**

|                                  |                    |          |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| Social Justice Committee         |                    |          |
| Interfaith Mission Service (IMS) | Jane Davis         | 233-8928 |
| Disciples for Life               | Anne Bauer Jenkins | 890-0445 |
| Habitat for Humanity             | Wayne Sovocool     | 722-8073 |
| Meals on Wheels (MOW)            | Blanche Irby       | 461-0399 |
| The Giving Tree                  | Sue McConnell      | 230-6714 |
| CASA                             | Monette Gordon     | 772-0022 |

**Facilities and Grounds Commission**

|                                   |                  |          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Building (Future) Committee       | John Shrontz     | 971-1363 |
| Landscaping and Grounds Committee | Barbara Machnica | 722-0130 |
| Maintenance Committee             |                  |          |

**Communication Commission**

|                                   |                |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Communications Committee          | Irene Garroppo | 830-5989 |
| Newsletter Committee (occasional) | Irene Garroppo | 830-5989 |
| Website Committee                 | Denise Lehman  | 721-0613 |
|                                   | Robyn Crochet  | 859-7160 |

**Other Organizations and Ministries**

|                       |                       |          |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Knights of Columbus   | Danny Garcia          | 721-9938 |
| St Vincent de Paul    | Gene Wrobel           | 837-7133 |
| Marriage Encounter    | John & Teresa Simmons | 772-8344 |
| Cursillo Ultraya      | John Kutsor           | 721-0422 |
| Legion of Mary        | Chris Sharp           | 461-0602 |
| Junior Legion of Mary | Wayne Bordelon        | 830-9464 |

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**Schedule at a Glance**

**Saturday, January 17**

5:30pm Mass Intention: Marie Giancaterino†

**Sunday, January 18**

7:00am Mass Intention: For the People of the Parish  
 8:30am Mass Intention: Evelyn Willard-Parton †  
 8:30am Religious Education for Pre-K (S)  
 10:00am Religious Education for Youth and Adults (S/PH)  
 11:30am Mass Intention: Irma Smith †  
 11:30am Religious Education for Pre-K (S)  
 12:45pm PTYM (YR)  
 3:00pm JRYM (YR)  
 3:30pm Jr. Legion of Mary (PL)  
 5:30pm Mass Intention: Earl & Edie Becher †  
 6:30pm HSYM (YR)

**Monday, January 19: Martin Luther King, Jr. : Parish Offices Closed**

8:30am Mass Intention: Martin Luther King, Jr. †  
 7:00pm AA Meeting (APR)

**Tuesday, January 20**

6:15am Mass Intention: Michael J. Doyle †  
 6:45am Men's Cursillo Reunion (PL)  
 8:30am Mass Intention: Colleen Moriarty †  
 9:15am Tuesday AM Scripture Study (APR)  
 2:00pm Ladybug Rosary (C)  
 6:00pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting (PH)  
 6:30pm Intercessory Prayer Group (MPR)  
 7:00pm SVDP (APR)  
 7:00pm Sunday PM Choir Practice (CR)

**Wednesday, January 21**

6:15am Women's Cursillo Reunion (PL)  
 8:30am Mass Intention: Carol Bishop †  
 9:00am Women Sharing the Word Bible Study (APR)  
 10:00am Mommy & Me (PH)  
 3:30pm Children's Choir (CR)  
 5:15pm Religious Education for Youth and Adults (S/PH)  
 6:30pm Mass Intention: Intentions of the Rekuc Family  
 6:30pm Children's Liturgy of the Word Planning Mtg. (APR)  
 7:15pm RCIA (PH)  
 7:15pm XLT High School Scripture Study (YR)  
 7:15pm Sunday AM Choir Practice (CR)

**Thursday, January 22**

8:30am Mass Intention: For the Protection of the Unborn  
 9:15am Mother's Ministry (PH)  
 6:00pm Mothers' Ministry (APR)  
 6:00pm Confessions (until 6:20pm)  
 6:00pm Knight's Rosary for Life (C)  
 6:00pm Crusader Club Meeting (SC)  
 6:30pm Mass Intention: For the Protection of the Unborn  
 7:15pm Saturday PM Choir Practice (CR)  
 7:15pm Cursillo Ultreya (PL)

**Friday, January 23**

8:30am Mass Intention: Ann, Earl & Tommy Dillon †  
 9:30am IHM Homeschool Co-op (PH)

**Saturday, January 24**

8:30am Legion of Mary (APR)  
 9:00am 1st Reconciliation Retreat (PH)  
 3:30pm Confessions (until 5:00pm)  
 5:30pm Mass Intention: Robert Johnson †

**Sunday, January 25: Catholic Schools Week**

7:00am Mass Intention: Jay Hartwell †  
 8:30am Mass Intention: For the People of the Parish  
 8:30am Religious Education for Pre-K (S)  
 10:00am Religious Education for Youth and Adults (S/PH)  
 11:30am Mass Intention: For Catholic Schools Week  
 11:30am Religious Education for Pre-K (S)  
 1:00pm St. John's School Open House (S)  
 3:00pm JRYM (YR)  
 3:30pm Jr. Legion of Mary (PL)  
 5:30pm Mass Intention: Phil Murphy †  
 6:30pm HSYM (YR)

(APR) All Purpose Rm. (MPR) Mini Purpose Rm. (SCR) School Conference Rm.  
 (C) Church (PH) Parish Hall (SG) School Gym  
 (CCR) Church Conference Rm. (PL) Parish Hall Library (SL) School Library  
 (CR) Choir Room (S) School (YR) Youth Rm.  
 (KC) Knights of Columbus Rm. (SC) School Cafeteria



“We have found the Messiah”  
 ~John 1:35-42

**Readings for the Week January 18 through January 25**

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19 Ps 40:2,4,7-10 1 Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20 Jn 1:35-42  
 Monday: Heb 5:1-10 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 2:18-22  
 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20 Ps 111:1-2,4-5,9,10c Mk 2:23-28  
 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3,15-17 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 3:1-6  
 Thursday: Heb 7:25-8:6 Ps 40:7-10,17 Mk3:7-12  
 Friday: Heb 8:6-13 Ps 85:8,10-14 Mk 3:13-19  
 Saturday: Heb 9:2-3,11-14 Ps 47:2-3,6-9 Mk 3:20-21  
 Sunday: Jon 3:1-5,10 Ps 25:4-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20

**IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS**

*We continue to pray for those who are ill:*

|                     |                    |                   |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Tracy Billingsley   | Florence Gotvald   | Joyce Rigsby      |
| Lois Chandler       | Opal Jones         | Stephanie Schultz |
| Tricia Claus        | Scottie Kaelin     | Gerald Thomas     |
| Elaine Creed        | Patrick Karigan    | Lynn Sheets       |
| Frank Dugan         | Michael J. Kennedy | Kathlyn Veque     |
| Jeanette Ellerbrock | Yoshiha Lessor     | Ralph Veehorn     |
| Fr. Jim Fitzgerald  | Charles Owens      | Gene Wegner       |
| Martin Goodly       | George Patrick     | Charles White     |

| FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP                      |                  |                  |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Offertory</b>                           | <b>Donations</b> | <b>2009 Goal</b> |
| Jan. 10/11                                 | \$29,462.45      | \$28,846 wkly    |
| Year to Date 2009                          | \$63,689.00      | \$1,500,000 yrly |
| <b>Building Fund</b>                       | <b>Donations</b> | <b>2009 Goal</b> |
| Jan. 10/11                                 | \$12,633.33      | \$11,538 wkly    |
| Year to Date 2009                          | \$28,668.51      | \$600,000 yrly   |
| <i>Thank you for using your envelopes.</i> |                  |                  |

**2009 Parish Stewardship Pledge Update**

Please turn in your pledge card.  
 Thank you for supporting St. John's many ministries.

|               | Goal        | Received  | %    |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|------|
| Pledges       | 1000        | 581       | 58.1 |
| Offertory     | \$1,500,000 | \$987,278 | 65.8 |
| Building Fund | \$600,000   | \$482,753 | 80.5 |

**2008 Year End Contributions:** Please remember that all contributions for the year 2008 must have been RECEIVED in the Parish Office by December 31, 2008. Tax contribution statements will be mailed out by the end of January.

## Around the Faith Community

### Sacramental Life

**BAPTISMS:** On the second Sunday of each month Deacon Dan Laurita conducts a Baptismal Preparation class which meets in the All Purpose Room at 10:00AM. In order to have a child baptized at St. John's, parents need to be registered members of St. John's and attend the Baptism class. The next class is scheduled for February 8.

The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** are February 27-March 1, 2009 in Huntsville, AL; March 27-29 in Nashville, TN; June 5-7 in Cullman, AL; August 21-23 in Huntsville, AL; October 2-4 in Nashville, TN; and November 6-8 in Cullman, AL. Early registration saves your place on the Weekend. For more information visit our website at [www.ealabama.org](http://www.ealabama.org) or call (800) 540-WWME or (256) 430-0982.

### Liturgy

**Children's Liturgy of the Word training session** in the All Purpose Room Wednesday, January 21 at 6:30pm. Please contact Cheri Furno at 772-0449 for more information.

**Special Ministers of Holy Communion Annual Recommitment Session:** Saturday, February 7, 8:30am - 11:00 for all current ministers and those wishing to join. New minister training will follow. Please contact Peggy Shirley at [pshirley@knology.net](mailto:pshirley@knology.net) for more information.

### Social Concerns

If your drinking is beginning to worry you or is causing you trouble, or if someone you know has a drinking problem, then we have a possible solution to that drinking problem. Come visit us in an **Alcoholics Anonymous meeting held every Monday night in the All Purpose Room at 7:00pm**. All are welcome. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of AA and any person's attendance will not be disclosed. If you'd like more information please feel free to call Greg at 777-0481 or Bill at 830-8329.

St. John's Disciples for Life will meet at noon on Wednesday, January 28th in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend.

### Pot Pourri

The City of Madison Family of the Year Committee is now accepting nominations for Madison's next Family of the Year. Nomination forms may be picked up at City Hall or by going to the website ([www.madisonal.gov](http://www.madisonal.gov)). Please take time to consider nominating a family who you feel would best represent Madison as our Family of the Year. Nominations close February 28, 2009.

**2009 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship:** All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2009 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held Sunday, January 18, 2009 from 1pm to 3pm at the St. John's School Gym. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Winners in each age group for both boys and girls will be eligible to compete in the next level of competition (District or State). Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information contact: Chris Green, 520-8077, [christopher.m.green@gmail.com](mailto:christopher.m.green@gmail.com).

You are invited to attend the North Alabama Catholic Schools Week Celebration on Wed., January 28, at 1:15 p.m., in the North Hall of the Von Braun Center, Huntsville. Bishop Baker will preside at a special Mass in celebration of Catholic Schools Week. This community celebration will bring together students and faculty from each of the ten North Alabama Catholic schools, diocesan dignitaries, clergy and religious, government and business leaders, parishes, and other special guests. An all-school choir, student participation in the liturgy, and an assembly before Mass will be included. Please join us for this celebration of our call to Catholic education. For more information, please contact the Celebration Chair, Cindy Riehl, at 256.430.1760, ext. 102, or [criehl@chsfalcons.org](mailto:criehl@chsfalcons.org)

### Parish Life

There will be a meeting for those devoted to **Eucharist Adoration** on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 10:00am or 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.

**Onward! St. John's Cursillo Ultreya** will be held Thursday, January 22, 2008 in the Parish Hall Library at 7:15PM. Our witness speaker will be George Sloan. All Cursillistas are encouraged to attend. For further information contact John Kutsor at 256-721-0422.

#### 50+ GROUP NEWS

**LUNCH AT ROMANO'S MACARONI GRILL**, Thursday, January 22, 2009, 1:00 p.m. University Drive, Huntsville at the Madison Square Mall - join the 50+ Group for good food and fellowship at the Macaroni Grill. RSVP to Mary Pietrzak at 772-3979 so we'll be sure to have enough seating for everyone. If you need more information or directions, please call Mary at the above number or Ann Marie Crosswhite at 726-9204. Hope you can join us!!!

The 50+ Group is looking to change it's name!! Be creative and you could win a prize for the best name. Send your suggestions to Ann Marie Crosswhite at [hilam@knology.net](mailto:hilam@knology.net). The contest will run through the end of January.

**St. John's Catholic School Registration and Upcoming Events...**Registration is now open for new parish families. We will hold our Open House on Sunday, Jan. 25 from 1-3pm. All are welcome to attend. "A Taste of Kindergarten" Event for rising kindergarten students will take place Friday, Jan. 30 at 9:45 am. Call the school office at 722-0772 for more information or to register.

#### Catholic High News

**Bishop Baker Announces Groundbreaking for New Campus of Catholic High School:** All parishioners are invited to attend the Groundbreaking Ceremony at 10 a.m., January 28, 2009. The new campus is located on Old Madison Pike in Thornton Research Park. Thank you for your generous support and encouragement in helping to reach this wonderful milestone in the life of the school. For more information, please contact Connie Gerlach, Director of Development, at 256.430.1760, ext. 150, or [cgerlach@chsfalcons.org](mailto:cgerlach@chsfalcons.org), or visit [www.chsfalcons.org](http://www.chsfalcons.org).

**CHS is now accepting applications for the 2009 - 2010 school year.** Applications can be picked up in the front office of the school. Deadline for applications is January 20. Please remember that all students must have an application and \$40 application fee on file before sitting for the High School Placement Test on Saturday, January 24, 2009. For more information, please call Cindy Riehl, Director of Admissions, at 256-430-1760, ext. 102.

**The CHS High School Placement Test** will be on Saturday, January 24, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., at the school. All upcoming freshmen who wish to enroll at Catholic High School are required to take the test. Students must have an application and \$40 application fee on file at the school by Friday, January 23, before taking the exam. For more information, please call Cindy Riehl, Director of Admissions, at 256-430-1760, ext. 102.



## Adult Education and Spirituality

Christina Semmens, 603-0225  
csemmens@stjohnbchurch.org

### Year of Paul Activities

The Bishop Baker YOP Scripture Reading Challenge assignment for this week is: **Galatians 3-4**.

**Deacon Dan's** next presentation and discussion on the *101 Q&A on Paul* book by Fr. Witherup will be on **Sunday, Feb 1st, from 10-11am in the parish hall.**

### Sun Morn Adult Ed—*Humanae Vitae* continues

Sunday Morning Adult Ed is from 10:05-11:05 am in the Parish Hall. Fr. Mark Spruill continues discussion on Pope Paul VI's encyclical, **Humanae Vitae** this Sun, 1/18. Discussion is focusing upon key principles and directives of the encyclical. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

### Would you like to share your faith and meet other couples in the parish? Join Married Fellowship!

Married Fellowship consists of groups of married couples coming together once a month in one another's homes to share a simple dinner while sharing and discussing their faith. If you are interested in participating, please contact Gene Downs, 830-9425, gdowns@knology.net for more information.

### Lenten Small Faith Sharing Groups are coming

Small faith sharing groups will be meeting throughout Lent to discuss Fr. Pacwa's book, *St. Paul*. If you are interested in helping organize or participate in these groups, please contact Christina Semmens, 603-0225 for more information.



## Youth Faith Formation

Greg Thompson  
gthompson@stjohnbchurch.org

## SJYM - Happy 2009!

January 18 "Dreams" PTYM (Grade 3-5) 12:45-2:15pm  
"Catching Dreams!"

JRYM (Grade 6-8) 3:00-5:00pm  
"Dreams, Fun & Games!"

HSYM (Grade 9-12) 6:30-8:30pm  
"Hypocrites Welcome!"

January 25 "Life" JRYM (Grade 6-8) 3:00-5:00pm  
HSYM (Grade 9-12) 6:30-8:30pm  
"Every Life Counts!"

Guest Speaker Sharon Williams will chat with both groups on the reality of life's simple purpose!

February 1 "Do-Over!" JRYM (Grade 6-8) 3:00-5:00pm  
Movie: "Groundhog Day!"  
HSYM (Grade 9-12) 6:30-8:30pm  
"Super Bowl Party!"

JRYM Mardi Gras Lock-In Friday February 20th  
HSRE Confirmation Retreat in Cullman February 21st



## Religious Education

Tandra Lavallee, DRE  
religioused@stjohnbchurch.org



God, our Father, we pray that you will protect our children. Keep them safe from harm and help them to grow healthy in mind and body. Give them enough strength to keep their faith in you and keep alive the joy they received at Christmas time.

# REMINDER

1st Reconciliation Retreat for 2nd graders will be on January 24th, 9:00 to 11:30 AM, in the Parish Hall. Children should be dropped off by 8:45 in the Parish Hall and picked up at 11:30 in the Church! Attendance is required!

### BE WATCHING FOR!

The study guides for the diocesan test for grades 5th through 8th. It is very important for parents to be involved and help the children prepare for this test! If you have any questions, please call the Office of Religious Education.



## St. John's School

Sherry Lewis, Principal  
slewis@stjohnb.com

### Catholic Schools Week 2009

◆ Catholic Schools Week begins Sunday, January 25 with Mass at 11:30, followed by **Open House** from 1:00-3:00. All are welcome to visit our school, meet with our administration, teachers and school board members, tour our facility and see the wonderful things a Catholic education has to offer!

◆ "A Taste of Kindergarten" event for rising kindergarten students will be held Friday, Jan. 30 from 9:45-11:00. Call the school at 722-0772 or visit our website for more information.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

◆ Registration for the '08-'09 school year will take place as follows:

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Returning families: | Begins Jan. 8  |
| Parish families:    | Begins Jan. 18 |
| Open registration:  | Begins Jan. 25 |

# St. John's Catholic Community ~ Looking Ahead:

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| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday   |
| <b>January 18</b><br>7:00am Mass<br>8:30am Mass /PreK RE<br>10:00am RE K-12 & Adults<br>11:30am Mass /PreK RE<br>12:45pm PTYM<br>3:00pm JRYM<br>3:30pm Jr. Legion of Mary<br>5:30pm Mass<br>6:30pm HSYM          | <b>January 19</b><br>Martin Luther King, Jr<br>Parish Offices Closed<br>SJS No School<br>8:30am Mass<br>7:00pm AA Meeting  | <b>January 20</b><br>6:15am Mass<br>6:45am Men's Cursillo Reunion<br>8:30am Mass<br>9:15am Tuesday AM<br>2:00pm Scripture Study<br>6:00pm Ladybug Rosary<br>6:30pm Cub Scout Pack<br>Meeting<br>6:30pm Intercessory Prayer<br>7:00pm SVDP<br>7:15pm Sun. PM Choir Practice   | <b>January 21</b><br>6:15am Women's Cursillo Reunion<br>8:30am Mass<br>9:00am Women Sharing the<br>Word Bible Study<br>10:00am Mommy & Me<br>3:30pm Children's Choir<br>5:15pm RE K-12 & Adults<br>6:30pm Mass / RCIA<br>6:30pm CLOW Meeting<br>7:15pm XLT High School<br>Scripture Study<br>Sun. AM Choir Practice        | <b>January 22</b><br>8:30am Mass<br>9:15am Mother's Ministry<br>6:00pm Mother's Ministry<br>6:00pm Knight's Rosary for Life<br>6:00pm Confessions<br>(until 6:20)<br>6:30pm Crusader Club Mtg<br>6:30pm Mass<br>7:15pm Sat. PM Choir Practice<br>7:15pm Knights of Columbus<br>7:15pm Bereavement Ministry<br>7:15pm Cursillo Ultreya | <b>January 23</b><br>8:30am Mass<br>9:30am IHM Homeschool<br>Co-op   | <b>January 24</b><br>8:30am Legion of Mary<br>9:00am 1st Reconciliation<br>Retreat<br>3:30pm Confessions (until 5:00)<br>5:30pm Mass   |
| <b>January 25</b><br>7:00am Mass<br>8:30am Mass /PreK RE<br>10:00am RE K-12 & Adults<br>11:30am Mass /PreK RE<br>1:00pm SJS Open House<br>3:00pm JRYM<br>3:30pm Jr. Legion of Mary<br>5:30pm Mass<br>6:30pm HSYM | <b>January 26</b><br>8:30am Mass<br>6:00pm Boy Scouts<br>7:00pm AA Meeting   | <b>January 27</b><br>6:15am Mass<br>6:45am Men's Cursillo Reunion<br>8:30am Mass<br>9:15am Tuesday AM<br>10:00am Scripture Study<br>Adoration Meeting<br>2:00pm Ladybug Rosary<br>3:00pm GS Troop 131 Mtg.<br>6:30pm Intercessory Prayer<br>6:30pm Adoration Meeting<br>7:00pm SVDP<br>7:15pm Sun. PM Choir Practice | <b>January 28</b><br>6:15am Women's Cursillo Reunion<br>8:30am Mass<br>9:00am Women Sharing the<br>Word Bible Study<br>10:00am Mommy & Me<br>12:00pm Disciples for Life<br>3:30pm Children's Choir<br>5:15pm RE K-12 & Adults<br>6:30pm Mass / RCIA<br>7:15pm XLT High School<br>Scripture Study<br>Sun. AM Choir Practice | <b>January 29</b><br>8:30am Mass<br>9:15am Mother's Ministry<br>6:00pm Mother's Ministry<br>6:00pm Confessions<br>(until 6:20)<br>6:30pm Mass<br>7:15pm Sat. PM Choir Practice  | <b>January 30</b><br>8:30am Mass<br>9:30am IHM Homeschool<br>Co-op<br>9:45am SJS "A Taste of<br>Kindergarten"  | <b>January 31</b><br>8:30am Legion of Mary<br>10:00am 1st Reconciliation<br>Service<br>3:30pm Confessions (until 5:00)<br>5:30pm Mass  |
| <b>C a t h o l i c S c h o o l s W e e k — C e l e b r a t e S e r v i c e</b>   |  |  |  |   |  |  |
| <b>February 1</b><br>7:00am Mass<br>8:30am Mass /PreK RE<br>10:00am RE K-12 & Adults<br>11:30am Mass /PreK RE<br>3:00pm JRYM<br>3:30pm Jr. Legion of Mary<br>5:30pm Mass<br>6:30pm HSYM                          | <b>February 2</b><br>Groundhog Day!<br>8:30am Mass<br>6:00pm SJS School<br>Board Mtg.<br>7:00pm Boy Scouts<br>7:00pm AA Meeting<br>7:00pm Year of Paul<br>Discussion | <b>February 3</b><br>6:15am Mass<br>6:45am Men's Cursillo Reunion<br>8:30am Mass<br>9:15am Tuesday AM<br>2:00pm Scripture Study<br>6:30pm Ladybug Rosary<br>1st Reconciliation<br>Service<br>6:30pm Intercessory Prayer<br>7:00pm SVDP<br>7:00pm Women's Club<br>7:15pm Sun. PM Choir Practice                       | <b>February 4</b><br>6:15am Women's Cursillo Reunion<br>8:30am Mass<br>9:00am Women Sharing the<br>Word Bible Study<br>10:00am Mommy & Me<br>12:00pm Disciples for Life<br>3:30pm Children's Choir<br>5:15pm RE K-12 & Adults<br>6:30pm Mass / RCIA<br>7:15pm XLT High School<br>Scripture Study<br>Sun. AM Choir Practice | <b>February 5</b><br>8:30am Mass<br>9:15am Mother's Ministry<br>6:00pm Mother's Ministry<br>6:00pm Knight's Rosary for Life<br>6:00pm Confessions<br>(until 6:20)<br>6:30pm Mass<br>7:15pm Sat. PM Choir Practice<br>7:15pm Knights of Columbus<br>7:15pm Bereavement Ministry  | <b>February 6</b><br>First Friday<br>8:30am Mass<br>9:30am Adoration of the<br>Blessed Sacrament<br>(Until 9:00pm)<br>9:30am IHM Homeschool<br>Co-op | <b>February 7</b><br>First Saturday<br>8:30am First Saturday Mass<br>(Followed by Holy<br>Hour Adoration)<br>8:30am Recommitment for<br>SMOHC<br>8:30am Legion of Mary<br>3:30pm Confessions (until 5:00)<br>5:30pm Mass |