



# Saint John the Evangelist Sacred Heart - Oakwood

1515 Western Ave

Grafton ND 58237

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 17, 2017

## 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: 5:00 p.m. - St. John's  
Sundays: 7:30 a.m. - Oakwood  
9:30 a.m. - St. John's  
11:30 a.m. - St. John's - Spanish

## 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. Timothy Schroeder

Retired Priest in Residence:  
Fr. Bernard Schnieder  
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:** Bryan Hurst,  
Linda Schumacher.

**Pastoral Council:** Leanne Campbell,  
David Demester, Mary (John) Dusek,  
Mary (Tom) Dusek, Jesse Forster,  
Monica Gorder, Paul Houdek, Ron  
Houska, Nancy Miller, Todd Morgan,  
Micky Schumacher, Al Szklarski, Marta  
Balderas - Hispanic Ministry Liaison.

**Finance Council:** Rita Amiot, Russ  
Carignan, Linda Schumacher, Bryan  
Hurst, JoAnn Lizakowski, Kathy Maus,  
Stacey Van Bruggen.

**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](http://formed.org). Parish Access  
code: PNWMV2

**Bulletin** - find it at: [stjohnsgrafton.com](http://stjohnsgrafton.com)

**Emails:** Fr. Tim at  
[timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org](mailto:timothy.schroeder@fargodiocese.org)  
Bev at [bev.stjohns@midconetwork.com](mailto:bev.stjohns@midconetwork.com)

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

**Fall Bible Study – Ephesians** – *Discover Your Inheritance*. An eight-part Bible Study beginning October 17 at 7p.m.. Discover what it means to be a son or daughter of God-an heir to all he has to give. Registration \$20.00. Call Deacon Mike for more information at 352-1648.

**Faith Formation** – We ask that you **PLEASE** turn in the registration forms so we know how many teachers we need for each session. We are still in need of teachers! If you can help, please contact Brent (520-2680) or Rose Marie (520-0591). Classes begin September 20. A **BIG** thank you to those who have already volunteered!

**St. John's Fall Dinner** – Our annual Fall Dinner is Sunday, October 8. This is a parish event when everyone should be involved. Co-chairs for the Kitchen are Lennae Kosmatka and Dori Wilkes; Dining room chairs are Sheila Slominiski and Kristi Jelinek; Country Store chair is Dorothy Koester; Mini Raffle chair is Marta Balderas and Desserts are Renae Fayette and Tracy Forbord; Take-out chairs are Chris and Maggie Suda. We will be needing donations in many areas and lots of help.

**Haiti Trip** – The trip is being planned for January 8-18, 2018. If you are interested in going, contact Fr. Tim or leave your name and contact information at the parish office.

**Hurricane Relief Collection** — If you were unable to join in our efforts to support the hurricane victims - please consider dropping a donation by the parish office. The funds collected in this special appeal will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA, as their member agencies respond to the immediate needs for necessities such as water, food, shelter and medical care as well as to the long term needs to rebuild and recover after widespread destruction.

**Real Presence Radio** – How has Catholic Radio affected your life? Let the Lord show you the gifts He has in store for you when you support one of the most effective evangelization tools available today! Coming September 20-22, you will have the chance to become an integral part of the driving force that keeps RPR alive and growing in your listening area. Thank you for your prayers and support. Call 877-795-0122 or send your gifts to PO Box 13703, Grand Forks ND 58208.

**FCA - Fellowship of Christian Athletes** – Student Athletes in grades 7-12 are invited to "Pray at the Pole" on Wednesday, September 27, at Grafton High School. We will be grilling at 5:30 with Prayer at 6 p.m. Join us!



"Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight" (Sir 27:30). Wrath, Anger un-forgiveness are like a sharp spiked steel ball and the sinner hugs it tight. The more it is squeezed the more pain it causes, yet the sinner continues to squeeze. Another image could be a cup of poison. Wrath, anger, and unwillingness to forgive, is the poison that fills the cup. The sinner sips on the poison hoping the other person will die. Jesus tells us of a debtor who owes "a huge amount". When we think about our relationship with God, any one of us owes a huge amount to God. We owe every breath, our intellect, the country we are born, all the genetic make up that give us an advantage over others. Think for awhile on what you have been given for which you did not work. It is pure gift from a loving Creator. Yes, we work with what we have been given; and what we do to develop with what we have been given is a gift we give back to God, the One who gave us the possibility to earn things in the first place. We owe God everything! When we sin against this infinitely kind and generous God, it is all the more terrible because of God's goodness. God forgives us nonetheless. He even sent his beloved Son to die for us. Yet when our brother or sister sins against us, we are not willing to forgive. That makes for a miserable end for one who does not see how much he owes from a loving Creator.

## Eucharist & Intentions

### Saturday, September 16

5:00 p.m. – Edna Teevens +

### Sunday, September 17

7:30 a.m. – Oakwood – Parishioners

9:30 a.m. – Josephine & Norvin Elbert +

### Monday, September 18

No Mass

### Tuesday, September 19

5:15 p.m. – Gwen Miller +

### Wednesday, September 20

10:15 a.m. – Sunset – Georgette LaHaise +

### Thursday, September 21

9:00 a.m. – Irene & Alwin Altendorf +

1:45 p.m. – LSTC – Paul Kosbab +

### Friday, September 22

9:00 a.m. – Earl Machart +

### Saturday, September 23

5:00 p.m. – Brian Pilon +

### Sunday, September 24

7:30 a.m. – Oakwood – Safety of all Farmers

9:30 a.m. – Parishioners

### Prayers for the Sick: Policy for St. John's and Sacred Heart

Requests run for 3 consecutive weeks: Liz Martinson, Kathy Ruzicka, David Hills, Maria Pokrzywinski, Monica Rudnik, Allan Johnson, Jerome Carriere, Deb Quirk, Ron & Jane Nowacki, Tracy Jamieson, Katy Kirkeby, Maria Lange, Monica Groven, Dorothy Rudnik, Don & Jane Osowski, Jennifer Osowski, Michelle Collette Donarski, Barbara Donelan, Tom Hartje, David Moe, Roger Amiot, Suzanne Burns, Ramona Latraille, Betty Littlefield, Kevin Hoenke, Frances Boulduc, Connie McCarty, Adly Galle Jaehning.

### Right to Life

Pope Francis noted that some supporters of euthanasia tend to "hide behind alleged compassion to justify killing a patient." True compassion, he notes, does not consider a patient's death a "good thing." That would mean the triumph of selfishness of that 'throwaway culture' that rejects and scorns people who do not fulfill certain criteria of health, beauty and usefulness." Florida Catholic II 11/24/16

**Prayer** – For those involved in abortion or euthanasia, that they may seek God's merciful forgiveness.

**Unplanned Pregnancy** – call 701-284-6601

### **Altru's Hospice Camp Good Mourning Quilt Bingo -**

Sunday, September 17, 2 p.m. in the Park River High School. Tickets are \$20 for 15 games - prizes are homemade quilts. For info call Sue Mairs 331-9008.

### **Middle School Youth Extravaganza** – Students in

grades 6-8 are invited to St. John Academy, 215 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE in Jamestown on October 14 from 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m. This day is especially designed for you. Stacey Sumereau-Jackson is our keynote speaker-check her out on YouTube. Register with your parish no later than Wednesday, September 27. \$35 fee - Chaperon needed.

Ministry	September 23	September 24	September 30	October 1
<b>September Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>5:00 P.M. Plate:</b> Catherine Pich, Kay Wilebski <b>Chalice:</b> Lillian Houska, Cindy Janousek, Brigita Bovaird, Kathy Grzadzielewski <b>9:30 A.M. Plate:</b> Kelly Lessard, JoAnn Lizakowski, Jim Schieffer <b>Chalice:</b> Debbie Aasand, Jim Dusek, Dorothy Koester, Elaine Novak			
Proclaimers	Kathy Grzadzielewski	Paul Dolan	Janice Houska	James Dusek
Altar Servers	Matt Houska Chris Fehr	Tyler Mayer Josh Blanchard Josie Suda Paige Suda	Chris Fehr Matt Houska	Tyler Mayer Josie Suda Page Suda Kate LeClerc
Greeters	Paul & Sandi Houdek Betty Feltman	Jack & Kathy Maus Audrey Almond	Doug & Sue Kirkeby Janice Houska	Greg Campbell Family Christine Bjorneby
Money Counters		Sue Callahan Charla Nelson		Leonard Novak Bev Dolan

## † STEWARDSHIP ☒

**Let us honor God with our first fruits  
rather than the leftovers.**

**September 10, 2017 \$**

### **Given in 2017**

\$ 213,988.82		\$355,000.00
\$ 76,713.00	God's Gift Appeal 95%	\$ 80,740.00
\$ 627,505.89	Sowing Seeds Campaign	\$741,989.00
\$ 370.00	Kitchen	
\$ 1,010.00	Window	
\$ 20.00	Jail Ministry	
\$ 1,600.00	Unrestricted	
\$ 115.00	Adoration Chapel	
\$ 20.00	Music	
\$ 3,025.00	Haiti School	
\$ 20.00	Parish Center Floor	
\$ 60.00	Media Upgrade	
\$ 5,480.00	Cemetery Upkeep	\$12,890.00

**Stewardship Moment** – *“For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.”* Romans 14:8 This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.

**Book of the Month:** The Protestant's Dilemma by Devin Rose -What if the Reformers really were heroes, and the Bible the sole rule of faith? "If you struggle with the claims of Protestantism or even if you feel satisfied with them! *“The Protestant's Dilemma”* will open your eyes to the rich, logical claims of the Catholic Church." Brandon Voigt, Word on Fire Catholic Ministries. "Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness..." 1 Peter 3:15

### ~~ Fall Dinners/Suppers ~~

**St. Timothy's - Manvel** – Sunday, September 17, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Turkey, Polish Sausage and all the trimmings also with a bake sale and farmers market. Adults \$12, 6-12 \$6, preschool - free.

**St. Mary's - Grand Forks** – Annual Fall Chicken and Meatball Dinner. Sunday, September 24, 11:30 a.m - 2:30 p.m. Chicken, meatballs and all the trimmings. Adult - \$12, Children 5-10 \$5, 4 and under free.

**St. Brigid of Ireland – Cavalier**– Sunday, September 24, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Turkey and all the trimmings. Adults \$12; Children 6-12 \$6, Preschool - Free.

**St. Mary's - Park River** – Sunday, October 1, 11a.m. - 2 p.m. Pork Chop Dinner and all the trimmings. Games, raffles, cakewalk and Grandma's Pantry. Adults, \$12; Children (ages 6-12), \$6; Under 6 - free.

### **Sacred Heart - Oakwood**

**Sunday, September 24, 2017**

**Proclaimer:** Jean Kieley

**September Cleaning:** Group 1

**Collection: 9/10/2017** \$

**Year 2017** \$19,506.01

**God's Gift Goal:** \$ 8,301.00

**Year to Date: 110 %** \$ 9,170.00

**Lay Directors:**

Dennis LeClerc, Lori Cyr

**Pastoral/Finance Council:** Susan Suda, Cindy Collette, Mark Gourde, Lee Osowski, Bobby Osowski.