



St. John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

APRIL 5, 2026
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 - 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
Tuesdays 7:30 - 9:00 pm

The Parish Office: 701-352-1648

Pastor: Fr. Jeff Eppler

Fr. Jeff's Cell Phone 1-314-750-8937

Deacon: Deacon Michael Grzadzielewski

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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, Jackie Osowski, Jessica Pankow

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Parish Lay Directors: Brian LeClerc, Lori Cyr

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

Baptism Prep Class: - The next class is on Thursday, April 9, 2026 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 on Sunday:
Call Frank Janousek at 520-1730

Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesdays.



Jesus is Risen! He is truly Risen!!!

The Resurrection is a testimony to Divine Mercy! The Resurrection shows us not only that Christ's love was more powerful than sin and death, but more powerful than OUR sin and OUR death! His resurrection is for US, not just for Himself: He rises to new life in order to be with us always, to the end of time (Mt. 28:20), to fill us with His new life and thereby enable us to share in His Easter triumph. Pope St. John Paul II writes of this in his encyclical, *Dives in Misericordia*, section 8:

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Here is the Son of God, who in His resurrection experienced in a radical way mercy shown to Himself - that is to say, the love of the Father, which is more powerful than death. And it is also the same Christ, the Son of God, who at the end of His messianic mission... reveals Himself as the inexhaustible source of mercy, of the same love that, in a subsequent perspective of the history of salvation in the Church, is to be everlastingly confirmed as more powerful than sin. The paschal Christ is the definitive incarnation of mercy.... In the same spirit, the liturgy of Eastertide places on our lips the words of the psalm: "Misericordia Domini in aeternum cantabo (I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever!)."

Speaking of God's mercy, next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus told St. Faustina that anyone who goes to Confession and receives Holy Communion worthily on this day will receive complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. Confession next Sunday will be available from 1pm-4pm. Jesus said the following to St. Faustina about the sacrament of Confession:

"Today the Lord said, 'Daughter, when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul and ennobles it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of Mercy. Tell souls that from this fount of mercy souls draw graces solely with the vessel of trust. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity. The torrent of grace inundate humble souls. The proud remain always in poverty and misery, because My grace turns away from them to humble souls.'" From Divine Mercy in My Soul: The Diary of St. Faustina #1602

May God be praised and may you be blessed!



Thank you to all who supported our Youth Ministry and Parish Mission Calendar Draw Fundraiser at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. It is greatly appreciated.

APRIL CALENDAR DRAW WINNERS

April 1 = Tim Bjornson April 2 = Donate

Second Collection today will be going towards our ongoing maintenance needs.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, April 4 EASTER VIGIL

10:30 am - NO MASS

9:00 pm - Donald Burns +

Sunday, April 5 EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 am - Parishioners

9:30 am - Nora Rose +

3:00 pm - Holy Pilgrimage

Monday, April 6 EASTER MONDAY

NO MASS

OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, April 7

10:30 am - Funeral Mass for Richard LaBerge

5:15 pm - Patricia "Pat" Bailly +

7:30-9:00pm - Confession in the Church

Wednesday, April 8

5:15 pm - Paul Wilkes +

Thursday, April 9

5:15 pm - Alice Demers +

Friday, April 10

OFFICE CLOSED

5:15 pm - Delores Burianek +

Saturday, April 11

10am - Noon - Reconciliation Retreat (2nd Gr)

10:30 am - Carmelite Sisters

5:00 pm - Helen Schumacher +

Sunday, April 12 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

7:30 am - Roy Kringstad +

9:30 am - Parishioners

1-4 pm - Confession

3-4 pm - Divine Mercy Holy Hour



Our sympathy to the family of Richard LaBerge

"Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him."

Please Pray for the Sick:

Tom Almond, Ed Boura, Joan Brien, Vida Carroll, Randy Christinson, Steve Demers, Heather Dumas, Greg Dusek, Pat Dusek, Kayla Ebach, Faya El Sarraf, Alex Emslander, Nick Emslander, Barbara Foerster-Estad, Lori Fox, Rosalie Hagen, Melinda Harder, Cyril Johnson, Michelle Kohler, Mary Ellen LaBaw, Jim LaBine, Daniel LaHaise, Diane Lee, Lori McMahn, Steve Michels, Betty Novak, Nicole Pride, Hope Reis, Maxine Schanilec, Maury Staffine, Irma Torres, Julius Wangler, Kay Wilebski, Judy Wolter

WE DID IT!

We have prayed 13,659 rosaries!

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

Saving souls one bead at a time!



Please come and join us after 9:30am Mass on Sunday, April 12 to celebrate Andrew Haugen's Baptism into the Catholic Faith. There will be a small reception in the parish center afterwards. All are welcome!

ADDITIONAL EASTER LILIES:

NAME	IN MEMORY OF
Renee Kringstad & Family	Roy Kringstad

STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given March 29, 2026 - \$ 4,699.00

God's Gift Appeal Goal for 2026 = \$ 92,260.10

Given to date = \$ 23,325.49 (30.54%)

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 March 29, 2026- \$ 750.00

God's Gift Appeal Goal for 2026 = \$9,287.91

Given to date = \$ 2,617.23 (28.18%)

UPCOMING DATES AT ST. JOHN'S:

Funeral Mass for Richard LaBerge	Tues., Apr. 7, 10:30am
Confession in the Church	Tues., Apr. 7, 7:30-9pm
Faith Formation (Gr 1-8)	Wed., Apr. 8, 6:30pm
High School Youth Group (Gr 9-12)	Wed., Apr. 8, 7:30pm
St. John Quilters	Thurs., Apr. 9, 9:30am
Baptismal Prep Class	Thurs., Apr. 9, 7:00pm
Rosary walk for life	Fri., Apr. 10, 6:30am
Reconciliation Retreat (2nd Gr)	Sat., Apr. 11, 10am-Noon
Confession	Sun., Apr. 12, 1pm - 4pm
Divine Mercy Holy Hour	Sun., Apr. 12, 3pm - 4pm

ROOF DONATION WEEKLY UPDATE

Given this week \$ 200.00

ROOF PROJECT UPDATE

We are pleased to share that significant progress has been made on the roof project. We are grateful to everyone who has contributed and supported this effort. The current remaining balance is **\$144,794.95**, not including accrued interest. While we have come a long way, additional support is still needed to complete the project. Please consider continuing your generosity so we can get this project fully paid off. Every contribution makes a difference, and we truly appreciate your support!

Parish Traveling Statue of Mary: Our parish has a small statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary that will be a traveling statue. The goal with the statue is to increase family prayer time. A family may keep the statue for a week at a time, with the understanding that the family will pray the Rosary together near the statue each day. This is a powerful opportunity of grace. If you would like the statue for a week, please contact the parish office or let Father Jeff know to arrange the week Our Lady will be in your home.

HOLY PILGRIMAGE WITH JESUS:

Today, Fr. Jeff and Tony Dumas will be driving through Grafton and Oakwood at 3:00pm with Jesus in the Monstrance. So keep your eyes peeled for the Lord in the Ford.

ST. STANISLAUS CHURCH BREAKFAST:

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH, 2026 FROM 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
(ST. STANISLAUS MASS 10:30 A.M.)

MENU: PANCAKES, LANGDON SAUSAGE, SCRAMBLED EGGS, FRUIT, COFFEE & JUICE. FREE WILL OFFERING & EVERYONE WELCOME!