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St. John the Baptist Parish is a warm and inviting family, living out our Baptismal call and nourished by the Eucharist, serving the needs of all with joy and gratitude, practicing stewardship, celebrating the sacraments and witnessing God in others.

Welcome

We are so glad you joined us today!

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February 12 & 13, 2022

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 5pm

Sunday Liturgy: 10am

Tuesday - 6:30pm

Wednesday to Friday - 9am

Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor

8 months in advance

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Homily Corner

As we celebrate Name Tag Sunday this weekend, we are being introduced to our Stewardship Committee. Dawn Hengen is the Chairperson of this committee and she would like to share the following with us:

“Everything we are and everything we have comes from God. By practicing Stewardship, we move away from being ‘owners’ of what we have, to being ‘trustees or stewards’ of the many gifts God gives us. We are called to give thanks for our God-given gifts and to return them to God by sharing them. There are countless ways to share our time, our talent and our treasure. Our Adoration Coordinator, Bridget Bittman, has generously shared her thoughts on utilizing her time in Adoration:

‘What is Adoration to me? It is thanksgiving to God for his great gift to us of the Eucharist. It is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus. In the Real Presence is my peace, my grounding, and my God. When I’m sad, anxious or grieving, I crave being in his actual presence. I was brought up in a Catholic home and exposed to many faiths. In my twenties, I moved away to Calgary and went on my own personal journey to seek the truth on what faith to believe and why. I found Catholic Apologetics explaining all core Catholic beliefs and here I am, firmly planted. Because of Mom and Dad’s connections, Father Neil, a missionary priest, stayed with Mark and I many times. His focus was Eucharistic Adoration and our home became a Chapel. That was 30 years ago. Then, many parishes in Calgary had 40 hours of Perpetual Adoration and we often signed up for an hour in the middle of the night. When Mark and I moved to Estevan 24 years ago, a missionary priest of the Blessed Sacrament gave a talk during the Masses one weekend. Over 200 parishioners signed up for a weekly Holy Hour. So many signed up to go during the night that the Parish had Perpetual Adoration from Wednesday morning until Friday evening every week. At the beginning of this pandemic, many came to Adoration daily where Jesus welcomes, consoles and strengthens us. Pro Life is something else that I am passionate about. I feel they go hand in hand. Adoration is a way to make reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the crimes against humanity and the world’s indifference to human life. If we want to make a difference, coming into the presence of God in prayer is a great way to start. Thank you for asking me to share.’

I encourage you to pray and discern how we can share our gifts of time, talent and treasure. We all receive different gifts but from the same Spirit, and those gifts come together for the fullness of the Body of Christ.”

Dawn and Bridget share their time, talent and treasure. They are awesome stewards of the gifts that God has given them and I thank them for speaking to us today.

The Holy Mass is the foretaste of the heavenly celebration. We fulfill the grace of our Baptismal Call by ministering. Our lives will be fulfilled and more joyful than we can imagine. In the first reading, God calls Jeremiah, but Jeremiah has some excuses to not answer the call. He says that he is not holy, he is not worthy. He tells God that he lives in a community of sinful people. We, too, have many excuses. We are too busy. We are too shy. We are not knowledgeable in our faith. The devil causes these thoughts to take us away from God, who promises eternal joy. Jeremiah was anointed with fire (a burning coal) and God told him that he was now holy and clean. We need cleansing too, but we also need the willingness to follow God.

Lent is a time to be made holy. How can we receive the burning coal renewal? We are all blessed by the fire of Baptism. The candle at Baptism is the burning coal. Your life will be joyful when you willingly accept the mission of disciple.

In the second reading, St. Paul talks about he was a persecutor of Christians. He would drag them out of their homes and torture or kill them. But, he says, look at me now. I am an Apostle.

There is no sense in us saying that we are not worthy and turning away from our mission. That is the devil enslaving us. Pray and decide how this Lenten season will be a way for you to be more joyful. Renew the burning coal in your heart by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Activate your faith. We should be deep rooted in our faith by our action.

Jeremiah was reluctant, but he was blessed. St. Paul was a persecutor, but he became a disciple. In the Gospel reading, we see Jesus calling the common people, the average people. All of us can do everything and anything with God and our lives will be a great joy. All of us are called by name.

This week, as you spend time in quiet prayer, give thanks to God for your gifts. Ask him to help you utilize those gifts in gratitude to him as you help build his Kingdom here on earth.

—Father Antony

St. John the Baptist Parish would like to congratulate the newest members of our parish family who were baptized on February 6. May they always be surrounded by God's love.

Samuel Jacob Jones, son of James and Kendra

Emryn Grace Emde, daughter of Owen and Kelsey

Rain Sophia Kendall and River Maisy Kendall, daughter of Justin and Paige

Harvey Austin Hunt, son of Winston and Dominica

Jack Jerome Stepp, son of Ryan and Angela



St John the Baptist Parish would like to extend an invitation to your business to participate in a unique sponsorship opportunity that will reach over 400 parishioners every week.

This is a great opportunity for our parishioners to highlight their company or business to our Parish Family and showcase their services.

If you are interested in adding your business to our sponsorship page, please contact Cindy at the Parish Office at 306-634-2190 for further information.

Parking Update

All the doors of the Church will be open for the weekend Holy Masses.

We have a large, open parking lot behind the Church and encourage you to park there, especially during this cold weather. And please make sure to leave the spots closest to the doors open for those of our Parish

Family with mobility issues, young families, etc. May God bless you and your family!



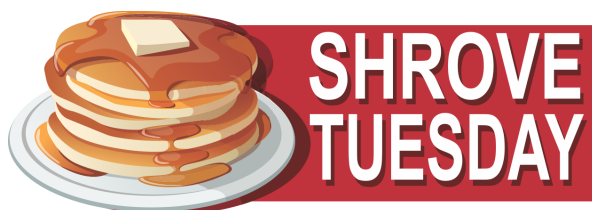
Readings for Sunday, February 20, 2022

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26.2,7-9,12-13,22-25

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.45-49

Gospel Reading: Luke 6.27-38



Check out the bulletin next week for more information about our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, March 1.



Reflecting On God's Love This Valentine's Day

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.



1 John 3:1

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.



1 John 3:16

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another.



Ephesians 5:1-2

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



Romans 8:35,37

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.



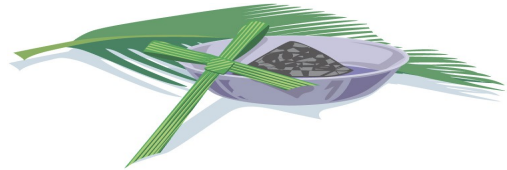
John 15:13

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friend.

Happy Valentine's Day

Palms For Ash Wednesday Ashes

On Tuesday, March 1 at the 7pm Holy Mass we will be celebrating the rite of burning the palms from the past year for the ashes that will be used on Ash Wednesday. If you have any palms at home from last year, please drop them in the basket at the main entrance of the Church by Sunday, February 27.



Make Music with Friends

Do you play a musical instrument and like meeting interesting people?

Do you like to get together and play along with others?

Enjoy the spontaneous musical collaboration of a **Jam Session!**

Monday, February 28, 2022

1:00 – 4:00pm

**St. John the Baptist Parish Hall
109-12th Avenue, Estevan**



Fun, free, and entertaining. Call 306-421-7538 for further information or just show up with your gear! Musicians, singers, dancers, and guests all welcome to attend.

Light refreshments will be served.

Confirmation/First Holy Eucharist Class

Our next Confirmation/First Holy Eucharist Classes are on:

Wednesday, February 16 at 6:30pm (SHSC)

Thursday, February 17 at 6:30pm (St. Mary's)

Both classes will be held in the Church.

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, February 12	5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, February 13	10am Holy Mass 5pm Holy Mass (Torquay)
Tuesday, February 15	7pm PPC Meeting held in the Parish Hall
Wednesday, February 16	6:30pm Confirmation/Holy Eucharist Class (SHSC)
Thursday, February 17	9am Lay Service with Communion 6:30pm Confirmation/Holy Eucharist Class (St. Mary's)
Saturday, February 19	5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, February 20	10am Holy Mass 5pm Lay Presided with Communion (Bienfait)

Happy Anniversary
Dave & Anita Kjersem



The 2021 Tax Receipts
are available for pick up
at the main entrance of
the Church.



Lenten Bible Study

The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy

If God's people had stayed close to him, there might have been no need for the prophets. God sent prophets at critical times to call the people back to their covenant relationship. Prophets proclaimed the consequences of continued sin, called people to repentance, and declared God's faithful love. They also spoke of the future to shed light on current events and to reveal God's plans and purposes.

It is nearly impossible to understand the work and the message of Jesus without the prophetic books. In *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy*, presenter Thomas Smith examines who the prophets were, their role during their time, and the meaning of their messages for our own time. Discover how God is constantly calling you to a deeper relationship as well as the ways you are called to be the voice of God to others.

Participants of *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy* will meet every Thursday to view an engaging video presentation followed by a question and answer group discussion. Our *Prophets Bible Study* will begin on Thursday, February 24. There will be one session, each Thursday at 7:00pm. The sessions will end on April 7.

Registration forms are available at the Parish Office, from Connie at the Holy Mass, and on our website. Completed registration forms along with the \$50.00 early bird (\$60 after February 17) registration fee can be placed in the collection basket at Holy Mass, dropped off at the Parish Office or you may call the Parish Office to make arrangements to register.



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2022 Lent & Holy Week Schedule

Shrove Tuesday Holy Mass And Palm Burning

Tuesday, March 1 at 7pm

Ash Wednesday Holy Mass

Wednesday, March 2 at 7pm

Tuesdays During Lent

- **Adoration from 9:30am until 6pm**
- **Holy Mass at 6:30pm**

Wednesdays During Lent

- **Holy Mass at 9am**
- **Adoration from 9:30am until 7pm**
- **Guided Holy Hour 7pm until 8pm**

Thursdays During Lent

- **Holy Mass at 12:10pm**
- **Adoration 1pm until 6pm**
- **Bible Study at 7pm**

Fridays During Lent

- **Adoration from 9:30am until 6:30pm**
- **Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass at 6:30pm**

Palm Sunday Holy Masses

Saturday, April 9 at 5pm and Sunday, April 10 at 10am

Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday) Mass

**Thursday, April 14 at 7:30pm Followed By
Adoration until 11pm**

Good Friday Liturgy

Friday, April 15 at 12pm and 3pm

Easter Vigil

Saturday, April 16 at 8:30pm

Easter Sunday Holy Mass

Sunday, April 17 at 10am

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2022 Lenten Season Reconciliation

Friday, March 18

5pm until 7pm

Friday, March 25

5pm until 7pm

Friday, April 1

5pm until 7pm

Tuesday, April 5

7pm until 9pm

*Please note that there will not be Holy Mass this evening.

Friday, April 8

5pm until 7pm

As we journey through Lent, Reconciliation is available on these Fridays evenings. You can receive this sacrament anytime between 5pm and 7pm, including during the Stations of the Cross. One priest will be hearing confessions on these days.

Tuesday, April 5 is our Lenten Season Reconciliation with Adoration evening. We will have more than one priest available for Reconciliation.

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