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MASS TIMES Tues, Wed, Fri 8:15 am Saturday 5:15 pm Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am Word & Communion Service Mon, Thurs. 8:15 am

RECONCILIATION Confessions will take place in the Reconciliation Room Saturdays 4:30 pm or by appointment

ADORATION In the Adoration Chapel



MARCH 10, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MISSION STATEMENT

With the Holy Spirit pouring the love of God into our hearts, we invite people to Christ by living like Christ through prayer, service, and learning.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

PARISH CONTACTS

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ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

Pastoral Leadership Team: Dan Hansen | Jaci James | John Fell | Mike Logeais | Lisa Soupir Mark Traxler | Nicole Goebel

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We come to share our story, we come to break bread, we come as your people - united with each other, love finds a home.

In this year of Eucharistic Revival we began on Ash Wednesday, gathering in a more intentional way. We quietly and prayerfully entered the Lenten Season. This weekend, we take the second step of

Revival, focusing on the Word of God. Each week, the Scriptures reveal a portion of God's story. Many of the stories we know, and yet they touch us anew. Hopefully, God's story touches our own story. This week's theme is storytelling.

> Blessings on your Lenten journey, Father John

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 11 IS 65:17-21; JN 4:43-54

8:15 am Word and Communion

TUESDAY, MARCH 12 EZ 47:1-9, 12; JN 5:1-16

8:15 am Mass Bernice Troumbly †, Theonilla Troumbly †, Godelyn Troumbly†, Genelle Lenort †

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13 IS 49:8-15; JN 5:17-30

8:15 am Mass Carol Armstrong †

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 EX 32:7-14; JN 5:31-47

8:15 am Word and Communion

FRIDAY, MARCH 15 WIS 2:1A, 12-22; JN 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

8:15 am Mass St. John Parishioners

SATURDAY, MARCH 16 JER 11:18-20; JN 7:40-53

5:15 pm Mass Tom Andresen †, Rosanne Carlson † , Barbara Brielmaier†, Teresa Brielmaier †, Donavan Robb †, Barbara Fink †

SUNDAY, MARCH 17 JER 31:31-34; HEB 5:7-9; JN 12:20-33

8:00 am Mass	Edwin Mielke†, Carolyn Mielke †, Cheryl Regan †, Denny Sullivan † , Patricia Soukup †
10:00 am Mass	James Anton, Clarine Bisch †, Michael Burkhardt †, Thomas Frederick † , Katherine Thro Frost

"But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God"

ST. JOHN'S NEWS & EVENTS



Barbara Jean Fink

Who passed away February 28, 2024

Our deepest sympathy to her family



Michael J. Burkhardt

Who passed away February 28, 2024

Our deepest sympathy to his family

Welcome New members of our parish community Zhenya and Samantha Schindler Cain and Emmalee Sims

Father John's Journey to Egypt

Be sure to join Father John as he shares his Journey into Egypt. The program and refreshments, will be shared on Tuesday, March 12th at 7:00pm in Matthews Hall.

PASTA WITH THE PADRES! 16th Annual "Pasta with the Padres" fundraiser for ECHO Food Shelf. Tonight, March 10th from 4-7 p.m. at St Joseph the Worker Catholic Church. The spaghetti will be delicious, Bully Pulpit will entertain and Cowboy Crommert (Fr. Paul) will add some great John Denver tunes. There's a terrific Silent Auction too. It's a great fundraiser for a great cause.

St. John's Book Club The next meeting will be on March 20, 2024 at 1:30pm in the St John's Library. The book we will be discussing this month is *The Things We Keep* by Sally Hepworth. Please contact Anita Maki at 507-386-1395.

Loyola News...Begin your path to excellence today! Enrollment for the 2024-2025 academic year is open for all grades. For more information, please visit our website or contact Ashley Braulick, Marketing, Admissions, and Enrollment Coordinator, at 507-386-5399. Don't miss this opportunity to start your journey towards greatness!

We're excited to remind you that the Lucky 20 Raffle at Loyola Catholic School has been in full swing for a few weeks now! This annual event is vital in supporting our school's needs, and your participation is crucial in making it a success. With each ticket priced at \$100, you'll have 20 chances to win cash prizes, including a grand prize of \$10,000! Don't miss out on the excitement - mark your calendars for the raffle drawing on April 19, 2024, at Loyola. Remember, you don't need to be present to win; we'll reach out to the lucky winners directly. Tickets are available for purchase at Loyola's main office or online at <u>www.loyolacatholicschool.org</u>. Your generous support means the world to us and helps ensure that we can continue providing a quality education to our students.

Giving is a personal decision and one we do not take for granted at Loyola Catholic School. We invite those with a passion for Catholic education to consider Loyola when it comes to the following gifts: the gift of prayer, the gift of service, and the gift of finance. Do not hesitate to give us a call to learn about how you can share your gifts with us: 507-386-5392. God Bless!

Annual Benefit for Birthright Raffle Tickets are \$5 each, with a chance to win up to \$250. Please contact the parish office at 625-3131 or David Mutch at 387-5406 to purchase tickets. Drawing will be held March 28th. Thank you for your support!



131st St. Patrick's Day Ham Dinner - March 17^{th!}

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 Dcn. Chris Walchuk at Dcn.cwalchuk@stjohnsmankato.net 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



TODAY'S READINGS 4th Sunday of Lent March 10, 2024

First Reading:

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. (2 Chr 36:15-16)

Psalm:

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Ps 137)

Second Reading:

God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

Gospel:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)

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As we participate in the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal, we will continue to embrace our calling as we "are the light of the world," unable to be hidden. We pray to the Lord.

St. John's Lent/Holy Week – 2024

<u>Communal Reconciliation</u> Sunday, March 24th at 1:00pm at St. Joseph the Worker

Passion (Palm Sunday) March 23/24

Saturday 5:15pm Sunday 8:00 & 10:00am Palms will be distributed at all Masses

Individual Confessions

Friday, March 22nd at 8:45am Tuesday, March 26th at 7:00pm Wednesday, March 27th at 4:00pm

Holy Thursday Thursday, March 28th at 7:00pm

Good Friday Friday, March 29th at 12:10pm & 5:15pm

> Easter Vigil Saturday, March 30th at 8:00pm

> > Easter Sunday

MASS OF CHRISM

Invitation to the Chrism Mass March 25, 2024 at 2:00pm Sacred Heart Church 321 9th St. Heron Lake, MN

DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE:

KTTW Channel 7 (Sioux Falls) at 7:00am KEYC Channel 12 (Mankato) at 7:30am KEYC-DT, Digital Channel 12.2 or Charter Channel 19 (Mankato) at 9:30am KAAL Channel 6 (Rochester) at 9:00am WKBT Channel 8 (LaCrosse) at 7:30am

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FEB. 16, 2023 - FEB. 23, 2024			
Adult Support		16,644.65	
Offertory		810.50	
Donations via website 02/24-03/01/24		1,020.00	
Holy Day		90.00	
ACH (5 th and 20 th)	\$	0.00	
Weekly Total	\$	18,565.15	
Weekly Offering goal is: \$ 18,163.73			
Year-to-date income as of 02/16/2024 \$ 748,505.26			



Children's Weekly Stewardship \$ 121.65 February 23 - March 1

Money Counters March 11- Team 2 March 18 - Team 3

March 25 -Team 1

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been dropping off or mailing your weekly donations. We are grateful for whatever contributions you are able to make, as we pay our utilities, payroll and other expenses. Your generosity is much appreciated!





Please see information in the Narthex for volunteer opportunities.

LITURGICAL CORNER

<u>March 16 - 5:15 pm</u> Communion Ministers: Lector: Sacristan: Servers: Ushers/Hospitality: Team 4

<u>March 17 - 8:00 am</u> Communion Ministers: Lector: Sacristan: Servers: Ushers/Hospitality: Team 8

<u>March 17 - 10:00 am</u> Communion Ministers: Lector: Sacristan: Servers: Ushers/Hospitality: Team 12

Jaci will be in contact with Liturgical Assistants



ECHO Food Shelf

What service can you do for your neighbor this week? A few blocks

from this church is a great need

more families are coming to the

ECHO food shelf with the higher

food prices. New volunteers are

urgently needed. The team work

consider giving a call to ECHO at

345-7477 and volunteer.

and camaraderie is terrific! Please

for community service. More and

Simon Ministry

Help our parish to be the salt for our community as we share your love with those caught in the struggles of life. We are always in need of basic products. If you can help us serve our visitors, some items needed are:

- <u>Personal Care Items</u> shampoo, body wash, deodorant, etc.
- <u>Detergent</u> (50 oz or less)
- Dish Soap

Any help is appreciated! Items can be placed in the bins/baskets at the church entrances.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, MARCH 11 Word and Communion Service 8:15 AM - Church CCW Meeting 1:00 - JPII **Spirit Singers** 5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Rm

TUESDAY, MARCH 12 Sunrise AA Meeting 6:30 AM - Matthews Hall Mass 8:15 AM - Church **Grief Group** 5:00 PM - Matthews Hall **Building & Grounds Committee** 6:00 PM - Marion Hall Stations of the Cross 6:15 PM - Church Father John's Journey to Egypt 7:00 PM - Matthews Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13 Mass

8:15 AM - Church **First Communion Centers** 5:30 PM - Narthex Choir for Christ 5:50 PM - Matthews Hall **Faith Formation** 7:00 PM Small Groups 7:00 PM 6th - 8th - Matthews Hall

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 Word and Communion Service 8:15 AM - Church Simon Ministry 10:30 - Matthews Hall Catholic Inquiry 6:30 PM - Marian Room

FRIDAY, MARCH 15 Al-Anon - ZOOM Early Risers AA 6:30 AM - Matthews Hall MASS 8:15 AM - Church

SATURDAY, March 16 Confessions 4:30 PM - Confession Room MASS 5:15 PM - Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 17 MASS 8:00 AM – Church MASS 10:00 AM - Church CLW - Shine Bright - Brides Rm 10:10 AM - Fr. John - church St Patrick's Dav Ham Dinner 11:00AM-1:00PM Matthews Hall OA 3:00 PM - JPII Room

131st St. Patrick's Day Ham Dinner

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 632 S. BROAD ST.



MANKATO, MN 11:00 AM TO 1:00 PM SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024



SERVING:

BAKED HAM, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, BAKED BEANS, POTATO SALAD,

RELISHES, JELLO, ROLLS, COFFEE OR MILK, PLUS PIE!!!



ADULTS: \$10.00

K-6TH \$3.00 PRESCHOOL: FREE **FAMILY MAX: \$30.00**





ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION DATES Wednesday, March 13 - 5:30 2nd Grade First Communion Centers Sunday, March 17 - NO CLASS (St. Patrick's Day Ham Dinner) Sunday, March 24 - NO CLASS - Palm Sunday Procession *if interested in joining the procession please meet in the Narthex at 9:40 Sunday, March 31 - NO CLASS - Easter Sunday Wednesday, April 3 - First Communion Practice at 5:30 (must attend) Saturday, April 6 - 5:30 First Communion Mass Sunday, April 7 - 8:00 and 10:00 First Communion Mass Sunday, April 14 - Closing Mass at 10:00 Sunday, May 5 - May Crowning at 10:00 mass with second grade students

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD FAMILIES

March 10 we will be doing the Children's Liturgy of the Word different. We will be dismissed as we always are, but we will be sitting in the front of the church. Father John will be leading our lesson. It is part of our Lenten program with the topic of storytelling.

March 17 we will be having Children's Liturgy. We will be using the Bride's Room and not Matthew's Hall due to the St. Patrick's Day Dinner.

March 24 we are asking that the CLW group meet Ms. Michele in the Narthex at 9:45 to help with the procession of palms. We would encourage you to do it as a family so your child knows where you are sitting. There will be **NO** class that day, just the procession.

April 14, 21 and 28 - Ms. Michele said she would like to continue C:W through The month of April. She will not hold class on First Communion weekend (April 7). Thank you Ms. Michele

Register for Steubenville 2024 🏾 🌌



3 Day Teen Conference in Rochester, MN

DATES of Event: July 12 -14, 2024 Age grade: 9th grade (fall of 2024) - 12th grade (fall of 2024) Cost of Event: (cost includes, hotel, meals at conference, t-shirt and transportation) \$430 if registered by May 10, 2024 \$440 if registered after May 10, 2024 ***Down Payment \$50 due March 29, **Final payment due May 10 Please make all individual payments to your Parish

If you have questions about the conference or need help registering, please contact Kristy McCabe (kristy@stjohnsmankato.net)

Register here: www.giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/4cd799a0-6ddd-4a6f-8feb-147bc2000a4e



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MARCH 10, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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