

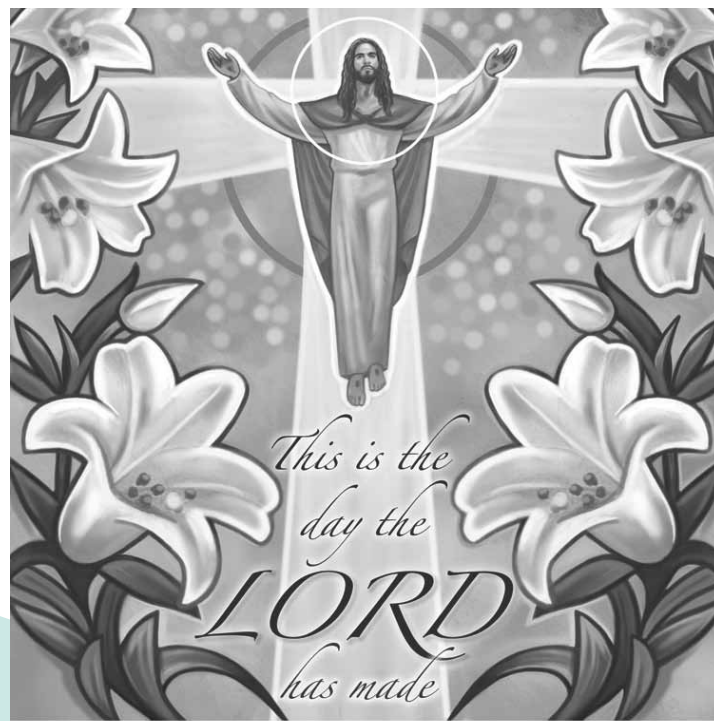
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor - Fr. John Kunz

Mass Schedule - Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm • Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Reconciliation - Saturday: 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm



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April 1, 2018 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - Gospel: John 20:1-9

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ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

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From the Pastor's Desk



“Faith in the Resurrection of Jesus says that there is a future for every human being, the cry for unending life which is a part of the person is indeed answered.” Pope Benedict XVI

The search for eternity is within each of us. We sometimes try to make our mark on this world which will prove ourselves as important and lasting. The mark of faith is the true eternally lasting reality. We can release the power of possessions, knowledge, and pleasures. As great as they are, they are temporary. We celebrate today that Christ's resurrection proves the existence of God and assures us that the creatures God created can join Him in life everlasting. Alleluia!

Happy Easter,
 Father John

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 2 - Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 8:15 am – No communion Service or Mass

Tuesday, April 3 - Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 8:15 am – Communion Service

Wednesday, April 4 - Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
 8:15 am – Communion Service

Thursday, April 5 - Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
 8:15 am – Communion Service

Friday, April 6 - Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
 8:15 am – No Mass or Communion Service

Saturday, April 7 - Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21
 5:15 pm – Tony & Alice Rotchadl†, Clair Haefner†,
 James Esser†, Ken & Marilyn Berg†

Sunday, April 8 - Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48
 8:00 am – Ken & Marilyn Berg†, Richard & Eileen Goebel,
 Patricia & Jim Simonett†
 10:00 am – Delores Reuter†, Joseph & Martha Phillips,
 Lyllah Mae Norland†, Mason Weis†

THANK YOU!

The St. John's Knights of Columbus thank all the people who came to our Fish Fry Dinner. We also thank the many who worked so hard to make this possible. We hope you enjoyed the meal and welcome any suggestions.

St. John's Prayer Network -

To submit a prayer request, please call:

Sandy Roberts 387-1372 or Alice DiMeglio 345-5273
or email: monica.priebe, Pastoral Care Associate at:
monicap@stjohnsmankato.net

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 2

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, April 3

Sunrise AA Meeting – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall

Piecemakers – 9:00 AM – Matthews Hall

Catholic Social Teaching Session–12:00 PM -Matthews Hall

Journey to Justice – 3:30 PM – Matthews Hall

Hope-Grief Ministry – 5:15 PM – John Paul II room

Wednesday, April 4

Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room

Roots, Edge – 6:30 PM – PLC Cafeteria, Matthews Hall

Life Teen – 8:00 PM – PLC Gym

Thursday, April 5

Simon Ministry – 10:30 AM – Matthews Hall

Laurels Peak – 3:00 PM – Laurels Peak

Friday, April 6

Al-Anon – 6:30 AM – Parish Library

Early Risers AA – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall

Saturday, April 7

Perfectly Yourself – 4:00 PM – John Paul II room

Sunday, April 8

KC pancake breakfast – 8:45 AM – Matthews Hall

Perfectly Yourself – 9:00 AM – John Paul II room

Faith Formation Grades 1-4 – 9:00 AM – Parish Life Center

Children's Liturgy – During 10 AM Mass – Matthews Hall

Perfectly Yourself – 11:00 AM – John Paul II room

Alpha Spring 2018 – 5:00 PM – Matthews Hall

No Men's Club Meeting on April 12, 2018.

The next meeting will be May 10, 2018

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

On May 1st at 6:30 pm in the Marion Room a new committee will meet to look at how St. John's can help become a part of the Connections Shelter. Connections Shelter is a rotating homeless shelter that runs from October to April. Each week a church congregation hosts the shelter in their building. Presently 8 congregations in town are hosting.

Although St. John's will not be a host site there are many ways we can contribute. These include providing volunteers by partnering with a hosting congregation, providing food and providing financial support.

If you are interested in joining the committee to help us decide what our contribution will be and helping us be ready for fall or in being a volunteer for the shelter please call the church office.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

PASTORAL CARE ASSOCIATE/PARISH ADMINISTRATOR POSITION

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Mankato is seeking a full-time Pastoral Care Associate/Parish Administrator. The Pastoral Care Associate/Parish Administrator is a professional minister who responds to a broad range of pastoral and administrative needs relating to all aspects of parish life, directly or through collaboration with the Pastor, providing leadership and support for the administrative decisions of St. John's Parish. This position also includes designated responsibilities for Pastoral Care in collaboration with the Pastor and Spiritual Care departments in care centers and hospitals.

Minimum Qualifications:

BA, BS, or MA in Pastoral Studies/Theology or a related field and at least 2 years of Leadership experience. Possess planning, organizational and collaborative skills; Strong interpersonal skills with the ability to work with a variety of ages, personalities and backgrounds; Collaborative nature to work as a part of a strong leadership team; Able to speak in public and lead large group meetings; Strong written and oral communication skills; Computer literacy; A valid Minnesota driver's license and the ability to travel when necessary.

Applicant should be a practicing Catholic and possess a love for and knowledge of the Catholic faith. Benefits-eligible position; salary commensurate with experience.

To apply: Send your resume and cover letter to: Fr. John Kunz; 632 South Broad Street, Mankato, MN 56001 or Frjohn@stjohnsmankato.net

LIVING THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY *within our parish & our surrounding community*

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the teaching of Jesus and give us a model for how we should treat others, as if they were Christ in disguise. In living the mission of Catholic Charities, we are called to provide help and create hope by responding to the basic needs of humanity. Join us on our journey to live the Corporal Works of Mercy by caring for those living on the margins.

BURY THE DEAD

- Check out "Project Rachel" on the Catholic Charities website-pray for those experiencing the physical and emotional pains of abortion.
- Send a card of condolence to those who have lost a loved one-words of compassion are life changing.
- Support Project Embrace through prayer, time or donations.
- Keep the memory alive of someone that has passed away—share stories.

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Parish Office Hours: Weekdays 8:30 am-5:00 pm Office Phone: (507) 625-3131 Emergency (after office hours): (507) 388-7239

Web: www.stjohnscatholicchurch.com Check out St. John's on Facebook and Twitter! SJB Catholic Church@SJBCCMN

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

Marriage - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

Becoming Catholic - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing

If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

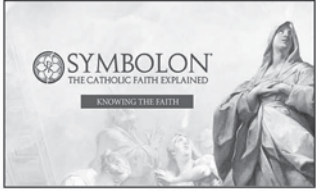
FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Symbolon: Knowing the Faith

Session 6: The Paschal Mystery

Why do Christians worship a crucified God?

We've all heard that Christ died for our sins and rose again on Easter, but what does it mean? In this original Augustine Institute production, Dr. Edward Sri opens our eyes to the deeper meaning behind the fundamental mystery of our Christian faith.




★★★★★

"Symbolon is giving me an understanding of my Catholic faith that I never got growing up!"


—Anonymous

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We Welcome Newcomers to Our Parish Family...

Louise Hill and Linda Hill

LOYOLA NEWS



May the blessings of new life and hope, forgiveness and peace, be yours! Happy Easter!

Learn about Loyola Catholic School...visit www.loyolacatholicschool.org

Open Enrollment for Preschool classes (3 - 5 years old). All day PS class options are available. Limited space, SIGN UP TODAY! Schedule **family tours and K-12 shadow days** at your convenience. **Contact Angela Casteel at acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org 507.388.0615.**

During the **season of Lent**, Loyola students and staff experienced times of Eucharistic Adoration, prayed the Stations of the Cross, learned about St. Joseph the Worker's sister-parish in Haiti, and collected \$1366.20 to help build a school for St. Lucie parish.

LUCKY 20 RAFFLE is back! The Lucky 20 raffle is an opportunity to raise funds to support a dynamic education for Loyola students. 20 Chances to Win! Drawing at the Crusader Golf Classic. Visit www.loyolacatholicschool.org Grand Prize of \$10,000; one \$5,000 winner; two \$1,000 winners; two \$500 winners, and fifteen \$200 winners!

Save the Date...ALL ARE WELCOME

• **Loyola Crusader Golf Classic, Monday, May 14:** Four-person scramble golf event friendly enough for the weekend golfer, challenging enough for the competitive player. Register online! www.loyolacatholicschool.org

• **ROCKIN' on the HILL - Summer Music Fest, Saturday, July 21**

Featuring live music, food trucks, spirits, pull tabs, traveling boutiques and more! This year's bands include Neon-LIVE and PopROCKS.

Congratulations to **Knowledge Bowl** team members Jerid Buhs, Roman Rozhnov, Luke Vetter, Brendan Kane, and Alex Backman, going to State in April; and to our 7th grade **Robotics team** Mason Stoffel, Teigyn Moore, Joe Kollasch, Raiden Gruenzner, Emily Coudron and Beth Ness competing with 85 national/international teams at the CREATE U.S. ROBOTICS championship in Council Bluffs IA next week.

THANK YOU to all who send us **Box Tops for Education, Hy-Vee receipts, and Milk Moola labels.**

Your parish support makes all we do, learn, and celebrate at Loyola possible, as we *guide students to their full potential, walk with them in faith, and equip them to lead and serve.*

FAITH FORMATION

VBS ~ Save the Date!!

St. John's VBS is proud to announce Hero Central as the theme for this year.

When: June 25-28
Time: 9:00am-11:30am
Ages: 5-11



Parent and youth volunteers are needed for the success of this great summer program. Please email Kelly if you are interested in helping in any way. khuber@stjohnsmankato.net

BOOK STUDY *PERFECTLY YOURSELF* by Matthew Kelly

Book study available soon. Please sign up to participate in the *Perfectly Yourself* book study. We have 4 available times:

- Saturdays**, beginning April 7th at 4:00pm: in the JP11 room: led by Kathy Wortel
- Sundays**, beginning April 8th at 9:00am in the JP11 room: led by Barb Radke
- Sundays**, beginning April 8th at 11:00am in the JP11 room: led by Ann Benson
- Tuesdays**, beginning April 10th at 6:30pm in the JP11 room: led by Barb Traxler



To sign-up, contact the Parish Office, sign-up in the narthex or email Kelly at: khuber@stjohnsmankato.net

AN EXALTATION OF LARKS

The Easter hanging design in St. John's sanctuary is inspired by the term "An exaltation of larks" and this poem:

Out of the dusk, a shadow,
Then a spark; out of the cloud
A silence, then a lark; out of
The heart a rapture, then a
Pain; out of the dead, cold ashes,
Life again.

John B Tabb: 1845 - 1909 Soldier, Professor of English, American Poet, Roman Catholic Priest.

YOUTH



SPAGHETTI FEED FUNDRAISER!

The high school youth will be hosting a spaghetti feed on Saturday, April 28th following the 5:15 Mass until 7:30pm. The cost is \$8 per person or \$25 family maximum. There will not be tickets sold ahead of time for this event. The menu includes: Spaghetti (gluten-free will be available) with meat sauce, focaccia bread, salad, marinated olives, and Italian cookies. Please come and enjoy our Italian night in fellowship to support our youth's summer mission trip!

Painting Party!

St. John The Baptist Catholic Church
2018 Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser



Join us for a fun evening - where you will create a painting similar to this cross picture. You will choose your own colors and style!

Where: The Loose Moose Conference Center
119 Front Street, Mankato

When: Friday, May 4, 2018
Check in at 5:30pm
Painting starts at 6:30pm

Cost: \$40 (includes all materials)

All Ages and Skill Levels Encouraged to Attend!

Food and beverages can be ordered from the menu - all net profits from the evening go toward the Mission Trip.

RSVP to Johnna Harmer: jharmer@stjohnsmankato.net
or call the parish office at **507-625-3131** by April 27

Special thanks to Mike Maes, owner of The Loose Moose, for providing the conference center at a reduced rate.

HY VEE COUPON BOOKS FOR SALE

Hy Vee coupon books are available in the parish office for \$5 a book. The money raised will go towards this summer's Steubenville Youth Conference and the Leech Lake Mission Trip. Thank you for supporting our youth!

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	March 25, 2018	Budget
Adult Envelopes/Electronic Giving	\$ 15,718.50	\$16,865.00
Offertory	\$ 858.00	\$ 557.00
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$ 22.00	

Budget Status: February 2018

	Current Fiscal YTD*	Prior Fiscal YTD
Income	\$747,071.64	\$735,940.75
Expenses	(\$659,841.31)	(\$666,779.46)
Operating Net Profit	\$ 87,230.33	\$ 69,161.29

* Results reflect many 2018 full year contributions.

Money Counters: March 26 Team 2; Tue. Apr 3 Team 3; Apr 9 Team 4

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2017**

July 1, 2017	Parish Debt Balance to Date
(\$ 30,925)	(\$ 18,516)

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2018**

Balance	2018	2018
July 1, 2017	collections	Contributions needed
(\$ 71,730)	\$ 21,223	(\$ 50,507)

St. John's Young Stewards Time & Treasure

Children's Envelopes \$124.56

(Talents from Children's Envelopes)

Helped my mom.
I helped paint my room.
I cleaned my room.

** Catholic Ministries Appeal shortfall from the 2017 Parish obligation paid to the Catholic Foundation of Southern MN which is a separate entity from the Diocese of Winona.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST OF ROCHESTER TO BECOME CO-CATHEDRAL

During these holy days of Easter, we have extra reason to rejoice. After several years of inquiry, and much consultation, The Holy See has decreed that the former Diocese of Winona will now be called the Diocese of Winona-Rochester and that St. John the Evangelist Church of Rochester will be designated as a co-cathedral.

As many of you are aware, the City of Rochester has had significant population growth in recent decades. It is our diocese's largest city, and three-quarters of our diocesan population currently reside in the corridor between Rochester and Mankato. The elevation of St. John the Evangelist Church to the status of a co-cathedral is a momentous occasion for our diocese and provides unique opportunities for further evangelization as we continue the work of missionary discipleship, sharing God's love and mercy to all.

The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart will not change in name or status. It will continue to be the seat of the diocese and will host diocesan celebrations and Masses, and ordinations.

To learn more about these updates, please visit the diocesan website at www.dow.org. There will also be coverage of the new co-cathedral in the next issue of the Courier newspaper. Please pray for the people of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester, as we journey through these joyous days of the Easter Season. May the Risen Lord Jesus Christ be praised! Alleluia.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Join us at Ss Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Mankato, Mn. for Divine Mercy Sunday on **April 8 from 2:15 pm to 4:00 pm**. Confessions will also be heard during that time.

HEALING MINISTRY

for the Widowed, Divorced, and Separated

Beginning Experience offers a weekend retreat to help with the process of grieving the loss of a love relationship. A grief resolution process for adults, who have suffered a loss of a marriage through death, divorce or separation, is being offered as a weekend retreat at Assisi Heights in Rochester, Minnesota - April 20-22, 2018. Participants step into an opportunity to love themselves, others, and God in a renewed way.

For more information for yourself or someone you know: contact www.beminnnesota.org or email: beminnnesota@gmail.com or leaving a message at 507-261-8248 Registrations will be accepted until April 16th. Accommodation for late registration may be possible, call for details.



Those who have entered eternal life...

Mason Nicholas Weis,

son of Steve & Sara Weis
passed away March 10, 2018.

Our deepest sympathy to their family.

Steve Stanke,

passed away March 21, 2018.

Our deepest sympathy to his family.

Floyd Roberts,

husband of Sandy Roberts
passed away March 24, 2018.

Our deepest sympathy to their family

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 7/8

Musicians

5:15 pm – Mary Pribyl / Spirit Singers
8:00 am – Jeanne Makela / Kim Giebel
10:00 am – Sr. Joyce Kolbet or Jaci James/ Voices in Praise

Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Karen Dehn, Michelle Goodrich, Barbara Haag,
Lynn Klingsporn, Jane Kohler, Glenda Landsteiner,
Phyllis Maloney, Kelly Meehling
8:00 am – Cindy Hanson, Najwa Massad, Patty Mejias,
Ron & Terri Prange, Pat Sullivan, Colleen Walters,
Mary Westby
10:00 am – Dan & Sandi Fogal, Scott & Deb Fogal,
Jerry & Lucy Goblirsch, Jeff & Laurie Barnett

Lector

5:15 pm – Barbara Haag, Ken Klingsporn
8:00 am – Jan Hughes, Terri Prange
10:00 am – Jeanne Atkinson, Maggie Bennett

Sacristan

5:15 pm – Monica Orth
8:00 am – Pat Sullivan, Sheri Fedson
10:00 am – Mike Burkhardt

Server

5:15 pm – Olivia Altomari, Renee Schweim
8:00 am – Taiton & Teigyn Moore
10:00 am – Christian & Ciara Keech, Julia Roering

Ministers of Hospitality

5:15 pm – Team 1
8:00 am – Team 5
10:00 am – Team 9

Weekly EM (April 2-6)

Ann Benson

Laurel's Peak Service – (April 5)

Jane Jans & Elaine Koch

WOMEN CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE

Saturday, May 5, 9:00am-4:30pm sewing/craft retreat at St. Joseph the Worker Church. Beginner to advanced, bring your own project and/or work on material provided for quilt projects which will be donated to veterans and local charities. \$40 registration fee includes all-day sewing space, valet service 9:00-10:30am, lunch, snacks, refreshments, door prizes, quilting project demo. Profit will be going to our sister parish in Haiti towards building their school. Contact/register: St. Joseph the Worker Office 388-3766. Questions call Marilyn 388-8887. Available items: ironing boards/iron, cutting boards.



**FLOWERS FOR MARY
DONATED FOR WEEK OF
March 30/April 1**

*Donated by the Zimmerman Family
in Memory of Tom Zimmerman*

AREA NEWS

MAN OF GOD

*Diocese of Winona Men's Conference
Saturday, April 7, 2018 9:00am to 4:00 pm
Lourdes High School in Rochester*

Men can expect dynamic talks, great food, and opportunities to participate in the Holy Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration. Keynote speaker: Jason Angelette. Registration fee \$25. Register online at www.dow.org/event-details/413. Hardcopy registration available upon request. Contact Peter Martin - pmartin@dow.org.

GOOD COUNSEL TUTORING

Does your child need a boost to be more confident in school? Sign up for one-to-one tutoring in reading and math, grades kindergarten to 10th, *June 4-22, 2018*, weekdays Monday through Friday. Register for the summer program before *May 1* by contacting Good Counsel Learning Center—School Sisters of Notre Dame, at 507-389-4229, or email lcdirector@ssndcp.org. Fifteen hours of one-to-one instruction with an experienced teacher—\$375 for three weeks and a \$10 registration fee/family. More at www.gclearningcenter.org

MOVING FORWARD



Hope United Grief Group Spring Retreat for Loss of Spouse/ Significant Other - April 13 to April 15, 2018 (Beginning Friday 7:00

PM through Sunday 11:00 AM)

Interdenominational Retreat - St. Teresa Campus, Winona, MN. Main Speakers with breakout sessions with facilitators that have experienced the loss of a spouse. Keynote Speaker: Corrine Kindschy, Widow and Certified Spiritual Director.

For more information contact Marlene Hunt - 507-381-1176 or email: marlenehunt53@gmail.com
Facebook Page: Hope United Grief Group

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS:

Are you looking for an enriching experience in service to the local community? The Refugee Outreach program sponsored by the Good Counsel Learning Center is seeking volunteers, especially women, to help refugee women in their homes learn functional English. The program is one hour twice a week, with the schedule determined as convenient for both parties. Sr. Richarde' Marie Wolf, coordinator of the program, provides materials and training for volunteers. Call Sr. Richarde' Marie at 507-389-4260 or visit the Refugee Outreach page on the website at www.gclearningcenter.org.