

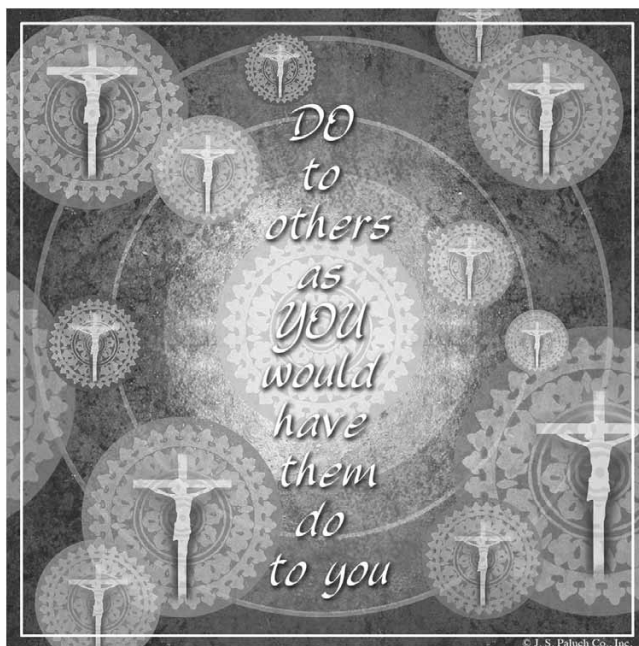
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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



February 24, 2019 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Luke 6:27-38

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From the Pastor's Desk

I am often impressed by the love I see in the families of our parish community. As you work hard to create safe havens for your family, there is an issue that needs addressing - pornography.

Pornography is hurting many people including marriages, families, singles and even children. Recently our bishops stated, "The use of pornography by anyone in the home deprives the home of its role as a safe haven and has negative effects throughout a family's life and across generations.

Thus, on March 2-3 we will be celebrating the first annual "Safe Haven Sunday", with the theme, "Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children". This effort can open our community to the seriousness of the issue and to recommit ourselves to ensuring our homes as "Safe Havens". Next weekend there will be materials available for this effort.

Peace,
Fr. John Kunz

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 25 – Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29
8:15 am - Communion Service

Tuesday, February 26 - Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37
8:15 am – Jack Koch†, Joan Kellen†, Elaine Michels†

Wednesday, February 27 - Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mk 9:38-40
8:15 am – Mary Jane & Bob Wandersee†

Thursday, February 28 – Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50
8:15 am – Communion Service

Friday, March 1 - Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12
8:15 am – Ken Ziegler†, John DeMeglio†

Saturday, March 2 - Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16
5:15 pm – Dick Longenecker†, Teresa Brielmaier†

Sunday, March 3 - Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45
8:00 am – Ron Herz†, Hazel Jones†

10:00 am – Delores Reuter†, Paul Hanly†, Clair Haefner†,
Tony & Alice Rotchadl†, Parishioners of St. John's,

THE WEEK AHEAD

FEBRUARY 25-March 3

Monday, February 25

Communion Service – 8:15 - Church
Spirit Singers – 5:30 PM - St Elizabeth room

Tuesday, February 26

Sunrise AA Meeting – 6:30 AM - Matthews Hall
Daily Mass – 8:15 AM – Church
Hope-Grief Ministry – 5:15 PM - John Paul II room
Knights of Columbus – 6:30 PM - PLC

Wednesday, February 27

Daily Mass – 8:15 AM – Church
Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room
Choir for Christ (C4C) – 5:15 PM – Church
Roots & Edge - 6:30 PM – PLC Cafeteria, Matthews Hall
Life Teen – 7:30 PM – PLC gym

Thursday, February 28

Communion Service – 8:15 AM – Church
Simon Ministry – 10:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Laurels Peak Mass – 3:00 PM – Laurels Peak
Conversion Study – 6:30 PM – John Paul II room

Friday, March 1

Al-Anon – 6:30 AM – Parish Library
Early Risers AA – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Daily Mass – 8:15 AM – Church

Saturday, March 2

Prayer Walk – 9:00 AM – Madison East Mall
Mass – 5:15 PM – Church

Sunday, March 3

Mass – 8:00 AM – Church
Mass – 10:00 AM – Church
Faith Formation (Grades 1, 3, 4) – 9:00 AM – PLC
Sacramental Prep – 9:00 AM – PLC Cafeteria
CLW – 10:10 AM – Matthews Hall

Ash
Wednesday

Lent Begins on Wednesday, March 6, 2019

8:15 am Mass

12:10pm Ash Service

7:00pm Mass

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser for Connections Ministry

Southern Minnesota Nurses is sponsoring a Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser on Sunday, March 24th at the Victory Bowl in Mankato. The Cost is \$25 per individual (4-5 individuals per team) and Includes 2 games of bowling with shoes, snacks and eligibility for door prizes. Teams of all ages including family, youth or adults are welcome.

As a member of St Johns you can help us support this fundraiser for Connections Ministry by:

- 1) Putting a team together and bowling. If you have a team, you can register by filling out the registration form found on the easel in the church narthex and mailing it, as directed on the form.
- 2) Want to bowl and need help connecting with a team or have questions about the event? Contact Pat Shortall by email pshort@hickorytech.net or phone 507-327-6907
- 3) If you would like to make a separate donation for this fundraiser, checks can be made out to Connections Ministry and sent to the church office. Attention Mike Logeais

Office of Safe Environment:

Safe Environment Re-Certification Training: In February and March, the diocesan Safe Environment Office will launch Keeping Our Promise Alive 3.0, a VIRTUS® online re-certification training for anyone who completed the “VIRTUS live training” in 2014 or earlier. Employees and volunteers of DOW-R parishes or schools that are due for re-certification will receive an email from VIRTUS Online with credentials to login and complete the training, which takes 30-40 minutes and can be done at any time of the day.

St. John's Prayer Network -

To submit a prayer request, please call:

**Sandy Roberts 387-1372 or
or Alice DiMeglio 345-5273**

**Email: Pastoral Care Associate at:
mike@stjohnsmankato.net**



**FLOWERS FOR MARY
DONATED FOR WEEK OF
FEBRUARY 23/24**

*Donated by Juli and Michael Blaine
In Memory of Rose Wenner*



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 Instagram Youth Page!

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.

We welcome our newest Christians into the family of God and St. John's parish.



Ella Julianne Blanchard
Parents: Doug and Ashley Blanchard
Baptized : February 17, 2019

Everett Thomas McIntee
Parents: Patrick and Kelly McIntee
Baptized: February 16, 2019



The Loyola Key Club is sponsoring a **Blood Drive Tuesday Feb. 26th**. It will be held in the Loyola Gym from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please call 1-800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: LOYOLAHSKATO to schedule an appointment. Due to the weather the Red Cross is very much in need of all blood types. Please consider becoming a donor. If you have any questions contact Sue Goebel (sgoebel@loyolacatholicschool.org)

LOYOLA NEWS



Are you ready to come and see what Loyola is all about? Loyola is hosting **Family Tour/Shadow Day** on Friday, **March 8**. Your child can "shadow" a Loyola student for the day, for half the day or for an hour. Family tours are also available! Call us to reserve your spot: 507-388-0600.

Over 200 students will unite in song as choirs from Mankato East, West, and Loyola High Schools and the Mankato Children's Chorus join musical forces for a collaborative **Draw the Circle Wide concert**. The concert will be held February 24 at 7:30pm at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 105 N. 5th Street and will benefit The REACH and the Quentin Shevy family. Free will donation will be accepted.

February is I Love to Read Month! Loyola will be celebrating with dress up days, spontaneous drop everything and read moments, and we will be hosting a Family Reading Night on February 20, 6-8pm.

Learn about Loyola Catholic School (PS-12). Visit www.loyolacatholicschool.org. Contact Angela Casteel at acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org or 507.388.0615 to schedule family tours.

Preschool registration is now open. PreK (all day), PS 5 day AM, PS 3 day AM, PS 2 day AM and afternoon care available. Limited availability, contact us TODAY! 507.388.0615 or see our website.

Please prayerfully consider a planned gift to Loyola Catholic School when choosing your **legacy**.

Save the Date!

March 3: **Chillin for a Cure.** Visit Loyola from 11:30-2:00 for a family-friendly community event to raise awareness for rare and chronic diseases. Highlights a chili cook-off, bingo, cookie decorating, and outdoor winter fun.

March 8: **Family Tour/Shadow Day.** Come for a tour or have your child spend part or all of the day with us! 507-388-0600

March 19: **Kindergarten Round up, 6pm**

April 1: **Kindergarten Round up, 6pm**

High School Information Night, 7:30pm, geared toward current 7th and 8th graders and their parents, but open to anyone interested in high school at Loyola.

Want to **volunteer** at school? Call us! 388.0600

THANKYOU to all who send us **Box Tops for Education, Hy-Vee receipts, and Milk Moola labels.** Please note- the Milk Moola program will be discontinued on March 31.

Your parish support makes all we do, learn, and celebrate at Loyola possible.

Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service.

FAITH FORMATION



**Summer
Mission Trip**

**High School
Youth:
We've got a few
spots open &
there's still time
to join
our team!**

JULY 14 - 19, 2019

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YOUNG NEIGHBORS IN ACTION

Contact Mairin
mbierer@stjohnsmankato.net



YAC Mankato Young Adult Catholics

A ministry for young adults (20s/30s, married/single, kids/no kids) in the Mankato area!

Men's Study: Monday evenings 6pm, contact Shawn Pierce @ 507-380-6498 or check Facebook for more information.

Women's Study: Monday evenings 6pm, contact Cristina Roche @ 612-805-3705 or check Facebook for more information.

Safe Haven Sunday:

Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children

The family home is to be a safe haven. But the inappropriate use of technology in the home deprives it of this role, and is the greatest threat to the sanctity of marriages and families today. Pornography and other online threats are often one click away, and parents can feel overwhelmed with not knowing how to best protect their children in our fast-paced digital world.

Next weekend, **March 2-3, 2019**, the **Diocese of Winona-Rochester** is taking a bold step to help families by celebrating **Safe Haven Sunday**. This awareness day will provide access to practical resources that any caring adult can use to protect themselves and our young people from online risks.

Please join us with your prayers and presence as we prepare for this unique event. To learn more, please contact Jaci James or visit <http://www.stjohnscatholicchurch.com/safe-haven-sunday.html>.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

February 17, 2019

Adult Envelopes/Electronic Giving	\$	10,747.50
Offertory	\$	502.00
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$	63.00

Budget Status: January 31, 2019

Current Year-to-Date Adult Giving	\$522,258.42
Current Year-to-Date Adult Budget	\$530,493.25

Money Counters: Feb. 25 Team, 3; March 4 Team 4; March 11 Team 1

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2019**

	Year-to-Date	2019
2019 Balance	Collections	Contributions needed
\$ 73,680	\$ 1,550	\$ 72,130

BUILDING TUCK POINTING PROJECT

Cost/Goal	Building & Savings Funds	Contributions needed
\$260,000.00	\$224,529	\$35,471

St. John's Young Stewards Time & Treasure

Children's Envelopes \$33.62

(Talents from Children's Envelopes)

Time: I helped Mom.

Talent: Singing

** Catholic Ministries Appeal 2019 Parish obligation is paid to the Catholic Foundation of Southern MN which is a separate entity from the Diocese of Winona-Rochester.

*United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota
In re Diocese of Winona-Rochester, Case No. 18-33707*



2019
Catholic Ministries Appeal
Renew Faith. Extend Mercy. Inspire Hope.

Heavenly Father, may we grow closer to Christ through our support of the 2019 Catholic Ministries Appeal. We thank you, Lord, for your many blessings you have bestowed upon us. We cherish the gifts of time, talent and treasure that each member of our universal Church family makes to build up Christ's Church in love. We ask you, Lord, to send us forth in this spirit of love to serve our communities and our world with open hearts. Amen.

Catholic Foundation of Southern Minnesota
www.catholicfsmn.org

DIOCESE OF WINONA-ROCHESTER

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, a parish in the Diocese, a school in the Diocese, or have any claim against the Diocese, you must file a claim by April 8, 2019.

For more information, visit www.dowr.org

For U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota information, visit mnb.uscourts.gov

For advice about your rights, contact an attorney

"It felt like a honeymoon... I couldn't wait to get home and see her at the end of the day." - husband who attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

Bring back the honeymoon in your marriage. The next available Weekends are Apr 26-28, 2019 in HUTCHINSON, MN and Nov 15-17, 2019 in OWATONNA, 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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MARCH 2/3

Musicians

5:15 pm – Michael Steimel / Jaci James

8:00 am – Tom & Lisa Bierer

10:00 am – Mary Pribyl / Spirit Singers

Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Mardell Brauer, Rita Dauw, Karen Dehn,
John Fell, Paul Gaspar, Lynn Klingsporn,
Paul Stevens, Kathy Wortel

8:00 am – Sue Durbala, Nicole Goebel, Cindy Hanson,
Brian & Jan Hughes, Candy Jenson, Dan Kapsner,
Mary Westby

10:00 am – Dan & Sandy Fogal, Deb & Scott Fogal,
Amy Kloss, Elaine Loaney, Chris Meehan,
Nick Meyer

Lector

5:15 pm – John Fell, Ken Klingsporn

8:00 am – Nicole Goebel, Mary Westby

10:00 am – JoAnn Alfson, Jeanne Atkinson

Sacristan

5:15 pm – Don Lingen

8:00 am – Randy Meyer

10:00 am – Becki Stranik

Server

5:15 pm – Olivia Altomari, Renee Schweim

8:00 am – Taiton & Teigyn Moore

10:00 am – Lola Jones, Christian & Ciara Keech

Ministers of Hospitality

5:15 pm – Team 4

8:00 am – Team 8

10:00 am - Team 12

Weekly EM (February 25-March 1)

Mike Burkhardt

Laurel's Peak Service – (February 28)

Margaret Schmidt, Theresa Evers

BIRTHRIGHT RAFFLE

It is again time for the Knights of Columbus to co-sponsor its annual "Benefit for Birthright" Ticket Raffle. Tickets are available at the Holy Rosary Parish Office or by calling David Mutch at 387-5406. The cost of a book of 6 tickets is \$6.00. There are 5 prizes ranging in value from \$50.00-\$250.00.

AREA NEWS

PASTA WITH THE PADRES IS COMING!

The 12th Annual "Pasta with the Padres" fundraiser for ECHO Food Shelf, sponsored by the four Mankato area Catholic churches, will be held at St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church on Sunday, March 10th from 4-7 pm. We will need a lot of helpers again this year with both the dinner and Silent Auction. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex of the church. Please sign up to help and then plan to attend. Its lots of fun!

Lenten Men's Silent Retreat

Several men in the parish have the tradition of making a silent retreat during Lent. Please join us the weekend of **March 9-10 at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo**. It's a wonderful chance to reflect, renew and recharge spiritually in a peaceful, beautiful setting with a private room and delicious food. This year's theme is "Be Patient in Affliction." Please contact Warren Djerf for more information, at (952) 929-0453 or warren@brookcomm.net.

Women's Retreat

Saturday, March 16, 2019

9 AM – 2 PM Registration starts at 8:30 AM

"Faith and Trust"

Sister Therese Even SSND will be the presenter to help us grow in our relationship with the Lord. We will concentrate on the Serenity Prayer as a way of life. After lunch she will share how Jesus came to heal us in every area of our lives. An opportunity for questions will follow. A \$5 donation for lunch is payable with the RSVP to Holy Rosary Parish Office, 525 Grant Ave, North Mankato, 387-6501 by **March 2**.

Chillin' for a Cure, A Community Event!

Raising Awareness of Rare and Chronic Diseases

FUN FOR FAMILIES

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

CHILI COOKOFF WITH CASH PRIZE

VENDOR/BAKE SALE • BINGO • KIDS ACTIVITIES • OUTDOOR FUN

Sunday, March 3 • 11-2pm

Loyola School Campus

145 Good Counsel Drive

Find us on Facebook or email us at

chillinforacure@gmail.com