

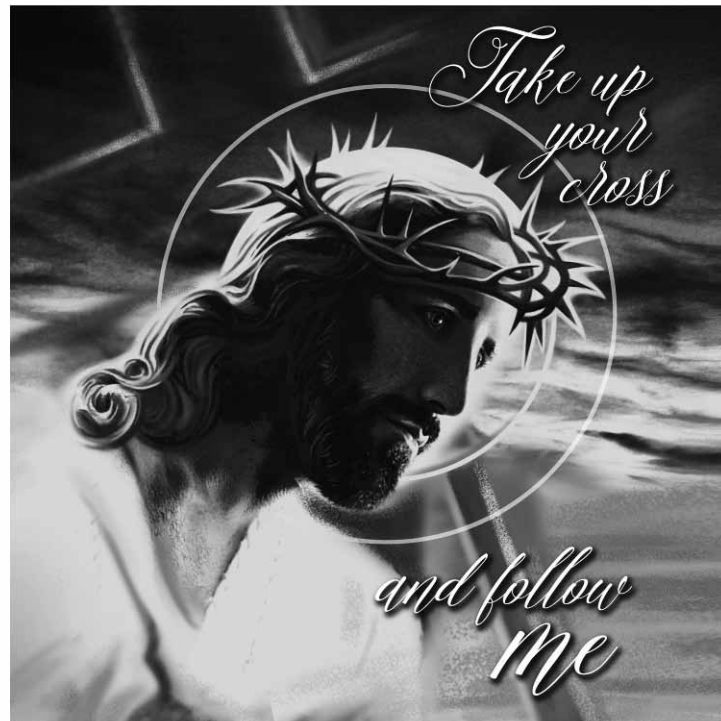
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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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September 16, 2018 - Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

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 Website - www.loyolacatholicschool.org

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Pastoral Leadership Team:

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From the Pastor's Desk

The cross of Christ is a stumbling block for many of us. When suffering and pain enters into our lives, it throws us. We begin to wonder, "why is this happening?" Often we can't find an answer that seems satisfactory. So we begin to find a way to make it reasonable. Even with our developed minds nothing seems to work, except blaming God for this struggle.

We are invited to a simple step of faith - falling back into God's gentle care. It doesn't take away the suffering and pain but we are able to find a way to live. We need not be alone in these times. God is near.

Peace,
Fr. John

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 17 - Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18

8:15 am - Communion Service

Tuesday, September 18 - Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

8:15 am - Communion Service

Wednesday, September 19 - Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

8:15 am - Communion Service

Thursday, September 20 - Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

8:15 am - Communion Service

Friday, September 21 - Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

8:15 am - Hazel Jones†, Jerry Michaletz†, Dolores Wingert†, Ken Ziegler†, Charles Buley†

Saturday, September 22 - Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or

Rv 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51

5:15 pm - Tom & Dan Wieskus†, Tony & Alice Rotchadl†, Clair Haefner†, Floyd Roberts, Jr†, Bonnie Murray†, Gary Hugeback†

Sunday, September 23 - Nm 11:25-19; Jas 5:1-6;

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

8:00 am - Charles Buley†, Allie Bisch†, Randy VanSickle†

10:00 am - Ann Frost Sobraske†, Mildred Enzenauer†

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

ST. JOHN'S NEWS



What do volunteers at the Connections Homeless Shelter do? There are a variety of tasks one can do. St. Johns will be providing some meals for guests at the shelter. Items for the meal can be cooked at home and brought to the shelter. Volunteers assist with serving the meals – interact with guests – help set up cots for sleeping and keep the area clean. Shifts at the shelter are only a couple hours long. Interested in helping? If you have not had a chance to sign up yet or want more information call Barb Radke at 507-995-1631/email: radke008@umn.edu Or Pat Shortall at 507-327-6907/ email: pshort@hickorytech.net

Monday, September 17

Spirit Singers – 5:30 PM – St. Elizabeth room

Tuesday, September 18

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

Wednesday, September 19

Men's Club-mailers-stuff envelopes – 8:45 AM
Matthews Hall
Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room
Choir for Christ (C4C) – 5:15 PM - Church

Thursday, September 20

Simon Ministry – 10:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Simon Ministry Monthly Meeting – 12:00 PM –
Matthews Hall
Laurels Peak Mass – 3:00 PM – Laurels Peak
Priest, Prophet, King Study – 6:30 PM – John Paul II room

Friday, September 21

Al-Anon – 6:30 AM – Parish Library
Early Risers AA – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall
Anointing Mass & luncheon – 10:00 AM –
Church/Matthews Hall

Saturday, September 22

Groskreutz-Michels Wedding – 2:30 PM - Church

Sunday, September 23

Catechist Meeting (grades 1-4) – 9:15 AM – PLC Cafeteria
CLW Meeting – 11:15 AM – Matthews Hall
Confirmation Session – 6:00 PM – Parish Life Center

St. John's Book Club

Book Club will meet on Wednesday, September 19th at 1:30 PM in the library at St. John's. New members are always welcome. The book for this month is "Neither Wolf Nor Dog" by Kent Nerburn. There is no book bag so members will have to contact the libraries in Mankato or North Mankato to reserve a copy. Anita Maki will lead the discussion. Bring a question for discussion as there is no study guide available. If you have questions, please call Barb Vogelsang at 507-338-3124.

MASS OF ANOINTING

A Mass of Anointing will be celebrated on **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018 at 11:00 AM** here at St. John's.

The anointing signifies the Holy Spirit meeting us in our personal situation. Whether we feel pain, resentment, denial, acceptance, or even joy, the anointing oil will bring Christ the Healer to us in our special circumstances.

Lunch will follow in Matthews Hall.

Please join us.

Reservations are "Welcome" but not necessary.

PARISH FAMILY DIRECTORY

If you had your pictures taken in August and did not order any pictures, your free 8x10 is available in the narthex this weekend or in the church office for you to pick up.

Picture sign-ups still available on-line or by calling or stopping by the church office. If you need assistance with signing up, please call the parish office and ask for Susan at 507-625-3131.

October 9th-13th has only a couple openings left. October 30th-November 3rd many various times still available!

Open or available times are listed on the web-site. Access the on-line schedule through our Website or Facebook or contact Susan at the office 507-625-3131. Thank you!



Those who have entered eternal life...

Remember
in
Prayer



Randy Van Sickle

passed away September 4, 2018.

Our deepest sympathy to his family.

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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

Truth and Life Audio Bible: The Gospel of Matthew

Hear the Gospel Come Alive

You'll feel truly present at the events of the earthly life of Jesus with this dramatized audio version of the Gospel of Matthew. This presentation will move the Good News of the Incarnate Lord from your head to your heart.

Listen on formed.org



"It's as if I am there among them! ... I am transported to the place and time of Jesus! Amazing!"

—Melissa G.



To Access FORMED.org - Use Parish Code: WHF3J9



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

Sofia Jaine Esqueda, daughter of Jaime and Rocio Esqueda.

Caleb George Phillips, son of George and Crystal Phillips.

LOYOLA NEWS



Learn about Loyola Catholic School (PS-12) Visit www.loyolacatholicschool.org

Contact **Angela Casteel** at acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org 507.388.0615 to schedule family tours.

Student Masses will ordinarily be celebrated on Wednesdays, with Mass for grades 7-12 at 10:40 and Mass for K-6 students at 1pm. You are always welcome! We'll celebrate our **September Birthday Mass** on **Wednesday**, when K-6 children born this month will be recognized and blessed.

We appreciate **Sister Anita and Sister Beverly** who are back for another year of tutoring individuals and small groups.

It is time for K-3 students' fall **DIBELS** (reading, phonics, and comprehension) assessments; and K-12 students' fall **NWEA** (reading, math and social studies) assessments.

Looking Ahead:

Homecoming Week Oct. 1-5; Homecoming Mass Oct. 4, at 10:40

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" performances **November 8-11**

Host Families needed; short term. We're also again hosting students from Argentina for 5 weeks this winter. Interested? Contact **Angela Casteel** at acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org 507.388.0615.

Looking for an opportunity to **volunteer** at school? Want to help in a classroom, on the playground, in the lunchroom, or do projects at home? 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.

FAITH FORMATION

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



BEGINNING OCTOBER 7TH

Register your child using the form available in the narthex or at the Parish Office.

Parent volunteers are needed to help make this a successful year, please indicate on the registration form which area you would like to help with.

FAITH FORMATION

Register Now!!

**Last chance to register for
Faith Formation Sessions.**

**REGISTRATION DUE:
SEPTEMBER 19TH**

Sessions Begin:
OCTOBER 3RD (GRADES 5-12)
~AND~
OCTOBER 7TH (GRADES 1-4)

Volunteers are still needed for EDGE, Life Teen, &
Sunday Morning Sessions
Contact Kelly or Mairin at the Parish Office
with any questions.

ADULT FORMATION

Alpha

- Come & explore your Christian faith
- Ask questions, share your point of view
- Build COMMUNITY!
- Begins September 23rd at 5:30pm with dinner provided

**RSVP to Kelly Huber: khuber@stjohnsmankato.net
or 507.625.3131**

We're in the Parade!



St. John's is creating a
float for this year's
special MNSU
Homecoming Parade!

Join our float, walk
with us, and help us
share our amazing
parish with the city of
Mankato!

To participate,
email Phil White:
pwhiteo618@gmail.com

Saturday, September 29th @ 10:00 am

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	August 26, 2018	Budget
Adult Envelopes/Electronic Giving	\$ 16,424.50	\$ 16,865.00
Offertory	\$ 878.00	\$ 557.00
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$ 95.00	

Money Counters: Sept. 17 Team 3; Sept. 24 Team 4, October 1 Team 1

Budget Status: July 31, 2018

	Current Fiscal YTD*	Prior Fiscal YTD
Income	\$87,059.89	\$74,932.07
Expenses	(\$73,655.06)	(\$75,361.42)
Operating Net Profit	\$13,404.83	\$429.35

* Results reflect many 2018 full year contributions.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2017**

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

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2018**

Balance January 1, 2018	2018 collections	2018 Contributions needed
(\$ 71,730)	\$ 43,671	(\$ 28,059)

St. John's Young Stewards Time & Treasure

Children's Envelopes \$115.89
(Talents from Children's Envelopes)

I helped mom.
Singing

** 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.

LITURGICAL CORNER

OCTOBER...The month of Mary / Rosary Leaders

Do you enjoy praying the rosary within a group? Our Faith Formation team is looking for rosary leaders to lead the rosary before each Mass, each of the 4 weekends in October. That means we could accept as many as 12 leaders during the month. A guide will be provided and rosary leaders will be asked to begin promptly 20 minutes before Mass. If you or someone you know would be a good leader, please contact Jaci in the parish office to schedule a date or more.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

IS THE HONEYMOON OVER? It doesn't have to be! A Marriage Encounter weekend can rekindle the excitement and romance in your relationship. This is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Nov. 16-18, 2018 in Windom, MN and Feb. 8-10, 2019 in Windom, 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.

Congratulations

Ray and Donnita Cornelius celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 14th. Happy Anniversary!



Bishop Quinn, in recognition and gratitude of your years of marriage, requests the honor of your presence at the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary

Mass: Sunday, September 16th, 2018.

The Mass will begin at two o'clock in the afternoon at Good Shepherd Church in Jackson, MN followed by a Light Reception with the Bishop; including the presentation of Anniversary Certificates. Family and friends are encouraged to attend!

Please register at <https://www.dow.org/event-details/495>

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 frdanguenther@gmail.com

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

September 22/23

Musicians

5:15 pm– Mary Pribyl / Spirit Singers
8:00 am – Tom & Lisa Bierer
10:00 am – Joyce or Jaci / Voices in Praise

Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Karen Dehn, John Fell, Carol Frederick, Paul Gaspar,
Bonnie Gilbert, Michelle Goodrich, Barb Haag,
Lynn Klingsporn
8:00 am – Massaad Chahine, Jan & Mike Denn, Susan Durbala,
Chuck Frost, Donna Kapsner, Chad & Martha Witte
10:00 am – Nick Meyer, Marsha Murphy, Jen Peffer,
Jennifer Potocnik, Dianne Reuter, Kathy Sanger, Pam Steffl,
Mike Ulman

Lector

5:15 pm – Ken Klingsporn, Mary O’Sullivan
8:00 am – Mary Westby, Martha Witte
10:00 am – Nick Meyer, Marsha Murphy

Sacristan

5:15 pm – John Fell
8:00 am – Sheri Fedson
10:00 am –Mike Burkhardt

Server

5:15 pm – Pat Rogness, Matthew Soupier
8:00 am – Eli & Ellen Blace
10:00 am – Ava & Lizza & Reed Boerboom

Ministers of Hospitality


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

Weekly EM (September 17-21)

Ann Benson

Laurel’s Peak Service – (September 20)

3:00 pm – Jane Jans, Elaine Koch



**FLOWERS FOR MARY
DONATED FOR WEEK OF
September 15/16**

*Donated by Family of Charles Buley
In memory of Charles Buley*



**We Welcome Newcomers to Our
Parish Family...**

*Ana and Sal Ovalle
Barbara Langworthy
Mark, Jane, Ethan, Ava Schmid
Richard, Catherine, Tabitha, Taylor, Plasschaert*

AREA NEWS

MANKATO NEWMAN CENTER GALA FUNDRAISER

The St. Thomas More Newman Center at Minnesota State University will be hosting a Gala fundraiser on Sunday, September 23rd at 5:30pm at the Verizon Center in Mankato. Nationally renowned Catholic Answers apologist, Trent Horn, will be delivering a powerful message to all present. \$800 purchases a table for 8. Individual tickets may also be purchased for \$100 each. All proceeds support the Newman Center’s work of bringing young people to closer to Jesus and the Church! Please register by September 5th by visiting catholicmavs.org/gala or call 507-387-4154 and ask for Anna. Seating is limited.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER’S ANNUAL HUBBELL HARVEST FESTIVAL

St. Joseph the Worker Church presents their annual Hubbell Harvest Fall Festival, Sunday, September 23rd from 11:30AM -2:30PM. Location: 423 W 7th Street, Mankato, in parking lot and gym. Join us for a great affordable food selection, large silent auction, no cost children’s games by Jack McGowan, hayrides, sports tent, raffles (with a chance to win 5 CASH PRIZES, the largest being \$700) and much more! All are welcome, we hope to see you there!

The Refugee Outreach program sponsored by the Good Counsel Learning Center

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 provides a teacher for the student 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. For further information, call Sr. Richarde’ Marie at 507-389-4260 or visit the Refugee Outreach page on the website at www.gclearningcenter.org.

March 18-29, 2019 - Holy Land Pilgrimage

Last year we were full at this time for the March 2018 pilgrimage so I decided to do one more. We still have 11 spots open for what will probably be the last pilgrimage Fr. Schneider does. So check out the details at www.as-ic.org Scroll down in the first column for details and registration. You will receive so many blessings taking this pilgrimage. Questions? Call Fr. Schneider 507/469-9979