



# St. John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

April 4, 2021  
Easter Sunday

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.

## **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, Classroom #1

Sunday: 9:00-9:20 am in the Church Confessional

Daily Confession (Tues.-Fri.) 5:00-5:20. 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** - The 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Gathering Space. Call 352-1648 to register.

## **St. John the Evangelist**

**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.

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**Formed** - Youth & Adult go to [formed.org](http://formed.org)

## **Sacred Heart - Oakwood**

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

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

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

## *He is Risen!*

*Easter Sunday Vehicle Procession following the 9:30 am Mass, celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus. Please take a sign to put in your vehicle for the procession located at the Church entrance.*

Holy Pilgrimage with Jesus: Easter Sunday, April 4th, Fr. Jeff and Tony Dumas will be driving through Grafton and Oakwood with Jesus in the monstrance. They begin this Holy Pilgrimage at 3:00 pm.

## **Alleluia! The Lord Jesus Christ is truly Risen! Alleluia!**



This is a time of great celebration! Jesus has overcome death and is truly Risen from the tomb. His Resurrection is our hope of eternal life. If Jesus had never been raised, our faith would be in vain, but He is truly Risen! What a supreme expression of Divine Mercy!

Our Heavenly Father is so wonderfully merciful to us. He willed that His Son, Jesus Christ, should take upon Himself the horror of sin and its deadly penalty. Jesus submitted entirely to His Father's will and offered Himself as the Eternal Victim for our sins. He saves us by His Cross and Resurrection. We are His beloved children and He loves us with an everlasting love. He rises out of love for us!

Jesus' Resurrection is the great hope for all mankind. The promise of eternal life is made possible through His rising from the dead. Because of Christ's Resurrection, even our flesh has the hope of eternal life. How does God give this gift of life even to our body that dies?

He first gives the pledge of eternal life to our body in Baptism. When we were baptized into Christ, we are plunged into His death, which is a true death to sin. We are also raised with Him in His Resurrection. Both His Death and Resurrection (the Paschal Mystery) become present in the soul of the baptized and realized in our bodies. Our body does die, even after baptism, but it will not stay dead and gone. Jesus will raise our bodies to be joined to our soul. Both body and soul together form the full human person.

The second time He gives the pledge of raising our body to life is in the Eucharist. In the Gospel of John, chapter 6, Jesus says those who physically eat His flesh and drink His blood will have eternal life and He will raise them up on the last day. We receive Jesus physically Resurrected in Holy Communion. His Resurrected Body is joined to our dying body. The result of that union is the raising of our body on the last day. The last day is what is called the Final Judgment.

Every human being will have two judgments, the particular and the final. The particular is one's own personal judgment at the time of death. This judgment will determine if a person goes to heaven, hell or purgatory. The Final Judgment is at the end of the world, where everyone gets their bodies back; for those in heaven their bodies are joined to their soul in the glory of Christ's own Resurrection. Those in hell get their bodies back in death, to experience dying in the body forever. At this point in time, there is no more Purgatory, only heaven and hell. So, then, let us strive for heaven because He is Risen! Alleluia!

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

**Resurrected ALTAR SOCIETY:** We are bringing back the Altar Society and looking for some new members. This ministry puts on meals for parish functions and funerals. We are providing again the option for funeral receptions with meals and need parishioners who would gladly give their time to serve those who are grieving. If you are interested, please contact Mary (John) Dusek 701-520-0163 or Kelly Dokken 701-360-7024 or the parish office.

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Saturday, April 3 - Easter Vigil Mass

9:00 pm - Deanne Pilon +

8:45 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

### Sunday, April 4 - Easter Sunday

7:30 am Oakwood - Parishioners

9:30 am - Rush Limbaugh +

Confession 9:00-9:20 am

9:20 am - Divine Mercy Novena

### Monday, April 5

2:00 pm - Wedding Mass - Adam Trahan & Carla Bowman

Divine Mercy Novena - on your own

### Tuesday, April 6

5:30 pm - Margaret Novak +

5:00-5:20 pm - Confession in Classroom #1

5:00 pm Rosary

5:20 Divine Mercy Novena

### Wednesday, April 7

5:30 pm - Jean & Al Leighton +

5:00-5:20 pm - Confession in Classroom #1

5:00 pm Rosary

5:20 Divine Mercy Novena

### Thursday, April 8

5:30 pm - Frank & Elinor Nelson Misialek +

5:00-5:20 pm - Confession in Classroom #1

5:20 Divine Mercy Novena

### Friday, April 9

5:30 pm - Jean Haave +

5:00-5:20 pm - Confession in Classroom #1

5:20 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

### Saturday, April 10

10:30 am - Carmelite Sisters

5:00 pm - Marguerite Jadeke +

Confession 4:15-4:45 pm

5:20 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

### Sunday, April 11 - Divine Mercy Sunday

7:30 am Oakwood - Orell Sevigny +

9:30 am - Parishioners

Confession 9:00-9:20 am

1:00-4:00 pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Confession 1:00-4:00 pm

3:00-4:00 pm - Divine Mercy Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration



Our Sympathy to the Families of Marcell Flicek & Marcella O'Hara

**Please Pray for the Sick:** Danni Marie Scott, Anna Seeba, Joan Brien, Joanie Anderson, Dean Demester, Paul Bina, Ron Houska, Greg from Texas, Jennifer Lynch, Linda Thompson, Travis Loveless, Darrah Isaacson, Lorna Collette, Moe Staffne, Lennae Kosmatka, Ken Jarolimek, Adam Granados, Gary Moe, Jane Zidon, Tracy Jamieson, Cindy Jamieson, Steve Lessard, Amanda LaTraille, Robert Novak, Helen Sieben, Rae Desautel, Jeff Collette, Ralph Kingsbury, Ed Boura, Steve Dolan, Les Aasand, Steve Walters, Clifford Bailly, Chris Loveless, Linda Loveless, JoAnne Sevigny, Barb Foerster-Estad, Frances Schuster, Aldo Rodriguez, Daryle MacDonald, Marvin French, Kevin Bailly, Brian Fehr, Frances Boulduc, Ron Nowacki, Bonnie Shannon, Judy Wolter, Robert Carroll, Judy Jiskra, Suzanne Burns, Jodi McCarthy, Diane Lee, Hope Reis, Patrice & Thea Katz, Brad Schuster, Monica Rudnik, Chad Demers, Jeanne Silewski, Roger Mattson, Emma Basting, John Campbell, Roger Amiot, Kevin Hoenke, Adly Galle Jaehning

## STEWARDSHIP

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

### St. John the Evangelist

Given March 28, 2021 - \$7,632.50

God's Gift total Given as of March 29, 2021 - \$25,764.62

### Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Given March 28, 2021 - \$279.00

God's Gift total Given as of March 29, 2021 - \$1,750.00

## 10,000 Rosaries for Grafton

*We have prayed 16,451*

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

*We made our Goal ~*

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



## Upcoming Dates at St. John's:

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Easter Procession, Jesus is Risen! | Sunday, April 4, after 9:30 Mass |
| Holy Pilgrimage On Easter          | Sunday, April 4, 3:00 pm         |
| Office Closed                      | Monday, April 5                  |
| Bible Study                        | Monday, April 5, 7:00 pm         |
| Youth Committee Meeting            | Tuesday, April 6, 6:30 pm        |
| RCIA for Adults                    | Tuesday, April 6, 7:00 pm        |
| Faith Formation, Grades 1-3        | Wednesday, April 7, 6:30 pm      |
| High School Youth Group            | Wednesday, April 7, 7:00 pm      |
| Baptism Prep Class                 | Thursday, April 8, 7:00 pm       |
| 1st Confession Retreat             | Sat., April 10, 10:00 - Noon     |
| Bible Study                        | Monday, April 12, 7:00 pm        |
| RCIA for Adults                    | Tuesday, April 13, 7:00 pm       |
| Faith Formation, Grades 4-6        | Wednesday, April 14, 6:30 pm     |
| High School Youth Group            | Wednesday, April 14, 7:00 pm     |
| Finance Council                    | Thursday, April 15, 7:00 pm      |

## HOLY LAND ITEMS FOR SALE:

Representatives from Catholic Bethlehem Christian Families will be with us next weekend April 10 & 11, to ask for your help and blessing for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. These families, sixty years ago, made up 18% of the population. Due to recent events in the Middle East, it has caused these families to face devastating economical strain, and caused the population to decrease to less than 2% in the Holy Land. These families have relied on the income from their religious hand carved olive wood artifacts to tourist. So we have come to the USA to try to help support these families by bringing their artifacts here to sell in the USA. All the proceed from sales will be sent back to the families of the Holy Land so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide for their families. The last few years were very tough for the Christian families, and this is the only source of income for them.

## St. John Memorials

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| Margie Novak | \$10 | Gathering Space |
| Margie Novak | \$20 | Cemetery Fund   |
| Margie Novak | \$10 | Unrestricted    |

## Eucharistic Adoration This Week:

Tuesday from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Wednesday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Thursday from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

*Adoration will be held in the Church.*

St. John's would like to start a **Funeral Fund** to help with the cost of funerals here at the Parish Center. You can give as a Memorial or in general as a gift. Thank You!

Sacred Heart - April Cleaning Committee #2

