

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: Bryan Hurst, Linda Schumacher.

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

Finance Council: Rita Amiot, Russ Carignan, Linda Schumacher, Bryan Hurst, JoAnn Lizakowski, Kathy Maus, Luke Holt.

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

2nd Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2017

Eucharist Retreat – Sunday, March 12, 1 - 4 p.m. for students in Grade 3 and all older students who are preparing for Confirmation/First Eucharist this spring. A parent or sponsor must attend with student.

Monday Lenten Soup Night – Monday, March 13, following the 5:15 Mass with our Parish Mission after the soup supper.

Winter Bible Study – Tuesdays, 7 p.m., in Classroom #6.

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

Choir – Wednesdays, 7:45 p.m. All are welcome.

Adoration – Wednesday, March 15, 9 p.m. in the Church.

St. John's Quilters - Thursday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Come join us.

K.C. Fish Fry – Friday, March 17, 5-7 p.m. in the parish center. \$12/plate.

Stations of the Cross – Fridays during Lent following the 5:15 p.m. Mass.

Men's and Women's Mixed Cursillo Grouping – Sunday, March 19, 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Minto. All are welcome to attend. Come and increase your faith with others.

God's Gift Appeal – Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2017 God's Gift Appeal. St. John's is 28 % towards our goal of \$80,740, and Sacred Heart is 14% towards our goal of \$8,301. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, it is not too late to help St. John's and Sacred Heart meet our target. Please participate in the support of the diocesan church.

"Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves." How great it is to go off with a few friends for a dedicated time together. Four friends going off by themselves up a mountain. Right before I left Monterrey, MX, Fr. Scott took myself and two other young men up a mountain

park that surrounds the city of Monterrey. I have always enjoyed walking along with others and just talking and looking at the scenes. There were some great scenes from that elevation. Up on the heights one can easily see why the mountain experience has always been associated with the religious experience of getting close to God. I can understand why Peter exclaimed, "Lord, it is good that we are here." Peter experienced a mingling of two worlds Moses and Elijah had already made the pass over to another world. They were supposed to be dead! Yet there they were talking to Jesus. I often think about this as an experience of the "Communion of the Saints." When some people say that one should converse in prayer with Jesus only and not any of our loved ones or the Saints, you should point out this passage. If we do what Jesus did, we too would talk to those who have died, but are alive in Christ. Jesus defended the resurrection in Luke 20:37 "Moses in the passage about the bush showed that the dead rise again when he called the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. God is not the God of the dead but of the living. All are alive in him." St. Paul writes in Hebrews 12:1 "Therefore, since we for our part are surrounded by this cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every encumbrance of sin which clings to us and persevere in running the race which lies ahead." Luke's Gospel, about the Transfiguration 9:28-36, points out that this happened to Jesus while he was praying. He also says that Jesus, Moses and Elijah "spoke of his passage, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem" (vs 31). It seemed that Jesus, in prayer, found help by talking with Moses and Elijah. That does not sound that much different than going in prayer to the Saints with difficult situations like our Catholic faith tells us. Going on a adventure with a few friends is fulfilling so is traveling with our friends who have passed over to the heavenly realm!

Eucharist & Intentions

Saturday, March 11

5:00 p.m. – Stanley & Doris Langowski

Sunday, March 12

7:30 a.m. – Oakwood – Parishioners 9:30 a.m. – Merlin Collette +

Monday, March 13

5:15 p.m. – Josephine & Norvin Elbert +

Tuesday, March 14

5:15 p.m. - Paul Brodeur +

Wednesday, March 15

10:15 a.m. - Sunset - Cindy French Fugleberg

5:15 p.m. – Irene Alendorf

Thursday, March 16

1:45 p.m. - LSTC - Daryl Davidson

5:15 p.m. - Archie & Ruth Bina

Friday, March 17

5:15 p.m. – Joyce Lutovsky

Saturday, March 18

5:00 p.m. – Delores DeSautel

Sunday, March19

7:30 a.m. - Oakwood - Parishioners 9:30 a.m. - Raymond Charlton, Sr.

Prayers for the Sick/Oracion por los enfermos:

Policy for St. John's and Sacred Heart: Requests run for 3 consecutive weeks: Dennis Nordhues, Cecilia Hammerschitdt, Carol Kliniske, Matt Houska, Kathy Johnson, Michelle Collette Donarski, Barbara Donelan, Tom Hartje, David Moe, Ardell Krom, Linda Loveless, Robert Lunski, Barbara Foerster-Estad, Mona Szklarski, Jim Houska, Ron Nowacki, Roger Amiot, Suzanne Burns, Ramona Latraille, Diane Lee, Betty Littlefield, Kenneth Shannon, Kevin Hoenke, Pat Hanson, Antony Munoz, Irene Lindgren, Cameron Moen, Frances Boulduc, Michelle Kohler, Connie McCarty, Greg Dusek, Leland Bailly, Adly Galle Jaehning.

*** Right to Life ***

A Cornell professor, advocating late term abortion of a "Zika fetus," states in Newsweek that though this might work legally, the issue of euthanasia nonetheless lurks and beckons us to answer the question: might some lives be better off ended, given what is in store for them? The woman who terminates at 32 weeks for Zika-caused birth defects may have indirectly made a case for euthanasia, "while allowing us to pretend that what she has had was just another abortion." Said NRL's Dave Andrusko, "The old evil of infanticide was only hibernating... it hides behind a supposed compassion. but beneath that veneer, the infanticide message is the same today as it was in the 1920's and 1930's. We ignore the approaching darkness at our own peril." NRL News Today 9/5/16.

Prayer – For those who care for children with physical or mental challenges, that they may turn to God for the strength they need from Christ.

Unplanned Pregnancy - Call 701-284-6601.

† STEWARDSHIP ⊠

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

March 5 \$ 6.380.51

Given in 2017

Scott Machart

\$	43,071.90		\$355,000.00					
\$	22,470.00	God's Gift Appeal 28%	\$ 80,740.00					
\$	587,543.35	Sowing Seeds Campaign	\$741,989.00					
\$	50.00	Kitchen						
\$	230.00	Window						
\$	20.00	Jail Ministry						
\$	465.00	Unrestricted						
\$		Music						
\$		Adoration Chapel						
\$	2,080.00	Haiti School						
Memorials								
Paul Brodeur		\$ 50.00	Unrestricted					

Stewardship Moment – "Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you." - Genesis 12:1 God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we may have to struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live.

\$ 20.00

Unrestricted

Our Sympathy to the family of Irene Altendorf, including Olivine Houdek and Edith Gierszewski of our parish. To the family of Mike Staffne including Catherine Staffne and Richard and Rita Staffne of our parish.

Formed – Have a Lent to Remember with *Forgiven*. No matter what you have done, no matter how long you have been away, Jesus is waiting for you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Go to formed.org, register using the parish access code: PNWMV2 and watch the program called Forgiven.

Food for the Lenten Journey – Holy Family-Grand Forks: Reflections from the writings of Pope Francis. March 19, 6:30p.m. - "The Joy of Love" Fr. Al Bitz. and Fr. James Ermer on March 26, 6:30 p.m. - "Care for our Common Home."

Cardinal Muench Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser: March 26th -11 am-4 pm- St. Paul's Newman Center, 1141 N University Drive, Fargo, ND.

Used Books - The Leonard Motel has used books for sale. Proceeds going to the School in Haiti or WCFP.

Faith Formation – March15 – Grades K-4 3:45 - 5 p.m.; Grades K-7 6:15-7:30 pm.; Grades 8-12 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Ministry	March 18	March 19	March 25	March 26	
March Eucharistic Ministers	 5 P.M. Plate: Patricia Kram, Sheila Trontvet Chalice: Brigita Bovaird, Sue Callahan, Betty Feltman, Kay Wilebski 9:30 A.M. Plate: Mary Dusek, Elaine Novak, Amy Lynn Suda Chalice: Greg Dusek, John Dusek, Dorothy Koester, Kelly Lessard 				
Proclaimers	Carol Bina	John Dusek	Dean Collette	Patricia Dusek	
Altar Servers	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Tyler Mayer William Jiskra Tony Balderas Elijah Smallbeck	Matt Housk Chris Fehr	Parsons Logan Dusek Sydney Suda Josie Suda Kate LeClerc	
Greeters	Frank & Cindy Janousek Betty Feltman	Debbie Aasand Christine Bjorneby Audrey Almond	Paul & Sandi Houdek Jesse Forster	Greg Campell family Judy Keeley	
Money Counters		Mark Gourde Chris Quinamot		Paul Bina Lunette Kliniske	

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