



Saint John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

1515 Western Ave

Grafton ND 58237

Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

Mission Statement

**To walk by Faith,
to be known by Love
and to be a Beacon of Light
in our community.**

We are asking that you pray 3 Hail Marys after each Mass for people to come back to their Catholic Faith.

Eucharist Schedule

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. - St. John's
Sundays: 7:30 a.m. - Oakwood
9:30 a.m. - St. John's

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. - St. John's
Sundays: 7:10 a.m. - Oakwood
9:00 - 9:15 a.m. - St. John's

Adoration - Thursday, 5-10 p.m.

Parish Office: 352-1648

Fr. Tim's Cell phone - 520-0838

Fax number: 352-1608

Parish Kitchen: 352-0499

Pastor: Fr. Timothy Schroeder

Retired Priest in Residence:

Fr. Bernard Schneider

Deacon/Pastoral Minister:

Rev. Mr. Michael Grzadzielewski

Administrative Assist to the Pastor/

LSTC Coordinator: Vicki Littlejohn

Faith Formation/Music: Brent Hermans

Parish Secretary: DeeDee Vogsland

Environmental Services: David Demester

Paul Bina

Parish Lay Directors: Bryan Hurst,
Linda Schumacher.

Pastoral Council: Leanne Campbell,
Kelly Dokken, Paul Dolan, Mary (John)
Dusek, Jesse Forster, Paul Houdek,
Lee Lessard, Nancy Miller, Micky
Schumacher, John Suda, Al Szklarski,
Marta Balderas - Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

Finance Council: Rita Amiot, Matt
Beneda, Bryan Hurst, JoAnn Lizakowski,
Kathy Maus, Linda Schumacher, Stacey
Van Bruggen.

Baptism Prep Classes - The Second
Thursday - 7 p.m. in the Gathering Space.
Call 352-1648 to register.

FORMED: Youth and Adult Faith
Formation at formed.org. Parish Access
code: PNWMV2

Bulletin - find it at stjohnsgrafton.com

Emails: Father Tim at
timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org
DeeDee at
office.stjohns@midconetwork.com

Need a ride to church:
Call Frank Janousek at 520-1730
or Jim Kosmatka at 352-3089.

Rosaries - Join us on Tuesdays & Fridays at 8:30 pm to pray Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary and on Tuesdays at 3:30 at the Sunset Home & after the 5:15 Mass to pray the regular Rosary.



Today we are Celebrating the Baptism of
Jeanette Ione Wilde,
daughter of Brent & Alysia Wilde

Please remember to take an Angel from our Jesse Tree
by the Baptismal Font and return the gift by December 17th.



Brent Herman presents

Piano Talk - Christmas Concert - December 27
5:00 p.m. - Dinner Included - Free will offering
St. John's Parish Center

Experience God in a personal and real way. SEARCH for Christian Maturity has a retreat coming up January 11-13, 2019 at Maryvale Convent in Valley City, ND. Youth and young adults, 16 and older are invited to attend. Details and application at <http://www.fargodiocese-search.org/home>. Applications are due by December 27th.

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Mass
4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart in Oakwood
10:00 p.m. Night at St. John's
Tuesday, December 25 - Christmas Day
9:30 a.m. at St. John's

"What should we do?"



As we heard last week in the Gospel of Luke chapter three, John was "proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins." Now, as the story continues, we hear one group after another asking, "What should we do?" This could be a quick summary of conversion: opening oneself up for change and listening to another on what we should do differently, words that may come from the Holy Spirit. John is not shy in telling people what needs to happen, "Whoever

has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise" (Luke 3:11). Are you not glad he was only talking about cloaks and food and not about houses and cars? We can all breath a sigh of relief, right? This gospel makes me think about Matthew 25 when Jesus said, "whatever you do to the least of my brothers or sisters you do it for me". Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta was known to repeat a saying, "Live simply so others can simply live." It is not that you have to go without food, shelter, clothing, but how much is necessary. We all have to listen to the Holy Spirit in this struggle. John promised that Jesus was going to anoint us with the Holy Spirit and fire. If we have the Holy Spirit, then we should open ourselves to that Spirit's guidance. Oh Holy Spirit what should I do? Should I go to Haiti? Should I teach religion? Should I volunteer at the Food Pantry? Should I go to the Chris Stefanick talk on March 20th? Should I go to Mass every Sunday even if I have to miss sporting events? Should I help after the Christmas Eve dinner cleanup since St. Johns is always so short on that end after a great meal and everybody just wants to leave? What should I do, Holy Spirit? If we accept it, we are also baptized with fire. Fire changes things radically, meaning baptized with passionate drive and not lukewarm and indifferent attitudes.

Thursday, Dec. 27 - The Priests play the Seminarians in basketball at 7:00 pm at Shanley High School. It has grown over the years, lots of fun, concessions and everybody is invited!

Eucharist & Intentions

Saturday, Dec. 15

5:00 p.m. - Robert Desautel Sr. +

Sunday, Dec. 16 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. - Parishioners

9:30 a.m. - Aloys & Gertyee Lutovsky +

Monday, Dec. 17

9:00 a.m. - Norv & Jo Albert +

Tuesday, Dec. 18

5:15 p.m. - Lon Burns +

Wednesday, Dec. 19

10:15 a.m. - Sunset - Derek Szklarski +

Thursday, Dec. 20

9:00 a.m. - Sally Gaustad +

1:45 - LSTC - Alma Collette +

Friday, Dec. 21

9:00 a.m. - James Gaustad +

Saturday, Dec. 22

5:00 p.m. - Helen Osowski +

Sunday, Dec. 23 - 4th Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. - Parishioners

9:30 a.m. - Frank Rose +

Monday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Mass

4:00 p.m. - **Oakwood** - Mary Jane Sevigny +

10:00 p.m. - **Night** - Troy Mattson +

Tuesday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Morning Mass

9:30 a.m. - Aurel DeSautel +

Prayers for the Sick – Policy for St. John's and Sacred Heart

Requests run for 3 consecutive weeks: Orell Sevigny, Henry Raymond Pinta, Patrice & Thea Katz, Roy Kringstad, Fr. Leo Stelten, Elaine Novak, Joe Dusek, Grant Frederickson, Sylvester Kliniske, Bruce Schieffer, Brad Schuster, Mary Glanner, Hiladore Osowski, Ron Nowacki, Monica Rudnik, Dorothy Rudnik, Cody Bruner, Bob LaHaise, Chad Demers, Jeanne Silewski, Ann (Mickey) Shaver, Lou Orleans, Judith McMillian, Ray Capp, Dick Dolan, JoAnn & Roger Mattson, Ryan Suda, Emma Basting, John Campbell, Theresa Moen, Jennifer Osowski, Michelle Collette Donarski, Barbara Donelan, Roger Amiot, Suzanne Burns, Kevin Hoenke, Frances Boulduc, Adly Galle Jaehning, Dennis Czapiewski, Kathy Ruzicka.



Our Sympathy to the family of Laverne Manderud

Our Sympathy to the family of Eva Welsh

Ministry Schedule for Christmas

Christmas Eve: Monday, December 24, 10 p.m.

Proclaimer: Brent will contact proclaimers

Greeters: Paul & Sandi Houdek, Delores Desautel

Alter Servers: Tony Balderas, Joshua Blanchard, Robert Parsons

Christmas Day: Tuesday, December 25, 9:30 a.m.

Proclaimer: Brent will contact proclaimers

Greeters: Christine Bjorneby, Jean Clark, Judy Keeley

Altar Servers: All Available Servers

Ministry	December 22	December 23	December 29	December 30
December Eucharistic Ministers	5:00 P.M. Paten: Doris Dahlgren, Cindy Janousek Chalice: Betty Feltman, Mike Such, Kay Wilebski, Mary Bailly 9:30 A.M. Paten: Greg Dusek, Pat Dusek, Linda Schumacher Chalice: Jim Dusek, John Dusek, Kelly Lessard, David Schumacher			
Proclaimers	Carol Bina	Greg Campbell	Dean Collette	Jack Desautel
Altar Servers	Matt Houska Chris Fehr	Robert Parsons Smallbeck Boys Tony Balderas	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Josh Blanchard Ethan Lund Kate LeClerc Laila Miller
Greeters	Robin Holt Delores Desautel Doris Dahlgren	Jon Jelinek Family Pat Dusek	Lee & Linda Lessard Sheila Trontvet	Paddy Hutson Griselda Moreno
Money Counters		Sue Callahan Sheila Trontvet		Cindy Holt Paul Bina

† STEWARDSHIP ☒

Let us honor God with our first fruits rather than the leftovers.

December 9, 2018 \$9,609.22

Given in 2018

\$ 347,372.19		\$365,000.00
\$ 67,899.00	God's Gift Appeal 83%	\$ 82,228.00
\$ 663,500.15	Sowing Seeds Campaign	\$741,989.00
\$ 130.00	Jail Ministry	
\$ 55,748.16	Unrestricted	
\$ 30.00	Adoration Chapel	
\$ 50.00	Music	
\$ 14,631.94	Haiti School	
\$ 615.00	Parish Center Floor	
\$ 40.00	Media Upgrade	
\$ 615.00	Cemetery Upkeep/Memorials	

Memorials

Alma Collette	\$1,000.00	Parish Center Floor
Edward Deitz	\$ 50.00	Haiti School

Stewardship Moment - "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.." *Philippians 4:6*

St. Paul reminds us that our God is an abundant God, the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. When we trust that God will take care of us, it is easier for us to share what we have been given.

Weekly Prayer of the Faithful Petitions - That we may take time to be grateful to God, who is the ultimate giver of all gifts.

Finance Council Meeting - Tues., Dec. 18th at 7:00 pm.

WISDOM Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday

Faith Formation - Please join us on Wednesdays:

Grades 1-8, 6:15-7:30 and Grades 9-12, 7:30-8:30

Choir - Practice will be Wednesday at 7:45 p.m.

We are in need of volunteers in the Parish Office. Hours are flexible! Please call the office at 352-1648 if you are interested.

BINGO - KC Bingo Sunday, December 16th at 3:00 pm.

Numbers: \$ 85 - 53 numbers
 \$180 - 59 numbers
 \$195 - 57 numbers
 \$ 221 - progressive

Sacred Heart Oakwood

Memorial

Alma Collette	\$1,500.00	Cemetery Fund
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Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Sunday: Dec. 23, 2018

Proclaimer: Ed

Altar Server: Kayden Swanson

December Cleaning: Group 1

Collection: 12/09/2018 \$1,151.00

Year to Date \$30,451.29

God's Gift Goal: \$ 7,471.00

Year to Date: 115% \$ 8,580.00

Lay Directors:

Ed Sevigny, Lori Cyr

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

SURROUNDING RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Sunday	Dec. 16	4:00 pm	Minto	Sacred Heart
Sunday	Dec. 16	7:00 pm	Pembina	Assumption
Wednesday	Dec. 19	7:00 pm	Walhalla	St. Boniface
Thursday	Dec. 20	5:30 pm	Langdon	St. Alphonsus



Begin this Liturgical year well, by studying your Faith on our 'Formed' site.

Go to <https://stjohnsgrifton.formed.org> to sign up (No cost to you). This site contains wonderful sections on sacramental preparation, faith formation, bible studies, youth, current topics, children's shows, audios for on the go, faith based films, good reads, trending topics and formed life. The Parish Access Code is: PNWMV2

Time to REBOOT your faith with Chris Stefanick

St. John's invites you to our parish Lenten Mission, an event fashioned after parish missions we've had in years' past. Please take this opportunity to renew and strengthen your faith by attending. (Ages 12-92 are welcome.)

Tickets are available up until the day of the event, March 20, 2019. However, to take advantage of reduced pricing @ \$22/ticket, please consider purchasing your tickets by December 31st. Tickets will be sold at \$25/ticket after December 31st. Faith Formation students in grades 6 and up will receive complimentary tickets. Ticket sales are limited to 600 tickets and are available at the parish office and also online at RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot

Sunday, December 30 - St. John's Christmas Program & All Parish Potluck - The Christmas program will be right after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center, with the potluck following the program. Please bring the following for the potluck: A-H bring Desserts, I-Q bring Salads, R-Z bring Main Dish

Kids Christmas Program Practice - December 19th. Supper will be served at 4:15 - 4:30, with the practice to follow.

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

- pancake mix, maple syrup, tuna, jello,
- canned fruit and personal items.

They would appreciate any help you can give!



We are in need of volunteers to bring 60 bars or cookies for the kids who are practicing for the Christmas program. If you are able to donate please call 352-1648. We would need the bars and cookies at the Church by 4:00 p.m. for the Wednesday practice on December 19th.

We are still in need of people to help with Cleanup after the Community Christmas Eve Party. If you are willing to volunteer please let us know. We are always looking for people to help in this area.

Volunteers for 2018 Community Christmas Eve Party at Saint John the Evangelist

Since Christmas is a feast for all people of good will, it is most fitting that we host our 33rd annual Christmas Party for anyone who would otherwise be alone. All are warmly invited to come party from 6:00-7:30 PM on Christmas Eve. If you can contribute time or food, please indicate below. Help make this our Best Christmas Eve Party ever.

My name is _____ Telephone Number _____

Please indicate below what you are willing to bring. We must have all food in the kitchen at the Center on December 22nd!

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| _____ Potatoes (need 100 lbs.) | _____ Whole Milk (need 8 gallons) |
| _____ Wild Rice (need 9 cups) | _____ Butter (need 12 cups) |
| _____ Olive Oil (need 2 gal.) | _____ Apple Butter (for pork recipe) |
| _____ Orange Juice (need 1 gal.) | |

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| _____ I am willing to work in the kitchen. | _____ I will help where needed during the party. |
| _____ I am willing to help in the dining room as a waiter or waitress. | _____ I will help with setup. |
| _____ I would like to help with a monetary gift to help with the purchase of food. | _____ I will help with cleanup. |

Please return the bottom half of this sheet as soon as possible on or before December 18th by dropping it into the collection basket, mailing to 344 W. 15th St., or hand delivering it to our parish office. You can, also, call Brigita at 701-331-9160. Thank you!

