



# St John the Evangelist Sacred Heart—Oakwood

August 30, 2020

1515 Western Ave.

Twenty-second 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.

## **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, 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  
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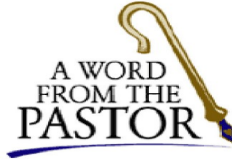
Bulletin - find it at [stjohnsgrafton.com](http://stjohnsgrafton.com)

**FORMED:** Youth & Adult Faith Formation go to [formed.org](http://formed.org)

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

**Bulletin Deadline**—Wednesday 4:00 pm

Congratulations to those who were Confirmed this weekend! May God be with you and in your heart each and every day.



A priest's greatest gift is the power to offer the sacrifice of Jesus to God the Father for our salvation. It is Jesus who acts through the priest to offer Himself as the Victim for our sins on the Cross. Jesus changes the priest's soul to be conformed to Him so that His sacrifice may be perpetuated throughout time in the action of the Holy Mass. To illustrate this immense spiritual reality St. Alphonsus Ligouri states:

"A priest is a minister destined by God to be a public ambassador of the whole Church, to honor Him, and to obtain His graces for all the faithful. The entire Church cannot give to God as much honor, nor obtain so many graces, as a single priest by celebrating a single Mass; for the greatest honor that the whole Church without priests could give to God would consist in offering to Him in sacrifice the lives of all men. But of what value are the lives of all men compared with the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, which is a sacrifice of infinite value? What are all men before God but a little dust? As a drop of a bucket, as a little dust. They are but a mere nothing in His sight: All nations are before Him as if they had no being at all.

Thus, by the celebration of a single Mass, in which he offers Jesus Christ in sacrifice, a priest gives greater honor to the Lord, than if all men by dying for God offered to Him the sacrifice of their lives. By a single Mass, he gives greater honor to God than all the Angels and Saints, along with the Blessed Virgin Mary, have given or shall give to Him; for their worship cannot be of infinite value, like that which the priest celebrating on the altar offers to God.

Moreover, in the holy Mass, the priest offers to God an adequate thanksgiving for all the graces bestowed even on the Blessed in Paradise; but such a thanksgiving all the Saints together are incapable of offering to Him. Hence it is, that on this account also the priestly dignity is superior even to all celestial dignities. Besides, the priest, says St. John Chrysostom, is an ambassador of the whole world, to intercede with God and to obtain graces for all creatures.

Jesus has died to institute the priesthood. It was not necessary for the Redeemer to die in order to save the world; a drop of His Blood, a single tear, or prayer, was sufficient to procure salvation for all; for such a prayer, being of infinite value, should be sufficient to save not one but a thousand worlds. But to institute the priesthood, the death of Jesus Christ has been necessary. Had he not died, where should we find the victim that the priests of the New Law now offer? A victim altogether holy and immaculate, capable of giving to God an honor worthy of God. As has been already said, all the lives of men and Angels are not capable of giving to God an Infinite honor like that which a priest offers to Him by a single Mass."

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Saturday August 29th

5:00 pm - Al Jochim+

### Sunday, August 30th

7:30 am - Alan Collette +

9:30 am - Parishioners

11:30 am - Spanish Mass

### Monday, August 31st

No Mass

### Tuesday, September 1st

5:15 pm - Cyril Novak +

### Wednesday, September 2nd

10:00 am - Sunset (not open to public)

Carmelite Sisters +

### Thursday, September 3rd

1:45 pm - LSTC - Jonathan Leighton +

Confession 6:00 - 6:45 pm

### Friday, September 4th

9:00 am - Susan Conway +

### Saturday, September 5th

5:00 pm - John Curran +

Confession 4:15 - 4:45 pm

### Sunday, September 6th

7:30 am - Parishioners

9:30 am - Veronica Schuster

11:30 am - Spanish Mass

**PLEASE NOTE: Tuesday - Friday there is Daily Mass in Minto at 8:00 am**



Our sympathy to the family of Kathy Ruzicka

**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, 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

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## Rosaries for Grafton!

*We have prayed 5438*

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

***Saving Souls one bead at a time!***



*"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" - MATTHEW 16:26*

## STEWARDSHIP

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

### **St. John the Evangelist**

Given August 23, 2020 \$2,895.00

God's Gift total Given as of August 23, 2020 - \$76,764.16

### **Sacred Heart—Oakwood**

Given August 23, 2020 \$105.00

God's Gift total Given as of August 23, 2020 - \$6,867.00

*\*Eucharistic Adoration and daily Mass this week will 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*

### **Holy Pilgrimage with Jesus:**

*Next Sunday, September 6th, Fr. Jeff and Tony Dumas will be driving through Grafton and Oakwood with Jesus in the monstrance. Keep your eyes peeled for Tony's white truck with "God bless you" written on the sides. They begin this holy pilgrimage at 3:00 pm. If you have any intentions for them to pray for during the pilgrimage, please contact Tony, Father Jeff or call the parish office.*

### Upcoming Events

September 2 - Registration for Faith Formation 6:30 pm  
September 6 - Holy Pilgrimage  
September 9 - Registration for Faith Formation 6:30 pm  
September 13 - Fall into Faith celebration 10:30 am  
September 16 - Faith Formation class for grades 1, 2 & 3 begin, parent meeting for all Faith Formation parents 6:30 pm

***We need cakes for our Fall into Faith cake walk. Please call the parish office and let us know if you are willing and able to donate a cake or two, store bought is fine and welcomed too.***

### **Benefit for Tracy Uggerud**

**When:** Thursday, Sept. 17th, 2020 from 2:30pm to 8:00pm

**Menu:** BBQ Dinner \$10/dinner & Bake Sale

**Where:** Heritage Village, Grafton, ND

Tracy was diagnosed this past November with stage 4 non-small cell lung cancer. She was informed in January of a mass in her colon that will have to be removed at Mayo. Tracy will be making multiple trips to Fargo for treatments/chemo and also travel to Mayo for doctor appointments and treatments. Tracy has 3 children: Madison (21); Ally (12) and Bryson (8).