

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.



Summer Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:00am - 12pm

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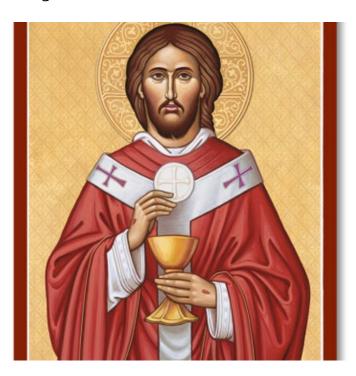
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August 2021

Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 5pm

Sunday Liturgy: 9 am & 11 am

Wednesday - Friday: 9 am

Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor

8 months in advance

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Baptisms and Sacrament Preparation Classes

Baptisms and Sacrament Preparation Classes we will begin again in the fall. Confirmation/First Holy Eucharist classes will be held for children who are in Grade 2 and Grade 3 in the fall. If you would like to register your child for these classes or if you would like to register for Baptism, please call the Parish Office at 306-634-2190.



Summer Parish Office Hours

Parish Office hours for the summer will be Monday to Friday 9am to 12pm. Regular office hours will resume in September.



Parish Hall Update

Our Parish Hall is undergoing a transformation! We are updating the Children's Liturgy space and the Hall with paint and accents. Many hands make light work so if you are able to donate a few hours to paint, sand or build we would welcome you to the team. Please contact Randy Franke at 306-421-2244.

SUMMER HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

The Summer Holy Mass Schedule is: Wednesdays to Fridays at 9am Saturdays at 5pm Sundays at 9am and 11am





Livestream Mass Update For July

During the month of July, Holy Mass will be livestreamed Tuesday - Friday and Sunday at 9am at https://archregina.sk.ca/live. There will be no livestreamed Holy Mass on Mondays and Saturdays during July.

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 or letting Connie know when you come to Holy Mass. Please pray for healing before and after receiving this Holy Sacrament.

Access to Washrooms

While the renovation project is going on in the Parish Hall, the washrooms will only be accessible from the Church through the northeast door. We are excited to have the Parish Hall brightened up and thank you for your patience during this project.

Summer Prayer Drives



The prayer drive will be on **Monday, August 30 at 10am**. The plan is to drive around the city and pray together as we follow each other in cars and pray for our community.

The CWL Sisters invite you to join us in the Prayer Drive. If you would like to join the prayer drive, please contact Beckey Franke at 306-461-9559 or email at b.coralea@hotmail.com. The deadline to register for the prayer drive is the **Wednesday before the day, August 25, 2021**.

If you are not able to join us in the prayer drive, we ask that you please spend some time in prayer with us at that time from the comfort of your home.

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 are affected by Covid in our city, province, country and around the world. God Bless you all.





Wedding Anniversary and Birthday Announcements

If you would like your anniversary or birthday 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.

Do you know someone who isn't receiving emails from the Church anymore?

If you know someone who is no longer getting emails from the Church, please forward them the following information. This issue affects SaskTel email addresses.





- 2. Enter your email address and password to access your account.
- 3. Click on the "tools" symbol (small circle on the left hand side of the screen). It will show as "Preferences".
- 4. Click on "Spam".
- 5. In "Trusted Senders", enter conniesjb@gmail.com and then click on the plus sign to add.

Now, there should be no problem receiving the emails from the Church. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

This bulletin is a one month bulletin. The next bulletin will be published on the first weekend of August. Each week through the summer, watch your email for Homily Corner. This will still be published each week so you can follow along even if you are unable to attend the Holy Mass.



Homily Corner

Last weekend, we celebrated the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The first reading was 2 Kings 4:42-44, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 145, the second reading was Ephesians 4:1-6 and the Gospel reading was John 6:1-15.

The last three weekends, the Holy Scriptures told us how we are commissioned to be priest, prophet and king. Our Parish Family is so blessed with many leaders united in one heart to spread the Word of God and build the Kingdom. We are living that commissioning that we have been reflecting and praying about. Moving forward, for the next five weeks we will be reflecting on the Gospel of John Chapter 6. This is the longest chapter in the Gospels and I encourage you to read it at home in preparation for these next weeks. The readings for these upcoming five weeks are called the Eucharistic Discourse. We will go from the Word to the Bread of Life. We look to the Gospel of last week to start our reflection on the Gospel this week. At the end of last week's Gospel, the disciples had come back and they were very excited about all they had done. Jesus was proud of them and so pleased. He invited them to take time for leisure and they went away to relax and eat. The crowd followed them and Jesus looked out to see approximately 5000 people.

This week, we see that Jesus has been preaching to the crowd for a long time. He looks at the crowd with compassion, understanding that they would be hungry and many would have a long journey home. Jesus goes to the apostle Phillip and tells him he wants to feed the crowd. Phillip, who is much like us, says to him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." As they are speaking, the apostle Andrew hears them and goes to them to tell them there is a boy with five loaves of bread and two fish." It is important to note that he went to them voluntarily to offer what he knew. Jesus was waiting for that invitation. As we've talked about before, that human invitation brought a miracle. It was not magic that 5000 people were fed and 12 baskets were gathered up when everyone was satisfied. This is how the Word is multiplied into a sumptuous meal. We sometimes have Andrews sent into our lives. God send them to us to help us grow, to learn from their wisdom.

In the first reading, a farmer goes to the temple and gives the priest Elisha an offering from the first fruits. He brought 20 loaves of barley bread. Elisha says thank you and asks him to distribute it to the people who were present. The farmer is concerned that it won't be enough for 100 people. But Elisha assures him, saying, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left." What matters in this story is the Word so generously shared by the prophet Elisha. God created everything from his Word. The Word of God. Everything is the Word. The Word is personified by God.

In our lives, think of our parents and grandparents. They shepherded us, encouraging us, guiding us and keeping us from harm. They did this by word. And when we listened to them, their word, we were successful. We reached our destination without much difficulty or challenges. This is the power of God's Word. But those who didn't listen, may have been lost or separated from the word, their parents and grandparents. The powerful, positive influence of our parents and grandparents brough God into our lives.

As we continue to reflect on the Eucharistic Discourse for the next weeks, we will come know the power of the Word and the power of the Bread of Life.

As we reflect on the Holy Scriptures this week, we should ask ourselves: Am I a Phillip or an Andrew? How can I take God's Word into my life and share it with others?

God Bless!

—Father Antony

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Saturday, July 31 to Sunday, August 8

Saturday, July 31 5pm Holy Mass

St. Ignatius of Loyola

Sunday, August 1 9am Holy Mass St. Alphonsus Liguori 11am Holy Mass

Wednesday, August 4 9am Holy Mass Intentions for Barry & Cathy Wittal

St. John Mary Vianney

Thursday, August 5 9am Holy Mass †Louise Seipp

Blessed Frederic Janssoone

Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Friday, August 6 9am Holy Mass **†**Angelo Galido

Transfiguration of the Lord

Saturday, August 7 5pm Holy Mass

St. Sixtus II & Companions, St. Cajetan

Sunday, August 8 9am Holy Mass
St. Dominic 11am Holy Mass

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Wednesday, August 11 to Sunday, August 15

Wednesday, August 11 No Mass

St. Clare

Thursday, August 12 No Mass

St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Friday, August 13 No Mass

St. Pontian & St. Hippolytus

Saturday, August 14 5pm Holy Mass

St. Maximilian Kolbe

Sunday, August 15 9am Holy Mass

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 11am Holy Mass

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Wednesday, August 18 to Sunday, August 22

Wednesday, August 18 9am Holy Mass In Thanksgiving

Thursday, August 19 9am Holy Mass Health for Darlene Geisel

St. John Eudes

Friday, August 20 9am Holy Mass †Antony Plaparampil

St. Bernard

Saturday, August 21 5pm Holy Mass

St. Pius X

Sunday, August 22 9am Holy Mass

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 11am Holy Mass

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Wednesday, August 25 to Sunday, August 29

Wednesday, August 25 9am Holy Mass †Peter Kurczaba

St. Louis & St. Joseph Calsanz

Thursday, August 26 9am Holy Mass †Clara & †Alphonse Mehler

Friday, August 27 9am Holy Mass †Angelo Galido

St. Monica

Saturday, August 28 5pm Holy Mass

St. Augustine

Sunday, August 29 9am Holy Mass Passion of St. John the Baptist 11am Holy Mass

The Church will be closed from Monday, August 30 to Thursday, September 2.

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.



The faithful continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation until September 1, 2021.

Happy Anniversary To Our Parish Family Members Celebrating Their Wedding

Anniversary In August

John and Lucille Bonokoski

Kevin and Brenda Keating

David & Karen Meckler





Happy Birthday To Our Parish Family Members Celebrating Their Birthday In August

Norma Kuntz

Justin Trobert

Kianna Smith

Jillian Rosengren

Marchette Coronel

Brenda Keating

Erica Gener

Doris Trobert