

# The Catholic Community of Saint John the Evangelist



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## Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2021

### Pastor

Rev. Dale Lagodinski

### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Eric Seitz

### Deacon

Douglas Campbell

### Parish Life Coordinator

Michelle Fehr

### Youth Director

Audrey Gyolai

### St. John's School

Renee Langenwalter, Principal

Renee Walter, Secretary

701-642-6116

### Parish Office Hours

M - Th 8 am—12 noon, 1 pm - 5 pm

F—8 am—12 noon, 1 - 3 pm

### St. John's Childcare Director

Karrie Gregor

701-642-4922

### Lay Directors

Laurie Straus

Rod Koch

### Parish Offices

Betsy Sitz—Office Manager

Pat Keaveny—Secretary

701-642-6982

### DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN

TUESDAY @ NOON



**RECONCILIATION**  
Saturdays from 4 - 5 pm

**EUCCHARISTIC  
ADORATION**  
Monday - 7 - 8 pm  
Tuesday - 4:15 - 5:15 pm  
Wednesday - 8 - 11:30 am  
Thursday - 2 - 3 pm  
Friday - 8 - 9 am

## Weekend Mass Schedule

**Saturday - 5:30 pm**

**Sunday - 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am  
and 7:30 pm**

**Registration:** If you are new to the Wahpeton Community, call the office.

**Baptism:** Renewal/Preparation is required with each new baby. Call the parish office to register.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Hospitalization or serious illness, please contact one of the priests.

**Pastoral Care:** If you are homebound or hospitalized, Eucharist will be brought to you. Contact the Parish Office.

**Prayer Chain:** Call the parish office to start the prayer chain.

### Saint John's Parish Mission Statement

St. John the Evangelist of Wahpeton, a Catholic community of faithful stewards, uniquely gifted, is committed to living fully a spiritual life. We accomplish this mission by:

- ◆ Celebrating a sacramental life;
- ◆ Being a hospitable, generous, faithful, and forgiving people;
- ◆ Serving as a renewing community of life and love;
- ◆ Supporting all people in their journey toward the Kingdom of God.

### Saint John's Development Program

Please remember St. John's in your will and beneficiary designations!

To learn more about making a final estate gift to benefit St. John's Church or School, call (701) 642-6982, email [legacy@702com.net](mailto:legacy@702com.net), or visit us online!

Readings for the week of January 3rd

Sunday: Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6 / Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Mk 6:34-44

Wed: 1 Jn 4:11-18 / Mk 6:45-52

Thurs: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4 / Lk 4:14-22

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13 / Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21 / Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 55:1-11 / 1 Jn 5:1-9 / Mk 1:7-11

**Sun Jan 3rd - Epiphany of the Lord**

7:30 am - + Doug Savard

9:00 am - ++ Cy and Myrt Keller

11:00 am - People of the Parish

7:30 pm - + Richard Kosel

**Mon Jan 4th - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious**

9:30 am - + All deceased and living members of the Pfister family

**Tues Jan 5th - Saint John Neumann, Bishop**

5:30 pm + Patrick Sawyer

**Wed Jan 6th - Christmas Weekday / Saint Andre Bessette**

7:30 am + George O'Reilly

**Thurs Jan 7th - Christmas Weekday / Saint Raymond of Penafort, Priest**

1:00 pm Special Intention

**Fri Jan 8th - Christmas Weekday**

7:30 am Int: Ronald Norling

**Sat, Jan 9th - Christmas Weekday**

5:30 pm - + Frank Gregor Sr.

**Sun Jan 10th - Baptism of the Lord**

7:30 am - Int: Christian Mothers

9:00 am - + deceased members of the Marthe family

11:00 am - People of the Parish

7:30 pm - + Michelle Dahlman

Fr. Dale will be away from the parish from Jan 4th - 20th. Please keep him in your prayers

Wahpeton-Breckenridge Blood Drive at Grace Lutheran Church on Monday, January 4th 11:45 -am - 6 pm. For an apt. contact Joyce @701-642-5248 or at 877-258-4825

St. John's is bringing the good news to you home. **MinuteGospel** is a short weekly reflection on the faith and life. Keep an eye on the parish Facebook page for the link.



## ADORATION

“ Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith...Let our adoration never cease.”



Monday: 7 - 8 pm

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Wednesday: 8:00 - 11:30 am

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## Happenings at St. Johns...

**Monday, January 4th**

10 am Bible Study

6:30 pm Catholic Daughters

**Wednesday, January 6th**

3:30 and 7 pm Religious Education Classes

5:30 pm Mardi Gras Committee

Thursday, January 7th

7:00 pm Women's Welcome

**Sunday Jan 10th**

Catholic Daughters serving coffee and rolls after 7:30 and 9 am Masses

**“Thanking Our Lord, Sharing Our Blessings Program”** Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a final letter will be mailed to you with a personalized commitment Card. We invite all parishioners to complete a card as our parish goal is 100% participation! You may return your card by \*mailing it to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included with the letter. \*or bringing it to Mass next Sunday. \*or you may visit our parish website at [www.stjohns-wahpeton.org](http://www.stjohns-wahpeton.org) and complete an electronic commitment Card.

Thank you to all who donated to St. John's Hunger Fund this Advent and Christmas season. It has helped us bless so many families. If only you could have been the recipient of the instant hug, tears and heartfelt prayer whispered, “May God Bless you” she said. Thank you!

Do you enjoy listening to Fr. Mike Schmitz?? He is launching Apple's top Religion podcast on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Maybe your New Year's resolution was to read more of the bible? This new podcast will guide us through the bible in one year with bible readings and guided prayer. Check out <https://media.ascensionpress.com/podcast/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/>

Rest in Eternal Peace  
† Jerry Hasbargen

**St. John's School**

**News**

**"Formed by God's Love,  
we form our children"**



•Happy New Year to all from the students and staff of St. John's School!  
 •Scrip will be available at the church office, electronically with eScrip and after mass on weekends. Please continue to support our school with this easy to use fund raiser. We very much appreciate your efforts!!!  
 School will resume on January 4th.  
 \* Our weekly children's Mass will be Thursday, January 7th at 1 pm. All are welcome to attend.

**St. John's School**, is seeking an energetic part time elementary music teacher. Candidate must be licensed to teach in North Dakota. Please send letter of application, resume, and transcripts to: Attn: Renee Langenwaller, Principal, St. John's School, 212 Dakota Avenue, Wahpeton, ND 58075. For more information call 701-642-6116

**Help Wanted:** St. John's Child Care Center is looking for fun, reliable, professional individuals who work independently and as a team member. We are in need of full time and part time Caregivers and a part time cook. No evenings or weekends required. Contact the parish office for an application.

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT** "...as the Lord has forgiven ..they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - MATTHEW 2:11 Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

**PARISH SUPPORT (Fiscal Year July 1--June 30)**

Envelope & plate needed Weekly	\$	14,072.00
Envelope 12-25 & 27	\$	53,653.50
Plate	\$	949.11
Online	\$	3,685.00
Building	\$	205.00
YTD Envelope and plate	\$	358,263.17
YTD Budgeted Envelope & plate	\$	365,872.00

**Thank you to all who generously support St. John's Church**

**Advertiser of the week -  
Dakota Chiropractic and Acupuncture Clinic**

**YOUTH NEWS**

**RE News** - Regular classes for Religious Formation



Come join FM Intentional Disciples for our next disciples night on Thursday, January 7th at 7pm for a new livestream speaker. As we enter a new year, Marcus Peter will join us to provide some encouragement and direction as to how we can embrace an authentically biblical worldview in 2021. Marcus will walk us through the Scriptures and show us how the Word of God gives us a path forward for living with a missional mindset and roots us in our identity as sons and daughters of God. To register for the livestream please go to: <https://fmintentionaldisciples.com/events> and click on the register for livestream link toward the bottom. We hope you can join us!

At Home With the Word is your guide to a deeper understanding of the Sunday scriptures. It provides the readings for the liturgical year, along with insights from scripture scholars. You may purchase the 2021 At Home With the Word in the parish office for only \$10.00

**Free Opportunity "Take and Read: A Journey into the Bible"** is a Virtual Catholic Conference with most sessions recorded so you can watch at your leisure. They include great biblical scholars like: Jeff Cavins, Steve Ray, Dr. Peter Kreeft, as well as Teresa Tomeo Deacon Harold Burke Sivers and Paul J Kim. January 8-10. Register at <https://www.virtualcatholicconference.com/Bible2021>

**Food 4 Kids - Richland Wilkin Backpack Program**  
 During the 2019-20 school year, volunteers for the Backpack Program packed more than 10,000 food bags. The Backpack Program has been in operation for 7 years and the need continues to grow. Again this year we are offering our Backpack Buddy program. For as little as \$125 a year, a student can be sponsored. For more information or to obtain a form contact the parish office.



## *What a COVID Christmas 2020!*

**THANKS BE TO GOD** for all who helped in so many countless, quiet, and even anonymous ways to make the Christmas season so wonderful this year in spite of the pandemic..

**THANKS BE TO GOD** for all who gave of their time and energy to the Christmas liturgies: our marvelous musicians, choir and leaders of song, all who helped create our beautiful environment in and around our church, who in any way assisted in our excellent liturgies and all who quietly help us keep our church home clean! Most of all, we are glad for all who came to pray with us!

**THANKS BE TO GOD** for those who spent precious time, talent, and treasure organizing and working at our church throughout the year. A special thanks to all the committee people who give so much to coordinate our ministries.

**THANKS BE TO GOD** for all who so thoughtfully brought to the parish house goodies as well as gifts of time, talent, and treasure to help us through all the joys and stresses of the holidays. We try to personally thank everyone, but some givers are anonymous and others' names slip off their gifts and may get misplaced!

In the words of Saint Paul to the Philippians: *"I GIVE THANKS TO MY GOD EVERY TIME I THINK OF YOU - WHICH IS CONSTANTLY, IN EVERY PRAYER I UTTER - REJOICING, AS I PLEAD ON YOUR BEHALF, AT THE WAY YOU HAVE ALL CONTINUALLY HELPED PROMOTE THE GOSPEL FROM THE VERY FIRST DAY."*

(Phil 1:3-5)

### *A PERSONAL NOTE FROM THE PASTORS and STAFF*

*Thanks be to God for all of you parishioners of Saint John's. Your warm welcomes, supportive cooperation, and willingness to share make our ministry a happy one. Thank you so much for taking the time to remember us with your thoughtful cards and generous gifts this Christmas. The appreciation of parishioners really does sustain us. We are grateful and honored to shepherd Saint John's parish family. God bless each of you.*

## **CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**

*Thank you to all who made donations for our beautiful Christmas decorations in honor and memory of loved ones.*



### **IN HONOR OF**

Al and Mary Jirele by Rod and Sherry Koch

Geneva Miranowski by Daryl and Phyllis Knutson and family

Brothers and sisters of the Held family by Duane and Linda Held

Alice Pausch by Carol A. Pausch

Ed and Marlene Struas by Bill and Laurie Straus

Marlene Brandenburger by Ann Brandenburger

### **IN MEMORY OF**

Richard Haire, Milton and LaVonne Krause by Roger and Kim Krause and family

Ron Bruesch by Doris Bruesch

Deceased members of the Bruesch and Kreller families by Doris Bruesch

Jack Sittarich by Connie & Marty Madsen and MaryJane Sittarich

Ludvik and Martha Tuna, Charles Krump, Harold Althoff, Kerri Krump and Florence Hocky by Kevin and Dianne Krump

George Bosch by Scott and Kari Muehler

Farrel Crissler by Carol Crissler

Marcella and Wilfred Heitkamp and Wendell and Virginia Langendorfer by Corrine and Bruce Langendorfer

Lester Stern and Margaret and John Koenig by Pat Stern

Deborah Weitzel by Delores and Bill Weitzel

Willard and Daniel Stein by Patsy and Jesse Stein

Frank Sr. and Frank Gregor Jr by Myrtle Gregor and family

Don Eichhorn by Karen Eichhorn

John and Elsie Griffith, Court and Laura Miller by Larry and Jeanette Miller

Dale Lambrecht, Ben and Margaret Ehlert and Arnold and May Lambrecht by Mary Lambrecht

Norbert and Monica Ehlert, John and Luccile Buck by Barb and Donavon Buck

Mark Miranowski, Alton and Mardy Knutson by Daryl and Phyllis Knutson and family

John and Eva Frank, Laurence and Lucille Braun by Niel and Marian F. Braun

Cliff and Marcy Quam, Floyd and Vera Hammond, Bill and Rachel Fox by Gerald and Jan Quam

Deceased members of the Ballweber and Woytassek families by Delfena Ballweber and family

Ralph and Lillian Hoffman by Louis Hoffman

Douglas Savard by his family

Earl Ziegelman, Cheryl Kubela, Dawn Luick by Darlene Ziegelman

Joe and Mike Pikarski by Jeannette Pikarski

Deceased family members of the Held family by Duane and Linda Held

Don and Ramona Schend, Herb and Lillian Masching by Larry and Cindy Masching

Virgil Pausch and PFC Joseph K. Meyer by Carol A. Pausch

Tony Gilles by Audrey Gilles

Dan Winter and Don Miller by Tim Miller family

Theodore Mertes, Roger Mertes and John Mertes by Mark and Jane Priebe

Louise Lauman and departed family members by Lauman family

Jack Kaiser and Rob and Sue Miller by Jim and Tammy Miller

Sue Caspers by Cassie, Jameson, Jaeger and Halle Miller

Paul Brandenburger, John and Bernice Leclair, Nick and Mary Brandenburger by Ann Brandenburger

Jerry Meyer by Mary Meyer

Bernard Munson by Jeanette Munson

Francis and Jane Gilles and Shirley Hoff by Bill and Laurie Straus

David Goroski and Robert Goroski by Betty Goroski

Bernie Anderson by Kathleen Anderson

Dick Haskell by Joyce Haskell

deceased members of Ehlert families by Carol & Wayne Colby

Mark Klosterman by Theresa Klosterman

Clarence and Fern Ward by Mark and Joanie Ward

Jamie Kruse by Sara and Jesse

John Ciesynski by Geraldine Ciesynski

Warren Mohs by Leon and Linda Miranowski