

The Catholic Community of Saint John the Evangelist



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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 14, 2021

Pastor

Rev. Dale Lagodinski

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Eric Seitz

Deacon

Douglas Campbell

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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

If you wish you can make me clean



Artist - Connor Ireland - 4th Grade

RECONCILIATION
Saturdays from 4 - 5 pm

**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**
Until the painting of the
church is completed we will
not be having Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament.

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, or visit us online!

Readings for the week of February 14th

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 / 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 / Mk 1:40-45

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25 / Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 / Mk 8:14-21

Wed: Jl 2:12-18 / 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs: Dt 30:15-20 / Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a / Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15 / 1 Pt 3:18-22 / Mk 1:12-15

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.*”

Until the painting of the church is complete we will not be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The church will be available for private prayer.

Sun Feb. 14th - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am - Int: Christian Mothers

9:00 am - ++ Frank and Mary Karel

11:00 am - + Dale Hinsverk

7:30 pm - People of the Parish

Mon Feb. 15th - Weekday

9:30 am Int: Steve and Patti Lies

Tues Feb. 16th - Weekday

5:30 pm + Patrick Sawyer

Wed Feb. 17th - Ash Wednesday

7:00 am + Janice Green

1:00 pm +++ Alex, Madlyn and Cy Mauch

3:30 pm + Theresa Thompson

7:00 pm + Marian Stach

Thurs Feb. 18th - Thursday after Ash Wednesday

7:30 am + Leo Althoff

10:00 am (Leach Home) + Jake Davis

Fri. Feb. 19th - Weekday

7:30 am + Lois Stelton

Sat, Feb. 20th - Weekday

5:30 pm - + Virginia Langendorfer

Sun Feb. 21st - First Sunday of Lent

7:30 am - People of the Parish

9:00 am - ++ Cy and Myrt Keller

11:00 am - Int: Bob Gette

7:30 pm - + deceased and living members of the Steve Donoghue family

Happenings at St. Johns...**Sunday, February 14th**

3:30 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, February 15th

10 am Bible Study

Tuesday, February 16th

3 pm Prolife meeting

4:15 pm Patriotic Rosary

Wednesday, February 17th

8 - 11:30 am Cenacle of Life to end Abortion

11:30 am Building and Grounds Committee

3:30 and 7 pm Religious Education Classes

Friday, February 19th

2:15 and 7 pm Stations of the Cross

Sunday, February 21st

4 pm Lenten Mission with Fr. Tony Welle

Retrouvaille: Help for Hurting Marriages

Retrouvaille is an international, peer-run program that has helped hundreds of thousands of hurting married couples turn the tide, find new hope, and rediscover the love that initially brought them together. Surveys have shown that 3 out of 4 couples who complete the entire program are still married five years later with stronger, healthier marriages. Retrouvaille will be held locally **March 5-7, 2021** in Fargo. For more information visit HelpOurMarriage.com or contact us at (701) 356-7962 or via email at RedRiver-Retrouvaille@fargodiocese.org.

Needed: Your musical talent! Please consider helping us at weekend Masses; playing piano, guitar, organ or singing. Call the parish office if you can help.

St. John's Church is now part of **Amazon Smile**. Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic method to support St. John's Church every time you shop on Amazon.com. You only need to select St. John's Church on your initial visit. You can log into your Amazon account and select St. John's church to receive donations. Or enter <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/45-0227392> and login to your Amazon account, St. John's church will automatically be selected to receive donations from eligible purchases on Amazon.com. After your selection, a percentage of all your purchases at Amazon.com will be donated to St. John's church. Please contact the parish office at 642-6982, if you have any questions.

CHURCH INTERIOR PAINTING It has been nearly 20 years since the interior of our church has been painted. Thanks to a generous donation, painters have begun their work. The project will take approximately one month. They will work around our Liturgical schedules (daily Mass, funerals etc.). The Blessed Sacrament will remain in the tabernacle and the pews are available for personal prayer, but the workers will be present and have permission to be about their work and all it entails during the day.

Consider consecrating yourself to St. Joseph as we celebrate this Year of St. Joseph. Join millions of men and women around the world seeking to consecrate themselves to this loving Patron of Families. Some may choose to begin this 33 day consecration on Feb 15th so they will then be consecrated on Joseph's Feast Day of March 19th. Others would like to do this as their Lenten prayer this year. Feel free to call the parish office to order the book "Consecration to St. Joseph" as we help our world grow in peace beginning in our own homes. You can also go to <https://www.consecrationtostjoseph.org/>

**St. John's School
News**

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



- GET YOUR TICKETS NOW for the CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL RAFFLE!! Only a few more weeks where you could turn \$5 into a brand-new SUV or \$20,000 cash!! Many other prizes will be awarded. 100% of the proceeds for each \$5 ticket will stay at St. John's School. Tickets will be sold after masses. Don't miss your chance to win!!
- Ash Wednesday: Students from all grades will lead us at our children's mass on Wednesday, February 17 at 1:00pm. We invite all our parents, grandparents, friends & parishioners to join us. The children and staff truly appreciate your support!
- 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!!!

February Events:

- Feb. 15: President's Day~No School
- Feb. 19: SJS Ski Trip for grades 4,5,6

St. John's School is looking for donations of yarn in the colors of yellow, blue, green, white & purple. If you have partial or whole skeins we would appreciate any donations.

"As we work for human rights and the defense of the most vulnerable, the right to life of the unborn is the defining issue of our time." by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT *"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." - 1 CORINTHIANS 10:31*
Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" (like our pride, ego, money and possessions) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, "Am I doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?"

PARISH SUPPORT (Fiscal Year July 1—June 30)

Envelope & plate needed Weekly	\$	14,072.00
Envelope 2-7	\$	9,750.00
Plate	\$	622.07
Online	\$	3,416.04
Building	\$	420.00
YTD Envelope and plate	\$	446,677.20
YTD Budgeted Envelope & plate	\$	450,304.00

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

**Advertiser of the week -
Advanced Machining and Design**

YOUTH NEWS

RE News - Regular classes for Religious Formation

Sponsors needed: Please prayerfully consider spiritually and financially adopting a member of our youth group for our summer mission trip or Steubenville North. Mission trips and Steubenville conferences are powerful opportunities for our students to encounter Christ, and without your generous support the cost of these trips can prevent students from attending. For more information or to make a donation, please contact Audrey at the parish office or email wahpetoncatholicyouth@gmail.com.

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 Langenwalter, Principal, St. John's School, 212 Dakota Ave, Wahpeton, ND 58075. For more information call 701-642-6116

Help Wanted: St. John's Child Care Center is looking for part-time help (job preference to those 18 yrs and older). More hours offered during the summer. Flexible scheduling - great team environment. Will have to pass a background check, become cpr/1st aide certified and do some training hours. If interested, please reach out to Karrie at 701-642-4922 or email: sjchildcarecenter@gmail.com

Get your Catholic United Financial raffle ticket! Tickets are only \$5 each and 100% of the money raised will stay at St. John's School! You could win a new SUV or \$20,000 in cash!! There will be children selling after this Mass. Please stop by and purchase a ticket or two!!

Rest in Eternal Peace
† Randy Pope, husband of Joan

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



ND CATHOLIC CONFERENCE ACTION ALERTS

OUR REPRESENTATIVES: Larry Luick lluick@nd.gov
 Alisa Mitkog amitskog@nd.gov
 Cynthia Schreiber Beck cschreiberbeck@nd.gov

1. Fairness, Safety, and Dignity in Youth Sports

House Bill 1298 ensures fairness, safety, and dignity in youth sports by requiring that biological girls compete as girls and biological boys compete as boys.

Ask your House Representatives to Support HB 1298 to ensure fairness and safety in youth sports. [Read the conference's testimony](#) to learn more.

Who: State House Representatives

Where: [House Message Center \(1-888-635-3447\)](#) or [contact them directly by phone or email](#).

Sample Message: Please vote Yes on HB 1298 to ensure safety and fairness in youth sports.

When: Now. HB 1298 is heading to the House floor.

2. Say No to Assisted Suicide

House Bill 1415 would legalize physician-assisted suicide in North Dakota.

Assisted suicide is always abandonment of our brothers and sister. It is never acceptable. Please contact your House members and ask them to vote NO on HB 1415.

Who: State House

Where: [House Message Center \(1-888-635-3447\)](#) or [contact them directly by phone or email](#).

Sample Message: Please vote No on HB 1415. The people of North Dakota deserve better than assisted suicide.

When: Now. The House Health and Human Services Committee heard the bill on February 1. After they act on it, it will move to full House.

[Read the conference's testimony](#).

3. Protect Religious Freedom, Support HB 1410

House Bill 1410 would protect religious freedom in state institutions and during emergency orders.

Religious freedom is a fundamental right. Unfortunately, state law does not currently provide religious protections inside government institutions and during emergency orders. HB 1410 would fix that.

The House Judiciary Committee heard testimony from the North Dakota Catholic Conference and gave a Do Pass recommendation. Some groups, like the ACLU, are opposing the bill. It is time to contact your House representatives and urge them to vote for HB 1410.

Who: State House Representatives

Where: House Message Center (1-888-635-3447) or contact them directly by phone or email.

Sample Message: Please vote Yes on HB 1410. Religious freedom should be protected during emergency orders and in our state institutions.

When: Now. The House will probably vote on the bill this week.

4. Empower Parents, Empower Children

House Bill 1369 would assist parents looking to help their children's education. It provides up to approximately \$5,000 in funding available for supplemental education for public school children and up to \$5,000 in funding available for non-public education. The payments are paid to qualified providers approved by the ND Department of Public Instruction.

Ask your House Representatives to Support HB 1369, the Education Empower Program.

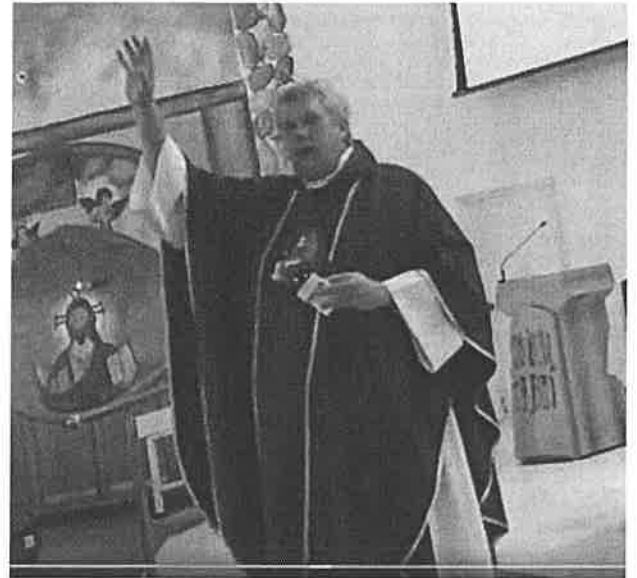
Who: State House Representatives

Where: House Message Center (1-888-635-3447) or contact them directly by phone or email.

Sample Message: Please vote Yes on HB 1369. Parents should be able to help children with special needs.

When: Now. The House will vote on HB 1369 sometime next week.

**Raise your Hand
if you are coming...**



**St. John's Parish Mission
with Fr. Tony Welle**

Return to Christ With Your Whole Heart

Sunday Feb. 21 ~ 4pm

Day 1: Return to Christ through the Eucharist

Monday, Feb 22 ~ 7pm

Day 2: Return to Christ through the Church

Tuesday Feb. 23 ~ 7pm

Day 3: Return to Christ through Reconciliation



All are Welcome!

LENT 2021

Everyone is invited to watch

THE CHOSEN



“The Chosen”, is the first ever multi-season series about the life of Christ. It is appropriate for all ages. We invite you and your family to join us in immersing ourselves in the life of Jesus this Lent.

HOW CAN WE WATCH?

1- **Tuesday evenings after Mass in the Mehok Center.** About 6pm, we'll watch that week's episode, then participate in the interactive Bible study, “What does it mean to be Chosen by Jesus?” Since we are not able to serve soup due to COVID, we will finish by 7pm. If you need to break your fast before then, feel free to bring a sack supper.

2. **To watch at your convenience:**

The show is available to watch for free on The Chosen mobile app. Viewers can cast the show's episodes to popular streaming devices .

3. All 8 episodes are also available to watch for free on Youtube.

What are You going to do this Lent....

As you decide what your Lent will be like, we invite you to consider: **What is the state of your soil ?** Just like the gardeners thin plants so they can grow strong and healthy, may our Lenten practices not just be random “I've got to give up something” choices but **“Poco a poco!” Little by little, may our hearts turn to God. What's already growing well** in your spiritual life? **What fruit you want to see this Lent?**

Ideas in addition to *The Chosen*:

- Consecration to St Joseph and so many great ideas. Check Google.
- Join #1 podcast “Bible in a Year” with Fr. Mike Schmitz
- Hallow App #Pray40 Challenge. Some free and some paid.

Family: - 52 Sundays fun weekly activities and recipes to connect to the Sunday Gospel. At www.52sundays.com

- Free online course with the St. John's Bible. At <https://churchlife-info.nd.edu/journey-with-the-saint-johns-bible>
- Join Scott Hahn to uncover how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, is ordered to the Mass. <https://stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/journey-through-scripture/parousia-the-bible-and-the-mass/>

-If your COVID plan has your family joining Mass from home, please consider when you could come to the church and make a Visit to Jesus. St John's is open all of Sunday and most of Saturday.

