



St. John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

October 18, 2020
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1515 Western Ave.
Grafton, ND 58237

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



This past Friday, October 16, was the memorial of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a nun of the Visitation order from France. From the time she was twenty, she experienced visions of Christ, and on December 27, 1673, while praying in front of the Blessed Sacrament, began a series of revelations that were to continue over the next year and a half. In them, Jesus informed her that she was His chosen instrument to spread devotion to His Sacred Heart, instructed her in a devotion that was to become known as the Nine First Fridays and the Holy Hour of Reparation, and asked that the Feast of the Sacred Heart be established. It is through her that we have the image and devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She writes the following in a letter to one of her confreres:

It seems to me that our Lord's earnest desire to have his Sacred Heart honored in a special way is directed toward renewing the effects of redemption in our souls. For the sacred heart is an inexhaustible fountain and its sole desire is to pour itself out into the hearts of the humble so as to free them and prepare them to lead lives according to his good pleasure.

From this divine heart three streams flow endlessly. The first is the stream of mercy for sinners; it pours into their hearts sentiments of contrition and repentance. The second is the stream of charity which helps all in need and especially aids those seeking perfection to find the means of surmounting their difficulties. From the third stream flow love and light for the benefit of his friends who have attained perfection; these he wishes to unite to himself so that they may share his knowledge and commandments and, in their individual ways, devote themselves wholly to advancing his glory.

This divine heart is an abyss of all blessings, and into it the poor should submerge all their needs. It is an abyss of joy in which all of us can immerse our sorrows. It is an abyss of lowliness to counteract our foolishness, an abyss of mercy for the wretched, an abyss of love to meet our every need.

Therefore, you must unite yourselves to the heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, both at the beginning of your conversion in order to obtain proper dispositions, and at its end in order to make reparation. Are you making no progress in prayer? Then you need only offer God the prayers which the Savior has poured out for us in the sacrament of the altar. Offer God his fervent love in reparation for your sluggishness. In the course of every activity pray as follows: "My God, I do this or I endure that in the heart of your Son and according to his holy counsels. I offer it to you in reparation for anything blameworthy or imperfect in my actions." Continue to do this in every circumstance of life. And every time that some punishment, affliction or injustice comes your way, say to yourself: "Accept this as sent to you by the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ in order to unite yourself to him."

But above all preserve peace of heart. This is more valuable than any treasure. In order to preserve it there is nothing more useful than renouncing your own will and substituting for it the will of the divine heart. In this way his will can carry out for us whatever contributes to his glory, and we will be happy to be his subjects and to trust entirely in him.

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm, St. John, Grafton
Sunday: 7:30 am, Sacred Heart, Oakwood
9:30 am, St. John, Grafton

Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm
Thursday: 6:00 - 6:45 pm or call for an appointment. Reconciliation will take place in Classroom #1 located just off the Gathering 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

Baptism Prep Classes - On the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm 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 Marta 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, Jackie Osowski, Josie Suda, Maggie Suda, Molly Zahradka
Meets 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

Emails: contact Father Jeff at
fr.jeff@stjohnsgraffton.com

DeeDee - deedee@stjohnsgraffton.com

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Bulletin - find it at stjohnsgraffton.com

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

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

Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday 4:00 p.m.

The Fatima Movie will be showing at the Strand Theatre next Sunday, October 25th, at 4:00 pm. Please make plans to attend.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, October 17

10:30 am - Lynn Ebert +
5:00 pm - Frank & Elinor Nelson Misialek +
Confession 4:15-4:45 pm

Sunday, October 18

7:30 am Oakwood - Parishioners
9:30 am - Mike Callahan +

Monday, October 19

No Mass

Tuesday, October 20

5:15 pm - Edna Teevens +

Wednesday, October 21

9:00 am - Glenn & Loretta Gillshammer +
10:00 am Sunset - (not open to public)

Thursday, October 22

1:45 pm - LSTC open to public - John Curran +
Confession 6:00-6:45 pm

Friday, October 23

9:00 am - Anna Dukart +

Saturday, October 24

10:30 am - End to Abortion
5:00 pm - Theresa Dahlgren +
Confession 4:15-4:45 pm

Sunday, October 25

7:30 am Oakwood - Alan Collette +
9:30 am - Parishioners

Please Pray for the Sick:

Beverly Graber, Ted Suda,
Darrah Isaacson, Lorna
Collette, Moe Staffne, Lennae
Kosmatka, Adam Granados,
Gary Moe, Tracy Jamieson,

Cindy Jamieson, Steve Lessard, Amanda
LaTraille, Robert Novak, Helen Sieben, Rae
Desautel, Ralph Kingsbury, Jeff Collette, 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

Prayer at Abortion Clinic - Fr. Jeff and a few other parishioners will be going down to the abortion clinic in Fargo to pray for an hour from 1:00-2:00 pm next Saturday, October 24th. Fr. Jeff will leave immediately after the 10:30 Mass which will be offered for the End to Abortion. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Fall Turkey Supper - Wednesday, October 28,
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Take Out Only, \$15.00 ea.
at Hoople First Lutheran Church

Bake Sale & Raffle - Saturday, November 7,
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Holy Family Altar Society,
at Holy Family Catholic Church, Grand Forks.

STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given October 11, 2020 - \$3,981.50
God's Gift total Given as of Oct. 15, 2020 - \$81,068.84

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Given October 11, 2020 - \$550.00
God's Gift total Given as of Oct. 15, 2020 - \$7,047.00

Upcoming Dates at St. John's:

Parish Healing Service	Sunday, Oct. 18, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
RCIA for Adults	Tuesday, Oct. 20, 7:00 pm
High School Youth Group	Wed., Oct. 21, 7:30 - 8:30 pm
Pastoral Council	Thursday, Oct., 22, 7:00 pm
Fatima Movie, Strand Theater	Sunday, Oct. 25, 4:00 pm
RCIA for Adults	Tuesday, Oct. 27, 7:00 pm
High School Youth Group	Wed., Oct. 28, 7:30 - 8:30 pm
Memory Night Mass	Monday, Nov. 16, 7:00 pm

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Because of Covid, we will not be doing a meal this year, but we will offer a Mass for those deceased in the past year. We will be mentioning all the names at this Mass. Please attend!

10,000 Rosaries for Grafton

We have prayed 8,241

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

Saving Souls one bead at a time!



Parish Healing Service: Jesus Christ is the Divine Physician. We need His healing love in our lives. We are wounded spiritually, emotionally, psychologically and physically. Jesus can heal anything and we are going to ask Him to perform miracles of His love. Therefore, we are having a healing service in our church this **Sunday, October 18 at 7:00-8:30pm**. October 18 is normally the Feast day of St. Luke, who is the patron Saint of physicians. We will have music, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, anointing of the sick and the opportunity for people to be prayed with personally. Confession will also be available. Come be blessed by Our Eucharistic Lord Jesus and drawn in the healing love of His Heart.

A special Thank You to all those who helped with the Fall Dinner! It was a huge success and next week we will announce the net profit received.

BIBLE STUDY: We will be offering The Great Adventure: A Journey Through the Bible by Jeff Cavins. For many people, the Bible remains a mystery. Understanding its collection of people, places, events and theological truths is a task many find daunting as they attempt to make sense of God's Word. The Great Adventure: A Journey Through the Bible is the answer. This exciting learning system helps people of all faiths and levels of understanding get the "big picture" of the Bible narrative through a series of 24 talks, each focuses on a particular period in God's plan of salvation. *Our startup date is scheduled for Monday, October 26th at 7:00 pm. Please call the church office at 352-1648 and sign up so study materials (the cost is \$38.00) can be ordered.*

