



CHURCH OF
SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST
OF LITTLE CANADA

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2020 | 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up
to a very high mountain, and
showed him all the kingdoms
of the world in their
magnificence, and he said to
him, "All these I shall give to
you, if you will prostrate
yourself and worship me."
- Mt 4:8-9

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EUCCHARIST

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM | 8:00 AM First
Saturdays only

SUNDAY: 8:30 | 10:30 AM

WEEKDAYS: 8:00 AM | 9:10 AM select
Wednesdays during school year.
7:30–7:55 AM Rosary and prayers.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:30 PM & 7:30 AM on the days
of an 8:00 AM Mass, or anytime by
appointment. Please call the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFICE

P: 651-484-2708

Hours: Mon–Thurs: 8:30 AM –4:30 PM

Fri: 8:30 AM–NOON

CLOSED SUMMER FRIDAYS

CEMETERY

For plot or columbarium sales and more
information about our historic cemetery:

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PM, AND HALF-DAYS AS SPACE ALLOWS

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Hours: 6:30 AM–6:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE



A NOTE FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION

Continued from my

Feb. 2 article: I think we have a Sacraments problem. Many of us don't believe the Sacraments do what the Church says they do! If we get these wrong, it leads to misery. If we get them right, it can bring us unimaginable, everlasting joy. Below is just a summary. Remember, we are bound by the Sacraments. God can work outside them.

4. Confession

False Belief: If I'm sorry in my heart, I will be forgiven by God whether or not I go to Confession.

Actual Teaching: Except in extreme circumstances, a Catholic in mortal sin is bound to confess his sins, with true contrition and a purpose of amendment, to a Catholic priest and to receive Sacramental absolution from the priest. Confession forgives all venial sins and all confessed mortal sins. It restores sanctifying grace, makes us worthy of eternal life, and strengthens us against temptation. It restores our broken relationship with God.

5. Holy Matrimony

False Belief: Marriage is when two people love each other and commit to one another forever, unless one party becomes very unhappy and there is lots of fighting and mistrust. Divorce is okay. Married couples can use contraception.

Actual Teaching: Marriage consists of one man and one woman entering into a

permanent covenant with God and one another in an exclusive, permanent relationship ordered primarily to the procreation and education of children. A married couple must be open to life in every act of intimacy, and may never use contraception. Following the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ in Matthew 19:1-12, a husband and wife cannot divorce in God's eyes and remarry. The Catholic Church grants annulments only to couples who never had a true marriage to begin with.

6. Holy Orders

False Belief: Deacons, priests, and bishops are no different than us. Both men and women should be ordained.

Actual Teaching: In the Sacrament of Holy Orders, a man takes on a permanent spiritual identity that conforms his person to Jesus Christ. Christ himself established a patriarchal, hierarchical structure for the Church in which only men are called by God to serve him as ordained clergy and to sacramentally participate in Christ's diaconal and priestly service to God the Father. In the Latin Rite, priests take a vow of celibacy as a sign of their conformity to Christ the bridegroom, who gives himself to his bride, the Church. Holy orders is not about power, but is about service to the Church.

7. Anointing of the Sick

False Belief: I do not need to call a priest when I am gravely ill.

Actual Teaching: This sacrament restores strength and health to the soul, and sometimes the body, of a person in danger of death from sickness, accident, or old age. It forgives venial sins, and brings great spiritual strength and comfort to the sick.



COMING UP THIS WEEK

MONDAY, 2

- 8:00 AM Communion Service | Church
- 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry | Fireside Room
- 2:00 PM Communion Service | Gable Pines
- 6:30 PM Christian Services Committee | Holy Family Room
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop Meeting | Gym
- 7:00 PM AA Meeting | Lower Church

TUESDAY, 3

- 7:30 AM Confessions | Church
- 8:00 AM Mass | Church
- 9:15 AM Men's Faith Group | Fireside Room
- 6:30 PM Buildings and Grounds Committee | Fireside Room
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts Committee | Holy Family Room

WEDNESDAY, 4

- 9:10 AM Mass | Church
- 11:00 AM Communion Service | Suite Living
- 6:00 PM RCIA | Fireside Room
- 6:00 PM Family Discipleship | School Dining Room
- 7:00 PM Traditional Choir Practice | Church
- 7:00 PM Contemporary Choir Practice | Chapel
- 7:30 PM AA Meeting | Lower Church

THURSDAY, 5

- 7:30 AM Confessions | Church
- 8:00 AM Mass | Church
- 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration | Chapel
- 1:00 PM St. Francis Prayer Group | Fireside Room
- 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study | Lower Church

FRIDAY, 6

NO SCHOOL

- 7:30 AM Confessions | Church
- 8:00 AM Mass | Church
- 9:30 AM Mom's Group of Saint John's | Lower Church
- 10:00 AM Funeral Visitation Larry Belland | Gathering Space
- 11:00 AM Funeral Mass Larry Belland | Church
- 1:00 PM Mass | Garden Terrace
- 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross | Church

SATURDAY, 7

- 7:30 AM Confessions | Church
- 8:00 AM Mass | Church
- 9:30 AM Lay Carmelite Meeting | Gathering Space
- 3:30 PM Confessions | Church
- 4:30 PM Mass | Church

SUNDAY, 8

DOUGHNUT SUNDAY

- 8:30 AM Mass | Church (Traditional Choir)
- 10:30 AM Mass | Church (Contemporary Choir)

LIVING OUR FAITH

FAITH FORMATION

Men of the Archdiocese!

Save the date for the upcoming Men's Conference on March 28, 2020! Our keynote speaker will be Reverend Paul Scalia, son of the late Justice Antonin Scalia, from the Diocese of Arlington, Virginia. Watch for more information!

Events throughout the Archdiocese

We encourage everyone to sign up for the Evangelization Updates at archspm.org/evangelization to stay up to date on opportunities offered by the Archdiocese. Check out upcoming events at: archspm.org/events

- Lent Prayer of the Heart Workshop, Mar 2 & 9
- Archdiocesan Men's Conference, Mar 28
- Conversations for Discipleship, Mar 23 & 24
- Catholic Young Adult Rally, Mar 28
- Lenten Lecture Series: The Sexual Revolution, the Catholic Church, and God's Plan for Life and Love. Fridays of Lent

Parish-Wide Survey Now Open!

Please log on today to participate in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute as part of the Archdiocese Synod Process!

www.disciplemakerindex.com

Login to the web site listed above and the survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. This information will be valuable to Archbishop Hedba, Father Balluff and our parish as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring, at which time we will share what we have learned.

You can also obtain a paper copy by contacting Ryan Chimzar at (651)288-3269



Warm Welcome

Several new parishioners have joined Saint John's parish over the past few months and we are so glad that they are here! Please welcome:

Mark Bannick
Patricia Carruth
Kathleen Frischmann
Robert & Jacquelyn Gould
Shane Lachanaria
Deacon Marty & Jeanette Meyer
Cecelia Soriano
Dorothy Westermann

If you are new to our community, or if you have been attending Saint John's, but have not yet become a member of our parish, we invite and encourage you to register. We are happy to sit down with you and answer your questions about Saint John's parish. Please call Deacon Eric Cooley, director of pastoral care, at 651-288-3268 or email ecooley@stjohnsoflc.org

Praying for Life

The *Culture of Life* Committee will be providing prayerful witness outside of the Little Canada Planned Parenthood Clinic on **Wednesday, March 11 at 11:00 AM**. In the case of inclement weather, we will gather in the church to pray for support of the culture of life.

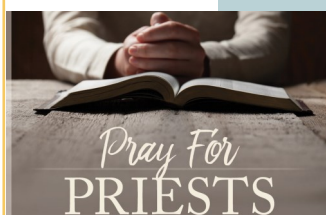
Questions? Contact Deacon Eric Cooley, director of pastoral care, in the parish office at 651-288-3268.

PRAY
FOR
SOMEONE
NEW
EVERY
DAY!



RAYA (Roseville Area Young Adults)

- **March 3:** Mass, Adoration & Confession at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. 7pm, followed by adoration. Fr. Pavegio will be available for confessions during this time as well. Fellowship to follow!



Archdiocesan Holy Hour for Vocations

All are invited to pray a Holy Hour for Vocations at St. John the Evangelist in Little Canada on Tuesday, March 10 at 7-8 PM. It will be a beautiful hour of prayer asking the "Master of the Harvest" to send out more laborers into his vineyard, especially from our own parish! We can't complain about a lack of priests and religious if we aren't doing our part to pray for and nurture vocations. The Holy Hour for Vocations is sponsored by the Office of Vocations. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 651-962-6890 or visit www.10000vocations.org

LIVING OUR FAITH



Funeral Ministry

Grieving the loss of a loved one is a difficult time. One of the many comforts offered by Saint John's is hospitality care during the visitation and adult servers during the Funeral Mass. We are currently looking to add a few more volunteers to this ministry. If interested in ministering to those who are grieving in this way, please contact Deacon Eric Cooley, director of pastoral care, in the Parish Office at 651-288-3268 or at ecooley@stjohnsoflc.org.

Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled

She was told it would only hurt a little while. But 40 years later, it still hurts. If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat.

The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreat is March 6-8, 2020. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvinyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313 or see www.rvinyardmn.org.



Ste. Anne's General Meeting Sunday, March 15, 9:45 am, Lower Church.

We will discuss Springtime "Bakery", Discipleship Sunday involvement, Boots & Bling, Ste. Anne's Scholarship, by-laws, church cleaning, and nominations. All women are invited. Come and learn of our council's many good works. Note: Last names beginning with the letters U through Z are the hostesses for sweets. Questions? Call Gail, 651-340-8447, or Marg, 651-762-1094.

The Bible and the Modern World:

Believers have always viewed the Bible as the foundation and heart of divine revelation, but in the modern world, there is considerable confusion both about how to interpret the Bible, and also concerning what role it can have in human self-understanding. This lecture will examine the long road from the Bible's origins and the presuppositions of its ancient interpreters to the debates of the 16th century Reformation and 18th century Enlightenment to the 21st century and the difficult legacy of this long journey. In an age of science, what can the Bible contribute to human knowledge, and within the Church, what challenges are posed by a historical-critical view of the Scriptures? **March 5th, check-in at 6:00 pm, presentation from 6:30-9:00 pm, Pax Christi Church, Eden Prairie. Free event. Light refreshments provided. Registration is required: www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, 320-363-3560 or theologyday@csbsju.edu.**



Mom's Group of Saint John's

Mom's group to begin at St. John's for moms and caregivers of young children! Families from surrounding parishes are more than welcome:) We meet every Friday morning from 9:30am to 11:30am for fellowship and coffee for moms, and playtime for the little ones. Please contact Abbea for details at abbea.anderson@yahoo.com.



Did you know? Souper Sunday Challenge was a Success!

Parishioners! Your generosity on all levels continues to amaze. This year, Saint John's generously contributed 130 bags of groceries and supplies during the Souper Bowl Sunday food drive. This far surpassed our previous donation record by 30 bags, above the old mark of 100 bags set several years ago (last year's donation was 95 bags). Thank you so much!

All of the donated supplies benefit the work of the Franciscan Brothers of Peace located in St. Paul. The Brothers assist the poor, the homeless, refugees and victims of torture. They greatly appreciate the assistance of St. John's, as we continue to be a major contributor to their work, not just on Souper Bowl Sunday, but all year round.

The inception of Souper Bowl Sunday was begun years ago under Fr. Fitz, at the request of parishioners to have a monthly food collection. "Souper Bowl Sunday" was the

brainchild of Gus Zenker, a member of the Christian Services Committee, as an effort to increase monthly food collection during what would normally be slow a month for food collecting (February). Gus got white 5-gallon buckets and decorated them with soup labels, as well as the name of the teams in the Super Bowl that year. The parish was asked to put cans and/or boxes of soup mix in the buckets of the team they thought would win the big game.

Our monthly food collection—and especially this "super" tradition—continues St. John's reputation among many Catholic organizations as a parish grounded by our Lord in Faith, Hope and Generosity. Thank you for your continued support. For more information about our monthly food collection, or to learn more about our Christian Services Committee, visit our website at www.sjlc.org/service, or contact Deacon Eric Cooley in the parish office, 651-288-3268

Prayer Intention for March 2020:

That Saint Joseph, who nourished the vocations of the Blessed Mother and her divine Son, would protect and direct those who, as a result of the Archdiocesan Synod process, have begun to discern a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life, we pray to the Lord.



PARISH NEWS



ST. MICHAEL, PRAY FOR US!

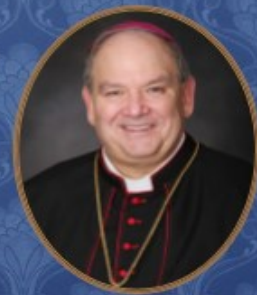
VOCATIONS HOLY HOURS
*Please join us to intercede for vocations
on the second Tuesday of each
month at 7 p.m.*

Where: **St. John the Evangelist,
Little Canada**
When: **Tuesday, March 10 at 7 p.m.**

www.10000vocations.org for more details

Jesus is counting on you to step forward when He calls. Pray daily, allow the Lord to strengthen you through the sacraments, and know that there are plenty of parents, consecrated women and men, deacons and priests who would love to talk to you about their vocation and yours. However Jesus may be inviting you to serve, be not afraid!

—Archbishop Bernard Hebda



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PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

MARCH 3-8

TUESDAY

Bob Voosen †

WEDNESDAY

Saint John's Students

THURSDAY

Jimmy Reese †

FRIDAY

Danielle Maranda †

1ST SATURDAY |

8:00 AM

For The Parish

1ST SATURDAY | 4:30

PM

Grace Boyden †

SUNDAY | 8:30 AM

For The Parish

SUNDAY | 10:30 AM

Richard Ripka †



IN OUR PRAYERS

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO NEED HEALING, INCLUDING:

Rita H., Kevin H., Terry C., Dick F., Rick M., Darrell S., Steve L., Ken J.

If you would like to add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact our pastoral minister, Deacon Eric Cooley at ecooley@stjohnsofcl.org or call 651-288-3268. We will include names in this listing for 2 months. If you need the time extended, please contact Deacon Eric Cooley.

PRAYER NETWORK

Parish Teams pray on behalf of the entire parish for needs brought to them. One call begins the chain of prayers. Only a first name and the prayer need are given to preserve confidentiality. Call 651-484-1048 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 9:00 PM.

Readings for the Week of March 1

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf. 3a]/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15

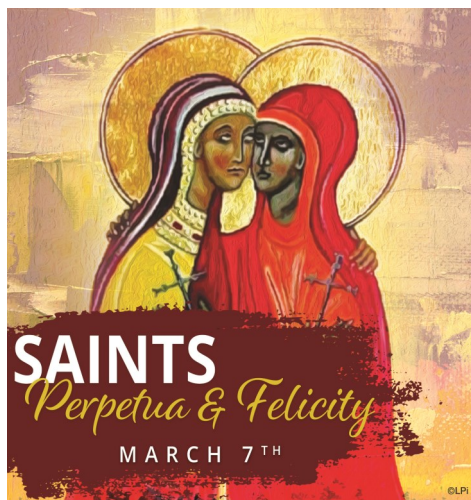
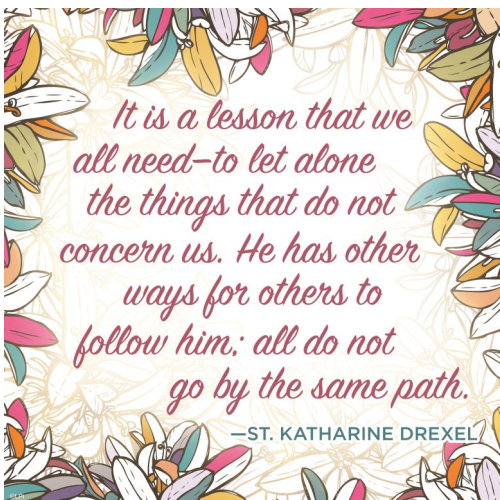
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9



PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH REGISTRATION:

New Parishioners Welcome is normally the second Sunday of each month at 9:45 AM. Please call the Parish Office to let us know you are coming.

VISITING THE SICK: Ministry to those who are homebound, sick, in hospitals or nursing homes. Please call the Parish Office if you know someone who wishes to be visited, anointed, and/or receive Communion.

BAPTISM: Baptism information and dates are available on our website or by calling the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE: Preparation and instruction must begin at least six months in advance of a suggested date. A specific date will be set with the priest when marriage readiness is indicated.

Call the Parish Office: 651-484-2708

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

LIVING A STEWARDSHIP WAY OF LIFE

- makes us pleasing to God
- is a blessing to others
- brings us true happiness

Monthly Financial Report as of January 31, 2020

Stewardship	
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 52,257.03
EFT Sunday Envelopes	\$ 12,329.00
Children's Collection	\$ 138.65
Holy Day Collection	\$ 3,147.47
Plate Collection	\$ 1,476.68
	\$ 69,348.83
Other Donations	
Tuition Assistance	\$ 2,779.00
General Second Collection	\$ 4,899.03
Mortgage Fund	\$ 8,991.03
	\$ 16,669.06
Total Contributions	\$ 86,017.89
Regular Monthly Contributions	\$ 69,348.83
Amount Needed	\$ 82,474.47
This Month's Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (13,125.64)
Fiscal Year-To-Date Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (83,416.36)

Note: This is the new Monthly Financial Report which communicates our monthly needs, as well as, our year-to-date Surplus/(Deficit) for the parish (church and school operations combined). Feel free to contact Don Kellett (email: dkellett@stjohnsofcl.org phone: 651-288-3267) in the parish office if you have any questions.