



# 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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November 18, 2018 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mark 13:24-32

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

## LOYOLA AMBASSADORS ST. JOHN'S PARISH:

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## ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

### Pastoral Leadership Team:

Dan Hansen	Jaci James
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Mick Hickok, adult rep	Dan Hansen, young family rep
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Savanna Witte, youth rep	Jayden Hatkin, youth rep
Phil White	Ann Benson

### Parish Trustees:

Jim Swanson	Najwa Massad
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### From the Pastor's Desk

Thanksgiving week set a new tone in our lives. In regards to the church calendar, it usually comes at the end of the year.

Advent is just around the corner, which begins a new church year. In the transition, we are told this weekend, the Word of God, "Will not pass away". It seems an important time to stay connected to God in Word and Sacrament. We know that life will heat up as the holiday preparations begin. To be centered in Christ is our hope and strength.

Peace,  
Fr. John

# MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 19 – Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4  
 8:15 am - Communion Service

Tuesday, November 20 - Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11  
 8:15 am – Marlene Fredricks†

Wednesday, November 21 - Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19  
 8:15 am – Joan Kellen†, Fr George Mangalipaily & Family,  
 Richard Longenecker†

Thursday, November 22 – Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a;  
 Lk 21:20-28 - **Thanksgiving**  
 9:00 am – Paul Brockhaus†, Gil & Jerre Berens†,  
 Glen & Todd Dezell†

Friday, November 23 - Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22  
 8:15 am – Leo Killion†

Saturday, November 24 - Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36  
 5:15 pm – Ann Frost Sobraske†, Phyllis Goettl†,  
 Floyd Roberts, Jr†, Debby McGuire†, Raymond Lardy†

Sunday, November 25 - Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2;  
 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36  
 8:00 am – Charles Buley†, Nan Curtis†,  
 Parishioners of St. John's  
 10:00 am – Ken & Marilyn Berg†, Delores Reuter†,  
 Luciana Hill†

### St. John's Prayer Network -

To submit a prayer request, please call:

**Sandy Roberts 387-1372 or Alice DiMeglio 345-5273**  
**or email: Pastoral Care Associate at:**  
**mike@stjohnsmankato.net**

# THE WEEK AHEAD

## Monday, November 19

Communion Service – 8:15 AM – Church  
Thanksgiving Basket assembly & distribution – 12:00 AM –  
Matthews Hall  
Spirit Singers – 5:00 PM – St. Elizabeth room  
Alpha – 6:00 PM - Library

## Tuesday, November 20

Sunrise AA Meeting – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall  
Daily Mass – 8:15 AM – Church  
Hope-Grief Ministry – 5:15 PM – John Paul II room  
Finance Meeting – 6:00 PM – Marian Room

## Wednesday, November 21

Daily Mass – 8:15 AM - Church  
Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room  
Fall Journey through Grief – 9:30 AM – John Paul II room  
Community NPSL Mass – 10:00 AM –  
New Perspective Senior Living  
Choir for Christ (C4C) – 5:15 PM – Church  
Roots & Edge – 6:30 PM – PLC Cafeteria  
Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service – 7:00 PM –  
First Congregational United Church of Christ  
150 Stadium Rd  
Life Teen – 7:30 PM – PLC gym

## Thursday, November 22

Thanksgiving Day  
Thanksgiving Mass – 9:00 AM – Church

**OFFICE CLOSED**

## Friday, November 23

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

**OFFICE CLOSED**

## Saturday, November 24

Mass - 5:15 pm

## Sunday, November 25

Christ the King Sunday  
Mass - 8:00 am & 10:00 am

### **ST. JOHN'S BOOK CLUB**

The St. John Book Club book for this month is "Wisken and Hopin" by Wally Lamb. Anita Maki has extra copies, if you'd like a copy for have questions. Discussion will be at 1:30 pm in the St. John's library on December 12th in the library. New members are welcome. If you have any questions please call Anita Maki at 507-386-1395.

# ST. JOHN'S NEWS

## **Thanksgiving Basket Service Project**

Once again it is time to start our long standing tradition of giving Thanksgiving Baskets to our parishioners that could use a little hope and food for the Thanksgiving holiday. We need the help of the whole parish to be able to collect the food and money to assemble baskets. Last year we were able to serve many families! The items needed are boxed dressing, packets or jars of gravy, canned vegetables, cranberries, sweet potatoes, cream of mushroom soup, French fried onion rings. Fresh items needed are frozen turkey, potatoes, fruit, pie & dinner rolls. Shopping lists & volunteer opportunities are available at the entrances of the church. Boxes will be at the church entrances for non-perishable items. For perishable items, please contact Mike at the parish office to make arrangements for drop off.

On the weekend of November 17/18, we encourage families to bring their donations to the altar at Offertory time. Basket assemble and distribution will be in Matthew's Hall, Monday, November 19, 2018.



### **JUST A REMINDER**

Please DO NOT park in front of St. John's maintenance garage in the alley (by door #15) during the winter months. Snow removal equipment needs to be taken in and out of this area. Thank You.

### **SIMON MINISTRY CHRISTMAS**

As a centrally located downtown parish, Simon Ministry is our parish supported ministry to the poor, unemployed and those in need. On December 6, 2018, Simon Ministry will be offering our visitors a Christmas party/gathering. We would like to offer out visitors a lunch and a chance to Christmas shop for themselves or someone in their family.

We are asking the parish for new, unwrapped gifts for mostly men and women. Suggested items are: personal care gift sets, heavy socks, long & short sleeve T-shirts, sweatshirts, flannel shirts, lounge flannel pants, all items in sizes for men and women: L, XL, XXL. Other items appreciated are bath towels, light blankets and backpacks. Collection baskets are placed in the back of church and the entrance near the elevator. Donations are due December 2, 2018.



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](http://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.

## CONFIRMANDI 2018

Sadie Ann Blace	Elizabeth Marie Boerboom
Jacob Michael Brockhaus	Brenna Marie Bruender
Rachel Ann Clifford	George Thomas Dhuyvetter
Anna Elizabeth Egeland	Braeden Jae Egeland
Elizabeth Joy Fischer	Caleb John Fogal
Jack Timothy Foster	Matthew Dennis Gartner
Thomas Scott Geyer	Maxwell Abraham Goertzen
Jared Alan Grams	Wendy Halverson
Braeden Patrick Hendel	Matthew Leo Keltgen
Elizabeth Rose Meidl	Sami Sarah Naples
Mary Pham Ngo	Jack Frederick Norris
Samual Thomas Orcutt	Andrea Ovalle
Taylor Anne Plasschaert	Lauren Rose Reuter
Jacob Patrick Reynolds	David Donald Rezac
Jack Henry Roering	Ethan August Schmid
Julia Marie Schmitt	Stephen Bruce Schwartz
Ashley Tyler Sheldon	Sarah Kristine Skjeveland
Spencer Harlan Spaude	Javen Anthony Tasler
Cameron Todd Truebenbach	Anna Blair White
Holly Kay Wiste	Sarah Marie Yenish



# LOYOLA NEWS



Learn about Loyola Catholic School (PS-12) Visit [www.loyolacatholicschool.org](http://www.loyolacatholicschool.org)

Contact **Angela Casteel** at [acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org) or 507.388.0615 to schedule family tours.

### Save the Date!

**November 16: Wired to the Heart**, A Heavenly Night, annual fundraising gala.

**Host Families needed:** We need 7 more families to host students from Argentina for a homestay/shadow experience from Jan 6-Feb 9. Host families receive a stipend for providing room/board, meals, and transportation to and from school each day. Contact Angela at 507.388.0615 or [acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org) or Julienne Antes of Nacel Open Door at 507.304.2143 to choose your student. Each student must have a host family by Dec. 1.

On Nov. 1&2, **student leaders, parents and staff participated in Top 20 training**, a program designed to help all to reach toward their full potential by creating a culture in which everyone acknowledges each person's dignity, worth and purpose.

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

**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.

*Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service.*



## Sarah Swafford

"Relationships: It's Complicated"

Wednesday  
November 28th  
@ Loyola High School

SCHEDULE  
5:30pm - Mass with Bishop Quinn  
6:30pm - Pizza  
7:15pm - Sarah Swafford  
8:15pm - Split Sessions for Parents & Youth

**FREE for grade 7-12  
St. John's Youth & Parents!**

## St. John's

# Monthly Prayer Focus



## NOVEMBER

### Act of Contrition & Daily Examen

PRAYER is one of the three aspects of our Parish Mission and identity: PRAYER-SERVICE-LEARNING. For our 2018-2019 Faith Formation Year, we want to focus on different prayer experiences. Our goal is to assist people of all ages in simplifying our prayer, taking time to pray, and receiving resources of various prayer types.

We will plan different written prayers and/or prayer types for each month, provide physical and visual aids for these prayers, and practice or utilize these prayers in our weekend Masses and other planned liturgies. We hope you will introduce them and pray them together in your families and homes.

### Prayer for Children

The Daily Examen includes an opportunity to reflect on our sins and express our sorrow for them. Our children in Sacramental Prep are learning about sin and how we ask for forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. All of our young children will focus on and learn the Act of Contrition this month.

### Connecting to the Liturgy

To help our children learn the prayer and to remind ourselves of our need to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly, we will pray the Act of Contrition in place of the Confiteor (I confess to almighty God...) at our weekend liturgies in November.

Resources: 1) The Daily Examen (an examination of conscience) on one side with a Schedule for Individual and Communal Reconciliation opportunities on the back; 2) The Act of Contrition on one side with How to Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the back.

**Stop by our RECONCILIATION STATION on the Mary-side altar to pick up your resources.**

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## RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS  
4:30 - 5:00 PM

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Additional Opportunities for Individual Reconciliation  
November & December 2018

Sunday, November 4th 9:10 - 9:40 am	Tuesday, December 11th 7:00 pm
Sunday, November 10th 9:10 - 9:40 am	Friday, December 14th 8:45 am
Sunday, November 18th 9:10 - 9:40 am	Tuesday, December 18th 4:00 pm
Sunday, November 25th 9:10 - 9:40 am	

**Communal Reconciliation Service**  
Sunday, December 16th  
1:00 pm



### Prayer for Youth & Adults

The Daily Examen is a technique of prayerful reflection on the events of the day in order to detect God's presence and discern his direction for us. The Examen is an ancient practice in the Church that can help us see God's hand at work in our whole experience.

The method our Faith Formation team presents to you is adapted from a technique described by Ignatius Loyola in his Spiritual Exercises. St. Ignatius thought that the Examen was a gift that came directly from God, and that God wanted it to be shared as widely as possible. One of the few rules of prayer that Ignatius made for the Jesuit order was the requirement that Jesuits practice the Examen twice daily—at noon and at the end of the day. It's a habit that Jesuits, and many other Christians, practice to this day.

# FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	October 14, 2018	Budget
Adult Envelopes/Electronic Giving	\$ 12,964.25	\$ 16,865.00
Offertory	\$ 1,010.62	\$ 557.00
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$ 77.00	

**Money Counters:** Nov. 19 Team 4; Nov. 26 Team 1; Dec. 3 Team 2

<b>Budget Status: September 30, 2018</b>		
	<u>Current Fiscal YTD*</u>	<u>Prior Fiscal YTD</u>
Income	\$235,921.19	\$224,257.11
Expenses	(\$258,746.90)	(\$232,846.98)
<b>Operating Net Profit</b>	<b>(\$22,825.71)</b>	<b>(\$8,589.87)</b>

\* Results reflect many 2018 full year contributions.

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2018\*\*

Balance	2018	2018
<u>January 1, 2018</u>	<u>Collections</u>	<u>Contributions needed</u>
(\$ 71,730)	\$ 45,192	(\$ 26,538)

## St. John's Young Stewards Time & Treasure

Children's Envelopes \$91.99

*(Talents from Children's Envelopes)*

**Time:** Dishes

Clean and organize toys

**Talent:** gymnastics

\*\* 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.

## Works of Justice

### A Fund to aid the Work of Social Justice

Most parishioners are aware of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) that conducts a collection in our parishes in November. CCHD is the national, anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops. The Bishops have given CCHD the mission to address the root causes of poverty in the United States by promoting and supporting community-controlled, self-help organizations.

You may not be aware that 25% of the funds collected in the CCHD campaign remains in our Diocese. These proceeds help support "Works of Justice" fund, which awards up to \$5,000 for organizations that meet the criteria of operating local anti poverty programs. Works of Justice Funds are available for all organizations that fit the criteria of addressing root causes of poverty. To learn more or to apply, please contact Tom Parlin at the Catholic Charities office at tparlin@ccsommn.org or 454-2270 ext 246



### FLOWERS FOR MARY DONATED FOR WEEK OF

**November 17/18**

*Donated by The Witte Family  
In Memory of Trevor*

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;" Listen with your spouse for God's message of love by exploring a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next weekends are: **Nov. 16-18, 2018 in Windom, MN and Feb. 8-10, 2019 in Windom, MN.** Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact us at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

## MINNESOTA VALLEY CHORALE'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Features the World Premiere of

**"In Glory Everlasting"**

by David Von Kampen

**Saturday, Nov. 17 at 7PM**

Bethany Lutheran College

Trinity Chapel

700 Luther Drive-Mankato

**Sunday, Nov. 18 at 3PM**

St. John the Baptist

632 S. Broad St.-Mankato

# LITURGICAL MINISTERS

NOVEMBER 24/25

## Musicians

5:15 pm – Jaci James / Kristin Bogenschutz

8:00 am – Joyce Kolbet / Voices in Praise

10:00 am – Tom & Lisa Bierer

## Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Lisa Adams, Kelly Andresen, Dale Barrie,  
Lynn Beadell, Doug Blanchard, Paul Stevens, Mary Walker,  
Kathy Wortel

8:00 am – Chuck Frost, Patty Marzinske, Najwa Massad,  
Clarissa Meissner, Colleen Walters, Mary Westby,  
Chad & Martha Witte

10:00 am – Jerry & Lucy Goblirsch, Nick Meyer,  
Marsha Murphy, Sarah Nelson, Sharon Patterson,  
Jen Pfeffer, Jennifer Potocnik

## Lector

5:15 pm – Monica Orth, Sheila Skilling

8:00 am – Nicole Goebel, Terri Prange

10:00 am – Christopher & Tami Meehan

## Sacristan - Deb Meissner

8:00 am – Courtney Schaefer

10:00 am – Joann Jaqua

## Server

5:15 pm – Jonathan Bergquist, Renee Schweim, Matthew Soupir

8:00 am – Taiton & Teigyn Moore

10:00 am – Elizabeth & Reed Boerboom, Lola Jones

## Ministers of Hospitality

5:15 pm – Team 2

8:00 am – Team 6

10:00 am - Team 10

## Weekly EM (November 19-23)

Ann Benson

## Laurel's Peak Service – (November 22)

No Mass/Services - Thanksgiving

## The Board of Directors for the Connections Shelter invites YOU to:

A Pizza Ranch Fundraiser

Monday, December 3rd from 5 PM to 8:30 PM

The Connections Shelter Board of Directors invites you to kick off your holiday shopping with an extravagant buffet of pizza, fried chicken and all the fixings including dessert on Monday, December 3rd from 5 PM to 8:30 PM at The Pizza Ranch on Madison Avenue. Connections Shelter volunteers will be waiting tables that night while visiting with guests about this important ministry. All tip proceeds will support the shelter operations this winter.

See you at The Pizza Ranch!



# AREA NEWS

## Senior LinkAge Line and Other Help for Medicare Beneficiaries

Due to the unprecedented Medicare changes happening in Minnesota, call volume to the Senior LinkAge Line is expected to be much higher than normal during open enrollment. To help meet this demand, the Senior LinkAge Line has increased staff and expanded its hours to 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday. Even with these changes, wait times are anticipated to be longer than normal. To help manage the volume and ensure beneficiaries and caregivers get help, we offer these tips:

- Call 1-800-Medicare for assistance. They are ready to help with the Cost Plan transition.
- Call a trusted insurance agent or broker for help reviewing options and choosing a new plan or purchasing a policy.
- Those with Internet access can use the www.Medicare.gov Plan Finder to review options and enroll in a plan.
- Call the different plans to get information about their provider participation and preferred pharmacy network. The plans can also assist beneficiaries with enrollment.
- Before calling the Senior LinkAge Line, a plan or insurance agent, prepare a complete list of prescription drugs and dosages. This will allow them to better assist with reviewing options.
- When calling the Senior LinkAge Line for help with Medicare, press 2 to be routed to a Medicare specialist.

Thank you for your patience, as we do our best to help Minnesota Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers make these important decisions for 2019.

### Contact Information:

Robin Thompson,  
Information and Assistance Director  
Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging®, Inc.  
1-800-333-2433 extension 82016

## Winter Festival

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
St. Clair, MN on Saturday, December 1, 2018.  
Christmas Cookie and Holiday Treat Sale,  
Cutest Cupcake Contest, Luncheon from 11 am  
-1pm in the church basement and a raffle with  
drawing at 12 noon. Luncheon - \$6 for Adults;  
Students-\$4; Children under 4: Free