



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
**ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH**  
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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!*



**April 9 & 10, 2022**

**Palm Sunday**

**Parish Office Hours**

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

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## Holy Week Mass Schedule

Monday - 7pm

Tuesday - 7pm

Wednesday - 7pm

Holy Thursday - 7:30pm

Good Friday - 12pm & 3pm

Easter Vigil Saturday - 8:30pm

Easter Sunday - 10am

Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor

8 months in advance

## Holy Week at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, April 9	5pm Holy Mass (Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord)
Sunday, April 10	10am Holy Mass (Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord)
Monday, April 11	7pm Holy Mass
<i>St. Stanislaus</i>	
Tuesday, April 12	7pm Holy Mass
Wednesday, April 13	7pm Holy Mass
<i>St. Martin I</i>	
Thursday, April 14	7:30pm Holy Thursday (Mass of the Lord's Supper) *Incense will be used
Friday, April 15	12pm Good Friday Liturgy (Celebration of the Lord's Passion) 3pm Good Friday Liturgy (Celebration of the Lord's Passion)
Saturday, April 16	3pm Easter Basket Blessings 8:30pm Easter Vigil (Resurrection of the Lord) *Incense will be used
Sunday, April 17	10am Easter Sunday (Resurrection of the Lord)
<i>St. Kateri Tekakwitha</i>	



Happy Birthday!!!!!!



Myron Daoust  
Liam McIntyre  
Karen Meckler  
TJ Thompson

Happy Anniversary

Ray and Doris Frehlick

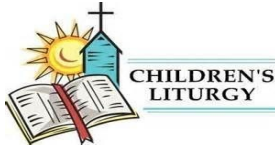


## Make A Joyful Noise

Bring your bells from home to ring during the singing of the Glory to God on Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday) and at the Easter Vigil. Ringing the bells creates a "joyful noise to the Lord" as a way to give thanks for the miracle that taking place atop the altar. So, let us make a joyful noise!!



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St. John the Baptist Parish is happy to announce that Children's Liturgy will be beginning on Sunday, April 24 at the 10am Holy Mass.

Right now we are busy getting everything ready and can't wait to have the children gather again.

If you would like more information about how you can share your gifts with our youngest parishioners by serving in this ministry, please contact Cindy Billesberger at [billesberger.cynthia@gmail.com](mailto:billesberger.cynthia@gmail.com) or Cindy Dalziel at the Parish Office at [financesjb@sasktel.net](mailto:financesjb@sasktel.net) or 306-634-2190.

We will be having a Teacher's Workshop on Tuesday, April 19 at 7pm in the Church. All existing teachers and anyone discerning about teaching are encouraged to attend. May God bless our Parish Family as we continue to grow!

### Easter Flowers



We are planning our Easter celebrations and are gratefully accepting donations of any amount for the flowers that will be in the Church throughout the Easter season. You may donate in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for your family in the envelopes which are available in the main entrance of the Church or by stopping by the Parish Office. Your loved one's name will be published in the bulletin for special prayers. Your support will bless our Parish Family during this season. Thank you so much!!

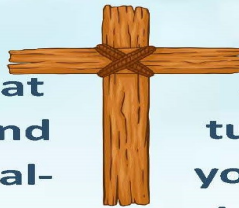
In Memory: † Lorne & † Doris Sicinski  
† Family Members † Fay † Bertha & † Darrell Whitman

# GOOD FRIDAY WALK WITH THE CROSS

Join us on Good Friday, April 15, as we carry a cross throughout Estevan, stopping at churches for scripture reading, prayer and song.

A question will be given to meditate on as we walk.

The walk begins at 9 AM at Trinity Lutheran Church and will include stops at the Salvation Army, City of Estevan (City Hall), St. Giles Anglican Church, St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church, and St. Paul's United Church.



All are welcome to take turns carrying the cross. If you are not able to walk the whole distance, you are welcome to drive or ride to the next point.



*Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.*

**Philippians.2.8-9**



## St. John the Baptist Parish Easter Basket Blessing Saturday April 16, 3pm

The blessing of the Easter Basket has been a cherished Catholic ritual for centuries among families of Eastern European origin and adopted by people of all ethnic backgrounds who enjoy this richly symbolic custom. On Holy Saturday, families would prepare their Easter Baskets to be later blessed at church. After Easter Sunday's Resurrection Mass, the family would share this blessed food and exchange good wishes. The Christian significance of Easter is symbolized in the foods used for the Holiday feast. Baskets are lined with a white cloth and decorated with ribbons and greenery to symbolize spring, renewal, and the Resurrection. Traditionally, the baskets would include: decorated hardboiled eggs (representing Christ's Resurrection), lamb-shaped butter or sugar (representing Christ as the "Lamb of God"), bread (symbolic of Jesus as the "Bread of Life"), ham (symbolic of great joy and abundance), sausage (symbolic of God's favor and generosity), smoked bacon (symbolic of the overabundance of God's mercy), some prefer lamb (representing Christ as the "Lamb of God"), salt (symbolic of prosperity and justice and to remind us "You are the salt of the earth"), cheese (symbolizes the moderation Christians should have at all times), horseradish & pepper (symbolic of the Passion of Christ and the bitter herbs of the Passover). A white candle is often inserted into the basket to represent Christ as the "Light of the World." Lastly, the basket is covered with linen symbolizing the covering of Christ's shroud. Children are excited to participate in this heart-warming tradition by helping to prepare and decorate the family basket and later, proudly carry it into church on Holy Saturday for the blessing. Some families with small children have their "little-ones" carry their very own decorated basket filled with fruits, a chocolate bunny or some other treat to be blessed. The foods included within any basket can be easily personalized.





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STOUGHTON - TUESDAY MORNING  
OXBOW - TUESDAY AFTERNOON  
KIPLING - EVERY 2<sup>ND</sup> FRIDAY AFTERNOON

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### Sacred Triduum

As Christians, we are obliged to be present during the Sacred Triduum. This season in the Church opens with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, reaches its climax in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Evening Prayer II on Easter Sunday. These services flow into one another and are full of beautiful rites and traditions.

Following the Holy Mass on Holy Thursday, we are all asked to leave the Church in silence. Adoration will be taking place in the Church until 11pm that night.

On Good Friday, the Church of God fasts (as well as Holy Saturday) to honour the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare to share more deeply in the joy of his resurrection. When we come to the Church for the Good Friday Liturgy, we are asked to come in silence and to leave in silence that day. We also begin the Easter Vigil in quiet and in darkness. These periods of silence are very meaningful in our journey through the Sacred Triduum.





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The word 'Synod' means walking together. The worldwide Synod process is perfectly aligned with our parish vision. We are excited to begin! Listening is the first step in our Synod journey. Your voice is important to us. Join us at a group consultation session and share your thoughts:

Saturday, May 7 10:00 am in the Parish Hall

Online survey form at this link <https://forms.gle/kAJEjE6ok8uD1AoH8>

**"So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Romans 12:5**



Synod 2021-2023  
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## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 9 and Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. On this day, the Holy Church celebrates the glorious entry of Jesus into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery (his suffering, death and resurrection). We also commemorate the Passion of Jesus in the Gospel reading on this day. Let us join this celebration, beginning our Holy Week devoutly and faithfully as we follow the Paschal journey of Jesus so we can be glorified with him.

*Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: "Hosanna in the highest!"*

*John 12:1, 12-13*



### Adoration Update

Adoration will be suspended beginning on Thursday, April 14. Please note that following the Holy Thursday of the Passion of the Lord Holy Mass that evening, there will be Adoration until 11pm. Adoration will resume on Tuesday, April 26 at 9:30am.



Holy Week/Easter  
Livestream Mass  
Schedule



Holy Thursday – April 14: 7:00 PM  
Good Friday – April 15: 3:00 PM  
Easter Vigil – April 16: 8:30 PM  
Easter Sunday – April 17: 9:00 AM  
[archregina.sk.ca/live](http://archregina.sk.ca/live)

**The Diocesan CWL convention (meeting of members) will be held on April 30, 2022 virtually.**

**There are two ways to take part: By watching in your own home, or by coming to the Church Hall and viewing with other CWL members. If you are interested, please let Anita Kjersem or Gail Dodds know by the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month.**

**This convention is free to all and would give you an idea of what goes on at this gathering.**







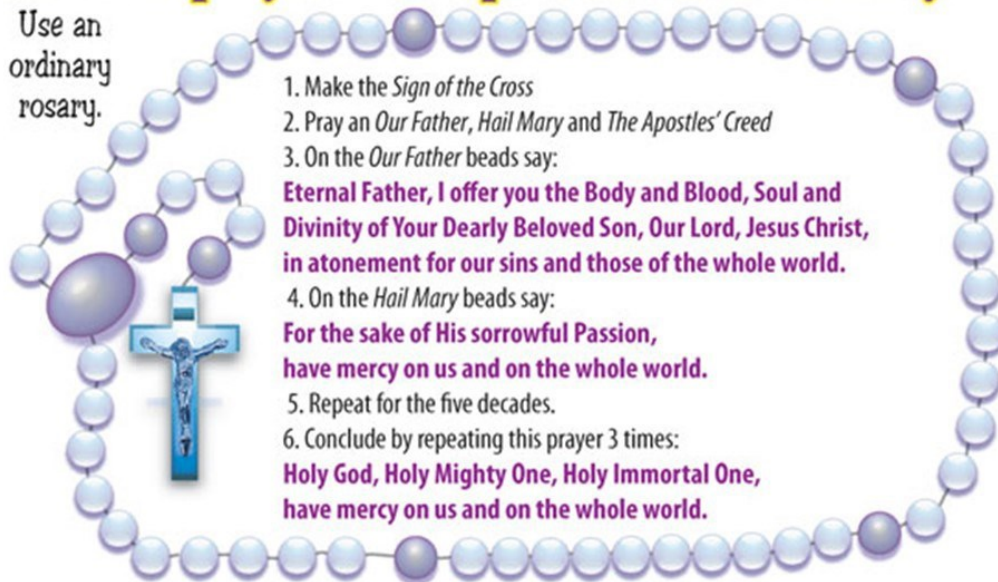
## Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday after Easter is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Began by a Polish nun, Sister Faustina Kowalska, in the late 1930s, we are encouraged to place our trust in God's mercy and receive His grace into our lives. Seeing the importance of this message, Sr. Faustina was canonized on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000 by Pope John Paul II who declared that, from that time forward, the second Sunday of Easter

would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Let us join together praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet on the second Sunday of Easter this year, to receive forgiveness and mercy from the Risen Lord.

### How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Use an ordinary rosary.



1. Make the *Sign of the Cross*
2. Pray an *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *The Apostles' Creed*
3. On the *Our Father* beads say:  
**Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.**
4. On the *Hail Mary* beads say:  
**For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.**
5. Repeat for the five decades.
6. Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times:  
**Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.**

Go to <http://www.praymorenovenas.com/divine-mercy-novena/> to learn more about the Divine Mercy Novena which begins on Good Friday.