



# Saint John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

1515 Western Ave

Grafton ND 58237

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 24, 2019

## 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, Grafton  
Sundays: 7:30 a.m. - Sacred Heart, Oakwood  
9:30 a.m. - St. John's, Grafton

## 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:

Faith Formation/Music: Brent Hermans

Parish Secretary: DeeDee Vogsland

Environmental Services: David Demester

Paul Bina

**Parish Lay Directors:** Paul Houdek, Mary (John) Dusek.

**Pastoral Council:** Jeff Blanchard, Leanne Campbell, Kelly Dokken, Paul Dolan, Jesse Forster, Lee Lessard, Nancy Miller, Micky Schumacher, John Suda, Al Szklarski, Marta Balderas - Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

**Finance Council:** Matt Beneda, Mary (John) Dusek, Paul Houdek, JoAnn Lizakowski, Kathy Maus, Donny Suda, 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](http://stjohnsgrafton.com)

**Emails:** Father Tim at [timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org](mailto:timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org)  
DeeDee at [deedee@stjohnsgrafton.com](mailto:deedee@stjohnsgrafton.com)

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

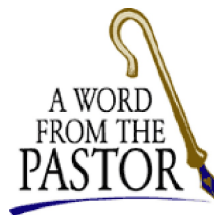
This weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2019 God's Gift Appeal. Our parish goal is \$82,942.00. Please complete your pledge card, indicating your gift or pledge to our diocesan church. If you do not have a card, please fill out a commitment card located in the Gathering Space or the East Entrance. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church. *May our gifts to the God's Gift Appeal properly reflect our gratitude for the graces that God has given us.*

Saturday, March 2nd at 2:00 pm  
we are Celebrating the Baptism of:  
**Zayden James VanHorn,**  
Son of Jason VanHorn & Cassie Smith



**Mardi Gras** - Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-9:00 pm, in the Parish Center.

Join us for a wonderful meal, including a choice of Prime Rib or Baked Chicken. Dance the night away with music by Brent Hermans. Tickets are available at the parish office 352-1648 or you can call Frank at 520-1730. Flyers with complete information are hung in the Gathering Space. Please join us for this special event!



"Be Merciful as your heavenly Father is Merciful" (Luke 6:36). That was the theme Pope Francis choose for the Year of Mercy the last time we had Luke's gospel in "Year C" (2016). We take turns each year focusing on the Synoptic gospels: Matthew "Year A", Mark "Year B", Luke "Year C." The Gospel of John is used every year. One example of that is on Palm Sunday, we use the Passion (the account of Jesus' suffering), in the gospel which we are focusing on. This year we focus on Luke, so on Palm Sunday we use Luke's gospel and on Good Friday we always use John's Passion. While Jesus is merciful in all the gospels, Luke has some amazing stories about mercy not found in other gospels. Only in Luke's gospel do we have the following stories: The Good Samaritan parable, the woman caught in adultery and Jesus not condemning her, the Parodical Son (or Merciful Father parable), the forgiving of the criminal hanging on the cross beside him, and Jesus saying from the cross, "Father forgive them they know not what they do." We would be diminished without Luke's account of the abundance of Jesus' mercy. This Sunday we have many difficult challenges coming from Jesus: "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you..., and lend expecting nothing back; ... For the measure you measure with will in return be measured out to you." It is all about becoming "children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. St. Paul writes in the second reading, "The first man, Adam, became a living being, and the last Adam a life-giving spirit... Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the "Heavenly One". We are meant to be in the image of the "Heavenly One" through the grace of receiving that life-giving spirit in the Sacraments. For example, if we receive forgiveness through the breath of the "Heavenly One" in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we are to breath that forgiveness upon others through the grace given us. If we receive Christ's body in the Eucharist, we are meant to the be the Body of Christ on earth. But it all begins with the desire to be in the image of the "Heavenly One" and move in the that direction. Living Liturgy has a paragraph that makes me think, "When we love the way Jesus loves, we might be surprised at what happens. But then again, we might not. People continue to be people no matter our actions. Is this reason to stop? No. St. Theresa of Calcutta inscribed a poem on the wall of her children's home called 'Paradoxical Commandments' by Dr. Kent M. Keith. It begins, 'People are illogical, unreasonable, and self-centered. Love them anyway'" (pg. 66).

**Eucharist & Intentions**

**Saturday, Feb. 23**

5:00 p.m. - Maurice B. Collette +

**Sunday, Feb. 24**

7:30 a.m. - Edward & Emma Sevigny & Family +

9:30 a.m. - Parishioners

**Monday, Feb. 25**

5:15 p.m. - John Silewski +

**Tuesday, Feb. 26**

5:15 p.m. - Norv & Jo Elbert +

**Wednesday, Feb. 27**

10:15 a.m. - Sunset - Joe Dusek +

**Thursday, Feb. 28**

9:00 a.m. - Joseph Duray +

1:45 p.m. - LSTC - Alma Collette +

**Friday, Mar. 1**

9:00 a.m. - Ed Dietz +

**Saturday, Mar. 2**

5:00 p.m. - Alphonse & Olivine Houdek +

**Sunday, Mar. 3**

7:30 a.m. - Parishioners

9:30 a.m. - Luke Lutovsky +

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

Requests run for 3 consecutive weeks: Jodi McCarthy, Diane



Lee, Hope Reis, Brian LeBlanc, Beverly Desautel, David Moe, Orell Sevigny, Henry Raymond Pinta, Patrice and Thea Katz, Sylvester Kliniske, Brad Schuster, Hiladore Osowski, Ron Nowacki, Monica Rudnik, Bob LaHaise,

Chad Demers, Jeanne Silewski, Ann (Mickey) Shaver, Lou Orleans, Judith McMillian, Ray Capp, 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, Kathy Ruzicka.

**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.

**KC BINGO - Sunday, Feb. 24th at 3:00 pm.**

Numbers: \$145 - 59 numbers  
 \$110 - 52 numbers  
 \$135 - 51 numbers  
 \$ 92 - progressive

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -**

Sunday, March 3, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Please join us for some or all of this time of prayer.

St. John’s Cemetery Board Committee is requesting bids for the mowing of St. John’s Cemetery for the summer of 2019. Bid is to include mowing and trimming as needed, blowing mulch and removing debris. Bidders should provide proof of insurance. Bids must be received by March 31, 2019. All bids are to be submitted to St. John’s Cemetery Board Committee, c/o St. John’s Catholic Church, 344 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Grafton, ND 58237.

Ministry	March 2	March 3	March 9	March 10
<b>March Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>5:00 P.M. Paten:</b> Cindy Janousek, Sheila Trontvet <b>Chalice:</b> Lillian Houska, Patricia Kram, Brigita Bovaird, Lee Lessard <b>9:30 A.M. Paten:</b> Greg Campbell, Mary Dusek, Pat Dusek <b>Chalice :</b> Jon Jelinek, Joann Lizakowski, Donald Suda, Dean Woinarowicz			
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Brian VanBruggen	Patricia Dusek	Carol Bina	Roger Allmaras
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Robert Parsons Smallbeck boys Tony Balderas	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Josh Blanchard Ethan Lund Kate LeClerc Laila Miller
<b>Greeters</b>	Lee & Linda Lessard Kay Wilebski	Bob & Sharon Mlcoch Luke Holt	Doris Dahlgren Betty Feltman Robin Holt	Michelle Schumacher David Demester Jill Pederson
<b>Money Counters</b>		Charla Nelson Paul Bina		Robin Molde Lunette Kliniske

**Sacred Heart - Oakwood**  
 Sunday: March 3, 2019

**Proclaimer:** Jean  
**Altar Server:** Kayden Swanson  
**March Cleaning:** Group 2

Collection: 2/17/2019 \$329.00  
 Year to Date \$5,473.00  
 God’s Gift Goal: \$7,816.00  
 Year to Date:

**Lay Directors:**  
 Ed Sevigny, Lori Cyr

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

† STEWARDSHIP ☒		
Let us honor God with our first fruits rather than the leftovers.		
February 17, 2019 \$6,134.25		
Given in 2019		Goal for 2019
\$ 48,677.91		\$385,000.00
\$	God’s Gift Appeal	\$82,942.00
\$	Jail Ministry	
\$ 1,455.00	Unrestricted	
\$	Adoration Chapel	
\$	Music	
\$ 1,099.00	Haiti School	
\$	Parish Center Floor	
\$	Media Upgrade	
\$ 35.00	Cemetery Upkeep/Memorials	
Memorials		
Betty Littlefield	\$10	Unrestricted
Sowing Seeds given since inception \$ 665,850.15 of pledged amt. \$741,989.00		

**Stewardship Moment** - “But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back.”  
 Luke 6:35

Easier said than done, right? But, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Mercy and compassion will put us on the path to holiness.

**Weekly Prayer of the Faithful Petitions** - That we have the strength and courage to joyfully proclaim our faith, especially in uncomfortable situations.

**Forgiven - The Transforming Power of Confession,**  
 Join us Today, at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. Brunch will be served immediately after Mass, followed by Forgiven.

**Attention: Parents of Students - Please call the church office and reserve the free tickets for your children to attend Chris Stefanick on March 20<sup>th</sup>. This is considered part of their regular Faith Formation class! You will need to pick up the tickets at the parish office before March 15<sup>th</sup>!**

**This week at St. John’s:**

Sunday, Feb. 24	11:00	Forgiven, Parish Center
Sunday, Feb. 24	3:00	KC Bingo
Tuesday, Feb. 26	7:00	Epic BibleStudy
Wednesday, Feb. 27	6:15, 7:30	Faith Formation
Wednesday, Feb. 27	7:00	Choir Practice
Thursday, Feb. 28	7:00	Pastoral Council

**Oakwood Memorials**

Regan Gourde \$15 Cemetery

**St. John's is to have an Adoration Chapel!** The chapel can be open for any block of time, any day of the week, where each hour has two people signed up to be there (to pray for the needs of our parishioners). The Chapel will be ready on March 6th. Sign up for an hour today! To sign up call: Mary Bailly 352-0243, Marjorie Dorsey 520-3589, Mary Dusek 520-0163, Marta Balderas 360-0777, Mike Grzadzielewski 520-9663, Jerry Schumacher 352-3619, Sheila Trontvet 520-0273, Doris Dahlgren 360-0573, Sue Callahan 520-1426 or Susan Kerian 331-9617.

**Adorer Commissioning:** All parishioners who are becoming an Adoration Chapel Adorer at St. John's are required to attend the Commissioning meeting on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 3:15-4:15 p.m. at St. John's Church.

### **When You (or someone you love) Visits the Hospital**

None of us looks forward to time spent in a hospital bed. Altru Health System seeks to both help with what is wrong physically and also to support patients in other ways. That includes spiritual support.

Some of you may remember the days when the local hospital would call churches to inform pastors when a parishioner had become a patient. That went away years ago. These days, patient privacy is protected carefully and hospitals are inspected in terms of protecting patient information private.

So, if you become a patient at Altru your information will be kept private. You will have control of who comes to see you.

**“Will my pastor know I'm in so he/she can come to see me?” you might ask. There's two ways that can happen and you, the patient, control both.**

**One way is for you to tell your pastor, or to have your family contact the church. Your pastor wants to know.**

**The second way is to ask an Altru Chaplain to contact your pastor. Altru's Chaplains want to help and believe in the ministry and support your pastor can provide. If you ask, and only if you ask, a chaplain will make that contact.**

The chaplains at the hospital want to serve you and to serve the church. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pastoral Services.

Altru's Pastoral Services - 701-780-5300  
Mark Ellingson, Chaplain Manager  
mellingson@altru.org

### **REDEEMED 2019 “Made for Greatness” Men's Conference**

Bishop John Folda invites all men of the Diocese of Fargo to join him on Saturday, March 30 at the Delta Hotel in Fargo for the REDEEMED 2019 Made for Greatness Men's Conference. Hear dynamic speakers such as Bill Donaghy, Father Sean Kilcawley, Bishop John Folda, and more as they unpack what leads to the authentic greatness. Early registration is only \$40 through March 10. For more information or to register visit: [www.fargodiocese.org/redeemedmen](http://www.fargodiocese.org/redeemedmen) or call Brad Gray 701-356-7903.



**Parish Events & Faith Formation Coordinator-** St. John the Evangelist Church in Grafton is seeking a Parish Events & Faith Formation Coordinator. This position serves as a staff resource in support of the pastor, fulfilling needs in overseeing parish events, liturgical celebrations, coordinating Catholic ministries at the Life Skills and Transition Center and Faith Formation for grades 7-12. Qualified candidates must be an active, practicing member of the Catholic faith. Full job description can be found at [www.stjohnsgrafton.com](http://www.stjohnsgrafton.com). Please submit resume, cover letter and three references to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Attn: Fr. Tim Schroeder, 344 West 15<sup>th</sup> St., Grafton, ND 58237 or email to [carol.stjohns@midconetwork.com](mailto:carol.stjohns@midconetwork.com) Phone 701-352-1648. Application deadline: until filled.

**God stays the same** - *Although the world changes constantly, God stays the same. He can be trusted to provide love, support and strength when we need it. All we have to do is ask him. “For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed” (Malachi 3:6).*

