

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!

Office Hours

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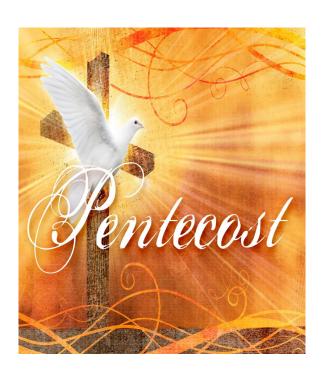
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May 22 & 23, 2021 Pentecost Sunday

Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 5p.m. & 7 p.m.

Sunday Liturgy: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Tuesdays: 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday - Friday: 9 a.m.

Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor 8

months in advance

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On Sunday May 30 at 2:00 there will be another CWL driving prayer around Estevan. The plan is to drive around the city and pray together as we follow each other in cars and pray for our community. This is also the day that we celebrate Holy Trinity Sunday.

The CWL Sisters invite you to join us in the Prayer part of this Prayer Drive. We ask that you please spend some time in prayer with us at that time from the comfort of your home. The Prayer drive starts at 2pm and ends approximately 30 minutes after that.

What will we pray? Whatever comes gently by memory to each of our hearts. It could be a Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, a continued prayer of Our Father's or Hail Mary's or Glory Be's. It could be your hearts phrase or a prayer that beats naturally to you. Pretty much any prayer will do. God's space and time is not the same as ours and He is quite aware of our intention, so we leave the prayer to you and to God.

We look forward to praying with you for the protection of our city from Covid 19, and for strength and compassion for all those who suffer from Covid in our Province, Country and around the world. God Bless you all.

SCHEDULE

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Summer Holy Mass Schedule

Beginning on June 1, the Summer Holy Mass Schedule will be:

Wednesdays at 9am

Thursdays at 9am

Fridays at 9am

Saturdays at 5pm and

7pm

Sundays at 9am and 11am

Summer Adoration Schedule

The Adoration schedule will remain the same for the summer:

Tuesdays from 9:30am to 6pm

Wednesdays from 9:30am to 5pm

Thursdays from 9:30am to 5pm

Fridays from 9:30am to 5pm



Wedding Anniversary Announcements

If you would like your anniversary announced in the bulletin and offered in the Prayers of the Faithful during the weekend Holy Mass, please contact the Parish Office to supply your date. You are also invited to have your marriage blessed at a weekend Mass. Again, please let the Parish Office know before the weekend Holy Mass.



Provincial Health Order Update

We are continually blessed!! On Sunday, May 30, the Province of Saskatchewan Re-opening Plan Phase One begins. We will be able

to have up to 150 people participate in a Holy Mass. We look forward to seeing more of our Parish Family at the coming celebrations!!

Homily Corner



Last weekend we celebrated the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, one of the highest feasts of the liturgical year. The first reading was Acts 1:1-11, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 47, the second reading was Ephesians 1:17-23 and the Gospel reading was Mark 16:15-20.

The Feast of the Ascension is celebrated after the 40th day of the Resurrection. When we reflect on the Ascension, we must also reflect on the Incarnation, the coming to earth of the long awaited Messiah. God descended to earth as a human, though he was divine. He lived among us and proclaimed the Good News. His prime mission was the redemption of the fallen world. For our salvation, he was ransomed. He was crucified, died and rose again on the third day. And during these past 40 days, he has been very busy visiting his friends, his family, the apostles. Today he is completing that Incarnated Life and he is lifting himself up, ascending, to the right hand of the Father, with all power and authority, to where he was before creation and during creation. He said to his disciples, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation. The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned." We are commissioned to be Jesus' missionaries. We are called to be witnesses to the world. And we remember Jesus telling us last week, "You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name." Jesus is continually blessing us as we carry out his mission. We are not alone in this mission, Jesus is sending us the Holy Spirit and giving us all power and authority as well. We will celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit next week.

So, the question is: How do we ascend? We need to ascend from our failures, our shortcomings, our ditches of sin. Saint John the Baptist told us we must make his paths straight. We must do this with our lives with truth and light.

Sometimes I am asked what the difference between ascending and assumption. Jesus ascended into heaven. He did this of his own power. Mary, our Mother, was assumed. She was taken up to heaven. When we make the path straight, when we live the Ascension is our earthly life, we too will be assumed into heaven.

As we look forward to the Feast of Pentecost next Sunday, let us pray that take on the mission of God that we are called to. What is something you can do to live the Ascension in your life?

—Father Antony

God Bless!

The participants of the CWL Virtual Retreat on a *Walk with Mary* held this past Saturday, May 15th want to express their gratitude to their CWL Spiritual Development Chair, Beckey Franke, for all her work in preparation and guidance through this most prayerful experience. Thank you, Beckey!



Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, May 22 5pm Holy Mass

St. Rita of Cascia 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, May 23 9am Holy Mass

11am Holy Mass

Tuesday, May 25 6:30pm Holy Mass **†**Gladys Pukas

St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII 7pm Baptism Celebration

St. Mary Magdalene de" Pazzi

Wednesday, May 26 9am Holy Mass †Emmanuel Kuntz

St. Philip Neri

Thursday, May 27 9am Holy Mass †Marie Walter

St. Augustine of Cantebury 10am Parish Staff Meeting

Friday, May 28 9am Holy Mass †Raymond Schnell

Saturday, May 29 5pm Holy Mass
St. Paul VI 7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, May 30 9am Holy Mass

11am Holy Mass

3pm Confirmation/ First Holy Eucharist Celebration



"No worker was ever more completely and profoundly penetrated by the spirit than the foster father of Jesus....Thus, if you wish to be close to Christ, we repeat, 'Go to Joseph'"

-Pope Pius XII

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.

CWL Members and Supporters:

CWL 50/50 Raffle Tickets are now available for sale. Tickets are \$10 each with a maximum jackpot of \$5000. Draw date is October 5, 2021. E-transfers are accepted. To purchase a ticket contactless and for more information, email: stjohnthebaptistcwl@gmail.com or call Sherry at 306-421-6371, Brenda at 306-421-1898 or Anita at 306-421-7538.



Directives for Attending Holy Mass and Adoration

We are truly blessed that our Church is open and we are grateful for all of our Parish Family who are looking out for each other and abiding by the directives that are in place. Please remember:

- You must sign up to attend a weekday or weekend Holy Mass. Please call, text or email Connie at 306-634-2190, 306-421-8447 or conniesjb@gmail.com.
- You must do the self-assessment before you arrive at the Church and have no symptoms of cough, cold, flu, or allergies. If you have any symptoms, even if they are mild, such as a fever, sore throat, cough, headache, aches and pains, chills, runny nose, loss of sense of taste or smell, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, please do not come to the Church. The self-assessment will be emailed to you the day before you are scheduled to attend a Holy Mass.
- It is mandatory that you self-isolate for 14 days when you return from travelling internationally.
- Masks are mandatory and social distancing will be adhered to. Once you have been seated, please
 remain in your seat except to go to the washroom or to get a drink of water from the water cooler
 in the main entrance of the Church. Also, please do not walk through the pews.
- Please don't bring anything with you to Church. This includes a purse, bottles of waters, go cups of coffee, etc. One prayer book is allowed.
- If you have been exposed to someone with the virus, please do not come to Church for 14 days after the exposure.
- After the final blessing and dismissal at Holy Mass, please remain in your pew until our hospitality ministers can guide you to leave the Church while maintaining social distance.
- If you would like a copy of all the Directives for Attending Holy Mass, please contact Connie.

Your cooperation with all these items allows us to celebrate safely. Thank you!!



Parking In Front Of The Church

As we look out for all our Parish Family members, please do not park in front of the main entrance of the Church.

In order to keep everyone safe, this area should be left as a drop off zone for people with mobility issues, emergency vehicles, the Smile van, etc. Thank you for taking care of your brothers and sisters in Christ.



Jacob Deitz Ron Dunville Dyllan Miller Maureen & Myron Daoust





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.