

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.

elcome

We are so glad you joined us today!

**Office Summer Hours** Monday - Friday 9am - 12pm 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 Finance Administrator: Doris Trobert 306-634-2190

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June 27 & 28, 2020 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule Saturday: 7pm Sunday: 9am, 11am, 5pm Tuesday to Friday: 9am Sacraments Anointing: Contact the Pastor Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor 8 months in advance

# Happy Anniversary

Clayton & Kara Stenhouse

Henry & Marguerite Fornwald



Happy Birthday Jay Vanstone Josie Hesketh



# 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.



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.

"I was sick and you took care of me." Matthew 25:36



### **Adoration Ministry Update**

Because we are unable to use the Adoration Chapel due to limited space and the social distancing regulations that must be followed, we have set up two adoration spots in the Church in front of the tabernacle. Seating is also available in the pews. Father Antony will expose Jesus in front of the tabernacle from Tuesday to Friday following the 9am Holy Mass.

You are invited to come spend some time with Jesus praying for yourself and our Parish Family, our community, and the whole world. This ministry is for our whole Parish Family as well as our scheduled Adoration ministers.





Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish		
Saturday, June 27	5pm (Bienfait) Holy Mass (Bienfait Parishioners Only)	
Blessed Nykyta Budka & Blesssed Vasyl Velychkowsky Sunday, June 28 St. Irenaeus	7pm Holy Mass 9am Holy Mass 11am Holy Mass	REMEMBER YOU MUST CALL OR TEXT CONNIE AT 306-421-8447 TO SIGN UP TO ATTEND A WEEKDAY OR
	5pm Holy Mass <b>†</b> Carol Cundall	WEEKEND HOLY MASS.
Tuesday, June 30	No Mass	
First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church		
Wednesday, July 1	No Mass	Beginning Monday, July 6 the
Canada Day		Parish Office Hours for July
Thursday, July 2	9am Holy Mass +Clem Marcotte	and August are Monday to
Friday, July 3	9am Holy Mass <b>†</b> Audie Heier	Friday 9am—12pm
St. Thomas		
Saturday, July 4	5pm (Bienfait) Holy Mass (Bienfait Parishioners Only)	
St. Elizabeth of Portugal	7pm Holy Mass	
Sunday, July 5	9am Holy Mass	
St. Anthony Zaccaria	11am Holy Mass	
	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass (Torquay Parishioners Only)	

# Holy Mass Updates

We are allowed to have more people attend the Holy Mass. We are truly grateful for this blessing and look forward to seeing more of our Parish Family. As we serve, pray and look out for each other, we have a few directives for you to keep in mind for attending a Holy Mass:

- 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 a self-assessment before you arrive at the Church and have no symptoms of cough, cold, flu, or allergies. The self-assessment will be emailed out to you the day before you are scheduled to attend a Holy Mass. If you answer yes to any of the self-assessment questions, please contact Connie to let her know you won't be able to come to your scheduled Mass.
- Social distancing will be adhered to.
- If you would like a copy of the Directives for Attending Holy Mass, please contact Connie.

Your cooperation with all of these items will allow us to celebrate safely. Our sincere appreciation to everyone, as we celebrate our spiritual and sacramental life while protecting the vulnerable of our Parish Family.



# **Homily Corner**



This is a recap of my homily from the previous weekend. This past Sunday's homily was on the readings for the 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time. The first reading was Jeremiah 20:10-13, the second reading was Romans

5:12-15 and the Gospel reading was Matthew 10:26-33.

The Holy Scriptures this weekend make so much sense in our world today.

In the first reading, the prophet Jeremiah is lamenting about his miserable life. He feels painfully ineffective and wants to quit as a prophet. During this reading, Jeremiah's prayer turns to praise. Jeremiah knows that God will react when he is denounced and that he will redeem those who follow him and recognize that he is the Creator of all and the Author of all life. When humanity loses the sense of creatorship and follows other idols or makes themselves idols, God must correct his children.

In today's Gospel, the words "Do not be afraid" are repeated three times. And many times in the bible you will see God strengthening people by telling them "Do Not Be Afraid". When he says this, he strengthens us, provided that we follow what we should be doing: living our lives in accordance to his will. Jesus says that we should go courageously, we will have an amazing life provided we acknowledge him in proclaiming his creatorship.

God cannot disown his world. When we acknowledge Jesus, he will proclaim us to God. He will hold us in his loving hand when we proclaim him and profess him. He is our rock who surrounds us with protection. What we see and experience at this time is momentary and life will flourish after.

This week, as you contemplate in prayer and as you receive the Holy Eucharist: Thank God for your gifts and safety. Prayerfully meditate on God's infinite love for us as you proclaim him as your Father.

See you next week as we reflect on the 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

—Father Antony

#### Feast of Saint Thomas

Friday, July 3 is the Feast of St. Thomas. You are invited to join us for Holy Mass that day at 9am. Please call Connie at 306-421-8447 to register.

Although the phrase "doubting Thomas" refers to him, it overlooks his loyalty in troubled times and his absolute surrender when given the evidence he sought. Having seen, he declared the great Christian confession, "My Lord, and my God": the doubter became the believer. Thomas is a patron saint of



THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED JULY 1 AND JULY 3 THERE WILL BE NO HOLY MASS ON JUNE 29, JUNE 30 OR JULY 1.

