



# St. John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

October 3, 2021  
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1515 Western Ave.  
Grafton, ND 58237

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

## **Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 5:00 pm, St. John, Grafton  
Sunday: 7:30 am, Sacred Heart, Oakwood  
9:30 am, St. John, Grafton

## **Reconciliation - Confessions**

in the Church Confessional

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm  
Sunday: 9:00-9:20 am  
Daily Confession: Available before Mass  
Tuesday - Friday

## **Pastor: Fr. Jeff Eppler**

**Fr. Jeff's Cell phone - 1-314-750-8937**

The Parish Office - 352-1648

Deacon and Faith Formation Director:

Rev. Mr. Michael Grzadzielewski

Office Manager: DeeDee Vogsland

Administrative Assistant: Kathy Swanson

Environmental Services: David Demester

Summer Help: Deanna Priley

**Baptism Prep Classes** - The 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Gathering Space. Call 352-1648 to register.

## **St. John the Evangelist**

**Parish Lay Directors:** Paul Houdek,  
Mary (John) Dusek

**Pastoral Council:** Mickey Demester, Brittany Dusek, Ernie Dusek, Lee Lessard, Denise Moe, Sean Osowski, and Marta Balderas, Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

**Finance Council:** Matt Beneda, Mary (John) Dusek, Paul Houdek, Donny Suda, Stacey Van Bruggen

**Youth Committee:** Marty Balderas, Alexa Holt, William Jiskra, Mary Kerian, Nancy Miller, Jackie Osowski, Josie Suda, Maggie Suda, Molly Zahradka

## **Sacred Heart - Oakwood**

**Parish Lay Directors:** Ed Sevigny, Lori Cyr

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

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**Formed** - Youth & Adult go to [formed.org](http://formed.org)

## **Eucharistic Adoration in the Adoration Chapel**

Tuesday from 7am - 8am and 6pm-10pm

Wednesday from 10am - 10pm

Thursday from 6pm - 10pm

Friday from 7am - 9am

Need a ride to church:

Call Frank Janousek at 520-1730

Bulletin Deadline is noon on Wednesdays.

Today we will resume taking a second collection on the first Sunday of the month for our Helping Hands Fund to help those in need in Grafton. Please consider helping those in our community.

**Holy Pilgrimage:** Tony Dumas and Fr. Jeff will be bringing Jesus throughout Grafton & Oakwood today, October 3rd at 3:00 pm. So, keep your eyes peeled for the Lord in a Ford!

**National Life Chain:** This Sunday, October 3 from 2-3pm, we will gather in front of the Evangelical Free Church, standing along Hwy 17, with signs & prayers for an end to abortion. Please come and join us! Co-Sponsored by: Walsh County Pro-Life & by Knights of Columbus.



Violence perpetrated on the most innocent and vulnerable in society, the unborn, breeds a culture of violence and normalizes it. If a person can brutally kill a child, why would we expect respect for the human person at any other point in our life? We will not have peace until abortion is stopped.

At the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington D.C. on February 5, 1994, Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta said: "I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against the child, a direct killing of the innocent child, murder by the mother herself. And if we accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another? How do we persuade a woman not to have an abortion? As always, we must persuade her with love and we remind ourselves that love means to be willing to give until it hurts. Jesus gave even His life to love us. So, the mother who is thinking of abortion, should be helped to love, that is, to give until it hurts her plans, or her free time, to respect the life of her child. The father of that child, whoever he is, must also give until it hurts.

By abortion, the mother does not learn to love, but kills even her own child to solve her problems. And, by abortion, that father is told that he does not have to take any responsibility at all for the child he has brought into the world. The father is likely to put other women into the same trouble. So abortion just leads to more abortion. Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion."

Please join us this Sunday from 2-3pm for our **Life Chain** prayerful protest of abortion.

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

## **St. John's Fall Dinner**

### **Parking Lot Drive Thru & Delivery Only!**

Sunday, October 10th, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Please remain in your car, we will bring the food out to you.

**Delivery meals must be preordered October 4th - 8th.**

**Call Office to order 352-1648** All dinners will be \$15.00 per plate.

*Please bring the pies you signed up for - We will be offering Apple, Pumpkin & Surprise Pies (other kinds) at the Drive Thru!*

We will still be doing the Raffle Tickets for the \$100 drawings!

When sending in checks for the raffle tickets or a donation for food, please write separate checks for each one.



We are in the process of planning a **Christmas Extravaganza to be held on Saturday, December 4th.** At this time, we will be doing the Country Store, Mini-Raffle, Silent Auction, etc. We also plan to serve hot apple cider and treats. More information will be coming later.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, October 2

10:30 am - Carmelite Sisters +  
5:00 pm - Dorothy Armstrong +

Sunday, October 3

7:30 am Oakwood - Parishioners  
9:30 am - Hiladore Osowski +

Monday, October 4

No Mass

Tuesday, October 5

5:15 pm - Jerry Pletka +

Wednesday, October 6

5:15 pm - Robert Eisenrich +

Thursday, October 7

5:15 pm - Michael Frank Misialek Sr. +

Friday, October 8

5:15 pm - Anna & Edward LeClerc +

Saturday, October 9

10:30 am - Fr. John Aerts  
5:00 pm - Alphonse & Olivine Houdek +

Sunday, October 10

7:30 am Oakwood - Merlyn & Vivian Collette +  
9:30 am - Parishioners



Our Sympathy  
to the family of  
Brian Fehr,  
Kevin Oihus

**Please Pray for the Sick:** Mary Jo Olson, Denise Moe, Rosalie Axman, Donna Galle, Henry Morgan, LeRoy French, Julius Wangler, Paul Dolan, Joy Reading, Rose Lauer, Lenaye Lauer Ensrud, Judy Smith, Danni Marie Scott, Joan Brien, Ron Houska, Greg from Texas, Jennifer Lynch, Linda Thompson, Travis Loveless, Darrah Isaacson, Moe Staffne, Lennae Kosmatka, Ken Jarolimek, Adam Granados, Gary Moe, Steve Lessard, Amanda LaTraille, Robert Novak, Rae Desautel, Jeff Collette, Ed Boura, Les Aasand, Steve Walters, Clifford Bailly, Chris Loveless, Linda Loveless, JoAnne Sevigny, Barb Foerster-Estad, Frances Schuster, Aldo Rodriguez, Daryle MacDonald, Marvin French, Kevin Bailly, Frances Boulduc, Ron Nowacki, Bonnie Shannon, Judy Wolter, Robert Carroll, Judy Jiskra, Suzanne Burns, Jodi McCarthy, Diane Lee, Hope Reis, Patrice & Thea Katz, Monica Rudnik, Chad Demers, Jeanne Silewski, Roger Mattson, Emma Basting, John Campbell, Roger Amiot, Kevin Hoenke, Adly Galle Jaehning

Fall Dinners & Events are coming:

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Park River, Fall Fund-raiser, Sunday, Oct. 3, begins at 11:15 am  
St. Boniface Catholic Church, Walhalla, Fall Supper, **All Take Out** Sunday, October 3, from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
St. John the Evangelist, Grafton, Annual Fall Dinner, Sunday, October 10, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm **Drive Thru** and Delivery Only. For delivery, you must preorder by calling the Parish Office at 352-1648 Monday - Friday on Oct. 4th-8th.  
St. Alphonsus, Langdon, Fall Supper, Sunday, October 17, from 4:00-7:00 pm.  
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Argyle, Fall Festival & Dinner, Sunday, October 24, 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm. See Poster for information

Sacred Heart Cleaning Committee #2 for October.

STEWARDSHIP

Let us honor God with our first fruits! Praise the Lord!

~ St. John the Evangelist ~

Given September 26, 2021 - \$2,975.50  
God's Gift total Given as of Sept. 29, 2021 - \$61,012.84  
St. John's - \$34,500 Average expenses per month (salaries, utilities, regular monthly bills, does **not** include maintenance projects or ministries)

~ Sacred Heart - Oakwood ~

Given September 26, 2021- \$685.00  
God's Gift total Given as of Sept. 29, 2021 - \$5,147.00

*The **Fatima Prayer** will be said at Noon-12:30 on Saturday, October 9th. Please join us, as these are very important prayers for our times.*

Bible Study begins Monday, October 25th at 7:00 pm.

Matthew's Gospel shows how Jesus fulfills God's promise to Israel and establishes his kingdom on Earth. Through references to the Old Testament promises of God to his people and the messages God sent them through the prophets, Matthew provided the key to understanding the rest of the New Testament and Christ as the fulfillment of God's plan of salvation.  
Workbooks are available for \$30.00. Please call the Parish Office at 352-1648 to sign up for the Bible Study.

Upcoming Dates at St. John's:

Youth Committee Meeting	Tuesday, Oct. 5, 6:30 pm
RCIA for Adults	Tuesday, Oct. 5, 7:00-8:00pm
Rosary Walk for Life	Wednesday, Oct. 6, 6:30am
Faith Formation Grades 1-4	Wed., Oct. 6, 6:30-7:30pm
High School Youth Group	Wed., Oct. 6, 7:30-8:30pm
Fatima Prayer	Saturday, Oct. 9, Noon-12:30
Fall Dinner, Drive Thru Only	Sunday, Oct. 10, 11am-2pm
RCIA for Adults	Tues., Oct. 12, 7:00-8:00pm
Rosary Walk for Life	Wednesday, Oct. 13, 6:30am
Faith Formation Grades 5-8	Wed., Oct. 13, 6:30-7:30pm
High School Youth Group	Wed., Oct. 13, 7:30-8:30pm
Charismatic Prayer Group	Thursday, Oct. 14, 7:00pm
Baptism Prep. Class	Thursday, Oct. 14, 7:00pm

*St. John Quilters will be meeting on Thursdays, at 10:00am. New members are always needed and you do not need to be a sewer to help out, as we always need help with cutting, ironing and laying out fabric. Any time you can spare to help on Thursday is appreciated. Come & give it a try!*

Memorials

Delores DeSautel	\$10	Cemetery Fund
Delores DeSautel	\$65	Gathering Space
Fr. Vincent Tuchscherer	\$1,000	Gathering Space

10,000 Rosaries for Grafton

We have prayed 7,279 rosaries!

Keep praying because we need God's Grace to end the pandemic and to convert Grafton and our surrounding towns! Saving souls one bead at a time!



The Church has a few extra pews available for anyone who would like them. Please call the office to make arrangements. 352-1648

