

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.

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Monday - Friday

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 7 p.m.

Sunday: 10 a.m.

Weekday: Please check a current bulletin

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Tuesdays 5:30p.m.- 6:15p.m.

Thursdays & 3rd Fridays 8a.m. - 8:45a.m.

or by appointment

Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the pastor 8 months in advance

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Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, February 15 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, February 16 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass

Tuesday, February 18 6:30pm Holy Mass **†**Sophie Spilchuk

Wednesday, February 19 11am (Hospital) Holy Mass **†**Gwen East

Thursday, February 20 9am Holy Mass **†**Neil Himmilspack

7pm Choir Practice

Friday, February 21 9am Holy Mass **†**Jerry Wock

St. Peter Damian

Saturday, February 22 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

Chair of St. Peter 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, February 23 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

St. Polycarp 10am Holy Mass

Attention all men of our Parish who are 18 years of age and older to join our brotherhood. Participate in parish, community or Knights on Bikes. Whether you can give one hour or one hundred hours, be a role model and join our club. We meet once a month (2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm). If you would like to find out more information we will be in the parish hall after every weekend Mass for the month of February or you can call 306-634-6852.

Grand Knight

Sheldon Spilchuk

Palms For The Shrove Tuesday Holy Mass

We are preparing for Ash Wednesday and invite you to bring your palms from last year to the Church to be burnt for the ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please place your palms in the basket in the main entrance of the Church. The palms will be burnt on Shrove Tuesday at the Holy Mass at 7pm.



Annual General Meeting

Mark your calendar!

Our Annual General Meeting is on Sunday, March 22 at 11:30am. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided. It is your opportunity to help our Parish Family grow by bringing your valuable suggestions and recommendations. It is also your right to attend the AGM as a full

member of our Parish.

See you there!!



COLLECTION REPORT

2020 Projected Expenses \$450,000.00 Monthly Collection Required \$37,500.00

Month of JANUARY 2020

2020 Actual Collection Year to Date \$29,591.45

Jan. Sunday Collection \$29,591.45

In *No Greater Love,* You Will Experience the Unconditional Love Christ Has for You.

We often hear about Jesus' passion and death, but imagine experiencing them for the very first time. In *No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion*, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his agony in the garden to his crucifixion on Calvary.



Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with him today.

Each participant will receive the book "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion" and the Participant Workbook. Both of these resources complement the videos that will be shown at each session and they allow you to go deeper into the topic of the week.

No Greater Love is a six-part Bible study program that begins on Thursday, February 27 at 7pm. Registration forms can be picked up at the entrances of the Church or at the Parish Office. The registration fee is \$60. Please complete the registration form and bring it, along with the registration fee to the Parish Office. For more information, please contact Beckey Franke at 306-461-9559 or email at b.coralea@hotmail.com or the Parish Office at 306-634-2190 or email at stjohnthebaptist@sasktel.net.

Please join us on this amazing journey through Lent!!

—The Bible Study Team

St. John the Baptist Parish is building a Pastoral Care

Team. Are you interested in joining this team as an extra
ordinary communion minister visiting the sick and
homebound? Would you like to be a part of a team that
provides a lay presided service to our care homes on Sundays? Would
you like more information? Please contact Connie Wheeler at the Parish

"I was sick and you took care of me."

Matthew 25:36

Office at 306-634-2190.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

You are invited to the St. John the Baptist Parish Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 25 at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Shrove Tuesday is celebrated on the day immediately preceding Ash Wednesday. Traditionally, pancakes or other foods made with milk, eggs and fat are eaten that evening as a last feast before the fasting of Lent.

Everyone is welcome for supper and following the supper we will be celebrating Holy Mass at 7pm with the burning of the palms for the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

See you there!!

-Pastoral Council

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

Jishon Timo Penano, son of John Gohann Andres and Irish Penano

Annabella Mackenzie, Jake William and Nash Hudson, children of Joshua and Kristin Biggs

Aeliana Rei Penano and Ainsley Rae Penano, daughters of Raymart Bognot and Abegail Penano

Savanna Meg, daughter of Philip and Noemi Ceniza

Jacoby Els, son of Kolby Fleury and Nicki Robinson

Lux Briar, daughter of Matthew and Savanna Kuntz

Cohen Taylor, son of Justin McClelland and Amy Johnson

Hudson Daniel, son of Riley and Brianna Rezansoff

Elle Marie, daughter of Eric and Trisha Salmers

Hazel River, Rylee Skye, Tyler Lucille and Violet James Jeanne, children of Paul and Allison Zabel



St. John the Baptist Parish Lenten Events

Tuesdays During Lent

Adoration at 6:30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7:30pm.

Wednesdays During Lent

Holy Mass at Hillview Manor on the first Wednesday of each month at 10am

Holy Mass at 11am at the Hospital.

Thursdays During Lent

Holy Mass at 12:10pm

Lenten Study at 7pm in the Parish Hall

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

(Must be pre-registered.)







Lenten Reconciliation and Adoration

Sunday, March 22 at 7pm in the Church.

Tuesday, March 31 at 7pm in the Church.

Fridays During Lent

Adoration will be held in the Church from 9:30am until 6:30pm.

Ministerial Association Lenten Service and Lunch at 12:10pm

(Locations and Themes will be in the bulletin soon.)

Station of the Cross at 6:30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7pm

The Holy Masses at Creighton Lodge and the Nursing Home will stay at their regular times.

DISCERNING, PRAYING AND MINISTERING

Do you feel as though there is something you could be doing to help your Parish Family, your Spiritual Home grow? Do areas of need or ideas for how you might be able to help come to mind when you are at Holy Mass or in prayer? God may be inviting you to grow in your service to His Church through a variety of parish Ministries. If you have been considering being more intentional about your discipleship this coming year by accepting a position on our Parish Pastoral Council, as a Liturgical Minister, Hospitality Minister or with any of our other Parish groups, here are a few things to keep in mind as an aid to your discernment. Have you thought of your Financial Giving a generous one, when was the last time you increased your contribution? Have you shared with any one about Visions and Expectations of your Parish Home, where do you see yourself in the Parish Family?

- +Am I a faithful Christian who attends Holy Mass on a regular basis?
- +Am I faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church in my heart and my daily living?
- +Do I have a regular, personal prayer life or feel called to strengthen my prayer life?
- +Am I a registered member of St. John the Baptist Parish?
- +Do I make regular contributions to help in the upkeep and operations of my parish home?
- +Will this ministry be a good fit with any other vocational calling God has given me? If I am a parent and spouse, for example, will I be able to remain faithful to those roles?
- +Does my work schedule allow me sufficient free time to dedicate to serving Christ in this way?
- +Are there any changes I might have to make to how I spend my free time and am I willing to make those changes at Christ's request?

If you do not feel ready at this time to take on a leadership role in an area of ministry, we would still love for you to consider helping out in some way. Serving your parish community can be a wonderfully rewarding opportunity to grow in faith and in the love of Jesus Christ who will continue to Bless your household generations. We welcome and encourage you, over these next few weeks, to prayerfully consider how and where Christ is inviting you to serve. Speak with someone who can help you find a ministry in God's House. God's Call is Intimate and Personal! Let us respond!

As members of our St. John the Baptist Parish Family, we are all called to serve God's Church with our time, talent, and treasure. We are pleased to help you realize your call to ministry. Please contact Dawn Hengen at 306-461-6904 or Connie Wheeler at 306-634-2190 for more information.



Homily Corner



This is a recap of Father's homily from the previous weekend. This past Sunday's homily was on the readings for the 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time. The Gospel reading was Matthew 5:13-16.

Last week we talked about the core of the Christian way of life—the Beatitudes and how these guidelines should BE OUR ATTITUDE in life.

Jesus came down to us fully human to make us fully divine with him. We are created in the image and likeness of God and he wants us with him and to be like him.

In Sunday's Gospel, we heard about salt and light. Salt brings flavor to our food and we should be bringing flavor to our world. By following our objectives and goals (the Beatitudes), we become the salt of the world for the hopeless, the loveless, the lonely, the isolated, the faithless.

Jesus is the light of the world. He came down as the light for us. The same privilege is given to us—we are light as well. How do we use our gifts to shine and to shine in the brightest way we can?

When we do something to help others or when we serve in a ministry, we eradicate darkness. We are called to be salt and light for our world, our parish and our community. We are so valuable and precious to God. Our goal is discipleship. We can't be hiding disciples.

We have been entrusted with bringing God's Kingdom on earth, through our call to be salt and light to the world.

This week, contemplate in prayer and as you receive the Holy Eucharist: How am I salt? How am I light to my parish family? How can I shine? How can I allow God to talk to me?

See you next week as we reflect on the 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

—Father Antony

