



St John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

November 1, 2020
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

1515 Western Ave.
Grafton, ND 58237 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

Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm
Thursday: 6 - 6:45 pm or by 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 7:00pm 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 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, 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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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 pm



The Lord said to the Israelites, "So you are to be holy to Me, for I the Lord am holy; and I have singled you out from the peoples to be Mine" (Lv 20:26). Washed clean in the waters of baptism, we have been singled out and clothed in the holiness of Jesus Christ, who is the fulfillment of God's promise of salvation. Through Jesus we have access to the Father and the Holy Spirit. The Triune God lives within us and we belong to Him in love! We are called to be His Saints!

The term "Saint" comes from the Latin *sanctus*, which means *holy*. The Saints in heaven have adorned themselves with the holiness and purity of God. They lived in a way pleasing to the Lord and conformed themselves to Jesus Christ. They sought to do His will in everything. They struggled like all of us do but persevered day by day. Their persistence paid off. They have become one with the Most Holy Trinity in Whose image and likeness we are all created. They were faithful to the end and have received their incredible reward.

We celebrate today the Solemnity of All Saints and reflect on the splendorous glory of God's amazing generosity in the lives of our brothers and sisters who have made it to our true home. We praise God for the tremendous blessings He has bestowed upon the Saints from age to age, for His mercy truly endures forever. We recognize in our spiritual siblings nestled eternally in the Heart of Jesus our Heavenly Father's call for us to join them. Our destiny is to look upon the face of God and live forever as His sons and daughters. Will you embrace your destiny?

Listen for your name spoken softly within the sweet melody emanating from the Heart of Jesus. Have you allowed yourself to be drawn by the tendrils of His compassion and tenderness? He invites you to be one with Him for all eternity. He fashioned you to be a Saint and enjoy endlessly the ecstasy of His love. He has made you for Himself. Do not resist and frustrate the desires of His Heart. Yield to Him always and let yourself be consumed in the living flame of love.

Cherish the Cross; grasp hold of the Heart of Jesus and hold Him close to your heart. Let Him transform you into the spotless and unblemished Saint you were meant to be through the arduous and difficult journey to Calvary. Do not shun the piercing of the nails, the laceration of your heart or the contempt of your fellow man. You belong to Him. He will carry you down the narrow path that leads to life. Be one with Jesus and pass from trial to triumph, time to eternity, death to life, weakness to perfect love. Do not be afraid to become holy as God is holy. Trust Him; He loves you.

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

Souls in Purgatory: November 2 is All Souls day. For the whole month of November we pray for the deceased. Praying for the dead is one of the Church's spiritual works of mercy. There is a Saint known for her concern for the Souls in Purgatory: St. Gertrude the Great. She had a deep empathy for those departed souls, and would ask God at each Mass to have mercy on them. God replied to St. Gertrude that He would use whatever was offered to Him for the faithful departed, according to His inclination to show pardon & mercy. Jesus revealed to her His infinite love, and asked her to spread it, with love, for the suffering and for sinners. This is the prayer given by Jesus to St. Gertrude for the Holy Souls in Purgatory: **Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.** Jesus told St. Gertrude that He would release 1000 souls each time this prayer was said.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday October 31st

10:30 am - No Mass Fr. Jeff at ordination in Fargo

5:00 pm - Sadie and Mark Keeley

Sunday, November 1st

7:30 am - Oakwood - Parishioners

9:30 am - Adelaide Dvorak +

Monday, November 2nd

5:30 pm - All Souls Day

Tuesday, November 3rd

5:15 pm - John Curran +

Wednesday, November 4th

9:00 am - Deanne Pilon +

Thursday, November 5th

1:45 pm - LSTC - Eugene Burns +

Confession 6:00 - 6:45 pm

Friday, November 6th

9:00 am - Joseph Grzadzielewski, Jr. +

Saturday, November 7th

10:30 am - Carmelite Sisters

5:00 pm - Stanley & Doris Langowski +

Confession 4:15 - 4:45 pm

Sunday, November 8th

7:30 am - Alan Collette +

9:30 am - Parishioners



Please Pray for the Sick:

Marjorie Dorsey, Bertha Campbell, Beverly Graber, 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, 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

10,000

Rosaries for Grafton!

We have prayed 10,265

Saving Souls one bead at a time!

AWESOME!

We made our GOAL!

Keep praying because we need the Grace to end the pandemic and convert

Grafton

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



STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given October 25, 2020 \$3,833.45

God's Gift total Given as of October 30, 2020 - \$82,290.84

Sacred Heart—Oakwood

Given October 25, 2020 \$1,713.00

God's Gift total Given as of October 30, 2020 - \$7,137.00

**Eucharistic Adoration will be in the Church 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

Holy Pilgrimage with Jesus:

This Sunday, November 1st, Fr. Jeff and Tony Dumas will be driving through Grafton and Oakwood with Jesus in the monstrance. Keep your eye peeled for Tony's white truck with "God bless you" written on the sides. They begin this Holy Pilgrimage at 3:00 pm.

Starting Nov. 1st, the **Book of the Deceased** will be in the Church and you can write deceased loved ones in the book if you have not done so in the past. This book will be put in front of Altar during each Mass for the month of November.

Mass for All Souls in Purgatory will be on Monday, Nov. 2nd at 5:30 pm. Fr. Jeff will be in black vestments & encourages parishioners to wear black. Immediately following Mass, we will pray the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary for all the deceased.

Upcoming Dates at St. John's:

Holy Pilgrimage with Jesus	Sunday, Nov. 1, 3:00 pm
Mass - All Souls Day	Monday, Nov. 2, 5:30 pm
Bible Study	Monday, Nov. 2, 7:00 pm
RCIA for Adults	Tuesday, Nov. 3, 7:00 pm
Faith Formation Grades 1-3	Wed., Nov 4, 6:30 pm
Parent Meeting	Wed., Nov 4, 6:30 pm
High School Youth Group	Wed., Nov. 4, 7:30 - 8:30 pm

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) can be ordered.

Due to COVID there will NOT be Memory Night. Instead, Mass will be offered on Monday, November 16, at 7:00 PM for all the deceased from this past year and their names will be mentioned.