



Saint John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

1515 Western Ave

Grafton ND 58237

1st Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016

Mission Statement

St. John the Evangelist Parish is a Catholic Community of believers who worship God and share faith with others through welcoming, encouraging, sharing, reconciling, being faithful, praying and healing in Jesus' name.

Eucharist Schedule

Saturdays: 5 p.m. - St. John's

Sundays: 7:30 a.m. - Oakwood

9:30 a.m. - St. John's

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Sundays: 7:10 a.m. - Oakwood

9:00 - 9:15 a.m.

Adoration – Thursday, 5-10 p.m.

Parish Office: 352-1648

Fr. Tim's Cell phone - 520-0838

Fax number: 352-1608

Parish Kitchen: 352-0499

Pastor: Fr. Tim Schroeder

Deacon/Pastoral Minister:

Rev. Mr. Michael Grzadzielewski

Administrative Assist to the Pastor/

LSTC Coordinator: Rose Marie Kerner

Faith Formation/Music: Brent Hermans

Office Manager: Beverly Dolan

Parish Maintenance: Paul Bina

Parish Lay Directors: Carol Bina, Brad Suda

Pastoral Council: David Demester, Mary (John) Dusek, Mary (Tom) Dusek, Todd Forbord, Jesse Forster, Monica Gorder, Bryan Hurst, Cindy Janousek, Nancy Miller, Christopher Quinamot, Micky Schumacher, Al Szklarski, Marta Balderas - Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

Finance Council: Rita Amiot, Russ Carignan, George "Buzz" Burns, Brad Suda, Linda Schumacher, Carol Bina, JoAnn Lizakowski.

Baptism Prep Classes - Second Thursday - 7 p.m. in the Gathering Space. Call 352-1648 to register.

FORMED: Youth and Adult Faith Formation at formed.org. Parish Access code: PNWMV2

Bulletin - find it at: stjohnsgrafton.com

Emails: Fr. Tim at timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org
Bev at bev.stjohns@midconetwork.com

Need a ride to church? Call Frank Janousek at 352-1567 or Jim Kosmatka at 352-3089.

Proclaimer's Workbook – St. John's proclaimers are asked to pick up their workbooks for 2017 in the Gathering Space. Your name is on your book. Thanks.

KC Bingo - Sunday, November 27 at **3 p.m.** (NOTE TIME CHANGE)
Bingo jackpots are: \$155 in 60 numbers, \$130 in 54 numbers, \$145 in 52 numbers, \$425 in the Progressive.

Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary – Tuesdays and Fridays at 8:30 p.m.

Choir - Wednesdays, at 7:45 p.m. in the Church. All ages are welcome!

Pastoral Council – Thursday, December 1, 7 p.m. in the KC Room.

Kiwanii's Breakfast – Saturday, December 3, 7-11 a.m., Parish Center.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Sunday, December 4, 1-3 p.m..
Join us for some or all of this time of prayer.

Tree of Light Memorial Event – Sunday, December 4, 2:30 p.m., at the Grafton Family Clinic. All proceeds will be used locally. Holiday refreshments will be provided.

Area Penance Services – Sunday, December 4, 2:30 p.m. - St. Mary's in Park River; Sunday, December 11, 4 p.m. – St. John's in Grafton;

NET Retreat - The National Evangelization Team will be doing a retreat on December 14 from 4-9 p.m. All 7-12 grade students are expected to attend.

Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy – Pope Francis declared 2015 the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. Along with his proclamation, he encouraged each diocese around the world to take on a Year of Mercy Project to help those in need. Bishop Folda has announced that St. Ann's Mission Catholic School, located in Belcourt, will be our diocesan "Year of Mercy" project. Bishop Folda is sending each diocesan household a letter clearly defining the need and inviting you to participate in our diocesan "Year of Mercy" project. When you receive this letter, please take the time to read and pray how best you can participate.



Jesus talks about how "it will be at the coming of the Son of Man." He challenges us, "Therefore, stay awake!" Even as I write this, I am having difficulty staying awake because of a long day and less sleep than I wanted last night. Physical sleepiness is difficult to overcome, but that can be fixed by getting a good night's sleep. Spiritual sleepiness is another thing. That is fixed only by attentiveness to Jesus and inviting the Spirit into our lives to examine what we need. The other day I stopped by a parish to go to confession. The priest I was seeking was not available. I called him on his cell phone and he was out of town, but, lo and behold, he came knocking at my door a few days later asking if I was still in need of his services. I was so thankful for him and the gift of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. His knocking at my door reminded me of this gospel, "Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake, and not let his house be broken into. So, too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect the Son of Man will come." It does not have to be a threat that "the Son of Man will come", even if he does surprise us like a thief would. If we have been opening the door to the Lord everyday and giving him control of our time, possessions and talent, he would not be a thief either. We would just hand to him the burden of stewardship. When we have been inviting him to take charge, it will be an occasion of pure unadulterated joy when we open the door that final time to find Jesus standing there wanting to come in. That's why, after all, we always say before communion, "Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." Come in Lord Jesus!!!

Eucharist & Intentions

Saturday, November 26

5:00 p.m. – Helen & Robert Robinson +

Sunday, November 27 First Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. – Oakwood - Parishioners

9:30 a.m. – Monica Aquilar +

Monday, November 28

No Mass

Tuesday, November 29

5:15 p.m. – Vernie & Kathryn Lysengen +

Wednesday, November 30

10:15 a.m. – Sunset – Henry & Matilda Stoltman +

Thursday, December 1

9:00 a.m. – Martha Campbell +

1:45 p.m. – LSTC – No Mass

Friday, November 25

9:00 a.m. – Paul Lysengen +

Saturday, November 26

5:00 p.m. – Paul & Sandi Houdek (Marriage)

Sunday, November 27

7:30 a.m. – Oakwood – Charles & Beaty Karnik +

9:30 a.m. – Parishioners

Prayers for the Sick/Oracion por los enfermos:

Policy for St. John's and Sacred Heart: Requests run for 3 consecutive weeks: Linda Loveless, Robert Lunski, Barbara Foerster-Estad, Mona Szklarski, Pam Jones, Carol Collette, Donald Demers, Jim Houska, Ron Nowacki, Roger Amiot, Suzanne Burns, Ramona Latraille, Diane Lee, Betty Littlefield, Mary Eisenrich Connor, Allen Johnson, Kenneth Shannon, Kevin Hoenke, Pat Hanson, Antony Munoz, Irene Lindgren, Cameron Moen, Frances Boulduc, Michelle Kohler, Jan Nermyr, Connie McCarty, Greg Dusek, Paul Brodeur, Kim Gourde Heazlett, Leland Bailly, Abbot Brian Wangler, Adly Galle Jaehning.

*** Right to Life ***

A vision for the future: "By seeking holiness and using the gifts God has given us to accomplish His will in our lives, we are contributing mightily to that kingdom we all long for, where there will be no more crying or pain or death. Certainly no abortion. No euthanasia. No assisted suicide. No deep freezing of embryos as though they were merchandise. And no destruction of human life in the name of science." Cardinal Justin Rigali, 1/21/2008
Prayer – That families may by word and example teach their children that each and every human life deserves respect.

Problem Pregnancy – Call 701-284-6601.

Magical Medora Christmas – Monday, November 28, 7 p.m. at the Center for the Arts, Grafton High School. Tickets are \$23.00 and are on sale at the Grafton Chamber of Commerce or at www.medora.com.

Lions Club of Grand Forks is again sponsoring Christmas in the Park. November 25 - December 31 from 5:30 - 10 p.m. Admission: Cars \$6, Limo \$10 and Bus \$20. Lincoln Park Drive in Grand Forks, ND.

Ministry	December 3	December 4	December 10	December 11
November Eucharistic Ministers	5 P.M. Paten: Mary Bailly, Sheila Trontvet 9:30 A.M. Paten: Dorothy Koester, JoAnn Lizakowski, Elaine Novak Chalice: Rosa Aguilar, Greg Campbell, Donald Suda, Jim Schieffer			
Proclaimers	Alysia Wilde	Kevin Frederickson	Carol Bina	Dan Gaustad
Altar Servers	Matt Houska Chris Fehr	Parsons Tony Balderas Elijah Smallbeck	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Tyler Mayer Sydney Suda Claire Bjerneby William Jiskra
Greeters	Kay Wilebski Sandi Houdek Sheila Trontvet	Christine Bjerneby Griselda Moreno Vicki Midgarden	Lee & Linda Lessard Robin Holt	Audrey Almond Delores Novak Christine Bjerneby
Money Counters		Marta Balderas Kelda Rerick		Judy Keeley Diane Maes

† STEWARDSHIP ☒

Let us honor God with our first fruits rather than the leftovers.
November 20 \$ 5,752.70

Given in 2016

\$ 311,488.25		\$355,000.00
\$ 78,162.00	God's Gift Appeal 103%	\$ 75,780.00
\$ 568,404.70	Sowing Seeds Campaign	\$741,989.00
\$ 480.00	Kitchen	
\$ 205.00	Window	
\$	Jail Ministry	
\$ 1,815.00	Memorials - Unrestricted	
\$ 70.00	Music	
\$ 10.00	Adoration Chapel	

Stewardship Moment – "For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." Matthew 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and grow in gratitude for all that we have been given.

Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes and Barcelona: Fr.

Phil Ackerman and Fr. David Fisher are leading a pilgrimage on March 12-21, 2017. For more information or a brochure contact Bon Voyage Travel at 701-772-6313 or Fr. Phil at 701-256-5966. You may also stop at the travel agency, 2100 S. Columbia Road, Suite 18, Grand Forks for more information.

Foster Grandparent Program – The Red River Valley Foster Grandparent Program is looking for men and women, age 55 and over, to assist children in their community. Foster Grandparents: read to a child/have child read to them, assist child with basic academic skills, such as reading, writing, spelling and math; do crafts, interact with children and be a role model; soothe a hurt child, give and receive unconditional love and support. Receive a small tax-free stipend of \$2.65/hr plus many other benefits. For more information call Karen Hillman or Pam Thoreson at the Foster Grandparent Program office at toll free 888-256-6742 or 701-795-3112.

The Walsh County Food Pantry – The Pastoral Council is asking that parishioners consider bringing an item for the food pantry EVERY weekend from now until the end of the year to help fill the bare shelves. Please place your donations around the altar or in the large basket in the Gathering Space.

Faith Formation – November 30 – Grades K-5 - Afternoon - 3:45 to 5 p.m. and 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.; Grades 6-7 - 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.; Grades 8-12 - 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart - Oakwood

Sunday, December 4

Proclaimer: Peter French

October Cleaning: Group 3

Collection: 11/20/2016 \$ 1,898.00

Year to Date: \$ 26,340.20

God's Gift Goal: \$ 7,895.00

Year to Date: 84% \$ 6,625.00

Lay Directors:

Dennis LeClerc, Lori Cyr

Pastoral/Finance Council:

Kelda Rerick, Susan Suda, Cindy Collette, Mark Gourde, Lee Osowski