

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
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WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

Visit the National **WWW.EUCHARISTICREVIVAL.ORG** site today!

Twenty-first Week of Ordinary Time (Fr Igwilo in Custer)

8/25 Mon. 7:00A Holy Communion Service
 5:30P KC's Rosary
8/26 Tues. 7:00A Mass (Int.: Lois Murphy)
8/27 Wed. 7:00A Mass (Int.: Bill Caylor)
8/28 Thurs. 7:00A Mass (Int.: Sonny Wheeler)
8/29 Fri. 7:00A Morning Prayer, followed by
Eucharistic Adoration
 5:00P Penance/Reconciliation
 6:00P Mass (Int.: The People of the
 Parish)
8/30 Sat. 7:30A Mass
 11:00A Penance/Reconciliation

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30P Vigil Mass
 (Int.: Ilene Schmidt †)
8/31 Sun. 8:00A Sun. Mass
 (Int.: Fred Fernbaugh †)

*Note: * indicates that incense will be burned.*

Sunday Blessings

Have a blessed Sunday and give thanks for all the blessings you have.

mark your calendars!! Sunday Sept. 7 is Chili Cookoff and Cornhole Competition. New this year Brownie Cookoff! We do need cornhole boards. If you have one available-- contact Dennis Dahm— 1-812-480-2772 More to come..

Last of the Season!

Women of St John Bake Sale August 30-31



Scan the QR code to visit our online giving page.

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.
 Philippians 4:10

FINANCIAL SUPPORT: through August 17, 2025

General Collection	\$ 2,339.37	Anawim Fund	\$ 20.00
- via e-giving	\$ 206.97	Major Capital Fund	\$ 43.00
Adopt-A-Seminararian	\$ 48.00	Votive Candles	\$ 23.00

Special Collections

Gathering Area	\$ 180.00
Assumption of BVM	\$ 713.29

General Fund Income, Actual (to date) : \$ 21,924.81

General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date) : \$ 22,230.00

Difference of YtD Actual against Budgeted (+/-) : \$ 305.19

Note: Avg. \$3,705/week needed for FY26 budgeted income.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

– an opportunity to pray before our Eucharistic Lord. “Lord Jesus Christ, pierce my soul with your love so that I may always long for you alone, who are the bread of angels and the fulfillment of the soul’s deepest desires. may be filled with the sweetness of your presence.”

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS:

Lilly Armstrong, Bruce & Linda Davis, Carol Earles†, Jay & Laurie Hammer & Family, Earl Howell, Kim Lessert †, Joe McGowan†, Larry Morris, Donna Pfeifer, Randy Plowman, Duke & Gayle Kocer-Schneller, Lou Sebert †, Rhonda Snyder, Gerald Temple†, Kathryn Tindera, Bill & Linda Young, & all residents of MH’s facilities in Custer.

Those on this list will be listed for 3 months at a time; they can be re-listed for an additional 3 months.

St. John’s HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

*If you are homebound or in the hospital and would like to have someone bring you the Holy Eucharist, please contact **Dn. Pat Coy** personally. Arrangements will be made.*



If you or anyone you know have projects of any sort that need to get done while the temps are nice, please call Scott May 281-881-2875 or Eric Adams 952-303-2366. Exterior painting, beautiful greenhouses. Profits will go towards the parish addition or Faith Family Fun events.

Traveling and could use a prayer? Facing health challenges? Know someone in need of spiritual support? At St. John’s, our dedicated team of prayer warriors is here for you—ready to lift up your intentions in prayer, whatever they may be. No request is too small—just let us know how we can pray for you!

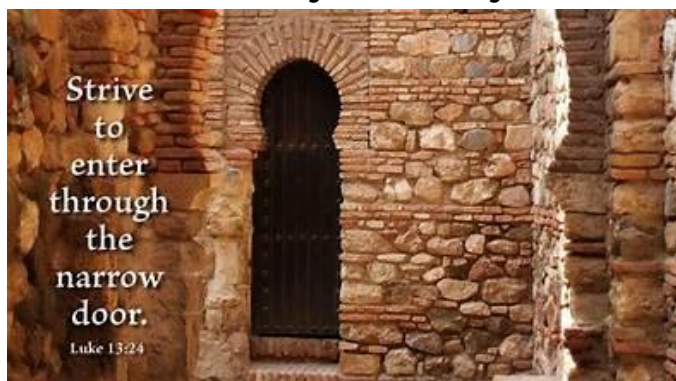


STEWARDSHIP SPOT: Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself--my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God-- is as important as the monetary gift I offer.



O Father, we humbly come before You, seeking a heart filled with compassion for all living beings. May we recognize the sacredness of life in every creature and extend kindness and understanding to [those in need](#). Help us to be instruments of Your love, fostering harmony and empathy in our world. Guide [us to act with mercy and grace](#), reflecting Your divine compassion. Amen.

~~ 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time ~~



~**Monthly Devotion for August**~
~**the Immaculate Heart of Mary**~

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, refuge of sinners, I beg of you by the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and by the graces God has granted to you since your Immaculate Conception, the grace of never going astray again. Mother, keep me, a sinner, constantly bathed in the light of your Immaculate Heart. Amen.



FEEDING S.D. is distributing food/produce in Custer at **the Custer Lutheran Fellowship parking lot, 12622 HWY 16A**, on **every month's second Tues., 1-2P**. Next scheduled distributions for 2025: **September 9**. Contact Feeding S.D. (605/348-2689) for more info. **Storehouse donations** (220.5lbs. for 2025) Thank you.



The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of August

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

Bible Trivia

- I defeated Goliath and united the kingdoms of Judah and Israel.
- I was a great military leader.
- I was known for my wisdom.
- I was the mother of Ishmael.
- I was the disciple who loved Jesus the most.
- I am Mary, mother of Jesus, and my name means--

Come join in the Prayer of the Rosary before Mass.
Saturday at 4:55pm & Sunday at 7:25am.
And with the KC's on Mondays at 5:30pm

~~We invite all parishioners to follow **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church** on **Facebook**! By liking and sharing our posts, you help us spread the Good News, promote parish events, and reach more people in our community. Every click makes a difference—let's work together to grow our online presence and extend our message of faith and fellowship beyond our church walls. <http://facebook.com/custercatholic>~~To stay up to date with the latest events and liturgical celebrations, don't forget to visit our parish website custercatholic.com~~



Trivia Answers
David
John
Joshua
Solomon
Hagar

Have you met with Jesus today? He will encourage your heart as no one else can!

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I

desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.



Join us for the All Catholic **SOUTHERN HILLS COOK-OFF**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 AT 11 AM

LOCATED AT GOLD VALLEY CAMP

(3 miles east of Custer on HWY 16)

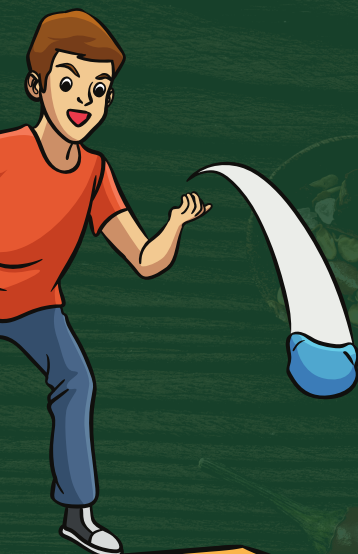
**A Catholic throw down between St. John
the Baptist, St. Anthony of Padua, St.
James, and St. Rose Lima**



*Let's cook, eat,
connect and
make a
difference.*

Why join?

- **Chili Cook-off**
- **Brownie Cook-off**
- **Corn Hole Tournament**
- **Prizes**



HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

**SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS OR
CALL DENNIS AT (812) 480-2772**

Fundraiser: Donations accepted for Worship/Gathering area addition at St. John the Baptist

St John's Website and Social Media Performance

Did you know St. John's has a dedicated **Parish Communication Committee**? We're on a mission to keep our community informed, inspired, and connected—through our website, Facebook page, and beyond.

Over the past month, we've seen exciting growth in engagement, and we're just getting started! Whether you're skilled in **video editing**, passionate about **marketing**, or simply eager to help, your gifts could make a meaningful impact.

👤 **We're looking for volunteers** who want to help us amplify the voice of our parish. If that sounds like you, we'd love to hear from you! Email us at stjohnsmedia@hotmail.com

📊 Below is a snapshot of our progress over the last 30 days—proof that when we work together, great things happen.

Website performance for July 17-Aug 15 compared to previous 30 days

Sessions	Pageviews	Avg. Session Duration
853	1,492	29s
↑ 8% vs. Previous 30 Days	↑ 18% vs. Previous 30 Days	↑ 22% vs. Previous 30 Days

Facebook performance for July 19-Aug 15 compared to previous 28 days

