



Saint John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

1515 Western Ave

Grafton ND 58237

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018

Mission Statement

**To walk by Faith,
to be known by Love
and to be a Beacon of Light
in our community.**

We are asking that you pray 3 Hail Marys after each Mass for people to come back to their Catholic Faith.

Eucharist Schedule

Saturdays: 5:00 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. - St. John's

Sundays: 7:10 a.m. - Oakwood

9:00 - 9:15 a.m. - St. John's

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. Timothy Schroeder

Retired Priest in Residence:

Fr. Bernard Schneider

Deacon/Pastoral Minister:

Rev. Mr. Michael Grzadzielewski

Administrative Assist to the Pastor/

LSTC Coordinator:

Faith Formation/Music: Brent Hermans

Parish Secretary: DeeDee Vogsland

Environmental Services: David Demester
Paul Bina

Parish Lay Directors: Bryan Hurst,
Linda Schumacher.

Pastoral Council: Leanne Campbell,
Kelly Dokken, Paul Dolan, Mary (John)
Dusek, Jesse Forster, Paul Houdek,
Lee Lessard, Nancy Miller, Micky
Schumacher, John Suda, Al Szklarski,
Marta Balderas - Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

Finance Council: Rita Amiot, Matt
Beneda, Bryan Hurst, JoAnn Lizakowski,
Kathy Maus, Linda Schumacher, Stacey
Van Bruggen.

Baptism Prep Classes - The 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: Father Tim at
timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org
DeeDee at
office.stjohns@midconetwork.com

Need a ride to church:
Call Frank Janousek at 520-1730
or Jim Kosmatka at 352-3089.

Rosaries - Join us on Tuesdays & Fridays at 8:30 pm to pray Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary and on Tuesdays at 3:30 at the Sunset Home & after the 5:15 Mass to pray the regular Rosary.

**We will be decorating for Christmas after Mass on Sunday the 23rd.
Please stay and join us for the Fun!**

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Mass

4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart in Oakwood

10:00 p.m. Night at St. John's

Tuesday, December 25 - Christmas Day

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

We will be having a **Christmas Program Practice** for the kids who have signed up to participate on Saturday, December 29th from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.



Brent Hermans presents

Piano Talk - Christmas Concert - December 27

5:00 p.m. - Dinner Included - Free will offering

St. John's Parish Center

Thursday, Dec. 27 - The Priests play the Seminarians in basketball at 7:00 pm at Shanley High School. It has grown over the years, lots of fun, concessions and everybody is invited!

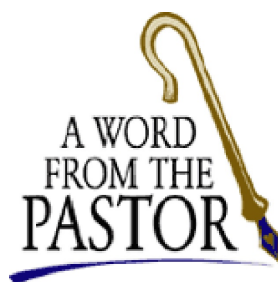
Sunday, December 30 - St. John's Christmas Program & All

Parish Potluck - The Christmas program will be right after the 9:30

a.m. Mass in the Parish Center with the potluck following the program.

Please bring the following for the potluck:

A-H bring Desserts, I-Q bring Salads, R-Z bring Main Dish



"Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste..." (Luke 1:39) Mary had great news and she had been told by the angel Gabriel that Elizabeth had great news. In her joy, she traveled into the hill country in haste. The power of the most high had overshadowed Mary and "Elizabeth filled with the Holy Spirit cried out" in joy. Both women had been touched by the Holy Spirit in profound ways. When we are touched by the Holy Spirit we want to be with others who have had similar experiences. We are often

driven to share our joy and love with others to pass the love on. It reminds me of that old campfire song: "It only takes a spark to get a fire going and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing. That's how it is with God's love. Once you've experienced it, you spread His love to everyone you want to pass it on." In order to keep the fire of God's love and joy that we experience in Christmas alive, we have to share it. A challenge that I want to make is that you invite others to come back to Mass and to another event we are having this coming March 20, our parish mission with Chris Stefanick. I showed a three minute video of his a couple of weeks ago and you can google his name where many short videos with powerful messages are available. The warmth, joy and love that come from people who are committed to God's way transforms the world. The testimony of the Gospel of Mary and Elizabeth coming together bears witness to that. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas no matter what the circumstances you find yourself in. May we all allow the spark of God's love sent from heaven to set our hearts on fire to share the joy.

One formal way we can pass God's love on is to use tools that are available to us. For example, our parish has purchased a membership for every parishioner to Formed.org. The cards you received for Christmas give directions on how to use this gift; you can, also, find these directions in our bulletin on the third page.

Eucharist & Intentions

Saturday, Dec. 22
5:00 p.m. - Helen Osowski +

Sunday, Dec. 23 - 4th Sunday of Advent
7:30 a.m. - Parishioners
9:30 a.m. - Frank Rose +

Monday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Mass
4:00 p.m. - **Oakwood** - Mary Jane Sevigny +
10:00 p.m. - **Night** - Troy Mattson +

Tuesday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Morning Mass
9:30 a.m. - Aurel DeSautel +

Wednesday, Dec. 26
10:15 a.m. - Sunset - Shirley Tisdale +


Thursday, Dec. 27
9:00 a.m. - John Curran +
1:45 - LSTC - Fr. Dan Mrnarevic +

Friday, Dec. 28
9:00 a.m. - Ken Barta +

Saturday, Dec. 29
5:00 p.m. - Olivine Houdek +

Sunday, Dec. 30
7:30 a.m. - Alma Collette +
9:30 a.m. - Parishioners

Prayers for the Sick – Policy for St. John’s and Sacred Heart
Requests run for 3 consecutive weeks: Marie Hall, Orell Sevigny, Henry Raymond Pinta, Patrice & Thea Katz, Roy Kringstad, Fr. Leo Stelten, Elaine Novak, Sylvester Kliniske, Bruce Schieffer, Brad Schuster, Mary Glanner, Hiladore Osowski, Ron Nowacki, Monica Rudnik, Dorothy Rudnik, Cody Bruner, Bob LaHaise, Chad Demers, Jeanne Silewski, Ann (Mickey) Shaver, Lou Orleans, Judith McMillian, Ray Capp, Dick Dolan, JoAnn & Roger Mattson, Ryan Suda, Emma Basting, John Campbell, Theresa Moen, Jennifer Osowski, Michelle Collette Donarski, Barbara Donelan, Roger Amiot, Suzanne Burns, Kevin Hoenke, Frances Boulduc, Adly Galle Jaehning, Kathy Ruzicka.



Our Sympathy to the family of Lowell Campbell

Our Sympathy to the family of Joe Dusek

Ministry Schedule for Christmas

Christmas Eve: Monday, December 24, 10 p.m.
Paten: Fr. Bernie Schneider, Pat Dusek, JoAnn Lizakowski
For Choir: Mary Dusek
Chalice: Deacon Mike, Doris Dahlgren, Mary Bailey, Brigita Bovaird
For Choir: Marty Balderas
Proclaimer: Pat Dusek
Greeters: Paul & Sandi Houdek, Delores Desautel
Alter Servers: Tony Balderas, Joshua Blanchard, Robert Parsons

Christmas Day: Tuesday, December 25, 9:30 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers: Same as Sunday
Proclaimer: Lunette Kliniske
Greeters: Christine Bjorneby, Jean Clark, Judy Keeley
Altar Servers: All Available Servers

† STEWARDSHIP ☒		
Let us honor God with our first fruits rather than the leftovers.		
December 16, 2018		\$11,659.25
Given in 2018		
\$ 359,031.44		\$365,000.00
\$ 67,899.00	God's Gift Appeal 83%	\$ 82,228.00
\$ 663,750.15	Sowing Seeds Campaign	\$741,989.00
\$ 130.00	Jail Ministry	
\$ 55,748.16	Unrestricted	
\$ 30.00	Adoration Chapel	
\$ 50.00	Music	
\$ 14,701.94	Haiti School	
\$ 615.00	Parish Center Floor	
\$ 40.00	Media Upgrade	
\$ 665.00	Cemetery Upkeep/Memorials	
Memorials		
Edward Deitz	\$ 10	Cemetery Fund
Edward Deitz	\$ 25	Flooring Project
Louise Tibert	\$ 10	Haiti Teachers
Sally Gaustad	\$ 10	Adoration Chapel
Sally Gaustad	\$ 10	Unrestricted
Bill Stibbe	\$ 50	Haiti School
Leona Sevigny	\$250	Cemetery Fund

Stewardship Moment - “For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy. ” Luke 1:44

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading each Sunday, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don’t blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. Do you prepare for Mass each week or do you just show up and expect to be entertained? We are called to be active participants, not passive by-standers.

Weekly Prayer of the Faithful Petitions -That we take time to properly prepare ourselves to celebrate Mass each Sunday.

Sacred Heart in Oakwood - will be having a Pancake Feed on January 13th following the 7:30 Mass. A free-will offering will be taken.

BINGO - No KC Bingo this Week. The next Bingo will be on Sunday, December 30th at 3:00 pm.

Numbers: \$ 95 - 54 numbers
\$180 - 60 numbers
\$205 - 58 numbers
\$ 0 - progressive

We are in need of volunteers in the Parish Office. Hours are flexible! Please call the office at 352-1648 if you are interested.

New Year’s Eve: Monday, Dec. 31, 4:00 p.m. Mass, St. John’s
New Year’s Day: Tuesday, Jan. 1, 9:30 a.m. Mass, St. John’s

Ministry	December 29	December 30	January 5	January 6
December Eucharistic Ministers	5:00 P.M. Paten: Doris Dahlgren, Cindy Janousek Chalice: Betty Feltman, Mike Such, Kay Wilebski, Mary Bailly 9:30 A.M. Paten: Greg Dusek, Pat Dusek, Linda Schumacher Chalice : Jim Dusek, John Dusek, Kelly Lessard, David Schumacher			
Proclaimers	Dean Collette	Jack Desautel	Mary (Tom) Dusek	Paul Dolan
Altar Servers	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Josh Blanchard Ethan Lund Kate LeClerc Laila Miller	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Tyler Mayer Sydney Suda Josie Suda Paige Suda
Greeters	Lee & Linda Lessard Sheila Trontvet	Paddy Hutson Griselda Moreno Janelle Woinarowicz	Doug & Susan Kirkeby Doris Dahlgren	Ron & Dorothy Koester Judy Keeley
Money Counters		Cindy Holt Paul Bina		Cynthia Collette Connie Johnson

Sacred Heart - Oakwood
Sunday: Dec. 30, 2018

Proclaimer: Susan/Wayne
Altar Server: Kayden Swanson
December Cleaning: Group 1

Collection: 12/16/2018 \$503.00

Year to Date \$30,954.29
God’s Gift Goal: \$ 7,471.00
Year to Date: 115% \$ 8,580.00

Lay Directors:
Ed Sevigny, Lori Cyr

Pastoral/Finance Council: Susan Suda, Cindy Collette, Mark Gourde, Lee Osowski, Bobby Osowski.

Join us for our 33rd Annual **Community Christmas Eve Party** Monday, Dec., 24th from 6:00-7:30 pm
We will be serving a Pork Dinner with all the fixings - Entertainment & Door Prizes
If you need a ride to this event, please call 701-520-1002 before 4:00 pm on December 24th.

We are still in need of people to help with Cleanup
after the Community Christmas Eve Party.
If you are willing to volunteer please let us know.
We are always looking for people to help in this area.



Begin this Liturgical year well, by studying your Faith on our 'Formed' site.

Go to <https://stjohnsgrafton.formed.org> to sign up (No cost to you). This site contains wonderful sections on sacramental preparation, faith formation, bible studies, youth, current topics, children's shows, audios for on the go, faith based films, good reads, trending topics and formed life. The Parish Access Code is: PNWMV2

Time to REBOOT your faith with Chris Stefanick

St. John's invites you to our parish Lenten Mission, an event fashioned after parish missions we've had in years' past. Please take this opportunity to renew and strengthen your faith by attending. (Ages 12-92 are welcome.)

Tickets are available up until the day of the event, March 20, 2019. However, to take advantage of reduced pricing @ \$22/ticket, please consider purchasing your tickets by December 31st. Tickets will be sold at \$25/ticket after December 31st. Faith Formation students in grades 6 and up will receive complimentary tickets. Ticket sales are limited to 600 tickets and are available at the parish office and, also, online at RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

High Priority Needs: Tuna, Jello and Pancake Mix

Also needed: maple syrup, canned fruit,
toothbrushes and toothpaste

They would appreciate any help you can give!



No Faith Formation Classes or Choir on Wednesday, December 26th. The office will be closed on Dec. 26th & Jan. 1st.



Merry Christmas

from Father Tim,
Father Bernie,
and the
Parish Staff of St. John's

