



St John the Evangelist Sacred Heart—Oakwood

August 23, 2020

1515 Western Ave.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grafton, ND 58237

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

Eucharist 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, Grafton

Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm
Thursday & Friday: 6 - 6:45 pm or by appointment. Reconciliation will take place in Classroom #1 located just off the Gatherings Space & across from the women's bathroom.

Pastor: Fr. Jeff Eppler

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

The Parish Office 352-1648

Deacon and Faith Formation Director:

Rev. Mr. Michael Grzadzielewski

Office Manager: DeeDee Vogsland

Administrative Assistant: Kathy Swanson

Environmental Services: David Demester

Summer Help: Carter Parsons

Baptism Prep Classes: - On the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Gathering Space. Call 352-1648 to register.

Parish Lay Directors: Paul Houdek
Mary (John) Dusek

Pastoral Council: Jeff Blanchard, Kelly Dokken, Brittany Dusek, Ernie Dusek, Lee Lessard, Denise Moe, Sean Osowski, Micky Schumacher and Marty Balderas Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

Finance Council: Matt Beneda, Mary (John) Dusek, Paul Houdek, Kathy Maus, Donny Suda, Stacey Van Bruggen

Youth Committee: Marty Balderas, Tony Dumas, Alexa Holt, William Jiskra, Mary Kerian, Nancy Miller, Janice Osowski, Josie Suda, Maggie Suda, Molly Zahradka Meets 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

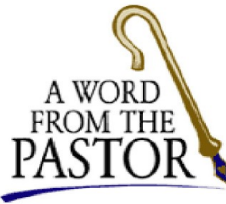
Emails: Father Jeff at
fr.jeff@stjohnsgrafton.com
DeeDee at

Bulletin—find it at stjohnsgrafton.com

FORMED: Youth & Adult Faith Formation go to formed.org

Need a ride to Church:
Call Frank Janousek at 520-1730

Bulletin Deadline—Wednesday 4:00 pm



The Paschal Mystery, which is the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, is the supreme expression of the Eternal Priesthood of Christ. The role of the priest is to mediate between God and the people as well as to offer sacrifice in atonement for sin. Jesus lives out an Eternal priesthood in its perfection, which is a priesthood that has no beginning or end and is unchanging.

In the Old Testament, God introduced the Levitical priesthood, which was composed only of the men of the tribe of Levi. Their duty was to attend to the sanctuary, regulate worship and offer sacrifices in a tonement for sin. They were to present themselves before God on behalf of the people. *“At that time the Lord set apart the tribe of Levi to carry the ark of the covenant of the Lord, to stand before the Lord to serve Him and to bless in His name until this day”* (Dt 10:8).

However, their priesthood was limited because of two things, first, their animal blood sacrifices were symbolic and had to be repeated over and over again because they did not remove sin (although these offerings foreshadowed the Blood of Christ, the true sacrificial Lamb of God) and second, their priesthood ended by their own deaths. Since their priesthood was only limited to their time on earth, it had to be passed from one generation to the next, and only in the Levitical family line. This priesthood was established through the covenant with Moses, who was of the tribe of Levi.

Christ establishes a new and eternal covenant through the exercise of His own priesthood that is bestowed upon Him by God the Father. Jesus Christ is the Eternal High Priest in which He offers sacrifice for the sins of His people, a blood sacrifice that actually removes sin, not a symbol like the animal sacrifices. This sacrifice is pleasing to the Father. Why is it pleasing to the Father? Because the sacrifice is His own Son! Yes, Jesus is both Priest and Victim in the blood sacrifice of the new and eternal covenant.

As Eternal High Priest, Jesus always stands before His Father on behalf of all mankind, both collectively and individually, interceding for us. As Victim, He is eternally offered to God to repair the injustice done to the Father because of our sins. He is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and makes us holy and pleasing in God's sight.

During Mass, Jesus exercises His priesthood through His ordained priests. It is always Jesus who offers the Mass. It is also Jesus who offers Himself to the Father as Victim for our sins in the Eucharist. Next week I'll address the nature of the ordained priesthood as a gift to the Church by Christ the Eternal High Priest.

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

Eucharist & Intentions

Saturday August 22nd

5:00 pm - Eugene Burns+

Sunday, August 23rd

7:30 am - Parishioners

9:30 am - Cyril Novak +

11:30 am - Spanish Mass

Monday, August 24th

No Mass

Tuesday, August 25th

5:15 pm - Robert Belanus +

Wednesday, August 26th

9:00 am - Adelaide Dvorak +

Thursday, August 27th

1:45 pm - LSTC - Louis & Alma Collette +

Confession 6:00 - 6:45 pm

Friday, August 28th

9:00 am - George Nelson +

Confession 6:00 - 6:45 pm

Saturday, August 29th

5:00 pm - Al Jochim +

Confession 4:15 - 4:45 pm

Sunday, August 30th

7:30 am - Alan Collette +

9:30 am - Parishioners

11:30 am - Spanish Mass



Please Pray for the Sick:

Gary Moe, Cindy Jamieson,
Steve Lessard, Amanda
LaTraille, Robert Novak,

Helen Sieben, Rae Desautel, Ralph Kingsbury, Jeff Collette, Isaak Suda, Mary Lou Guzzo, Alyce Stendahl, Steve Dolan, Les Aasand, Steve Walters, Jane Zidon, Ed Boura, Gene Hagen, Clifford Bailly, Graham Baker, Chris Loveless, Linda Loveless, JoAnne Sevigny, Ken Jarolimek, Frances Schuster, Aldo Rodriguez, Barb Foerster-Estad, Daryle MacDonald, Marvin French, Kevin Bailly, Brian Fehr, Frances Boulduc, Bonnie Shannon, Judy Wolter, Robert Carroll, Richard Anderson, Judy Jiskra, Suzanne Burns, Jodi McCarthy, Diane Lee, Hope Reis, Patrice & Thea Katz, Brad Schuster, Hiladore Osowski, Ron Nowacki, Monica Rudnik, Chad Demers, Jeanne Silewski, Ray Capp, Roger Mattson, Emma Basting, John Campbell, Roger Amiot, Kevin Hoenke, Adly Galle Jaehning, Kathy Ruzicka

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Rosaries for Grafton!

We have prayed 4959

Pray for the conversion of Grafton and the end of the coronavirus.

Saving Souls one bead at a time!



STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given August 16, 2020 \$2,405.50

God's Gift total Given as of August 16, 2020 - \$75,622.16

Sacred Heart—Oakwood

Given August 16, 2020 \$563.00

God's Gift total Given as of August 16, 2020 - \$6,717.00

**Eucharistic Adoration will still be in the Parish Center with the regular schedule being followed.*

Eucharistic Adoration Times

Tuesday	6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am - 10:00 pm
Thursday	6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

"So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?" Jesus said this to his followers in Gethsemane. Matthew 26:40

Upcoming Dates at St. John's:

Pastoral Council Mtg.	Thurs., Aug. 27, 7:00 p m
Spanish Mass - 1st Euch. & Conf.	Sun, Aug. 30, 11:30 am
Faith Form. Registration	Wednesday, Sept. 2
Faith Form. Registration	Wednesday, Sept. 9
Fall into Faith	Sunday., Sept. 13
Faith Formation Starts	Wednesday, Sept. 16

"Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?" - ROMANS 11:35

Memorial - St. John's

Terry Jo Hanson	\$50	Haiti School
Raymond Campbell	\$100	Unrestricted
Marion Loerzel	\$10	Unrestricted
Jim Schieffer	\$10	Unrestricted

The power of the Precious Blood of Jesus is unlimited and unimaginable one drop can cleanse the entire world of sin. Call upon the Precious Blood often. Ask Jesus, "Lord, cover me in your Precious Blood and protect me from evil. Inebriate my soul with divine grace that flows through your blood. Amen." Plead his Precious Blood today! Also, offer the Precious Blood of Jesus to God the Father for the souls of purgatory.