

MAY 7, 2023 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME!

CONTACT US

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MASS TIMES

Tues, Weds, Fri 8:15 am Saturday 5:15 pm Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am Word & Communion Service Mon, Thurs 8:15 am

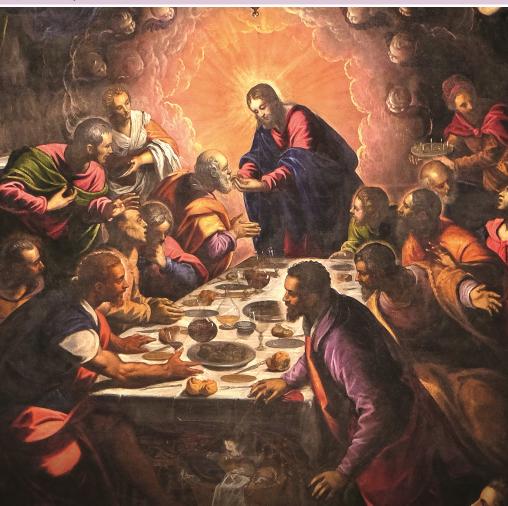
RECONCILIATION

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

ADORATION In the Adoration Chapel







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"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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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.

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LOYOLA AMBASSADORS St. John's Parish Natalie Wiebold | 608-772-7994

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FROM THE PASTOR



The first week of May brings us to a rite of passage. We have been gifted with classes for learning, sacraments for celebrating and special feasts for our community. It's always amazing to watch our children grow up in the faith. So, this weekend we have our closing Mass for faith formation, May Crowning and the continued welcome to our First Communion class. May Jesus touch and nourish us this day and throughout the summer time.

Peace,

Fr. John

esus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." - In 14:6-7

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDA	AY, MAY 8	ACTS 14:5-18; JN 14:21-26
8:15 am	Word Service	
TUESDA	AY, MAY 9	ACTS 14:19-28; JN 14:27-31A
8:15 am	Terry Alfson (spec. intentio	n)
WEDNE	SDAY, MAY 10	ACTS 15:1-6; JN 15:1-8
8:15 am	Robert Reutzel †, Charlie	Frost †, Carol Armstrong †
THURS	DAY, MAY 11	ACTS 15:7-21; JN 15:9-11
8:15 am	Word Service	
FRIDAY	, MAY 12	ACTS 15:22-31; JN 15:12-17
FRIDAY 8:15 am	·	ACTS 15:22-31; JN 15:12-17
8:15 am	•	ACTS 15:22-31; JN 15:12-17 ACTS 16:1-10; JN 15:18-21
8:15 am	Dorothy Coughlan † DAY MAY 13	·
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BAPTIZED ON MAY 6, 2023 EMMA JAYNE SEWARD PARENTS: JAKE & SARA SEWARD

Traveling Eucharistic Miracles Display

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Mankato will be hosting the Vatican Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles from May 6 - May 11. We invite you to stop by the exhibit and witness how Jesus has miraculously manifested himself throughout the centuries containing over 100 historically documented Eucharistic Miracles. The times the exhibit will be open are:

Saturday, May 6 – 3:00 to 7:00 pm Sunday, May 7 – 11:00a to 2:00 pm Monday, May 8 – 8:45 to 10:00 am Tuesday, May 9 – 8:45 to 10:00 am Wednesday, May 10 – 8:45 to 10:00 am Thursday, May 11 – 8:45 to 10:00 am

There is no cost to attend. All faith backgrounds and ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This exhibit was initially created by Bl. Carlo Acutis, patron of the National Eucharistic Revival. For more information, please contact Jill Cusick at jcusick@stjohnsmankato.net.

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Dish Towel Fundraiser for "A'kala" in San Lucas Guatemala. We sold 185 towels - all that we had. The amount of money raised was truly amazing —\$2,150.00. This money will go to help with many things especially for the children in San Lucas . A'kala means "The Children".

Bob and I are so proud to be a part of such a giving and caring community at St John's . Thanks again for opening your hearts and helping this amazing cause. I will have the opportunity to go to San Lucas in July with my granddaughter Madisyn. We are very excited and very proud. I will be bringing more towels back with me.

Thank you,

Marsha & Bob Murphy

A Statement from Bishop Barron

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, as perhaps you know, April has been designated in our country as child abuse awareness month. The sexual and physical abuse of children is a problem that runs through the whole of our society, but as we all know, it has been a particular curse within our own Catholic community. The scandals associated with clerical sexual misconduct constitute the worst crisis in the history of the church in America. I have referred to the sex abuse of young people by priests and bishops as "the devil's masterpiece," for it has shattered so many lives and has so negatively impacted the evangelical mission of the Church.

I want all of you to know, as your bishop, that I am completely committed to the eradication of sexual abuse within the church and the protection of our children and vulnerable adults. Bishop Quinn was firm in his determination to implement in our diocese the strictest protocols in regard to the screening and monitoring of seminarians, priests, and anyone who works in and for the Church. I pledge to walk that same path.

Some years ago, I wrote a short book on this entire sad subject called *Letter to a Suffering Church*. This text is available online, free of charge, at *sufferingchurchbook.com*. I would encourage everyone in our diocese to download and read it. Finally, don't hesitate to come forward if you or a loved one has been abused by a minister associated with the Church. I assure you that your concern will be taken with utter seriousness.

Please, dear friends in Christ, continue to pray for all the victim/survivors of sexual abuse throughout our society. And pray, too, for our Church.

Bishop Robert Barron Bishop of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester

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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.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." (Acts 6:2-4)

Psalm—Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33)

Second Reading — You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Pt 2:9)

Gospel Reading— Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father." (Jn 14:6-7)

LOYOLA NEWS

Graduation season is upon us! Loyola's Baccalaureate Mass will take place on Wednesday, May 17, at 7pm in the Loyola chapel. Graduation is on Sunday, May 21, at 6pm at Loyola. Join our family of dedicated staff and teachers! We are currently searching for these passionate, dedicated employees for the 2023/24 school year: *-K-8 Art Teacher*

-Elementary Phy Ed Teacher -Elem./Middle School STEM Teacher -HS Theology Teacher, part-time -Preschool Paraprofessional, part-time

-Childcare Program Coordinator

- Community Ed Director equivalent -After School Childcare Lead Teacher -Summer Childcare Lead Teacher As part of our team, you will have the opportunity to inspire and guide the next generation and be a part of a supportive and inclusive community. If you have a love for children and education, and a desire to grow



personally, spiritually, and professionally, we invite you to apply today! The full job descriptions can be found here

employment.loyolacatholicschool.org The Crusader Golf Classic is on May 15, 2023 at the Mankato Golf Club. There are so many wonderful volunteers and sponsors who help make this a successful event. Thank you to our 2023 golf sponsors: Mark M Welter Foundation, Farrish Johnson Law Office, Western Specialized, Key City Insurance, Adrienne and Doug Fahrforth, Lacina Siding and Windows, Community Bank, Re/Max Advantage Plus, Rebecca Thate, Colby and Lindsey Staloch. West Bank Hatanpa Insurance Agency, Davis Wealth Mgmt, The Schola Foundation, Mankato Motors, Buffalo Wild Wings, Southern Minnesota Endodontics Anderson & Skubitz, St. Croix Hospice, Birkholz and Associates, Fully Promoted of Mankato.

Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service.

Blood Drive St. John the Baptist Wednesday, May 22, 2023 in Matthews Hall 12:00 pm –5:00 pm

Please call 1-800 RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit: RedCrossBlood.org and enter SJTBCCKATO to schedule an appointment. Get summer ready! Give 5/20-5/31 for an exclusive Red Cross beach towel while they last!

MASS TIMES AROUND THE AREA

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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FINANCES

Previous Total	\$860,800.46				
APRIL 21-28, 2023					
Adult Support	\$	10,822.00			
Offertory		688.00			
Holy Day/Holiday	\$	240.00			
Donations via website— 4/28/23	\$	980.00			
Weekly Total	<u>\$ 12, 730.00</u>				
Weekly Offering goal is:					

\$ 18,163.73

Year-to-date income as of 4-28-2023 \$873,530.46

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!

Money Counters

May 8: Team 1 May 15: Team 2 May 22: Team 3

Did you know that you can now make donations by text? Text to: 1-507-428-2929 *Daily Communion Minister: May 8-12*

<u>May 13—**5:15 pm**</u>

Communion Ministers: Glenda Landsteiner, Laura Sieberg, Craig Soupir Lector: Laura Sieberg Sacristan: Glenda Landsteiner Servers: Matthew Soupir, Thomas Soupir Ushers/Hospitality: Team 4

LITURGICAL CORNER

<u>May 14—**8:00 am**</u>

Communion Ministers: Dan Kapsner, Donna Kapsner, Pat Sullivan Lector: Ella Blace Sacristan: Sam Blace Servers: Eli Blace, Luke Blace Ushers/Hospitality: Team 8

<u>May 14—**10:00 am**</u>

Communion Ministers: Deb Fogal, Scott Fogal, Nick Meyer Lector: Nick Meyer Sacristan: Sarah Nelson Servers: Sydnet Cusick, Charlie Keech Ushers/Hospitality: 12

Connections Ministry

Thank you St. John the Baptist for being a sponsor for the First Annual Kato Sleepout! We had a great event and raised close to \$25,000! You have been such an important partner in this work. Thank you for all the ways you support Connections. You are a blessing to us!

Thank you,

Erica Koser



ST. JOHN'S TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE ...

Don't miss our parish church featured on the Diocesan

TelevisedMass schedule!

5th Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023 - Fr. Kevin Stolt, IVE (Recorded at St. John's Church)

MINNESOTA BROADCAST SCHEDULE ...

- Mankato Channel 12 KEYC Sunday at 7:30 a.m.
 - Digital Channel 12.2 or Charter Channel 19 NEYC Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
 - Digital Channel 7 (DirecTV) or Channel 11 (DISH) KMNF Sunday at 9 a.m.
- Minneapolis/St. Paul Digital Channel 29 or Channel 9.2 WFTC/KMSP Sunday at 11:30 a.m.
- Rochester/Austin Channel 3 KIMT Sunday at 7:30am + MyTV 3.2 at 9 a.m.
- Southeast MN HBC Cable Channel 20 Sunday at 3:00pm and Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.
- Winona Channel 25 WLAX Sunday at 7:30 a.m.

06 THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, MAY 8

Word Service 8:15 AM - Church Vatican Eucharistic Miracles Display 8:45-10:30 AM - Matthews Hall CCW Meeting 1:00 PM - JP II Room Spirit Singers 5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Room

TUESDAY, MAY 9

Sunrise AA Meeting 6:30 AM - Matthews Hall Daily Mass 8:15 AM - Church Vatican Eucharistic Miracles Display 8:45-10:30 AM - Matthews Hall Staff Meeting 2:00 PM - JP II Hope Women's Grief Group 5:15 PM - Matthews Hall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Daily Mass 8:15 AM - Church Vatican Eucharistic Miracles Display 8:45-10:30 AM - Matthews Hall Choir for Christ Party 6:00 PM - Jake's Pizza

THURSDAY, MAY 11

Word Service 8:15 AM - Church Vatican Eucharistic Miracles Display 8:45-10:30 AM - Matthews Hall Simon Ministry 10:30 AM - Narthex RCIA 6:30 PM - Marian Room



FRIDAY, MAY 12

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

SATURDAY, MAY 13

SSND Associate Meeting 9:30 AM - Matthews Hall Confessions 4:30 PM – Reconciliation Room Mass 5:15 PM - Church

SUNDAY, MAY 14

Mass 8:00 AM – Church Mass 10:00 AM - Church

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



All students wishing to be part of this Mass must register. A celebration brunch will be provided after Mass for our seniors and their families.

GRADUATION MASS HONORING THE CLASS OF 2023 MAY 28, 2024 10:00 AM

PLEASE RSVP TO PARTICIPATE



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CONTACT KRISTY MCCABE IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS!

St. John's Prayer Network

To submit a request call: Mickey Bicek 388-5906 or Lynn Beadell 345-6812 Email: Pastoral Care Associate at: mike@stjohnsmankato.net

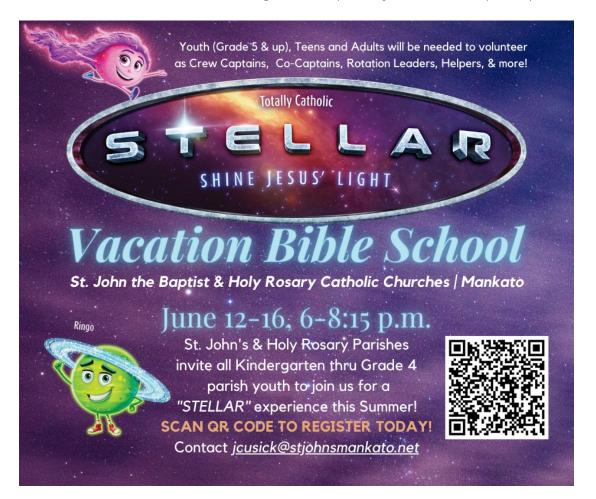


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FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY SCHOOL | GRADES 1-5:

This weekend marks the last day of Sunday School for this year as we gather for fun with friends... THANK YOU families, parents, guardians, kiddos, teachers, co-teachers, subs, & helpers for an amazing year!! Registration for the 2023-24 Faith Formation Program Year (Sunday School & CLW) will open this June / July.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (AKA "VBS") | GRADES K-4:

3-2-1- Blast off! Join us to Shine Jesus' Light this June at VBS with St. John's & Holy Rosary! Each evening will include faith-filled fun, games, crafts, bible stories, snacks, and more! Register today!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD | PRE-K & K:

May 7 - During the 10 a.m. Sunday Mass. Leader: Michele R. Helpers: Pinero Fam. Stay tuned for details regarding potential Summer CLW at St. John's! Connect with Jill to get involved.

EVERYONE IS INVITED & ALL ARE WELCOME HERE!

Interested in becoming Catholic? Want to join our parish? Have faith questions? Jesus has led you to the right place! We encourage you to connect with us.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH STAFF | FAITH FORMATION:

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