

Mission Statement

St. John the Evangelist Parish is a Catholic Community of believers who worship God and share faith with others through welcoming, encouraging, sharing, reconciling, being faithful, praying and healing in Jesus' name.

Eucharist Schedule

Saturdays: 5 p.m. - St. John's Sundays: 7:30 a.m. - Oakwood

9:30 a.m. - St. John's

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. Sundays: 7:10 a.m. - Oakwood

9:00 - 9:15 a.m.

Adoration - Thursday, 5-10 p.m.

Parish Office: 352-1648 Fr. Tim's Cell phone - 520-0838

Fax number: 352-1608 Parish Kitchen: 352-0499

Pastor: Fr. Tim Schroeder

Deacon/Pastoral Minister:

Rev. Mr. Michael Grzadzielewski Administrative Assist to the Pastor/ LSTC Coordinator: Rose Marie Kerner

Faith Formation/Music: Brent Hermans
Office Manager: Beverly Dolan
Parish Maintenance: Paul Bina

Parish Lay Directors: Carol Bina, Brad

Pastoral Council: David Demester, Mary (John) Dusek, Mary (Tom) Dusek, Todd Forbord, Jesse Forster, Monica Gorder, Bryan Hurst, Cindy Janousek, Nancy Miller, Christopher Quinamot, Micky Schumacher, Al Szklarski, Marta Balderas - Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

Finance Council: Rita Amiot, Russ Carignan, George "Buzz" Burns, Brad Suda, Linda Schumacher, Carol Bina, JoAnn Lizakowski.

Baptism Prep Classes - Second Thursday - 7 p.m. in the Gathering Space. Call 352-1648 to register.

FORMED: Youth and Adult Faith Formation at formed.org. Parish Access code: PNWMV2

Bulletin - find it at:stjohnsgrafton.com

Emails: Fr.Tim at

timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org
Bev at bev.stjohns@midconetwork.com

Need a ride to church? Call Frank Janousek at 352-1567 or Jim Kosmatka at 352-3089.

Saint John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

1515 Western Ave

Grafton ND 58237

26th Sunday Ordinary Time

September 25, 2016

Teachers Needed – We are still in need of teachers. If you can help in this area, please contact Rose Marie (520-0591) or Brent (520-2680).

Fall Bible Study - Galatians - Tuesdays, 7 p.m. in the Gathering Space. Call Deacon Mike at 352-1648 for more information or to register.

Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary – Tuesdays and Fridays at 8:30 p.m.

Choir - Choir starts Wednesday, September 28 at 7:45 in the Church. All ages are welcome! "They who sing pray twice." St. Augustine.

Tri-County Women's Expo – Saturday, October 1 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Mountain Community Center, Mountain ND. Admission \$5. Various events will be run throughout the day. Sponsored by the Domestic Violence and Abuse Center.

Year of Mercy Home Prayer Kits – As a continuation of the Year of Mercy, Home Prayer Kits will be available for sign out after the Masses. This is a great way to share your faith as a family. Sign up for a week!! The kits can be picked up anytime after 5 p.m. Saturday nights - Return the kits the following Saturday morning.

Fall Dinner – **October 9** - It's just around the corner. We need everyone's help to make this a successful event. Look at the attached form and see where you can help. We already have enough celery, onions and broth; therefore we do not need anymore of these items.

Close to Home – Wednesday, September 28, 7-8:30 p.m. at the Grafton Public Schools Performing Arts Center. The Grafton Public School District has planned a community forum to address the reality of the drug presence and usage in the Grafton community. All community members, parents, and concerned citizens are invited to learn about these dangerous drugs that have hit 'Close to Home.' Hear from a panel of local experts: Northeast Human Service Center, Grafton Police Department, Walsh County Sheriff's Department, Grand Forks Narcotics Task Force, and Medical Experts with time allowed for questions.

"You Did It For Me" (Catholic Charities, USA) Conflict continues to plague Afghanistan, forcing many people away from their homes and children away from their schools. But thanks to Catholic Relief Services and the Afghan Ministry of Education, more than 23,000 children are being given the opportunity to find solace through engaging workshops and activities as a way to deal with trauma and to develop their education. Learn more at: crs.org/you-did-it-for-me.



This past week, we had funerals of two people who had reached the age of 94: Martha Campbell and Norv Elbert. The number of ways that they supported St. John's and the mission of the Church commissioned by Jesus would be hard to enumerate. For example, Martha was a chair of the funeral committee for a long time and she was the chair of

transportation for the Christmas Eve party. People recall how she had difficulty moving all the way back to the early 80's even as she was still the chair of transportation for the Christmas of Eve party. Yet this summer, she struggled with her walker to come to communion from the back of the church at the 11:30 Mass. It was in Spanish but it was still Jesus she was struggling to receive. Norv Elbert was St. Nick at the Christmas Eve party and he visited countless homes as Santa Claus. He attended daily Mass and prayed the rosary as a devotion. In the nursing home in Grand Forks, as he took dialysis three times a week, he prayed the rosary many times a day and went to Mass as often as the priests came to celebrate Mass there. He was a prayer warrior. To me these people were saints and show the suffering it takes to truly follow Jesus. Maybe they can inspire us today to continue the life of Christ in our parish of St. John's today. We need people with heroic faith to continue the living presence of the Jesus today in the church. The Fall Dinner is a critical way we continue community. Will you be a hero for Jesus in today's church as they were for their earthly journey?!!

Eucharist & Intentions

Saturday, September 24

5:00 p.m. – Parishioners

Sunday, September 25

7:30 a.m.– Oakwood - Bernadette Gallagher + 9:30 a.m. – James Gaustad +

Monday, September 26

No Mass

Tuesday, September 27

9:00 p.m. (at night) – Stanley Langowski

Wednesday, September 28

10:15 a.m.-Sunset - Bernard Novak +

Thursday, September 29

9:00 a.m. - Ron Demers +

1:45 p.m. – LSTC – Claire Curry

Friday, September 30

9:00 a.m. – Earl Machart +

Saturday, October 1

5:00 p.m. – Mary Jimenez

Sunday, October 2

7:30 a.m. – Oakwood – Daryle MacDonald (Birthday) 9:30 a.m. – Parishioners

Prayers for the Sick/Oracion por los enfermos:

Policy for St. John's and Sacred Heart: Requests run for 3 consecutive weeks: Diane Lee, Betty Littlefield, Mary Lou Gourde, Mary Eisenrich Connor, Allen Johnson, Kenneth Shannon, Jim Greenwood, Ron Nowacki, Kevin Hoenke, Gary Fisher, Pat Hanson, Antony Munoz, Irene Lindgren, Lorna & Maurice Collette, Cameron Moen, Frances Boulduc, Michelle Kohler, Jan Nermyr, Connie McCarty, Greg Dusek, Judy O'Toole, Paul Brodeur, Kim Gourde Heazlett, Leland Bailly, Abbot Brian Wangler, Adly Galle Jaehning.

Our Sympathies to: the family of Martha Campbell, including Ben Pinta and Candy Pinta of our parish; to the family of Norvin Elbert.

*** Right to Life ***

"This is the paradox of America's unborn. No life is so desperately sought after, so hungrily desired, so carefully nurtured. And yet no life is so legally unprotected, and so frequently destroyed." New York Times columnist Ross Douthat's reflection on infertility and unwanted pregnancy. 1/3/11

Prayer – For those who make decisions about the right to life, that they may seek the Divine Spirit of Wisdom to guide them. **Problem Pregnancy** – Call 701-284-6601.

Medication Therapy Review – This service is free of charge. Call Grafton Family Clinic at 352-2000 for an appointment.

Diabetes Support Group - Real Food Approach to
Managing Diabetes — September 26, 5 p.m., in the Unity
Clinic lobby area. Abby will discuss an optimal diet for
managing diabetes, which begins with nourishing whole foods.
Let's take the focus off of what to "avoid" eating and instead
focus on what to eat!

Imagine a World Without Hunger - September is Hunger Action Month. You can help. Get involved. Help end hunger in our community and county. ~ Walsh County Food Pantry, contact Bev or Deacon Mike at 352-1648.

Bev Dolan

Counters

♦ STEWARDSHIP 🗷

Let us honor God with our first fruits rather than the leftovers.

September 18 \$ 5,120.00

Given in 2016

| \$ 253,330.30 | | \$355,000.00 |
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| \$ 78,022.00 | God's Gift Appeal 103% | \$ 75,780.00 |
| \$ 558,635.41 | Sowing Seeds Campaign | \$741,989.00 |
| \$ 335.00 | Kitchen | |
| \$ 115.00 | Window | |
| \$ | Jail Ministry | |
| \$ 1,495.00 | Memorials - Unrestricted | |
| \$ 45.00 | Music | |
| \$ 10.00 | Adoration Chapel | |

Stewardship Moment — "My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..." Luke 16:25-26 When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

Fall Dinner Dessert Committee – We will be trying something new this year! Instead of pies, we will be asking for a 9X13 size pan of "unrefrigerated " dessert. If cool whip is needed, please provide. The weekends of September 24-25 and October 1-2, tables with sign up sheets will be at both entrances for your convenience. Thank you ~ Vicki Midgarden (520-8137)

Jason Evert – Jason will be speaking to 7-12 graders and their parents at St. Michael's Church in Grand Forks on Tuesday, October 4 from 7-8:15 p.m. His topic will be "Love and Lust?" Jason will share the value of abstinence being the healthiest lifestyle choice for all high school students. All area students are invited to attend! There is no charge for this event.

Fall Dinners/Suppers

St. Brigid's of Ireland – Cavalier ND – Fall Supper – Sunday, September 25, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.. Turkey and all the trimmings. Adults \$12; Children 6-12 \$6; Preschool- Free.

St. Mary's, Grand Forks, ND –Old Fashioned Sunday Dinner with chicken, meatballs and all the trimmings. Sunday, September 25, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Adults 11 and older, \$12; Children 5-10, \$5, 4 and under free.

St. Michael's, Grand Forks ND – Fall Dinner and Bazaar, Sunday, October 2, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Ham and Meatballs with all the trimmings. Adults \$11, Children 3-10 \$5.

St. Mary's, Park River ND – Fall Dinner & Bazaar – Sunday, October 2, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Pork chop and all the trimmings. Adults - \$12, Students ages 6-12 - \$6, under 6 - free.

St. Boniface, Walhalla ND – Annual Fall Dinner - Sunday, October 2, 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. Turkey and all the trimmings. Adults (13 and up) \$10, Children (6-12) \$6, preschool - free.

St. Alphonsus, Langon ND – Fall Supper – Sunday, October 9, 4-7 p.m. Turkey, Ham and all the trimmings. Adults \$10, Students (K-8) \$5, PreK - \$3, Takeout \$11.

St. John's, Grafton ND – Fall Dinner – Sunday, October 9, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Turkey and Ham and all the trimmings plus dessert. Adults - \$12; Children 5-12 - \$5, Under 4- free.

Diane Maes

| Ministry | October 1 | October 2 | October 8 | Adults - \$12; Child | |
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| October Eucharistic Ministers 5 P.M. Paten: Barbara Foerster-Estad, Kay Wilebski Chalice: Brigita Bovaird, Sue Callahan, Betty Feltman, Patricia Krai 9:30 A.M. Paten: Jim Dusek, David Schumacher, Dean Woinarowicz Chalice: Debbie Aasand, Pat Dusek, Linda Schumacher, Steve Les | | | | | |
| Proclaimers | Monica Groven | Tony Mayer | Kathy Grzadzielewski | Pat Wangler | |
| Altar Servers | Chris Fehr Matt Houska | Logan Dusek, William Jiskra Elijah Smallbeck Sydney Suda | Matt Houska Chris Fehr | Tyler Mayer Sydney Suda Parsons | |
| Greeters | Lee & Linda Lessard Kay Wilebski | David Demester Mickey Schumacher Laurie Johnson | Shirley Tisdale Jesse Forster Mary (Tom) Dusek | Jack & Kathy Maus Griselda Moreno | |
| Money | | Sue Callahan | | Marty Balderas | |

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Sunday, October 2
Proclaimer: Guy Demers
September Cleaning: Group 2

 Collection: 09/18/2016
 \$ 444.00

 Year to Date:
 \$20, 977.12

 God's Gift Goal:
 7,895.00

 Year to Date: 84%
 \$ 6,625.00

Lay Directors:

Dennis LeClerc, Lori Cyr

Pastoral/Finance Council: Kelda Rerick, Susan Suda, Cindy Collette, Mark Gourde, Lee Osowski