



St. John the Evangelist

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

April 9, 2023
Easter Sunday

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
11:30 am, Spanish Mass (**May - Aug**)

Reconciliation - Confessions

Saturday: 4:15- 4:45 pm
Sunday: 9:00 - 9:20 am
Sunday: 11:00 - 11:20 am (**May - Aug**)
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
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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, Maggie Suda, Molly Zahradka, Julie McCann, Mellysa Toscano.

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Parish Lay Directors: Ed Sevigny, Lori Cyr

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

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

Eucharistic Adoration

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

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



Alleluia! The Lord Jesus Christ is truly Risen! Alleluia! This is a time of great celebration! Jesus has overcome death and is truly Risen from the tomb. His Resurrection is our hope of eternal life. If Jesus had never been raised, our faith would be in vain, but He is truly Risen! What a supreme expression of Divine Mercy!

Jesus' Resurrection is the great hope for all mankind. The promise of eternal life is made possible through His rising from the dead. We know that all of us will die. All of us will end up in the grave when we leave this world. However, God's plan for us did not initially involve our death. Death entered our lives because of the original sin of Adam and Eve. Despite the physical death of the body, God planned before the creation of the world to have us live with Him forever. Our body, as well as our soul, is not destined for death.

Because of Christ's Resurrection, even our flesh has the hope of eternal life. How does God give this gift of life even to our body that dies? He first gives the pledge of eternal life to our body in Baptism. When we were baptized into Christ, we were plunged into His death, which is a true death to sin. We are also raised with Him in His Resurrection. Both His Death and Resurrection (the Paschal Mystery) become present in the soul of the baptized and realized in our bodies. Our body does die, even after baptism, but it will not stay dead and gone. Jesus will raise our bodies to be joined to our soul. Both body and soul together form the full human person.

The second time He gives the pledge of raising our body to life is in the Eucharist. In the Gospel of John, chapter 6, Jesus says those who physically eat His flesh and drink His blood will have eternal life and He will raise them up on the last day. We receive Jesus physically Resurrected in Holy Communion. His Resurrected Body is joined to our dying body. The result of that union is the raising of our body on the last day. The last day is what is called the Final Judgment.

Every human being will have two judgments, the particular and the final. The particular is one's own personal judgment at the time of death. This judgment will determine if a person goes to heaven, hell or purgatory. The Final Judgment is at the end of the world, where everyone gets their bodies back; for those in heaven their bodies are joined to their soul in the glory of Christ's own Resurrection. Those in hell get their bodies back in death, to experience dying in the body forever. At this point in time, there is no more Purgatory, only heaven and hell. So, then, let us strive for heaven because He is Risen! Alleluia!

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

EASTER SUNDAY VEHICLE PROCESSION: Today, immediately following the 9:30am Mass, we will have a Eucharistic vehicle procession throughout Grafton to proclaim that Jesus is Risen and alive in the Holy Eucharist! We will start from the parking lot. Please join us.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, April 8

10:30 am - NO MASS

9:00 pm - Jim & Melissa Young Family

Sunday, April 9

7:30 am - John & Rose Brosius +

9:30 am - Parishioners

10:30 am - Eucharistic Vehicle Procession

Monday, April 10

NO MASS

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, April 11

5:15 pm - Frank & Elinor Misialek +

Wednesday, April 12

5:15 pm - John O'Toole +

Thursday, April 13

5:15 pm - Robert "Bob" Mlcoch +

Friday, April 14

3:00 pm - Wedding Mass Chase Boen & Alysia Osowski

Saturday, April 15

10:30 am - Lynn Ebert +

5:00 pm - Paul Wilkes +

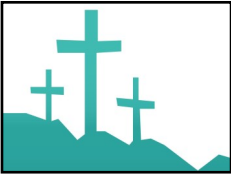
Sunday, April 16

7:30 am - Parishioners

9:30 am - Brittany Senti +

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Confession

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration



Our Sympathy
to the Families of
Les Aasand;
Mike Demers; &
Daniel Villarreal

Please Pray for the Sick:

LeRoy McCann, Verna Aasand, Caroline Dvorak, Brennan Foerster, Jennifer Lynch, Ruthe Nielson, Alice Foerster, Jonathan Foerster, Patty Durand, JoAnne Sevigny, Alex Emslander, Nicholas Emslander, Dylan Pride, Lori Fox, Adly Jaehning, Benjamin Galle, Barbara Foerster-Estad, Ron Houska, Roland Collette, Mary Schnetzer, Roy Kringstad, Mike Such, Mary Ann Jelinek, Ron Nowacki, Judy Jiskra, Julius Wangler, Marvin French, LeRoy French, Diane Lee, Hope Reis, Edith Gierszewski, Donna Retterath, Dave Retterath, Michelle Kohler, Ernie Bailly, Clifford Bailly, Judy Wolter, Mary LaBaw, Jim LaBaw, Gary Johnson, Tom Almond, Daniel LaHaise, Joan Brien, Chris Loveless, Monica Rudnik, Chad Demers, Mary Jo Olson

WE MADE IT, WE SAID OVER

10,000 Rosaries for Grafton

We have Prayed 14,075 Rosaries!

Keep praying because we need God's

Grace to convert Grafton

and our surrounding towns!

Saving souls one bead at a time!



"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth."
COLOSSIANS 3:2

STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given April 2, 2023 - \$10,590.00

God's Gift total Given as of April 6, 2023 - \$33,497.50

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 April 2, 2023 - \$750.00

God's Gift total Given as of April 6, 2023 - \$1,155.00

UPCOMING DATES AT ST. JOHN'S:

Eucharistic Vehicle Procession following
the 9:30am Mass today, Easter Sunday, April 9th

PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Rosary Walk for Life

Living Stations of the Cross

St John Quilters

Baptism Prep Class

Wedding Mass Chase Boen & Alysia Osowski

First Reconciliation Retreat

Mon., Apr. 10

Wed., Apr. 12, 6:30am

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Thurs., Apr. 13, 9:30am

Thurs., Apr. 13, 7:00pm

Fri., Apr. 14, 3:00pm

Sat., Apr. 15, 10am - Noon

Divine Mercy Sunday - Sun. Apr. 16

Confession available from 12:00pm - 4:00pm

Divine Mercy Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Altar Society Meeting

Faith Formation (Gr 1-8)

High School Youth Group (Gr 9-12)

St. John Quilters

Charismatic Prayer Group

"The Chosen" - 7th Episode

Faith Formation (3rd Graders ONLY)

St. John Quilters

"The Chosen" - 8th Episode

Mon., Apr. 17, 5:00pm

Wed., Apr. 19, 6:30pm

Wed., Apr. 19, 7:30pm

Thurs., Apr. 20, 9:30am

Thurs., Apr. 20, 7:00pm

Sun., Apr. 23, 4:00pm

Wed., Apr. 26, 6:30pm

Thurs., Apr. 27, 9:30am

Sun., Apr. 30, 4:00pm

Father Jeff will be away on vacation from April 17 through May 4. There will be no daily Masses while he is away.

Area Parishes Daily Mass Schedule:

Sacred Heart in Minto - Mon. 6:30pm, Wed. - Sat. 8am

St Stanislaus in Warsaw - Tues. 7:30am

St Edward in Drayton - Mon. 7pm, Wed. 8:30am, Fri. 8:30am

The Walsh County Food Pantry is in need of canned corn, bar soap, shampoo, hamburger helper, instant potatoes, any type of soup, pork & beans or send a check and we'll do the shopping! Walsh County Food Pantry, 344 W 15th St, Grafton, ND 58237. Thank you!

Jesus has risen, Allelulia!