



# St. John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

September 11, 2022

1515 Western Ave.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 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  
11:30 am, Spanish Mass at St. John's

## Reconciliation - Confessions

In the Church Confessional  
Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 - 9:20 am, 11:00 - 11:20am  
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  
Parish Secretary: Kathy Swanson  
Administrative Assistant: Carla Trahan  
Environmental Services: David Demester  
Custodian: Deanna Priley

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

## St. John the Evangelist

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

**Pastoral Council:** Marta Balderas, Michelle Demester, Tony Dumas, Nancy Miller, Frank Benito Pinta, Brent Risky.

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

**Youth Committee:** Marta Balderas, Alexa Holt, Nancy Miller, Jackie Osowski, Josie Suda, Maggie Suda, Molly Zahradka. Meets 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

## Sacred Heart - Oakwood

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

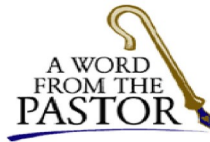
**Pastoral/Finance Council:** Cindy Collette, Mark Gourde, Bobby Osowski, Lee Osowski, Susan Suda

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**Bulletin** - find it at [stjohnsgraffton.com](http://stjohnsgraffton.com)

## Eucharistic Adoration

*In the Church:* Tuesday 6pm - 10pm  
*In the Chapel:* Tuesday 7am - 8am  
Wednesday from 10am - 10pm  
Thursday from 6pm - 10pm

Need a ride to church:  
Call Frank Janousek at 520-1730  
Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesdays.



The United States Bishops have designated the next three years to focus on Eucharistic Revival for the Church in our nation. The Diocese of Fargo is definitely on board with this push to deepen parishioners' faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. This three-year effort will focus in Diocesan Revival from June 2022-June 2023, Parish Revival from June 2023-2024, and culminate in a National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024.

How does this affect us as a parish? Well, we have weekly Eucharistic Adoration currently going on but we really need to look at expanding our program. Quite frankly, with the size of our parish, we should have more people involved in loving Jesus in the Eucharist. Therefore, I have arranged for a guest priest to come to our parish in November to speak on Eucharistic Adoration in the hopes of encouraging more people to participate. As we get closer to that date, I will be focusing more on the beauty and effects of Adoration.

Also, two weeks from now the Diocese of Fargo is having a Eucharistic Conference on September 23 & 24, which I strongly recommend parishioners to attend. There are some great speakers lined up and a Eucharistic Healing Service that will be an out-pouring of tremendous grace. When speaking with some people coordinating the event, they already have over 600 people committed to early registration. There will certainly be more going as we get closer to the date. Please seriously consider attending this event. Registration forms are at the church entrances. I will be attending some of the conference as I am scheduled to hear confessions. I hope to see you all there.

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

**Gathering Space** - The entire cost of renovation of the Gathering Space was \$22,410, which covered new carpet, furniture and some artwork. To date we still need to raise \$5,275 to finish this project. Any or all donations for this would be greatly appreciated.

**Retrouvaille: Help for Hurting Marriages** Have you and your spouse grown cold and distant from each other? Do you struggle to communicate or come together on common goals? Have past hurts built up walls of tension and distrust so big you question if they could ever come down? There is hope. Retrouvaille is an international, peer-run program that has helped hundreds of thousands of hurting married couples turn the tide, find new hope, and rediscover the love that initially brought them together. Surveys have shown that 3 out of 4 couples who complete the entire program are still married five years later with stronger, healthier marriages. Retrouvaille will be held locally **October 7 - 9, 2022** in Fargo. For more information visit [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com) or contact us at (701)356-7962 or via email at [RedRiverRetrouvaille@fargodiocese.org](mailto:RedRiverRetrouvaille@fargodiocese.org).

**Pre-K and Kindergarten (4/5 year olds)** - Will be meeting during 9:30am Mass for their start to Faith Formation. Christine Bjomeby will be leading this group. We have a schedule for the school year as follows: Sundays in October 2nd, 9th, and 16th and 30th; in November 6th, 13th, and 20th; in December 4th, 11th and 18th; in January 8th, 15th, and 22nd; in February 5th, 12th, and 19th; in March 5th, 12th, and 26th and in April 2nd, 16th, 23rd, and 30th. Please register your child/ren and sign a waiver form any of the Wednesdays in September from 6:30 - 7:30pm. Thank you!

The **Fall Into Faith All Parish Celebration** will be held on Sunday, October 2 following 9:30am Mass. Potluck meal and ice cream sundae bar for dessert. Please bring a main dish or salad to share. Cake bingo following the meal! It's like turkey bingo, but the prizes are baked goods! If you would like to donate a cake or ice cream, please text Maggie at (612)386-2883.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, September 10

10:30 am - Intentions of Our Lady  
5:00 pm - Aloys & Gertrude Lutovsky +

Sunday, September 11

7:30 am - Alan Collette +  
9:30 am - Parishioners

Monday, September 12

No Mass

Tuesday, September 13

5:15 pm - Richard & Catherine Gourde +

Wednesday, September 14

5:15 pm - Jane Zidon +

Thursday, September 15

5:15 pm - Stanley & Veronica Schuster +

Friday, September 16

5:15 pm - Oliver Pilon +

Saturday, September 17

10:30 am - Lynn Ebert +  
5:00 pm - Delores (Bob) Desautel +

Sunday, September 18

7:30 am - Parishioners  
9:30 am - Maryanne Glish +



Please pray for the  
Souls in Purgatory

Please Pray for the Sick:

John O'Toole, Enoch Pinta, Ernie Bailly, Helen Sieben, Flavia Langan, Noah Langan, Linda Lessard, Tim Kennedy, Gary Johnson, Ted Suda, Betty Machart, Chris Gourde, Geri Collins, Rose Marie Kerner, Julian Ramos, MaryAnn Jelinek, Edith Gierszewski, Alice Foerster, Ruthe Nilson, Emie Aguilar, Benjamin Galle, Michelle Kohler, Donna Retterath, Delores J. Novak, Verna Aasand, Ron & Betty Mayer, Heath & Anna Adamsen, Marie Boura, Mary Jo Olson, Denise Moe, Rosalie Axman, LeRoy French, Julius Wangler, Joy Reading, 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, Ken Jarolimek, Adam Granados, Gary Moe, Steve Lessard, Amanda LaTraille, 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, Marvin French, Frances Boulduc, Ron Nowacki, Bonnie Shannon, Judy Wolter, Judy Jiskra, Jodi McCarthy, Diane Lee, Hope Reis, Monica Rudnik, Chad Demers, Jeanne Silewski, Emma Basting, Roger Amiot, Kevin Hoenke, Adly Galle Jaehning

10,000 Rosaries for Grafton  
We have Prayed 6204 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!



Classical Desserts Encore: Dr. Jay Hershberger and Dr. Gregory Hamilton return to St. Edward in Drayton for a recital on Sunday, September 18, 3:00pm. The music of Beethoven, Chausson & Miaskovsky will be performed followed by a dessert buffet of German, French and Russian pastry. Freewill offering.

"Everything I have is yours." - LUKE 15:31

STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given September 4, 2022 - \$9,059.50

God's Gift total Given as of September 8, 2022 - \$49,907.00  
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 4, 2022 - \$516.00

God's Gift total Given as of September 8, 2022 - \$5,854.00

Upcoming Dates at St. John's:

RCIA	Tues., Sept. 13, 7:00pm
Rosary Walk for Life	Wed., Sept. 14, 6:30am
Faith Formation Registration	Wed., Sept. 14, 6:30-7:30pm
St. John Quilters	Thurs., Sept. 15, 9:30am
Charismatic Prayer Group	Thurs., Sept. 15, 7:15pm
RCIA	Tues., Sept. 20, 7:00pm
Rosary Walk for Life	Wed., Sept. 21, 6:30am
Faith Formation Registration	Wed., Sept. 21, 6:30-7:30pm
St. John Quilters	Thurs., Sept. 22, 9:30am
Holy Hour for Return of Lapsed Catholics	Sun., Sept. 25, 3:00pm
RCIA	Tues., Sept. 27, 7:00pm
St. John Quilters	Thurs., Sept. 27, 9:30am
Rosary Walk for Life	Wed., Sept. 28, 6:30am

Interested in Becoming Catholic? We will begin the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) this Tuesday, September 13 at 7pm in Classroom 2. This class is for Non-Catholic adults (Age 17 and up) who are interested in becoming Catholic or for those who are already Catholic and need Confirmation, or who just want to learn more about the Faith. Fr. Jeff is the primary teacher for this class.

COPING WITH LIFE ALONE, a ten-week support program for those who have suffered a loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation will begin Tuesday, September 20, 2022, and continue each Tuesday through November 22. Each session will be held from 6:30-8:30pm at St. Michael's Pastoral Center in Grand Forks, 418 N 6th St (across the street from the church). For more information or to pre-register: text or call or email Monsignor Daniel Pilon at 701-361-2051/ Daniel.pilon@fargodiocese.org. This program is sponsored by Beginning Experience of North Dakota. To cover the cost of a booklet and other resources, we do ask for a contribution of \$45. Scholarships are available for anyone unable to afford this contribution.

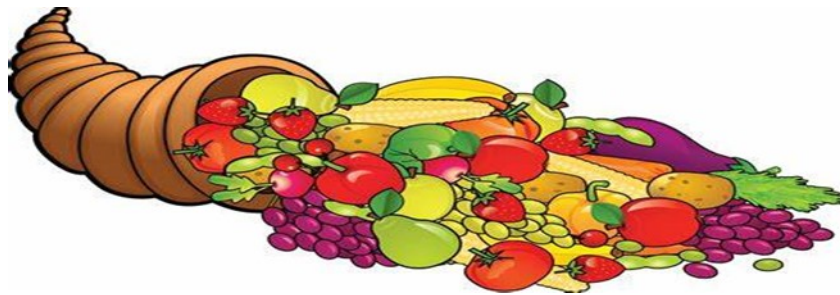
Fall Dinner is soon approaching. Please sign up to help out in the kitchen, donate pies or baked and canned goods for the Country Store. Any or all donations are greatly appreciated. See you there on Sunday, October 9, from 11am - 2pm! For delivery the day of, please call (701)352-0499. There are NO pre-orders, thank you!

St. John Memorials

Anonymous	\$ 300.00	Gathering Space
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St. John's Quilters will be starting up again, on Thursday, September 15, at 9:30am. Please come and join them for fun, fellowship and to learn how to help quilt. There are various things they need help with. They are a lovely bunch of ladies and are willing to help train. Come as little or as long as you want, they appreciate any help they can get.



**Donations Needed for the Fall Dinner- Oct. 9, 2022**

**Donations Needed to purchase Food for the Dinner**

Cash Donations are needed to defray the costs of turkeys, buns, and other food supplies needed. The cost of items we purchase averages about \$4,000.00 each year for the Fall Dinner. We are planning food for 1,200 people this year. Donations can be sent to St. John's, 344 W. 15<sup>th</sup> St., Grafton, ND 58237, Please write in memo: "Fall Dinner Donation". Thank you!

Here is a list of food you can purchase and donate if you prefer:

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| Chicken Broth – 150 32 oz. cartons | Butter – 100 lbs.  |
| Cool Whip – 5 cases                | Milk – 8 Gallons   |
| Onions – 100 lbs.                  | Celery – 50 Stalks |

For food item questions, please notify Carla Trahan by text or phone call (701-360-2932). All food donations must be at the church no later than Tuesday, October 4, at 5:00 p.m.

**To volunteer in the kitchen**, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday call/text Carla Trahan (701-360-2932), Adam Trahan (701-360-2931), Kelly Dokken (701-360-7024), or Mary (John) Dusek (701-520-0163).

**To volunteer for the dining room**, call Alissa Parsons (701-360-1180) or Sheila Slominski (701-360-1891).

**To donate pies** – Call Carla Trahan (701-360-2932), Kelly Dokken (701-360-7024), or Mary (John) Dusek (701-520-0163). Drop pies off in the pie room (classroom 8) beginning on Saturday, October 9, and have your pies in by 9:30 a.m. on Sunday.

**To donate to the Country Store**, call Mickey Demester (701-331-3874).

I will donate \_\_\_\_\_ pies. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Type of pie \_\_\_\_\_

# Fall Dinner 2022

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

St. John’s Annual Fall Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, October 9, 2022.

In order to have a successful dinner, we need help from ALL parishioners.

From the list below please indicate what you would like to do to help, and which shift you would prefer.

## Dining Room

Saturday, October 8

\_\_\_\_\_ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. (Setup)

\_\_\_\_\_ I can help either

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday or Sunday

Sunday, October 9

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ or until done

## Kitchen

Friday, October 7

\_\_\_\_\_ 7:15 a.m. - 1 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Turkey Carvers 1 p.m. &/or 4 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Clean up 3:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 9

\_\_\_\_\_ 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 11:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 8

\_\_\_\_\_ 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ I can help either Saturday or Sunday

## Serving Line/Assists

Sunday, October 9

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

## Clean Up Crew/Dishwashers

Sunday, October 9

\_\_\_\_\_ 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3:15p.m. - Done