

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!

**Parish Office Hours** Monday to Friday 9am -12pm & 1pm - 4pm Email: stjohnthebaptist@sasktel.net Website: stjohnthebaptistestevan.ca Facebook: facebook.com/stjohnthebaptistestevan **Pastor:** Father Sathi Antony 306-634-5790 or ansathisjb@gmail.com **Assisting Pastor:** Father Amado Canaveral 306-634-5790 Pastoral Assistant: Connie Wheeler 306-634-2190 or 306-421-8447 or conniesjb@gmail.com **Office Assistant:** Karla Waloshin 306-634-2190 Finance Administrator: Cindy Dalziel **Pastoral Care Coordinator:** Gwen Van De Woestyne Music Ministry Director: Jocelyn Hall Janitorial Services: Joseph Be Caretaker & Facilities Manager: Sigfredo Gonzalez

Weekend Holy Mass Duration Saturday 1 hour 10 minutes Sunday 1 hour 20 minutes



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5 & 6, 2022

## **Holy Mass Schedule**

Tuesday: 6:30pm Thursday: 9am 1st & 3rd Friday: 9am Saturday Liturgy: 5pm Sunday Liturgy: 10am Reconciliation: half hour before weekday Holy Mass Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor

8 months in advance

#### St. John the Baptist Holy Mass and Event Schedule

Saturday, November 5	9am St. John the Baptist Parish Workshop
	5pm Holy Mass (Name Tag Weekend)
Sunday, November 6	10am Holy Mass (Name Tag Weekend)
	11am Holy Mass (Torquay) <b>†</b> David, <b>†</b> Allan, & <b>†</b> Lorne Ereth
Monday, November 5	1pm Make Music with Friends
	7pm Finance Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 6	9:30am - 6pm Eucharistic Adoration
	1:30pm IPC Photo Sessions
	6:30pm Holy Mass <b>†</b> Vincent McGillicky
	7pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
Wednesday, November 9	9:30am - 5pm Eucharistic Adoration
	6:30pm First Reconciliation Class held in the Parish Hall
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	11am Holy Mass - Hospital (Residents Only) +Darlene Geisel
	1:30pm IPC Photo Session
Thursday, November 10	9am Holy Mass <b>+</b> Jillian Mack
Friday, November 11	No Mass
<i>St. Leo the Great</i>	9:30am Coffee in the Hall
	9:30am - 3pm Eucharistic Adoration
	1:30pm Bible Study held in the Parish Hall
	7pm SJB Choir Practice
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Saturday, November 12	5pm Holy Mass
St. Josaphat	
Sunday, November 12	10am Holy Mass
	11am Holy Mass (Torquay) <b>†</b> Soul of Purgatory

### Ministry Workshop

We are happy to be hosting a Ministry Workshop on Saturday, November 19 from 10am until noon. We are blessed to have Father Ron Andree, the



Archdiocesan Director of Liturgy, facilitating the workshop. All ministers and any who are discerning to join a ministry are invited to join us. The workshop will begin with coffee and muffins. And child care will be available. If you have any questions, please call Gary St. Onge at 306-634-5795.

#### First Reconciliation Important Dates

Wednesday, November 9 at 6:30pm ~ Class in the Parish Hall



Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30pm ~ Class in the Parish Hall

Please keep our First Reconciliation students in your prayers.



The Parish Office will be closed November 11 for Remembrance Day.



## **Homily Corner**

This past weekend we celebrated the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. The first reading was Wisdom 11:22-12:2, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 145, the second reading was 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 and the Gospel reading was Luke 19:10. The following is my homily:

This weekend is the conclusion to the theme of prayer we have had in our readings for the past three weeks. Our Gospel reading about Zacchaeus is a very well known story throughout the world because it shows the mercy of God.

The Gospel tells us that Zacchaeus was a man that was short in stature. Jesus and the disciples were walking through Jericho and a great crowd was following them. Zacchaeus was trying to see Jesus, but couldn't see through the crowd. He climbed a tree. When Jesus saw him, he told him to come down from the tree, that him and the disciples were coming to his house today. When the disciples, Jesus and Zacchaeus were all in the house, it was very quiet. Jesus was silent. Finally, Zacchaeus stood before Jesus and confessed that he would give half his possessions to the poor, and that if he had defrauded anyone, he would pay them back four times as much. Jesus then spoke up, saying, **"Today salvation has come to this house, because Zacchaeus too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."** 

In order for our households to receive salvation, we must be intentional in our prayer. In the past few weeks we have learned the steps to prayer:

- 1. Pray with Gratitude. *Return to praise the Lord for the benefit we received.*
- 2. Pray with Unceasing Desire. *Desire should be ongoing, never ceasing.*
- 3. Pray with a Contrite Heart. *The example of the tax collector striking his breast, asking for mercy.*

And today we learn the final step:

4. Pray with Penance. Zacchaeus taking responsibility for what his family had done to others.

When we follow these four steps to prayer, we will receive what we have asked for. Sometimes, we look at our lives and feel like our prayers aren't being answered. We justify ourselves by thinking we go to Church all the time, we fast, we give to charity, but the key to receiving our desires is to do all those things, but even more importantly, to follow the four steps to prayer.

When we sin, it is a social thing. It affects our whole family, community and Parish Family. And as we have talked about before, not only are we tied in a bondage of sin, but our families are also held in that bondage. When we follow the four steps of prayer that we see in the Gospels, when we are accountable for our sins and seek penance, Jesus unties that bondage of sin and our families will be blessed also for a thousandth generations. When Zacchaeus confessed his sins and was willing to do penance, Jesus untied the bondage held in his household.

A man who encountered Jesus, who was ready for conversion, brought salvation to his household. Pray with gratitude, pray with unceasing desire, pray with a contrite heart, pray with penance.

In your prayer time this week, take an evaluation of your life. Why am I not receiving the benefits I am seeking in my prayer to the Lord? Am I following the four steps of prayer from the Gospels to change the culture of my family, community and Parish Family.



Blessings,

Father Antony

#### APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION

#### SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS

#### OF THE HOLY FATHER

#### **BENEDICT XVI**

#### Prayer for the dead 32.

The Eucharistic celebration, in which we proclaim that Christ has died and risen, and will come again, is a pledge of the future glory in which our bodies too will be glorified. Celebrating the memorial of our salvation strengthens our hope in the resurrection of the body and in the possibility of meeting once again, face to face, those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. In this context, I wish, together with the Synod Fathers, to remind all the faithful of the importance of prayers for the dead, especially the offering of Mass for them, so that, once purified, they can come to the beatific vision of God. (101) A rediscovery of the eschatological dimension inherent in the Eucharist, celebrated and adored, will help sustain us on our journey and comfort us in the hope of glory (cf. Rom 5:2; Tit 2:13)

### PLANNING A CATHOLIC FUNERAL

Funeral Information St. John the Baptist Parish invites you to a Catholic Funeral information evening on Monday, November 21 at 7pm in the Chapel at Hall Funeral Services. We will talk about the importance the Holy Church places on praying for our dead, what to expect when you meet with the Funeral Home, what to expect when you meet with the Church, a representative from Purple Shield will be there to talk about pre-planning your funeral and you will have an opportunity

to take a look around the funeral home. As we continue to remember our departed loved ones during the month of November, please bring any questions you have about funerals and join us for this evening of reflection.





The CWL Christmas Mass, Supper and

Evening will take place on Tuesday, December 6. Tickets are available from Gen Fichter @ 306-634-3059 and Brenda Friess @ 306-421-1898. Please purchase your tickets by Thursday, December 1, 2022.



# SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The Feast of Christ the King concludes our liturgical year. And as we reflect on the past year, we have been blessed in so many ways. Our Parish Family is growing in spirituality and fellowship. This Feast is an opportunity to celebrate and emphasize the true kingship of Christ.

On Sunday, November 20, our celebration will begin with Holy Mass at 10am. Please note that incense will be used at this Holy Mass (incense will not be used at the Saturday night Mass).

Following the Holy Mass, we invite you to our annual Christ the King Brunch.

Please join us as we end the liturgical year in gratitude for our many blessings and celebrating as a Parish Family.





# Please support our sponsorships

## Make Music with Friends

Do you play a musical instrument and like meeting interesting people? Enjoy the spontaneous musical collaboration of a Jam Session!



**Monday, November 7,** 2022 1pm - 4pm at St. John the Baptist Parish Hall. **Fun, free and entertaining.** 

Call 306-421-7538 for further information or just show up with your gear! Musicians, singers, dancers, and guests all welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by SJB Fellowship Committee

#### New Parish Pictorial Directory !!

Our Parish Family is growing and is blessed in many ways. To capture the moment, IPC Canada Photo Services are taking pictures **November 8 and 9 and 23 from 1:30pm– 8:30pm.** All photo shoots will be held in the Meeting Room. You may book appointments online by clicking the link provided

https://booknow.appointment-plus.com/ dvjs9ze6/ or on the website. There will be a table set up at the entrance of the Church on the weekends to make an appointment as well.





**Dustin and Jocelyn Hall** 



#### CWL Members of SJB Estevan Council



CATHOLIC and LIVING IT!

Membership dues in the amount of **\$42.00 for 2023** are now being collected. Please make your cheque payable to the Estevan CWL and place it in an envelope for the collection basket at Holy Mass, drop it off at the Parish Office, or call 421-7538 for home pick-up. E-transfers are also accepted at <u>stjohnthebaptistcwl@gmail.com</u>. Sofia Erana-Schmegelsky Brodie Kawecki Cindy Dalziel Bill Baryluk Hana Son Luke Sliva Quintin Sliva Ken Anderson, Kathy Hoffort

