

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

**St. John's Knights of Columbus
632 S. Broad St.—Mankato, MN**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Sunday, April 8, 2018

**From 8:45am—11:30am in Matthews Hall
(Lower Level of St. John's Church)**

Come Join us for...

**Delicious Pancakes (plain and blueberry), Eggs,
Meat, Apple Sauce, Coffee, Milk and Orange Juice
Proceeds to Echo Food Shelf and
St. John's Vacation Bible School**

Suggested Donation: Adults \$7
\$24.00 Max for family

April 8, 2018 - Second Sunday of Easter - Gospel: John 20:19-31

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Loyola Catholic School 507-388-0600
 Website - www.loyolacatholicschool.org

LOYOLA AMBASSADORS ST. JOHN'S PARISH:

Beth Johnson 388-6312

ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

Pastoral Leadership Team:

Monica Priebe	Jaci James
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Amy Kloss, family rep	Kelly Meehling, family rep
Savanna Witte, youth rep	Jayden Hatkin, youth rep

Parish Trustees:

Jim Swanson	Najwa Massad
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OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

As we all struggle with the late spring snows Connections Shelter is preparing to shut down for the season. Their last day is April 7th. Between the months of October and April 150 people have used this rotating shelter. The youngest was an infant ... the oldest a senior citizen. Some are chronically homeless. Others are young families just not able to make ends meet. These late winter storms just accentuate the large need our community has.

This night time shelter that focuses on families and children rotates between participating congregations in the community. This last year 8 congregations opened their buildings to the shelter for a week at a time.

St Johns has been approached to help with the shelter as they plan and prepare for the next winter season. Opportunity knocks. We will be meeting on May 1st at 6:30 pm in the Marion Room to discuss what our contribution will be. If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee or in volunteering at the shelter this fall please call the church office.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 9 - Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

8:15 am – Communion Service

Tuesday, April 10 - Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

8:15 am – Betty Simpson, Jim Penning†, Delores Reuter†

Wednesday, April 11 - Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

8:15 am – Hazel Jones†, Phyllis Goettl†

Thursday, April 12 - Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

8:15 am – Communion Service

Friday, April 13 - Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

8:15 am – Delores Reuter†

Saturday, April 14 - Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

5:15 pm – Mark Snaza†, Kenneth Doering†, David Graham†,
 Valeria Frederick†, Geraldine Berens†

Sunday, April 15 - Acts 4:8-12; Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

8:00 am – Vic Chalhoub†, Tony & Alice Rotchadl†,
 Clair Haefner†, Steve Stanke†

10:00 am – Joseph & Martha Phillips, Paul Hanly†,
 Mary Ann Welker†, Floyd Roberts†

ST. JOHN'S BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of St. John's Book Club will be Wednesday, April 18 at 1:30 p.m. in the church library. The selection for April is *I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou. If you wish to join the discussion, pick up a copy of the book at the parish office.

No Men's Club Meeting on April 12, 2018.
 The next meeting will be May 10, 2018

THE WEEK AHEAD

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

PASTORAL CARE ASSOCIATE/PARISH ADMINISTRATOR POSITION

Monday, April 9

Catholic Social Teaching - 12:00 PM - John Paul II room
CCW meeting – 3:30 PM – John Paul II room
Spirit Singers – 5:00 PM – St. Elizabeth room

Tuesday, April 10

Sunrise AA Meeting – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Project Embrace – 5:00 PM – St. Elizabeth room
Pastoral Leadership Meeting – 6:00 PM – Marian room
Hope-Grief Ministry – 5:15 PM – John Paul II room

Wednesday, April 11

Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room
Choir for Christ – 5:15 PM – Church
Middle School Parent Meeting – 6:30 PM – PLC Gym
Roots, Edge - 6:30 PM - PLC Cafeteria, Matthews Hall
Life Teen – 8:00 PM – PLC Gym

Thursday, April 12

Simon Ministry – 10:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Laurels Peak Mass – 3:00 PM – Laurels Peak

Friday, April 13

Al-Anon – 6:30 AM – Parish Library
Early Risers AA – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall

Saturday, April 14

Depuydt/Bormann wedding - 2:30 PM - church
Perfectly Yourself – 4:00 PM – John Paul II room

Sunday, April 15

Perfectly Yourself – 9:00 AM – John Paul II room
Perfectly Yourself – 11:00 AM – John Paul II room
Alpha Spring 2018 – 5:00 PM – Matthews Hall

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

ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY

Thank you so much for your generosity toward ECHO Food Shelf. **Pack the Pews** brought in over \$4,000 and almost 200 lbs. of food. You were very generous throughout the month of March. Thank You for your support.

LIVING THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY WITHIN OUR PARISH AND 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.

GIVE ALMS TO THE POOR

- Give up your vanilla latte or iced chai once a week each month. Send the dollars to help Catholic Charities and other organizations that serve the poor .
- Choose to donate one night out each month at your favorite restaurant, movie theatre, laser tag, or music concert and help serve those struggling to make ends meet.

- Family Project-Save Your "Change" Change a life! Keep a jar-save your loose change and donate the proceeds to "change" the lives of the marginalized served.
- Birthday Blessing! Ask family and friends to give you a gift of their time in lieu of a present. Go to the movies, a long walk or bike ride, prepare a meal together. Take time to nurture relationships

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**



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.

LOYOLA NEWS

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.

Loyola 8th graders participated in their annual Youth Frontiers COURAGE Retreat on Thursday...making good choices, standing up for what is right, and modeling integrity.

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.

Knowledge Bowl team members Jerid Buhs, Roman Rozhnov, Luke Vetter, Brendan Kane, and Alex Backman are going to State later this month; our 7th grade **Robotics team** Mason Stoffel, Teigyn Moore, Joe Kollasch, Raiden Gruenzner, Emily Coudron and Beth Ness competed with 85 national/international teams at the CREATE U.S. ROBOTICS championship in Council Bluffs IA earlier this week; Loyola vocalists participated in **MN State High School League solo/ensemble/choir** events this weekend.

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.*

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Divine Mercy

Experience the Power of God's Mercy

Join Fr. Michael Gaitley on a breathtaking journey to uncover the reality of God's merciful love as he weaves together history, Sacred Scripture, the prophetic apparitions of Fatima, and the world-changing witnesses of St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and Pope St. John Paul II.



"This series will change your life! Fr. Gaitley has scored another home run with this series."

—Dan S., Milledgeville, GA

Watch on formed.org



FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

To Access FORMED.org - Use Parish Code: WHF3J9

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

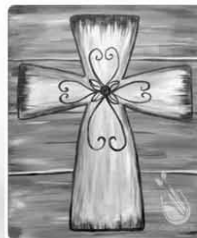


SPAGHETTI FEED FUNDRAISER!

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

	April 1, 2018	Budget
Adult Envelopes/Electronic Giving	\$ 19,917.50	\$16,865.00
Offertory	\$ 1,908.45	\$ 557.00
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$ 300.00	
Holy Thursday & Good Friday	\$ 4,571.88	

Budget Status: February 2018

	<u>Current Fiscal YTD*</u>	<u>Prior Fiscal YTD</u>
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: Apr 9 Team 4, Apr 16 Team 1, Apr 23 Team 2

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2017**

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

St. John's Young Stewards Time & Treasure

Children's Envelopes \$161.38

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2018**

<u>Balance</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2018</u>
<u>January 1, 2018</u>	<u>collections</u>	<u>Contributions needed</u>
(\$ 71,730)	\$ 21,223	(\$ 50,507)

** 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.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“Love one another as I have loved you.” John 13:34 - Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and experience the love of your spouse like you never have before. The next available Weekends are Apr 13-15, 2018 in HUTCHINSON, MN and Sep 14-16, 2018 in KASSON, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

MRCI VOLUNTEERS

Do you have a hobby or skill that you can share with others? MRCI WorkSource is seeking enthusiastic volunteers to share their time and talents with adults with disabilities. Whether you enjoy music, arts, wellness or any recreational activity...we'd love to have you! No special experience needed, just a skill that others might enjoy learning. If you are interested, please contact Julie Cline, MRCI Community Integration Coordinator at 507-386-5651 or at jcline@mrciworksource.org

MRCI DONATIONS

Items sold at the MRCI Thrift Shop provide not only work opportunities for our clients, but raises funds to help with MRCI programming and facilities. To donate call: 388-3867.

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...



**Remember
in
Prayer**

Brent Guggisberg
passed away March 26, 2018.
Our deepest sympathy to his family.

Geraldine Berens
passed away March 27, 2018.
Our deepest sympathy to her family.

Eleanor Osdoba
passed away March 28, 2018.
Our deepest sympathy to her family.

Eileen Hibma,
passed away March 31, 2018.
Our deepest sympathy to her family.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 14/15

Musicians

5:15 pm – Tom & Lisa Bierer
8:00 am – Mary Pribyl / Spirit Singers
10:00 am – Jaci James / Choir for Christ

Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Lisa Adams, Dale Barrie, Lynn Beadell,
Mardell Brauer, John Bulcock, Rita Dauw, Monica Orth,
Kathy Wortel
8:00 am – Massaad Chahine, Janet & Mike Denn, Bill Simonette,
Barb & Mark Traxler, Chad & Martha Witte
10:00 am – Ma Linda Henderson, Delanie Jaqua, Joann Jaqua,
Jeanne Kelly, Amy Kloss, Ronnie Lech, Elaine Looney,
Dawn Matz

Lector

5:15 pm – Sheila Skilling, Kathy Wortel
8:00 am – Martha & Savanna Witte
10:00 am – Debbie Blaschko, Julia Corbett

Sacristan

5:15 pm – Jane Jans
8:00 am – Sheri Fedson, Pat Sullivan
10:00 am – Joann Jaqua, Trainee

Server

5:15 pm – Bria Baumgard, Monica Orth
8:00 am – Eli Blace Collin Kirschner
10:00 am – Oivia Jaqua, Cameron Miller, Connor Raitz

Ministers of Hospitality

5:15 pm – Team 2
8:00 am – Team 6
10:00 am – Team 10

Weekly EM (April 9-13)

Mike Burkhardt

Laurel's Peak Service – (April 12)

Mike & Jean Burkhardt

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

April 7/8

Donated by the Charles Buley Family
in Memory of Charles Buley

AREA NEWS

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

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.

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

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ADOPTION

Choosing adoption for your unborn child is a very loving and mature decision. Even when you know it's the right choice, support and guidance is helpful. Catholic Charities provides confidential services at no cost, and we facilitate open, semi open, or closed adoptions. You can find a loving home for your baby. Call Catholic Charities at 1-800-222-5859 or go to www.ccsomn.org for more information.