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Dear St. John the Baptist Parents,

Welcome to a new year of Faith Formation! We are looking forward to a fun and faith-filled year as we help your children learn and grow in their Catholic faith. This year, along with our regular curriculum, we will place special emphasis on prayer and the Holy Mass.

Our year will begin with the first class for St. John the Baptist students on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Parish Center, Minnesota Lake. (Please note the time change from previous year.) Then on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. John the Baptist, Minnesota Lake, we will celebrate Catechetical Day with the children participating in the liturgy, special blessings for the children, parents and catechists. There will also be a special collection that evening with all generous donations going directly to our Faith Formation Program here at STJB. ***(If your family is unable to attend this special opening Mass for the STJB children, please contact Rhonda Drager as soon as possible)***

### **Classes**

St. John the Baptist Faith Formation students in **grades 1-8** will have class at the Parish Center, Minnesota Lake beginning on **September 12:**

<i>Grades 1-8</i>	Wednesdays	6:00 – 7:00	STJB Parish Center
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St. John the Baptist Faith Formation students in **grades 9-10** will have class at St. Casimir, Wells beginning on **September 12:**

<i>Grade 9</i> (Theology of the Body)	Wednesdays	6:30 – 7:45	St. Casimir School
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<i>Grade 10</i> (Confirmation I)	Wednesdays	6:30 – 8:00	St. Casimir Church Hall
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St. John the Baptist Faith Formation students in **grade 11** will have class at St. Casimir, Wells with a date to be determined:

Grade 11 (Confirmation II)	TBD	6:30 – 8:00	St. Casimir Church Hall
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St. John the Baptist students in grades 9-11 will also receive a letter from St. Casimir's Faith Formation regarding classes.

***Confirmation II:*** Please note that for the six parish cluster, **Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, November 18 at 3:30 PM at St. Teresa's, Mapleton, MN.**

### **Registration and Tuition**

This year the tuition will continue to be \$40.00 per child or \$100.00 maximum per family. The registration form (which is included in this mailing) and tuition are due by **September 30**. You may send with your child to class or mail payments and registration to St. John the Baptist Church at the address listed above, drop it off at the Parish Office or drop it in the offertory basket at any Tri-Parish Mass in an envelope marked "STJB Faith Formation". Financial assistance is available for those who have a need by contacting Father Fasnacht.

### **NET RETREAT (National Evangelization Team)**

We are blessed to have NET returning again this year. Faith Formation grades 7-12 will participate in this retreat on Wednesday, November 7 from 5:00–9:00 PM at St. Casimir Church. Supper will be provided and we are asking a free-will offering to offset expenses. Transportation will not be provided.

### **Parental Roles**

Our Catholic Faith is a true gift and it is a privileged responsibility to pass this on to the next generation. As parents, you are primary educators of your children, your instruction is very influential. We encourage you to continue to grow in the faith, to participate together in a life of prayer with a primary emphasis on weekly attendance at Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation. We support you with our Faith Formation program and ask regular attendance at classes in order that a consistent in-depth presentation of the faith be given to each student. All students are expected to show respect for their teachers and their fellow students. No disruptive or disrespectful attitude will be tolerated. If disruptive behavior continues, the student will be removed from class and parent(s) will be called. Before re-entering class, the student must meet with Father Fasnacht and their teacher. Please notify Rhonda or your child's teacher of any upcoming absences.

Should there be any concerns about cancellations due to the weather a text message will be sent to your phone or you may check the triparish website [www.olmcstcstjb.org](http://www.olmcstcstjb.org) or also by listening to radio stations KJLY (104.5 FM), KBEW (98.1 FM), or KTOE (1420 AM). St. John the Baptist will follow class cancellation the same as Maple River Public School. If Maple River Schools are cancelled or an early dismissal there will be **no** Faith Formation Classes at STJB. (This is for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students that go to St. Casimir also) If weather turns bad after school hours please listen to the above radio stations or list on your child/children's registration form where you would like to be contacted for class cancellations.

It is our goal, to help you, give your child the best possible opportunity to learn about the Catholic Faith given the resources and availability of those that can help them learn the faith well. We look forward to walking this journey of faith with you, and we need and appreciate your prayerful support. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact Rhonda at 507-462-3636 and leave a call back number or 507-380-8591-c 507-462-3627-h or [stjb@bevcomm.net](mailto:stjb@bevcomm.net). You may also find information on the Triparish website [www.olmcstcstjb.org](http://www.olmcstcstjb.org)

In Christ,  
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2018-2019 Faith Formation Calendar

(Please watch for additional information in the parish bulletin or notices sent home with your child regarding the calendar throughout the year as date, time or events may change)

SEPTEMBER	WEDNESDAY	12 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASSES BEGIN 6 PM</b>
	SATURDAY	15 <sup>TH</sup>	CCD SATURDAY/SUNDAY CHILDREN'S MASS 5 PM AT STJB
	WEDNESDAY	19 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	26 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>

OCTOBER	WEDNESDAY	3 <sup>RD</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	10 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	17 <sup>TH</sup>	NO CLASS MEA BREAK
	WEDNESDAY	24 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	SUNDAY	28 <sup>TH</sup>	CCW ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER
	WEDNESDAY	31 <sup>ST</sup>	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-ALL SAINTS- ATTEND MASS WITH FAMILY-NO CLASS

NOVEMBER	WEDNESDAY	7 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM FOR 1-6 GR. NET RETREAT FOR 7-12 GR.</b>
	WEDNESDAY	14 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	21 <sup>ST</sup>	NO CLASS THANKSGIVING BREAK
	WEDNESDAY	28 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>

DECEMBER	SAT/SUNDAY	1 <sup>ST</sup> /2 <sup>ND</sup>	ADVENT BEGINS-ATTEND MASS WITH FAMILY
	WEDNESDAY	5 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	SATURDAY	8 <sup>TH</sup>	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION-ATTEND MASS WITH FAMILY
	WEDNESDAY	12 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	19 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	TUESDAY	25 <sup>TH</sup>	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-CHRISTMAS- ATTEND MASS WITH FAMILY
	WEDNESDAY	26 <sup>TH</sup>	NO CLASS CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY	TUESDAY	1 <sup>ST</sup>	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-MARY MOTHER OF GOD-ATTEND MASS WITH FAMILY
	WEDNESDAY	2 <sup>ND</sup>	NO CLASS CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR BREAK
	SAT/SUNDAY	5/6 <sup>TH</sup>	EPIPHANY ATTEND MASS WITH FAMILY
	WEDNESDAY	9 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM CIRCLE OF GRACE</b>
	WEDNESDAY	16 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	23 <sup>RD</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	SATURDAY	26 <sup>TH</sup>	CHILDREN'S MASS 5 PM AT STJB
	WEDNESDAY	30 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>

FEBRUARY	WEDNESDAY	6 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	13 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	20 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	27 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>

MARCH	WEDNESDAY	6 <sup>TH</sup>	LENT BEGINS ASH WEDNESDAY ATTEND MASS WITH FAMILY-NO CLASS
	WEDNESDAY	13 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	20 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	27 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	FRIDAY	29 <sup>TH</sup>	HOLY NAME ANNUAL FISH FRY

APRIL	WEDNESDAY	3 <sup>RD</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	WEDNESDAY	10 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>CLASS 6 PM</b>
	SAT/SUNDAY	14 <sup>TH</sup>	PALM SUNDAY MASS AT STJB 5 PM
	MON-THURS	15-18 <sup>TH</sup>	HOLY WEEK
	FRIDAY	19 <sup>TH</sup>	GOOD FRIDAY
	SATURDAY	20 <sup>TH</sup>	HOLY SATURDAY
	SUNDAY	21 <sup>ST</sup>	EASTER SUNDAY
	SAT/SUNDAY	27/28 <sup>TH</sup>	DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY MASS AT STJB 5 PM

***Consult the bulletin for further information regarding Mass times.***