



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 4, 2018 - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mark 12:28b-34

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Website - www.loyolacatholicschool.org	

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ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

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From the Pastor's Desk

November is a month of change in weather. We have had lovely warm days and sometimes snowy, cold ones. We pray to receive well whatever comes.

The scribe knows the commandment of love - many times over. But this time he hears it from the voice of the Christ. Suddenly this touches his heart in a new way.

The challenge of life is to receive each day with that kind of docility and love. We may find our days slow and predictable at times. We wonder what can lift us out of the drudgery. November weather can sometimes push us that way also. We come today - the first Sunday of November - to hear the Christ speak the commandment of love to us. May we receive it with open hearts, that it may enliven us to all of reality.

Peace,
Fr. John

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 5 – Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6
8:15 am - Communion Service

Tuesday, November 6 - Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10
8:15 am – Julian Goettl†, Marlene Fredricks

Wednesday, November 7 - Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
8:15 am – Joseph Flintrop†, Jerry Michaletz†

Thursday, November 8 - Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
8:15 am – Communion Service

Friday, November 9 - 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
8:15 am – Jack Koch†, Ron Herz†, Hazel Jones†

Saturday, November 10 - 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8
5:15 pm – Mark Snaza†, Tony & Alice Rotchadl†,
Clair Haefner†, Jerry & Margaret Grimley†, Charles Buley†,
Teresa Brielmaier†

Sunday, November 11 - Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18;
Mk 13:24-32

8:00 am – Dave Sullivan†, Larry & Nan Curtis†
10:00 am – Reparation for our sins!, Leo Killion†,
Parishioners of St. John's

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 5

Communion Service – 8:15 AM - Church
Spirit Singers – 5:00 PM – St. Elizabeth room
Alpha – 6:00 PM - Library

Tuesday, November 6

Sunrise AA Meeting – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Mass – 8:15 AM – Church
Piecemakers – 9:00 AM – Matthews Hall
Hope-Grief Ministry – 5:15 PM – John Paul II room
Catholic In Recovery speaker Scott Weeman – 6:30 PM – Matthews Hall

Wednesday, November 7

Mass – 8:15 AM - Church
Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room
Fall Journey through Grief – 9:30 AM – John Paul II room
New Perspectives Mass – 10:00 AM
St. John's Book Club – 1:30 PM – Library
Choir for Christ (C4C) – 5:15 PM – Church
Pre-Jordan – 6:00 PM - Narthex
Roots & Edge – 6:30 PM – PLC Cafeteria
Life Teen – 7:30 PM – PLC gym

Thursday, November 8

Communion Service – 8:15 AM - Church
Simon Ministry – 10:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Laurels Peak Mass – 3:00 PM – Laurels Peak
Listening Forum for the Crisis in Our Church – 6:30 PM – Matthews Hall
SJ Men's Club – 7:00 PM - Library

Friday, November 9

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

Saturday, November 10

Prayer Walk – 9:00 AM – Sibley Park
Confirmation Retreat – 10:00 AM – PLC
Listening Forum for the Crisis in our Church - 10:00 AM
Mass - 5:15 PM

Sunday, November 11

Mass - 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM
Faith Formation (Grades 1, 3, 4) - 9:00 AM – PLC
CLW – 10:10 AM – Matthews Hall

ST. JOHN'S BOOK CLUB

Book Club will meet on Wednesday, November 7th at 1:30 pm in the St. John's library. New members are welcome. The book for this month is "The Curious Incident of the Day in the Night-time" written by Mark Haddon. If you have any questions please call Anita Maki at 507-386-1395

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

APRIL 29-MAY 10, 2019 - FRANCE TOUR

Travel with Father John for a 12 day France Tour from April 29 – May 10, 2019. Highlights of the tour include Paris – Notre Dame, Eiffel Tower, Sacre Couer, The Louvre – Mona Lisa Painting, Versailles, Giverney-Monet's Gardens, Rouen – Joan of Arc Church, Bayeaux, Normandy Beaches, Museum of the Battle of Normandy, Caen Peace Memorial, Mont St Michel Abbey, Loire Valley, Chartres Cathedral known worldwide for its stained glass windows, & MORE! The cost of \$3,790.00 includes airfare from Minneapolis, airport taxes, first class hotels, 2 meals a day, and all tours, tips, transfers and guides.

Contact Mary Williams, tour coordinator, at 507-835-2429, cell – 507-461-0942 for details and registration information.



We Welcome Newcomers to Our Parish Family...

*Timothy, Shay, Jameson, Levi Cassidy
Thanh Pham, Tony Ngo, and Mary Ngo
Rick, Traci, Boobi, Shane, Luke Sellner
Tom, Renae,Abbi, Derek Stierlen
Steven and Susan Howard
Sherri Ulfers*

Next Sunday is the beginning of **National Vocation Awareness Week**, which is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations.

Prayer for Vocations

sent out by Serraus.org:

Loving God, You call us through our baptism in the Spirit
To continue the mission of your beloved Son, Jesus.
Open us to listen attentively for your invitation.
Empower us to respond to your call.
Inspire women and men to follow the path of service.
Together may we build up the Church to be a vibrant sign of your presence in our world.
We offer this prayer
In the name of your Son, Jesus,
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



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.

Starting November 8,

Six-week Adult Bible Study Opportunity:

Wisdom: God's Vision for Life

by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith

Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. In this study, Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith examine biblical wisdom as it relates to daily life. Drawing on the wisdom literature of the Bible—Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes—Wisdom will teach you how to actively seek out sound guidance and increase your sense of peace in navigating life. In everything from friendships to finances, from making decisions to attaining peace of mind, Scripture offers a vision for happiness and well-being. With this program, you will learn how to gather, gain, and grow in wisdom, and you will experience the joy it brings to your life. **Thursday**, November 8 - December 20

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

John Paul II Room

Cost: 25.00

Facilitated by Joann Jaqua.

Register by November 1, 2018 by sending Joann an email at: joann.jaqua@gmail.com. Payment and materials will be handled on the first day of class (November 8).

LOYOLA NEWS

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.

Save the Date!

November 8-10, 7pm and Nov. 11, 2pm at Fitzgerald Theater: Loyola's Fall Musical: You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown

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

We celebrated **All Saints Day Mass** with the Sisters in their chapel. Our 5th graders researched and dressed as Saints, visited elementary classrooms, and introduced themselves at Mass.

Our **boys cross country team** is competing at State this weekend. Congratulations to all our fall teams for a great season!

Did you see our awesome **ACT scores**? A composite score of 24.8, more than three points above the state average of 21.3 and significantly higher than other area schools.

Host Families needed: Students from Argentina are joining us for 5 weeks again this winter. Contact Angela at 507.388.0615 or acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org

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.*



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

Asa Matthew Koch

Parents: Jared and Amber Koch

October 20, 2018

Eleanor Cecelia Wajer

Parents: Jesse and Megan Wajer

October 21, 2018

Mila Kay Sadaka

Parents: Habib and Jordyn Sadaka

October 21, 2018

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

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	\$ 12,657.75	\$ 16,865.00
Offertory	\$ 722.00	\$ 557.00
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$ 241.00	

Money Counters: Nov. 5 Team 2, Nov. 12 Team 3, Nov. 19 Team 4

Budget Status: September 30, 2018

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

* 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 \$68.25

(Talents from Children's Envelopes)

** 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.

National Speaker— Scott Weeman Catholic in Recovery, Nov 6th

What does Catholic Faith Have to Do with Addiction Recovery? Scott Weeman, the founder of the national nonprofit Catholic in Recovery, is speaking on this topic at **St. John the Baptist Church in Mankato on Nov 6th at 7 pm**. While secular addiction recovery initiatives have saved millions of lives and have been a great good, Catholic in Recovery groups exist in a parallel fashion to offer space to share the riches of the Catholic spiritual life in supporting addiction recovery—it is a spiritual journey as well. Scott will speak to his own journey, and how the 12 step process can be further illuminated by the sacramental and spiritual life of the Catholic faith. Scott has shared his story and his mission on EWTN, Catholic Answers, and in person with many other groups. The event is free and open to the public. Scott's recent book (The Twelve Steps and the Sacraments: A Catholic Journey Through Recovery, Ave Maria Press, 2018) will be available for purchase. Contact Susan Windley-Daoust if you want to meet Scott outside of the event to discuss the Catholic in Recovery movement.

Listening Forum for the Crisis in Our Church

We want to hear from you.

November 8th @ 6:30pm

November 10th @ 10:00am

Matthews Hall (Church Basement)

What this evening/morning is:

- Time to share & listen
- Uninterrupted time to reflect, not react
- Time to unplug from a barrage of information
- Discernment about our direction forward

What this evening/morning isn't:

- A presentation
- Development of an action plan
- Advice or counsel
- Closure



FLOWERS FOR MARY DONATED FOR WEEK OF

November 3/4

Donated by Jaci and Joel James

In Memory of

Julie Brown

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

NOVEMBER 10/11

Musicians

5:15 pm – Mary Pribyl / Spirit Singers
8:00 am – Jaci James / Choir for Christ
10:00 am – Joyce Kolbert or Jeanne Makela/ Voices in Praise

Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Kelly Andresen, Dour Blanchard, Mardell Brauer,
Rita Dauw, Karen Dehn, Paul Gaspar, Laura Schulte,
Paul Stevens
8:00 am – Susan Durbala, Nicole Goebel, Cindy Hanson,
Brian & Jan Hughes, Candy Jensen, Dan Kapsner,
Pat Sullivan
10:00 am – Mike Burkhardt, Julia Corbett, Mike Coughlan,
Beth & Dan Denhof, Dan & Sandi Fogal, Helen Ward

Lector

5:15 pm – Rita Oliver, Craig Soupir
8:00 am – Susan Durbala, Chad Witte
10:00 am – Mike Coughlan, Bruno Gad

Sacristan

5:15 pm – Don Lingen
8:00 am – Sarah Odegard
10:00 am – Teresa White

Server

5:15 pm – Bria Baumgard, Pat Rogness
8:00 am – Maile Meissner, Patty & Robert Mejias
10:00 am – Ava Boerboom, Julia Roering, Olivia Sinn

Ministers of Hospitality

5:15 pm – Team 4
8:00 am – Team 8
10:00 am - Team 12

Weekly EM (November 5-9)

Ann Benson

Laurel's Peak Service – (November 8)

3:00 pm – Kathleen Trauger, Theresa Evers

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.

AREA NEWS

Saint John’s Abbey Guesthouse
Collegeville, MN

Abbey Day of Reflection November 9, 2018

The Prayer of Saint Benedict in the Dialogues of
Gregory the Great, Fr. Michael Kwatera, O.S.B.

The day begins with Morning Prayer at 7:00 a.m.
and concludes at 3:00 p.m. Cost: \$55 includes
programming, breakfast, lunch, refreshments, and
materials. For those who would like to come the
evening before, rooms are available at the Guesthouse
at a discounted rate.

To learn more or to register go to: www.abbeyguesthouse.org or call the Spiritual Life Office
at 320-363-3929.

Pilgrimage to Greece & The Greek Isles: “In the Footsteps of St. Paul”:

Come along Nov. 5-15, 2019, to some truly beautiful
and holy places! We’ll visit many of the great sites
where St. Paul wrote his Epistles, including Athens,
Corinth, Crete, Santorini, Ephesus, Thessaloniki
and more. We will also take a three-day cruise to
the Greek Isles! Mass each day in great Churches
and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$3,759 with
departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more
information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, St. Mary’s
Parish, 311 – 4th St. N., Humboldt, Iowa 50548 or
call 712-899-6870 or email fdanguenther@gmail.com

WOODCARVING ART SHOW

Sister Mary Ann Osborne, SSND, is having an
Open House and Art Showing of her woodcarvings
at her studio in Florian Hall on Good Counsel Hill,
Saturday, November 10, 2018 from 10:00 am to
4:00 pm. You will have the opportunity to purchase
handmade, original one of a kind Christmas gifts and
Jewelry. More information at 507-389-4224.

31st ANNUAL FALL BRUNCH St. Joseph the Worker Church

From 8:30 am-12:00noon

Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018

Menu: Ham/Egg Bake and Scrambled, French Toast,
Sausage, Biscuits/Gravy, Sweet Rolls/Muffins,
Juice, coffee, milk Adults: \$7.00/Children 6-12
years \$4.00 5 years old and under FREE

On The Go...Meals to Go!

50% of profits go to our sister parish in Haiti