

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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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 22 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

Chair of St. Peter 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, February 23 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

St. Polycarp 10am Holy Mass

Monday, February 24 1pm Prayer Shawl Ministry held in the Meeting Room

Tuesday, February 25 3pm CWL Executive Meeting held in the Meeting Room

5:30pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper held in the Parish Hall

7pm Holy Mass **†**Richard Weisgerber

7:30pm Liturgy Committee Meeting held in the Meeting Room

Wednesday, February 26 10am All Schools Ash Wednesday Mass

7pm Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday, February 27 12:10pm Holy Mass †Darren Lowe

7pm Lenten Bible Study

Friday, February 28 10am (Nursing Home) Holy Mass **†**Gladys Pukas

6:30pm Stations of the Cross followed by Holy Mass

Saturday, February 29 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, March 1 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

You are invited to the St. John the Baptist Parish Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 25 from 5:30pm to 6:30pm 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 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 Office at 306-634-2190.

Anita Fleck, Madison Daoust,

Elizabeth Olson, and Renante Son

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

Matthew 25:36

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 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

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

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.



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 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time. The Gospel reading was Matthew 5:17-37.

Last Sunday, we heard a stern sermon from Jesus. We need to remember that we are not perfect, we are CALLED to be perfect. We receive strength from the power of God to be perfect.

We continued our reflection on the BE ATTITUDES: if someone accuses you, still be happy. Jesus is the one who was accused the most. He was accused of breaking the law of the day when he healed people on the Sabbath and they called him an outlaw. But Jesus said that whatever he did is in the fullness of the law. Accusations still come at Jesus, even to this day.

The first reading, from Sirach, tells us the truth, not the sugar coated version we would rather hear. In our society, we often don't want to hear the truth. God has given us the freedom to choose. Every day of our life is filled with choices. People often ask, "Why has God allowed us to do wrong?" God gives us freedom along with wisdom to make the right choice. It is up to us to discern and make that right choice. And as parents, we are called to make choices for our children that are in their best interest. Allowing a child to make their own choices before they are able to is a wrong choice for parents. The Spirit of God rests upon us, guiding us.

God is nourishing us with his light and love so that we may be blessed by abundance in our lives.

This week, as you contemplate in prayer and as you receive the Holy Eucharist: Am I utilizing the power of God or is the devil tempting me? Who am I following?

See you next week as we reflect on the 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

—Father Antony

Estevan Ministerial Association Lenten Service and Lunches

This year the theme is

"Fruits of the Spirit in the Passion of Christ"

Friday, February 28 at St. Giles Anglican Church - Gentleness

Friday, March 6 at St. Paul's United Church - Patience

Friday, March 13 at Trinity Lutheran Church - Faithfulness

Friday, March 20 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church - Goodness

Friday, March 27 at St. Joseph's Hospital Chapel - Self Control

Friday, April 3 at St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Parish Peace

Each service begins at 12:10pm and is followed by lunch.

A free will offering will be accepted for the lunch and all proceeds will go the Estevan Ministerial

Acceptation for the community ground.

Association for the community groups that they support.





THANK YOU TO COLINDA DOERR AND EILEEN LINGELBACH FOR CREATING OUR

POWERPOINTS FOR THE HOLY MASSES FOR THE LAST YEAR!! FOR YOUR MINISTRY TO YOUR PARISH FAMILY, MAY GOD SHOWER YOU WITH HIS BLESSINGS.

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!!



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St. John the Baptist Parish March 2020



29 Holy Mass 8am - Bienfait Holy Mass 10am 5th Sunday of Lent	22 Holy Mass 8am - Bienfait Holy Mass 10am AGM/11:30am Lenten Reconciliation 7pm 4th Sunday of Lent	15 Holy Mass 8am - Bienfait Holy Mass 10am 3rd Sunday of Lent	8 Holy Mass 8am - Bienfait Holy Mass 10am 2nd Sunday of Lent	1 Holy Mass 8am - Bienfait Holy Mass 10am 1st Sunday of Lent
30 Chrism Mass 7pm - Holy Rosary Cathedral, Regina	23 Prayer Shawl Ministry Ipm	16	9 Prayer Shawl Ministry Ipm	2
31 CWL Executive Meeting 4pm Lenten Reconciliation 7pm	24 Lenten Adoration 6:30pm Holy Mass 7:30pm Liturgy Committee 7:30pm	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY Lenten Adoration 6:30pm Holy Mass 7:30pm	10 Lenten Adoration 6:30pm Holy Mass 7:30pm K of C Meeting 7:30pm	3 St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin Lenten Adoration 6:30pm Holy Mass 7:30pm CWL Meeting 8pm
	25 Annunciation of the Lord Holy Mass 11am - Hospital Choir Practice 7pm	18 Holy Mass IIam - Hospital Confirmation/First Eucharist Class 6:30pm Choir Practice 7pm	11 Holy Mass IIam - Hospital Choir Practice 7pm	4 Holy Mass 10am - Hillview Manor Holy Mass 11am - Hospital Choir Practice 7pm
	26 Holy Mass 12:10pm Lenten Study 7pm	19 St. Joseph Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Mass 12:10pm Lenten Study 7pm	12 Holy Mass 12:10pm Lenten Study 7pm	5 Holy Mass 12:10pm Lenten Study 7pm
	27 Hoty Mass 10am - Nursing Home Ministerial Lenten Service and Lunch 12:10pm - Hospital Chapel Stations of the Cross and Hoty Mass 6:30pm	20 Ministerial Lenten Service and Lunch 12:10pm - St. Peter's Lutheran Church Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass 6:30pm	13 Holy Mass 10am - Creighton Lodge Ministerial Lenten Service and Lunch 12:10pm - Trinity Lutheran Church Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass 6:30pm	6 Ministerial Lenten Service and Lunch 12:10pm - St. Paul's United Church Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass 6:30pm
	28 Holy Mass 5pm - Torquay Holy Mass 7pm	21 Holy Mass 5pm - Torquay Holy Mass 7pm	14 Holy Mass 5pm - Torquay Holy Mass 7pm	7 Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs Holy Mass 5pm - Torquay Holy Mass 7pm

The Activated Disciple

Are you a fan or a follower?

As Catholics, we practice our faith, and we study what it means to truly be a disciple of Jesus Christ. But we often find that we're not fully living out the bold, abundant, Christ-like life we're called to live.

An activated disciple is someone who strives every moment of every day to imitate Jesus. It's someone who desires such a close relationship with God that every area of their life is fully transformed. It's someone who actively proclaims the Gospel in their daily life.

It's Game Time

The St. John the Baptist Parish 40 Day Challenge for Lent will help you to make that transformation, building on the relationship you have with God right now.

You are challenged to set aside time to reflect on "the shape of your day" as you cultivate the eight characteristics that mark the life of a disciple:

- Love
- Forgiveness
- Humility
- Patience
- Selflessness
- Kindness
- Attentiveness
- Contrition



Each day, during your time of reflection, pray this prayer for our Parish:

O God, our loving Creator, You are the Giver of all our good gifts. Bless our Parish, strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of Christian Stewardship so that we may give generously of our time, talent and treasure to elevate Your kingdom, here in our own Parish Family and throughout the world. Be with me as I choose each day to show your Presence in our world. Give me the courage and generosity to respond to your love, to your call. We pray especially for those who serve you in ministry. Open the minds and hearts of many others—men, women, and young people that they may accept your vocation to build the Kingdom in our parish, responding to Your Call to be True Disciples and Apostles. I ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We invite you to take the challenge. Each week in the bulletin, we will have suggestions for prayer and reflection on the eight characteristics. The Stewardship Prayer above will be available in the Adoration Chapel as well. As you reorient your life toward Jesus, you'll notice the profound transformation as close relationship with him brings each day.

For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.

James 2:26