

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.

come

We are so glad you joined us today!

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 10am - 2pm (including lunch hour) Email: stjohnthebaptist@sasktel.net Website: www.stjohnthebaptistestevan.ca Facebook: facebook.com/stjohnthebaptistestevan Pastor: Father Sathi Antony 306-634-5790 or ansathisjb@gmail.com Pastoral Assistant: Connie Wheeler 306-634-2190 or 306-421-8447 or conniesjb@gmail.com Office Assistant: Karla Waloshin 306-634-2190

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Caretaker: Sigfredo Gonzalez

Janitorial Services: Joseph Be



Palm Sunday April 4 & 5, 2020

# **Mass Schedule**

All Masses are cancelled until further notice.

# **Sacraments**

Anointing: Contact the Pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor 8 months in advance

Address: 109 12th Avenue, Estevan SK S4A 1C9 Phone: (306) 634-2190 Fax: (306) 634-6845

### Parish Records Update

If your address or family information has changed, please contact the Parish Office to provide the updated information. This will help us keep our records current. You can



email your updated information to stjohnthebaptist@sasktel.net or call the office at 306-634-2190. 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. CARE "I was sick and you took care of me." Matthew 25:36

### A Spiritual Act of Communion for those Self-Isolating

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.



Amen.

# COVID-19 Announcements from St. John the Baptist Parish

We are a Parish Family who serve, pray and look out for each other, so with that in mind, we have made some changes to how our Parish Office will operate daily.

- 1. Our Office will be open Monday to Friday from 10am-2pm, including lunch hour.
- 2. The inner door will remain locked.
- 3. Anything you would like to drop off, including donations, can be placed on the table in the vestibule.



4. If you are in need of assistance or have any concerns, you can contact us at 306-634-2190 anytime, day or evening.

God Bless!!

### April 5, 2020 - Palm Sunday

"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." (Matthew 27:32)

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

#### Formed. The Catholic Faith On Demand Get thousands of movies, programs, audio and books instantly.

St. John the Baptist Parish holds a membership to this website and you can sign in for free to gain access to all of their resources. It just takes a few easy steps:

- 1. Enter formed.org into your internet browser.
- 2. Click on Sign Up.
- 3. Click on I Belong To A Parish or Organization.
- 4. Enter St John the Baptist Estevan. When you see our parish on the list, click on it.
- 5. Click on next.
- 6. Enter your info to create an account and then you will have access to everything.

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# Sacrament of Anointing

The Sacrament of Anointing is for healing of our minds and bodies. This Sacrament is available by making an appointment with the Parish Office. Please pray for healing before and after receiving this Holy Sacrament.



# Keeping Updated

If you would like to receive updates and faith resources from St. John the Baptist Parish during this time, please contact the Parish Office to give us your email address by emailing stjohthebaptist@sasktel.net or by phoning at 306-634-2190.

Also, if you need assistance or have any questions for us, please call the Parish Office at the number above. Messages will be checked regularly.

Happy Birthday to

Gabrielle and Sophia Deitz



# Holy Week Mass Schedule

The Palm Sunday and Holy Week Masses will be livestreamed from the Archdiocese at the following link:

https://archregina.sk.ca/live

Palm Sunday at 9am

Holy Thursday at 7pm

Good Friday at 3pm

Easter Vigil at 8:30pm

Easter Sunday at 9am



# **Adoration Update**

The Church will be closed on Saturday, April 4.

There will not be Adoration that day.

Adoration will resume on Sunday, April 5 at 9am.



### Archdiocese of Regina Good Samaritan Project

The Archdiocese of Regina has volunteers from all around the diocese who are willing to reach out if you are in need.

If you need groceries or essential items but are ill, immobile or quarantined and so not able to leave the house AT ALL (noting that NONE of us should be leaving more than absolutely necessary!), please contact us and we will set you up with a volunteer who can help.

We are committed to operating in such a way that the Health Canada Guidelines, and provincial Public Health Orders from our Chief Medical Officer and provincial government are strictly adhered to.

If you need some assistance please email outreach@archregina.sk.ca at anytime OR call 306-541-3086 between 9-5 Tuesday-Saturday.

Archbishop Don has a weekly video message available on the Archdiocese webpage at

https://archregina.sk.ca/archbishops-office/archbishop-bolen-weekly



### Dear Heavenly Father,

We come to you today asking your protection and health for our essential workers. Without them we couldn't function, yet so often we take their faithful service for granted. Help us to be more aware of who they are and everything they do. They feed us, open their businesses to us, supply us with clean water and keep us safe.

Now, Oh God, our essential workers are being called on to show up for work even though they could possibly be exposing themselves to the coronavirus. Some may even be risking their lives if they get sick.

We fervently pray your protection over our essential workers. Make their workplaces and working conditions as safe as possible. Provide them with the ways and means to prevent exposure to the coronavirus. Give their coworkers the good sense to stay home if they feel they might be getting sick.

We pray that they will have reasonable work hours and that they won't be overburdened by huge workloads. Grant them the time they need to rest, get a good night's sleep, eat well and relax from stress. We pray your mercy and healing help on any of these dedicated workers who have fallen ill. Comfort them, care for them and restore them to full health.

We pray for the families of our essential workers that you might be with them in their times of worry and stress. Keep their families safe. Provide for all their needs.

Finally, Oh God, help us express our thankfulness to our amazing workers. Thank you for their skills, their courage and their good work. May we always support them and pray for their wellbeing and prosperity. Bless them today and always.

Amen.