



St. John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

June 13, 2021
Eleventh 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.

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, St. John, Grafton

Reconciliation - Confessions

in the Church Confessional
Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm
Sunday: 9:00-9:20 am
Daily Confession: Available before Mass
Tuesday - Friday

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: Brittany Dusek, Ernie Dusek,
Lee Lessard, Denise Moe, Sean Osowski,
Mickey 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.

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Parish Lay Directors: Ed Sevigny, Lori Cyr

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

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Formed - Youth & Adult go to formed.org

Eucharistic Adoration in the Church

Tuesday from 6 pm - 10 pm
Wednesday from 10am - 10pm
Thursday from 6pm - 10pm



This past Friday we celebrated the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sacred Heart is the greatest visual and physical display of the love of God. God became Man in Christ Jesus. He took upon Himself our flesh and has a human Heart. His Resurrected Body is beyond the limits of the natural order and so, Jesus is able to physically present His Heart to His faithful as He did to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque and some of the other Saints.

This adorable and Sacred Heart is not only human in It's appearance but, because Jesus is God as well as Man, this Heart is Divine too. The Divine-Human Heart of Christ encompasses all of humanity within Itself. His Heart is emblazoned with love for each of us, so much so, that when He showed it to St. Margaret Mary, it was engulfed in fire. The flames that pour forth from His Heart reveal the unquenchable furnace of Divine Love.

Within the Sacred Heart are the treasures of all grace. Within this Heart is the ocean of Divine Mercy. Jesus desired that His Sacred Side be opened by a lance upon the Cross. This piercing of His Heart was the entryway for us into the heavenly house of God. He wants us to enter in and rest awhile. His invitation to love is given to all mankind, but especially to us Catholics.

Why are we Catholics special regarding His divine invitation to love? Because we have Jesus in the Eucharist. The Eucharist is really Christ Himself and, consequently, is truly and literally the Sacred Heart. The priest holds the Heart of Jesus in his hands at every Mass. Christ offers His Heart to us in Holy Communion that we may rest in Him. He invites us to this rest when He says, "*Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light*" (Mt 11:28-30).

How can we truly rest in Christ's Heart? First, this resting must flow from a desire for union. Do we really want to be one with Him? God looks into our heart and knows the truth of our desires and intentions. We cannot deceive Him. Do we really want to be one with Him? I ask this question a second time because we must be honest with ourselves and with Him. If we do not have this true desire for union, we need to ask Him for it.

Secondly, our prayer life must grow inward. What I mean by this is: we must become meditators and contemplators. We need to seek Him in all things and ponder the things of God interiorly, within ourselves. He meets us within us. Our hearts and minds must search for a deeper discovery of Him in prayer. The Lord said that those who seek will find. He wants us to find Him. This will involve times of silence. We need to grow silent within ourselves. All too often we fill our hearts and minds and physical environments with noise.

Thirdly, it can never be understood how truly important Eucharistic Adoration is. Spend an hour a week with Jesus in this way. He draws you interiorly into His Heart every moment you're with Him. He loves you.

May God be praised and may you be blessed!

10,000 Rosaries for Grafton

We have prayed 1,665 rosaries
Keep praying because we
need God's Grace to end the pandemic and
to convert Grafton & our surrounding towns!

Saving souls one bead at a time!



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, June 12 - Feast of the Immaculate Heart

10:30 am - Conversion of Sinners & The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

5:00 pm - Lynn & Gloria Thompson +

Sunday, June 13

7:30 am Oakwood - John & Alice Sevigny +

9:30 am - Agnes Lessard +

11:30 am - Spanish Mass - Parishioners

3:00 pm - Holy Hour of Praise

Monday, June 14

5:15 pm - Pete & Mayme Matejcek +

Tuesday, June 15

5:15 pm - Sister Rose Therese Sevigny +

Wednesday, June 16

5:15 pm - Dan Buriemek +

Thursday, June 17

5:15 pm - Merlyn & Vivian Collette +

Friday, June 18

5:15 pm - John Curran +

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, June 19

10:30 am - Funeral - Leatrice O'Keefe +

5:00 pm - Aloys & Gertyee Lutovsky +

Sunday, June 20

7:30 am Oakwood - Hiladore Osowski +

9:30 am - Fred & Helen Schumacher +

11:30 am - Spanish Mass - Parishioners

3:00 pm - Holy Hour for Return of Lapsed Catholics



Please Pray for the Sick:

Rose Lauer, Lenaye Lauer Ensrud, Patty Durand, Judy Smith, Danni Marie Scott, Joan Brien, Joanie Anderson, Dean Demester, 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, Steve Lessard, Amanda LaTraille, Robert Novak, 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

In honor of Clarabell Demer's 110th birthday, Sacred Heart Parish has received a gift of \$110 from James & Mary Keeley, along with their congratulations.

Ramp for Sacred Heart Church: We are looking at the possibility of building a ramp into Sacred Heart Church in Oakwood. Oakwood parishioners were sent a survey regarding parish interest in this project. If you are a parishioner of Oakwood and have not yet received a survey, then please contact the parish office. Also, if anyone is interested in helping with this potential project then please contact the parish office.

Starting this Friday, June 18, the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays until the end of August.

STEWARDSHIP

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

St. John the Evangelist

Given June 6, 2021 - \$5,955.25

God's Gift total Given as of June 9, 2021 - \$50,793.12

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Given June 6, 2021 - \$216.00

God's Gift total Given as of June 9, 2021 - \$5,147.00

Leatrice O'Keefe Funeral - Saturday, June 19th at 10:30 am with Luncheon to follow. All are invited.

Upcoming Dates at St. John's:

Marian Procession	Sat., June 12, after 10:30 Mass
Samara Obregon Quincenera	Sat., June 12, at 5:00 pm Mass
Holy Hour of Praise & Worship	Sunday, June 13, 3:00 pm
High School Youth Group	Sunday, June 13, 7:00 pm
RCIA for Adults	Tuesday, June 15, 7:00 pm
Holy Hour for Return of Lapsed Catholics	Sunday, June 20, 3:00 pm
High School Youth Group	Sunday, June 20, 7:00 pm

The Promises of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary for those devoted to His Most Sacred Heart:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their homes.
3. I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.
5. I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.
6. Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
9. I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.
12. I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

HOLY LAND ITEMS FOR SALE:

Representatives from Catholic Bethlehem Christian Families will be with us on the weekend of June 26 - 27, 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.

We have received the amount due for the replacement of the Rectory & Parish Office Plumbing that was done. **The amount that we have yet to raise is \$20,854.86**

