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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!

**Parish Office Hours**

Monday to Friday 9am -12pm and 1pm -3pm

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**February 19 & 20, 2022**  
**7th 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

This past weekend we celebrated the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The first reading was Jeremiah 17:5-8, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 1, the second reading was

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 and the Gospel reading was Luke 6:17, 20-26.

The Holy Scriptures: when we listen to, read, pray and utilize them, they are the blessedness of God. In our world today, we have many concerns and we talk of the world losing faith, but the Bible is still the greatest book in the world. It is a best-seller. It is translated into every language. And there is a reason the Holy Bible is so respected and loved; it tells us the truth. Truth is beauty.

The readings today speak of certain challenges for us. In the first reading, the Prophet Jeremiah speaks about trust in God. Sometimes we feel like there is not substance in our lives or in our families. The reason for that is that we don't trust in God. We haven't transformed in the way the Holy Scripture tells us to. We may go to Church regularly, but still live in our own sins. When we trust in God, we can have the power to transform and be washed of our sins.

We may be faithful, going to Church and praying, but in the Gospel reading today, Jesus tells us the truth. And as we have talked about before, what do you like to hear: a pleasing lie or a prevailing truth? He says, "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false Prophets." We are clearly warned of false Prophets. They will please us but won't give us any life. If we can take our lives away from evil and the tempter, and live in the Word of God proclaimed by the Prophets, we will be transformed.

The season of Lent always begins with Jesus in the desert. That is because we go from dryness and darkness to joyful life through this season. It is an opportunity to turn to God more fully.

The first part of today's Gospel is very interesting. Jesus came with his apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people. It says, "Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh." The most important line in this Gospel reading is, "Then Jesus looked up at his disciples." He tells them they are blessed, but he does not say this to the whole crowd. The disciples are cleansed, but he was not sure about the crowd. They were to listen to the second part of the Gospel. I also want to mention that when we hear the word rich in the Holy Scriptures, we might think about finances, but in the Bible, richness means absence of grace. It means being rich in sin, exploiting people, cheating, lying. When you come to Church and receive the sacraments, you are poor for Jesus. You are thirsting and hungry for Jesus.

We may be blessed like the disciples, but we have the responsibility to reach out to others to help them transform. We need to reach out to our community, our family and our friends. By transforming ourselves and reaching out to others to help them transform, the kingdom of God expands to the whole world. This is the role of the disciples, the Prophets. We are proclaimers of the Word of God, which will give us truth and life.

As you spend time in quiet reflection this week, contemplate your trust in God. In what areas of your life could you trust more fully in your loving Father? How can you be a disciple, a prophet of God by reaching out to others?

Blessings,

Father Antony

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH**

**COLLECTION REPORT**

2022 Projected Expenses \$510,318.00

2022 Actual Collection Year to Date  
\$22,686.30

**Month of January 2022**

Monthly Collection Required \$37,500.00

January Sunday Collection \$22,686.30



**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  
109-12<sup>th</sup> 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.

Dann Pangan

Jeff Albofera

Anita Fleck

Renante Son

Elizabeth Olson



**Readings for Sunday, February 27, 2022**

First Reading: Sirach 27.4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 92

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.54-58

Gospel Reading: uke 6.39-45



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!

St. John the Baptist Parish is seeking creative, fun-loving people for its **FUN**raising Committee to organize events that promote fellowship, fun and fundraising. Please contact Dana Skjonsby @ 306-461-9601 if you are interested or would like to learn more about this exciting opportunity to be engaged in our Parish and our community.



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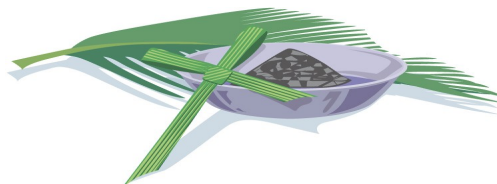
Shrove Tuesday is celebrated on the day immediately preceding Ash Wednesday. Traditionally, pancakes or other foods made with milk, eggs, and fat are eaten that evening as a last feast before the fasting of Lent.

Everyone is welcome for supper. Holy Mass will be celebrated following supper at 7:00pm with the burning of the palms for Ash Wednesday.



### 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.

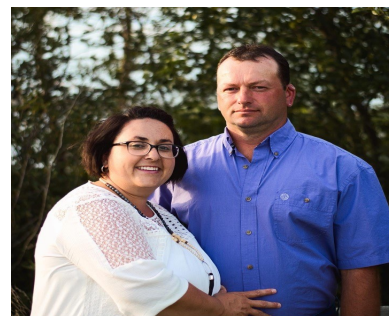


The 2021 Tax Receipts are available for pick up at the main entrance of the Church.

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT WITH KRISTY PHILLIPS

I have been a part of the Music Ministry from the age of 10 years old. When singing in Church as a child, it was a joyful and light hearted experience with my friends. This feeling of joy continued as I sang with the Youth Choirs and Senior Choirs. My voice has always been a way to express myself and connect with God. I have been grateful for each person that has come into my life and served with me in this ministry.

They have brought their talents to the table where we could collaborate to praise and worship. A strong connection with my partner Doris started from the very beginning. We were two very busy young mothers who shared a common purpose. We have grown together both in our music abilities and in our faith. Preparing for each service has given us time to reflect on the Word of God each week and music's ability to bring that meaning to the Word into our own lives and those of the community. I am forever grateful for God's ability to bring peace, hope and inspiration to myself and others through the music we share.



Kristy Phillips with her



## Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, February 19	5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, February 20	10am Holy Mass 5pm Holy Mass (Torquay) Special Intentions 5pm Lay Presided (Bienfait)
Tuesday, February 22 <i>Chair of St. Peter</i>	9am C.W.L. Executive Meeting 6:30pm Holy Mass †Cathy Wanner 7pm Liturgy Meeting 7pm SJB Choir Practice
Wednesday, February 23 <i>St. Polycarp</i>	9am Holy Mass †Ian Fernandez
Thursday, February 24	9am Holy Mass Special Intentions for Pierre & Laura 7pm Bible Study
Friday, February 25	8:30am Podcast Friday 9am Holy Mass †Shannon Honan
Saturday, February 26	5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, February 27 <i>St. Gregory of Narek</i>	10am Holy Mass

### 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 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.



# **St. John the Baptist Parish**

## **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**

# St. John the Baptist Parish

## 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.*

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*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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*Ray and Doris  
Frehlick*

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# What is a Synod?

## Listen, Encounter, Discern



Pope Francis has launched a two-year global consultation process leading to the October 2023 Synod on Synodality. The Pope has said that Catholics taking part in the synod path should strive to “become experts in Encounter...listening to what the Spirit wants to say to the church.”

The word ‘Synod’ means walking together. We will be supporting this process by providing opportunities for consultation and conversation in our Parish and other partner organizations.

### Listen, Encounter - What does it mean to me?

*What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our “journeying together”?*

St. John the Baptist Parish is requesting that our Parish Family and those who form our larger community reflect on how we as a Church are ‘walking together’. Your responses are important to us.

How is our Church responding to our community, are we meeting its needs?

- What impact does our Church have on our lives and the community around us?
- How have individuals and our community experienced ‘walking together’ ?
- How is the Holy Spirit inviting us to grow in ‘walking together’ with others?

“LET US NOT SOUNDPROOF OUR HEARTS; LET US NOT REMAIN BARRICADED IN OUR CERTAINTIES. CERTAINTIES OFTEN CLOSE US OFF. LET US LISTEN TO ONE ANOTHER.”

POPE FRANCIS OCTOBER 10, 2021

## How can you participate?

PARTICIPATE IN A GROUP CONSULTATION

COMPLETE AN INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE ONLINE OR A PRINTABLE FORM

SUBMIT YOUR RESPONSE DIRECTLY TO THE ARCHDIOCESE

HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS - SUBMIT YOUR RESPONSES

CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION  
[HTTPS://STJOHNTHEBAPTISTESTEVAN.COM/](https://stjohnthebaptistestevan.com/)

**In the words of Pope Francis...**  
***It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the  
Church of the third millennium.***

**Community Consultations:** Attend a Consultation Session where we will explore the essential questions and themes of the Synod. A reflection is available ahead of time to ensure this is a Spirit-driven experience of active listening and walking together.

**Individual Responses:** Individual participants can submit their own personal responses to the Fundamental Question or any of the theme questions.

**Online Submissions:** A link is available for parishioners to submit their responses on line. All responses will be kept confidential. <https://stjohnthebaptistestevan.com/>

**Printable Synod Response Forms:** You may drop off your completed forms in the collection basket at Holy Mass, at the Parish Office during business hours or mail it to us:

*St. John the Baptist Parish*

*ATTN: Synod Consultation*

*109 12th Ave*

*Estevan, Saskatchewan S4A 1C9*

**One to one Conversations:** Parishioners are encouraged to engage in conversation with friends and family for this synodal process. We want to know what impact our community would like the Church to have in their lives and the community around them.

**Other Ways to respond -Direct submission to the Archdiocese**

The Archdiocese Synod Consultation site link is:

<https://archregina.sk.ca/synod-2021-2023>

You may submit a printable response form to :

*Archdiocese of Regina*

*ATTN: Synod Consultation*

*445 Broad St. N*

*Regina, Saskatchewan. S4R 2X8*

**Discern - Plans for Gathered Information**

All information will be submitted to the Regina Archdiocese by May 9th, 2022. The Archdiocese will then use the information to submit a document to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB).

In 2022, the CCCB will develop a national synthesis document summarizing its key findings. The national synthesis document along with contributions from the local churches will be sent to the General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops in Rome for review and setting direction for the Catholic Church into the future. In 2023, the outcomes of the Synod will be published and released.

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