

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 6p.m.- 6:45p.m. Thursdays & 3rd Fridays 8a.m. - 8:45a.m.

or by appointment

Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the pastor 6 months in advance

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Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, September 14 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, September 15 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass at Rotary Park, Woodlawn Regional Park

Tuesday, September 17 7pm Holy Mass **†**Jerry Wock: Knights of Columbus

St. Robert Bellamine, bishop & Doctor of the 7:30pm Pastoral Council Meeting held in the Meeting Room

Wednesday, September 18 10am (Hillview Manor) Holy Mass †Leo Seipp Sr.; Louise

11am (Hospital) Holy Mass †Myles Schopf; Jo Ann & Family

7pm Baptism Preparation Class held in the Parish Hall

Thursday, September 19 9am Holy Mass **†**Jo Ann Vennes; Raymond & MaryLou

St. Janauris, Bishop & Martyr 9:30am Coffee After Mass held in the Parish Hall

1:30pm Bible Study held in the Parish Hall

7pm Bible Study held in the Parish Hall

Friday, September 20 9am Holy Mass

Sts. Andrew Kim 'Taegon, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-Sang, & Companions

Saturday, September 21 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

St. Matthew, Apostle 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, September 22 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass



Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic and wanting to learn more about your Catholic faith? RCIA is for everyone - people who want to know more about Christianity, people who are curious about what the Church teaches, newcomers to the Catholic Church, "cradle Catholics" who want to know more about their faith! RCIA classes are starting in September. If you would like to join, please contact Connie Wheeler at 306-634-2190 or 306-421-8447.

Soundboard Ministry Training

Have you ever thought about being a Soundboard Minister? Are you an existing Sound Minister with a few questions? A workshop for all Sound Ministers will be held on Sunday, October 6 at 11:15am (right after the 10am Holy Mass). We will begin the workshop in the Meeting Room and then continue in the Church. If you would like more information about the ministry or the meeting, please contact Susan Bath at sbath@sasktel.net or 306-421-1095.

The CWL is making more apple pies. To place your order please call Brenda Keating at 306-471-8455 or Brenda Friess at 306-421-1898. The pies will be ready for pick up Wednesday, September 18. Thank you to Gerald and Joyce Bonokoski and Vernon and Bernice Perkins for donating these apples.

Prayer is God's thirst for us - Lectio Divina - Prayer

Tim Gray talks about Prayer being God's thirst for us. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church CCC2560-Prayer as God's Gift it states the following:

"If you knew the gift of God!" The wonder of prayer is revealed beside the well where we come seeking water: there, Christ comes to meet every human being. It is he who first seeks us and asks us for a drink. Jesus thirsts; his asking arrives from the depths of God's desire for us. Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him. Please join us Thursday. Let's meet Jesus at the Well. The Registration fee is \$50.00 payable before September 17, 2019. There are 2 sessions a day one at 1:30pm and the other at 7:00pm for 6 weeks. The sessions start on Thursday, September 19, and will be held every Thursday with the last one being October 24, 2019. Registration Forms are available at the Parish Office and in the main entrance of the church. Sponsorship is available by contacting the Parish Office.

Hope to see you there,

The Bible Study Team.

First Reconciliation



If your child is in Grade Three or older, they are invited to join us for First Reconciliation Preparation. Registration forms have been sent out through our Catholic schools. If your child attends a public school, registration forms are available in the main entrance of the Church, at the Parish Office and on our

website at stjohnthebaptistestevan.ca.

We are offering two Parents' Meetings this year, one on Monday, September 16 at 6:30pm and the other on Wednesday, September 25 at 6:30pm. A parent must attend one of these meetings. An outline of the year of preparation we have planned will be given at the meeting.

For more information, please contact Connie at the Parish Office or at 306-421-8447.

"Then I confessed my sins to you; I did not conceal my wrongdoings, I decided to confess them to you, and you forgave all my sins."

Psalm 32:5



Thank you to Sheldon and Sheila Spilchuk for the donation of apples for the CWL to make pies. We made

76 pies and the funds raised will be used for our CWL members to attend the Diocesan Convention.

Reminder to all the snow birds who leave before December to pay their 2020 CWL dues of \$30.00 by calling Annette James at 421-8360 or putting them in the collection basket marked CWL.



DON'T FORGET...

The days are going by fast and we just wanted to remind you that we will be looking for

pumpkins to decorate for Thanksgiving in the Church. If your garden is full and you have some to spare, you can call the office at the end of September to arrange for them to be dropped off.

PLEASE BE AWARE

Fraudulent texts are being sent from an unknown source claiming to be Father Antony. The text says "Hi its Fr Sathi Antony..Are you available via txt?..." The text originates from an out of province phone number.

If you respond yes, the scammer requests money/ gift cards for an alleged friend that is in the hospital. **Please do not respond** to this text. It is a scam.

CONFIRMATION/FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION

"And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away. It is for everyone the Lord our God calls to himself."

(Acts 2:39)

Once again this year at St. John the Baptist Parish, Grade Two and above candidates will receive both the sacrament of Confirmation and the sacrament of First Eucharist at the same celebration. The preparation for these sacraments will take place in the Church, in the school and in the child's home. Preparation will begin in the fall and continue throughout the school year.

Registration forms have been sent through the Catholic schools. If your child attends a public school, please call Connie at the Parish Office to register.

Registration forms are also available at the Main Entrance of the Church and on our website: stjohnthebaptistestevan.com. Please bring in the completed registration form, the \$50.00 registration fee and a copy of your child's baptism certificate if they were not baptized at St. John the Baptist Parish, St. Monica Parish (Bienfait), or Sacred Heart Parish (Torquay) to the Parish Office before Thursday, September 19th.

On Monday, September 23, there will be a Parents' Meeting beginning with Mass at 6:30pm. On Wednesday, October 2 at 6:30pm we will be hosting another Parents' Meeting. You must attend one of these Parent Meetings. The children do not attend these

meetings, it is only for the parents. Both meetings will be held in the Parish Hall. This meeting will give you an outline of the year of preparation ahead.

If your child is older than Grade 2 and has not received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or First Communion, please contact Connie at the Parish Office to discuss a plan.

Truth or Dare

September 2019

brought to you by Faith Formation and Evangelization

Faith Formation – to help build personal relationship with the Holy Trinity - God our Father, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Evangelization – to be a disciple and take God the Father, Jesus Christ our Brother and the Holy Spirit out into the world.

Truth – Buy a journal, if you don't already have one, then read the story of Jesus and the Woman of Samaria (The woman at the well story), John 4:1-43. Read it slowly a few times over. Now ask yourself the following questions: How is this story true to you? Are you a certain person in the story? Is Jesus talking to you personally in this story? What is he saying to you? What are some of the questions or thoughts that are entering into your heart and mind? Take some time with this story and the questions that arise, then write down what ever comes to mind while in this prayer time.

OR

Dare – Come early before mass OR after mass hang back a bit rather than rushing out the doors. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know or talk to someone you haven't talked to in a long time. If the thought arises ask them if there is any special prayer intention you could pray for them either during or after the mass. Then pray for their intention.

Answers to June's Saint matching (June's bulletin is still on the St. John the Baptist Parish web site):

_2_St. Norbert __6_St. Ephrem __3_St. Anthony of Padua 7 St. Thomas More 4 St. Irenaeus 1 St. John the Baptist 5 Blessed Nykcyta Budka