



St. John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

June 22, 2025
FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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 - Confession

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
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The Parish Office 701-352-1648

Deacon: Deacon Michael Grzadzielewski
Business Manager: Carla Trahan
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St. John the Evangelist

Parish Lay Directors: Carol Bina
Paul Dusek

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

Finance Council: Matt Beneda, Carol Bina Paul Dusek, Frank Janousek, Ron Koester

Youth Committee: Marta Balderas, Kendall Groves, Julie McCann, Jackie Osowski,

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Parish Lay Directors: Brian LeClerc, Lori Cyr

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

Baptism Prep Class: - The next class is on Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 7:00pm in the Gathering Space. Call 352-1648 to register.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

In the Church: Tuesday from 6pm - 10pm
In the Chapel: Wednesday from Noon - 10pm
Thursday from 6pm - 10pm
Friday from 7am - 9am

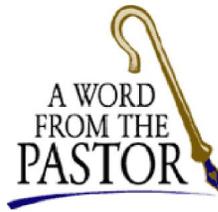
Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary:

8:30pm Tuesdays in Church
6:00pm Fridays after Mass

Need a ride to church:

Call Frank Janousek at 520-1730

Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesdays.



This Sunday we celebrate Corpus Christi, which is the Body and Blood of Christ given to us in the Eucharist. This coming Friday, we celebrate the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This adorable and Sacred Heart is both divine and human because Jesus is God and Man. The Divine-Human Heart of Christ encompasses all of humanity within Itself. His Heart is emblazoned with love for each of us, so much so, that when He showed His Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1673 A.D.), it was engulfed in fire. The flames that pour forth from His Heart reveal the unquenchable furnace of Divine Love.

Within the Sacred Heart are all the treasures of grace. Within this Heart is the ocean of Divine Mercy. Jesus desired that His Sacred Side be opened by a lance upon the Cross. This piercing of His Heart is the entryway for us into the heavenly house of God. He wants us to enter in and rest awhile. His invitation to love is given to all mankind, but uniquely to Catholics.

At Mass, the bread and wine change into Jesus Christ Himself, not a symbol of Him. We call this gift of Jesus the Holy Eucharist. Because the Eucharist is really Christ Himself, His Heart is made physically present. The priest holds the Sacred Heart of Jesus in his hands at every Mass. Christ offers His Heart to us in Holy Communion that we may rest in Him. He invites us to this rest when He says, *"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light"* (Mt 11:28-30).

How can we truly rest in Christ's Heart? First, this resting must flow from a desire for union. Do we really want to be one with Him? God looks into our heart and knows the truth of our desires and intentions. We cannot deceive Him. If we do not have this true desire for union, we need to ask Him for it.

Secondly, our prayer life must grow inward. What I mean by this is: we must become meditators and contemplatives. We need to seek Him in all things and ponder the things of God interiorly, within ourselves. He meets us within us. Our hearts and minds must search for a deeper discovery of Him in prayer. The Lord said that those who seek will find. He wants us to find Him. This will involve times of silence. We need to grow silent within ourselves. All too often we fill our hearts, minds and physical environments with noise.

Thirdly, it can never be understood how truly important spending time with Jesus in the Eucharist is. Jesus is physically present in the tabernacle (the gold metal box behind the altar). I encourage everyone to spend an hour a week with Jesus in His Eucharistic presence. If you cannot make it during times of Eucharistic Adoration, then come and sit with Him in the church. He draws you interiorly into His Heart every moment you're with Him. He loves you.

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

SACRED HEART MASS & HEALING SERVICE:

This coming **Friday, June 27** is the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In His Sacred and Eucharistic Heart are all the treasures of grace, mercy and love. He is the source of our healing. **We will have Holy Mass at 6pm followed by a Healing Service.** Confession, Anointing of the Sick, Priest-led prayer teams for those who want to be personally prayed with, Healing Prayers led by Fr. Jeff and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will all be available. Come and enjoy the healing love that flows from the Lord's Sacred Heart!

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

10:30 am - NO MASS

5:00 pm - Paul Wilkes +

Sunday, June 22 THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

7:30 am - Robert "Bob" LaHaise +

9:30 am - Linda Babinski +

10:30 am - Corpus Christi Procession

11:30 am - Spanish Mass - Parishioners

Monday, June 23

9:00 am - Charles Wilkes +

Tuesday, June 24 THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

NO MASS

Wednesday, June 25

NO MASS

Thursday, June 26

NO MASS

Friday, June 27 THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

OFFICE CLOSED AT NOON

6:00 pm - Edith Gierszewski +

7:00 pm - Healing Service

Saturday, June 28 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr & Doctor of the Church

10:30 am - Fr. Duane Cote +

11:00 am - Rosary procession after Mass

5:00 pm - Henry Korzacak +

Sunday, June 29 STS. PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES

7:30 am - Mervyn Sandstrom +

9:30 am - Orell & JoAnne Sevigny +

11:30 am - Spanish Mass - Parishioners



Please pray for the souls in purgatory.

Please Pray for the Sick:

Tom Almond, Clifford Bailly, Pat Bailly, Joan Brien, Florine Burke, Vida Carroll, Leticia Chavez, Ray Cluchie, Dean Cudmore, Hope Dahlgren, Auristel Delangel, Mary Dill, Pastor Robin Dill, LeRoy Dolney, Heather Dumas, Greg Dusek, Pat Dusek, Caroline Dvorak, Faya El Sarraf, Alex Emslander, Nicholas Emslander, Evan Feltman, Alice Foerster, Barbara Foerster-Estad, Brennan Foerster, Jonathan Foerster, Lori Fox, Marvin French, Benjamin Galle, Dina Garza, Quirino Garza Jr., Jeanan Glenn & Family, Tom Greenwood, Melinda Harder, Daisy Jo Hardy, Hilda Martinez Hernandez, Dcn. Jim Hunt, Adly Jaehning, Mary Ann Jelinek, Cyril Johnson, Shawn Johnson, Tina Johnson, Dorothy Koester, Michelle Kohler, Tom Kutz, Mary Ellen Kutz, Mary LaBaw, Daniel LaHaise, Diane Lee, Janice Lee, Tom Lee, Roman Lessard, Rudy Lopez, Chris Loveless, Jennifer Lynch, Lori McMahn, Betty Machart, Steve Michels, Jack Mihelich, Ruthe Nielson, Leonard Novak, Caroline Pierce, Benedict Pinta, Dylan Pride, Nicole Pride, Hope Reis, Monica Rudnik, Maxine Schanilec, Carol Scholler, Maury Staffne, Kari Suda, Pat Sweeney, Carmen Tomlinson, Mark Tomlinson, Peyton Tomlinson, Dave Votava, Helen Votava, Julius Wangler, Kay Wilebski, Judy Wolter

WE WILL START OUR PRAYER LIST OVER IN SEPTEMBER.

10,000 Rosaries for Grafton!

We have prayed 2013 rosaries!

Keep praying because we need God's grace to convert Grafton & surrounding towns!

Saving souls one bead at a time!



STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given June 15, 2025 - \$ 5,776.00

God's Gift Appeal Goal for 2025 = \$87,229.45

Given to date: \$ 37,848.14 (49.13 %)

St. John's - **\$34,500** Average expenses per month (salaries, utilities, regular monthly bills)

This does **not** include maintenance projects or ministries.

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Given June 15, 2025 - \$ 1,710.00

God's Gift Appeal Goal for 2025 = \$9,148.44

Given to date: \$ 4,405.00 (50.88 %)

UPCOMING DATES AT ST. JOHN'S:

Corpus Christi Procession	Sun., June 22 after Mass
Rosary walk for life	Wed., June 25, 6:30am
Healing Service	Fri., June 27, after 6pm Mass
Rosary procession after Mass	Sat., June 28, 11:00am
Confession in the church	Tues., July 1, 7:30-9pm
Rosary walk for life	Wed., July 2, 6:30am
Charismatic Prayer Group	Thurs., July 3, 7:00pm
Holy Pilgrimage	Sun., July 6, 3:00pm

ROOF DONATION WEEKLY UPDATE

Given this week \$ 1,450.00

St. John the Evangelist Church is looking for a chairperson for our Sunday, October 12th Fall Dinner. Previous chair people are available for assistance. Please contact parish office if you are interested at 701-352-1648. Thank you!

ADORATION - we are in need of a permanent adorer on Wednesdays from 5-6pm. If you know someone or if you are interested in adoring our Lord in the small adoration chapel, please let Fr. Jeff or the parish office know. Thank you!



A big **THANK YOU** to the **Knights of Columbus No. 3918** for their gracious donations to St. John the Evangelist. They donated: \$1,000 for roof project, \$1,000 to St. John's, \$800 to St. John's Cemetery, \$400 for jail ministry, \$400 for our youth ministry. They also donated \$800 to Sacred Heart in Oakwood. It is greatly appreciated.

Fr. Jeff will be gone Monday, June 23 through Thursday, June 26. There will be no Mass Tuesday through Thursday this week.