

Parish Staff

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Councils, Commissions & Committees

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PreK-8 th	Tandra Lavallee <i>tlavallee@stjohnbchurch.org</i>	722-9398
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Councils

Pastoral Council	
Finance Council	
St John's School	
School Board	
PTO	
Education Foundation	
Liturgy Commission	
Sacristan	
Ushers	
Lectors	
Special Ministers of Holy Communion	
Music Ministry	
Altar Servers	
Children's Liturgy of the Word	
Arts and Environment Committee	
Eucharistic Adoration	
Intercessory Prayer Group	
Wedding Coordinator	

Total Faith Formation Commission

Religious Education (Pre-K-8 th grade)	
Sacramental Preparation	
Adult Faith Formation Team	
RCIA	
Adult Education	
Bereavement Ministry	
Religious Goods Store	
Tues Morning Bible Study	
Women Sharing the Word	
Mother's Ministry	
Married Fellowship	
Mommy and Me	
Men's Ministry	
Small Faith Sharing Communities	
Ladybug Rosary Group	

Youth Commission

High School (HSYM)	
Jr. High School (JRYM)	
4 th -6 th Grade (PTYM)	
XLT Scripture Group	
Pop Warner Football	
Scouting:	

*Girl Scouts: Joan Kammer 837-5572; Troop 350 Jim Hauser 726-0372
Cub Pack 350: Mike Fazah 722-9614 Venture 007: David Abell 830-2779
Ship 42: Greg Thomas 772-1968*

Parish Life Commission

Women's Club	
Funeral Receptions	
Care & Compassion (Meals to the Sick)	
50+ Ministry	
Hispanic Ministry	
Singles & Single Again	
Welcome Committee	

Social Concerns Commission

Social Justice Committee	
Interfaith Mission Service (IMS)	
Disciples for Life	
Habitat for Humanity	
Meals on Wheels (MOW)	
The Giving Tree	
CASA	

Facilities and Grounds Commission

Building (Future) Committee	
Landscaping and Grounds Committee	
Maintenance Committee	

Communication Commission

Communications Committee	
Newsletter Committee (occasional)	
Website Committee	

Other Organizations and Ministries

Knights of Columbus	
St Vincent de Paul	
Marriage Encounter	
Cursillo Ultraya	
Legion of Mary	
Junior Legion of Mary	

Point of Contact

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John Kutsor	721-0422
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Wayne Bordelon	830-9464

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 2nd 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.

Schedule at a Glance

Saturday, January 24

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)

Monday, January 26

8:30am Mass Intention: Edward Gough †
 7:00pm AA Meeting (APR)
 7:00pm Boy Scouts (PH)

Tuesday, January 27

6:15am Mass Intention: Maria Ortiz †
 6:45am Men's Cursillo Reunion (PL)
 8:30am Mass Intention: Thomas Williford †
 9:15am Tuesday AM Scripture Study (APR)
 10:00am Adoration Meeting (PH)
 2:00pm Ladybug Rosary (C)
 3:00pm Girl Scout Troop 131 (PH)
 6:30pm Intercessory Prayer Group (MPR)
 6:30pm Adoration Meeting
 7:00pm SVDP (APR)
 7:00pm Sunday PM Choir Practice (CR)

Wednesday, January 28

6:15am Women's Cursillo Reunion (PL)
 8:30am Mass Intention: John Boirun †
 9:00am Women Sharing the Word Bible Study (APR)
 10:00am Mommy & Me (PH)
 12:00pm Disciples for Life (PH)
 3:30pm Children's Choir (CR)
 5:15pm Religious Education for Youth and Adults (S/PH)
 6:30pm Mass Intention: Marie Giancatarino †
 7:15pm RCIA (PH)
 7:15pm XLT High School Scripture Study (YR)
 7:15pm Sunday AM Choir Practice (CR)

Thursday, January 29

8:30am Mass Intention: Baby Rebecca Holt †
 9:15am Mother's Ministry (PH)
 6:00pm Mothers' Ministry (APR)
 6:00pm Confessions (until 6:20pm)
 6:30pm Mass Intention: Mary Cotter †
 7:15pm Saturday PM Choir Practice (CR)

Friday, January 30

8:30am Mass Intention: Joseph Cicero †
 9:30am IHM Homeschool Co-op (PH/APR)
 9:45am SJS "A Taste of Kindergarten" (S)

Saturday, January 31

8:30am Legion of Mary (APR)
 10:00am 1st Reconciliation Service
 3:30pm Confessions (until 5:00pm)
 5:30pm Mass Intention: J.J. Lipski †

Sunday, February 1

7:00am Mass Intention: For all Parishioners, Living and Deceased
 8:30am Mass Intention: James Sertich †
 8:30am Religious Education for Pre-K (S)
 10:00am Religious Education for Youth and Adults (S/PH)
 11:30am Mass Intention: Norah Heslop †
 11:30am Religious Education for Pre-K (S)
 3:00pm JRYM (YR)
 3:30pm Jr. Legion of Mary (PL)
 5:30pm Mass Intentions of Bill & Mary Krzyminski (50th Anniversary)
 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



“Simon and Andrew abandon their nets to follow the Lord.”
 ~Mark 1:14-20

Readings for the Week January 25 through February 1

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5,10 Ps 25:4-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20
 Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 Ps 96:1-3,7-8a,10 317:Mk 3:22-30
 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10 Ps 40:2,4,7-8,10-11 Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25 Ps 24:1-4ab,5-6 Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-6,23-24,39-40 Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2,8-19 (Ps) Lk 1:69-75 Mk 4:35-41
 Sunday: Dt 18:15-20 Ps 95:1-2,6-9 1 Cor 7:32-35 Mk 1:21-28

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

We continue to pray for those who are ill:

Tracy Billingsley	Martin Goodly	Joyce Rigsby
Paula Butler	Florence Gotvald	Dorothy Schneider
Lois Chandler	Pam Hamilton	Stephanie Schultz
Tricia Claus	Scottie Kaelin	Gerald Thomas
Dr. Clement Cotter	Patrick Karigan	Lynn Sheets
Elaine Creed	Michael J. Kennedy	Kathlyn Veque
Frank Dugan	Yoshiha Lessor	Gene Wegner
Jeanette Ellerbrock	Charles Owens	Charles White
Fr. Jim Fitzgerald	Mark Richards	Anne Yelle

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP		
Offertory	Donations	2009 Goal
Jan. 17/18	\$24,848.24	\$28,846 wkly
Year to Date 2009	\$88,537.24	\$1,500,000 yrly
Building Fund	Donations	2009 Goal
Jan. 17/18	\$9,753.89	\$11,538 wkly
Year to Date 2009	\$38,422.40	\$600,000 yrly
<i>Thank you for using your envelopes.</i>		

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.alabama.org or call (800) 540-WWME or (256) 430-0982.

Liturgy

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 for more information.

Social Concerns

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PANTRY NEEDS HELP-- Due to the very cold weather this past couple of weeks all of us will have higher utility bills. We expect the number of calls for assistance, especially utilities and food, to increase dramatically. Our Pantry is low on food and we need your help to restock. There are newly revised food lists in the basket in the back of the Church. **PLEASE** pick-up a list and purchase the 4-5 items on the list and drop them off in the back of church or the Church basement. It is only through the generosity of our parishioners and the Vincentian volunteers that enable St. Vincent de Paul to continue to serve the less fortunate in our community."

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

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.

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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). 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.

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

Parish Life

During the weekend of February 7/8, Benedictine priests from St. Bernard's will be preaching at all Masses.

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.

Enjoy Super Bowl Sunday with some delicious Smoked BBQ Pork. **The Knights of Columbus is pre-selling a limited number of whole BBQ Pork Butts** for you to pick up after the Sunday Morning masses on February 1st. Cost for these 8 -10 lb. precooked weight butts is \$30 each. Proceeds to benefit the Council's Supported Charities. Please Call Danny Garcia at 721-9938 with your order prior to January 29th.

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 hillam@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 all new families. "*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, or visit www.chsfalcons.org.



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 5-6**.

NEXT SUNDAY, Feb 1st, Deacon Dan hold the next discussion on the *101 Q&A on Paul—Paul's Theology* in the parish hall from 10-11am. All are welcome to attend.

Sun Morn Adult Ed—*Humanae Vitae* continues

Sunday Morning Adult Ed is from 10:05-11:05 am in the Parish Hall. Discussion on Pope Paul VI's encyclical, *Humanae Vitae* will conclude this Sun, 1/25. **NEXT SUNDAY, Feb 1st**, Deacon Dan holds the next discussion on the *101 Q&A on Paul—Paul's Theology*. 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.

A "Lenten Journey with St Paul" is coming

Beginning March 1st, small faith sharing groups will gather to discuss Fr. Pacwa's book, *St. Paul*. If you are interested in participating in one of these groups, please look for the registration flyers in the vestibule, or contact Terry Trinko, 256-325-3259.



Youth Faith Formation

Greg Thompson
gthompson@stjohnbchurch.org

SJYM - Happy 2009!

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!"

February 8
"Mission"

JRYM (Grade 6-8) 3:00-5:00pm
Making Movies!
HSYM (Grade 9-12) 6:30-8:30pm
"We've Got News for You!"

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



Religious Education

Tandra Lavallee, DRE
religioused@stjohnbchurch.org

THANK YOU!

A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped make the First Reconciliation Retreat such a great success!

1st Reconciliation for 2nd graders will be on January 31st at 10:00 AM or February 3rd at 6:30 PM in the Church!

As our children prepare for First Reconciliation, Let us pray:



Lord God of forgiveness, we ask that you bless each of these children as they journey towards celebrating the new hope you offer through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In your mercy and love, heal them and bring them to the fullness of life in you. We ask you this through Christ our Lord. Amen!



St. John's School

Sherry Lewis, Principal
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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 the school, meet with our administration, teachers and school board members, tour our facility and see all 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. for more information, call the school at 722-0772 or visit our website, www.stjohnb.com.



◆ Registration for the '08-'09 school year is ongoing for returning families and new parish families. Open registration for non-parishioners begins Jan. 25

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

