

St. John the Baptist Parish

January 19 and 20, 2019

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St. John the Baptist Parish Office

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 7:00PM

Sunday Liturgy: 10:00AM

Weekday Liturgy: Please check a current
bulletin

Sacrament of Anointing: contact the Parish Office

Office hours: Monday to Friday

9:00am -12:00pm & 1:00pm - 4:00pm

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Caretaker: Sigfredo Gonzales



New CWL Executive and Standing Committee Chairs

The CWL held their meeting for the Election of Officers for the 2019-2020 term on Sunday, January 13. The new Executive is:

President:	Brenda Keating
<i>Past President (Archives):</i>	<i>Anne Welch</i>
Vice-President:	Anita Kjersem
<i>Recording Secretary:</i>	<i>Brenda Friess</i>
Treasurer:	Gail Dodds

The Standing Committee Chairs are:

Organization/Membership:	Annette James
<i>Communication:</i>	<i>Joanne Weisgerber</i>
Funeral Lunches:	Donna Kretsch and Gen Fichter
<i>Honour Guard:</i>	<i>Anne Welch</i>
Christian Family Life:	Cecilia Wanner
<i>Spiritual Development:</i>	<i>Becky Franke and Treena Hirsch</i>
Liturgy and Sacraments:	Gwen Van De Woestyne
<i>Parish Activities (Fundraising):</i>	<i>Marjorie Heidinger</i>
Resolutions/Legislation:	Open

CWL News



It's that time of year again for the membership promotion of the CWL. If you have thought about joining the CWL before, but never got around to it, here is some information for you to look at. We ask all the women of our parish to pray and discern what role they can take in this amazing organization.

Did you know that members of the national executive meet annually with federal government ministers on issues raised by our resolutions which, in recent years have included religious freedom, renewable energy, farmers' rights, abolition of the death penalty, suicide prevention, child poverty and protection of human life?

IF you believe in the sanctity of human life,
IF you want to develop a deeper spiritual life,
IF you uphold the dignity of all human beings,
IF you believe women play an important role in the church and society
IF you strive to set a Christian example in your home and work place,
IF you believe in Catholic education and affordable health service,
IF you believe in the power of prayer,
THEN you belong with us!

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is the united voice of all Catholic women. An invitation is extended to all women 16 years of age and older to become a member of the League.

For membership information, please visit our website at www.stjohnthebaptistestevan.com, the CWL website at www.cwl.ca or contact Anita Kjersem at 306-421-7538, Joanne Weisgerber at 306-634-4275 or Annette James at 306-421-8360.

Registration forms are available in the entrances of the Church. You may return the completed form to one of the women listed above or put it in the collection basket.



FOOD BANK

The Food Bank is looking for the following:

Pancake Mix and Syrup

Tins of Ham or Turkey

Tins of Ravioli or Spaghetti

Condiments (Ketchup, Mustard, Relish)

Small tins of Coffee

If you can help out by donating any of the items listed above, please drop them off at the Salvation Army.



K of C News

The Estevan Knights of Columbus membership dues have been mailed out for 2019. Please place payments in a sealed envelope marked "K of C Dues", and either place it in the collection basket at Holy Mass or drop it off at the Parish Office at 109 12th Avenue or mail it to Box 196, Estevan, SK, S4A 2A3.



Thank You,
Albert Petrash
Financial Secretary



Coming Soon!!
You are invited to join our
Lenten Faith Journey: The Mass
from Word on Fire.
Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Robert Barron and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.

Beginning Thursday, February 28 at 7pm for six weeks.
Watch for more information!
Everyone is welcome!!



ARE YOU A SUPERHERO FOR CHRIST?

God is calling **YOU** to be a real life superhero and spread the **Good News!** Join us after mass on **January 20th** to learn about some of the incredible **SAINTS** who have answered that call!

When: January 20th at 11:00am

Where: Church Auditorium

What: Muffins, Coffee, Fellowship and Fun Activities for Everyone

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun and enjoy breakfast and fellowship!

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish



Saturday, January 19	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass 7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, January 20 <i>Second Sunday in OT</i>	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass 10am Holy Mass (Presentation of the Parents) 11am Fellowship in the Parish Hall (Are you a superhero for Christ?) 4pm Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service
Monday, January 21 <i>St. Agnes</i>	5pm Funeral Mass for Danilo Arcega in the Chapel at Hall's Funeral Home 7pm RCIA in the Parish Hall
Tuesday, January 22 <i>Saint Vincent</i>	10:30am Funeral Mass for Betty Daniels
Wednesday, January 23	No Mass 7pm Baptism Preparation Class in the Parish Hall
Thursday, January 24 <i>St. Francis de Sales</i>	9am Lay Presided Service 7pm SJB Choir Practice
Friday, January 25 <i>The Conversion of St. Paul</i>	No Mass
Saturday, January 26 <i>St. Timothy and St. Titus</i>	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass 7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, January 27 <i>Third Sunday in OT</i>	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass 10am Holy Mass

Readings for January 26 and 27

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel Reading: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21



January 20, 2019 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."

(1 Corinthians 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you, feel His love, peace and joy!



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Ministerial Association is hosting a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service at 4pm on Sunday, January 20 at St. Giles Anglican Church. Following the service, everyone is invited for coffee in the Church basement.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting for our Parish will be on Sunday, March 31 at 11:30am (following the 10am Holy Mass). Everyone is invited!! Come see what your Parish is up to and please bring any suggestions or recommendations for your Parish Family.



There will not be any weekday Holy Masses from January 21 until February 26. Each Thursday at 9am during that time, there will be a Lay Presided service. Weekend Holy Masses will stay the same.

From a Sermon by Saint Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop

(Oratio 39 in Sancta Lumina, 14-16, 20: PG 36, 350-351, 354, 358-359)

The Baptism of Christ

Christ is bathed in light; let us also be bathed in light. Christ is baptized; let us also go down with him and rise with him.

John is baptizing when Jesus draws near. Perhaps he comes to sanctify his baptizer; certainly, he comes to bury sinful humanity in the waters. He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake and in readiness for us; he who is spirit and flesh comes to begin a new creation through the Spirit and water.

The Baptist protests; Jesus insists. Then John says: *I ought to be baptized by you*. He is the lamp in the presence of the sun, the voice in the presence of the Word, the friend in the presence of the Bridegroom, the greatest of all born of woman in the presence of the firstborn of all creation, the one who leapt in his mother's womb in the presence of him who was adored in the womb, the forerunner and future forerunner in the presence of him who has already come and is to come again. *I ought to be baptized by you*: we should also add, "and for you," for John is to be baptized in blood, washed clean like Peter, not only by the washing of his feet.

Jesus rises from the waters; the world rises with him. The heavens like Paradise with its flaming sword, closed by Adam for himself and his descendants, are rent open.

The Spirit comes to him as to an equal, bearing witness to his Godhead.

A voice bears witness to him from heaven, his place of origin. The Spirit descends in bodily form like the dove that so long ago

announced the ending of the flood and so gives honor to the body that is one with God.

Today let us do honor to Christ's baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom his every word and every revelation exist. He wants you to become a living force for all mankind, lights shining in the world. You are to be radiant lights as you stand beside Christ, the great light, bathed in the glory of him who is the light of heaven. You are to enjoy more and more the pure and dazzling light of the Trinity, as now you have received—though not in its fullness—a ray of its splendor, proceeding from the one God, in Christ Jesus our Lord, to whom be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

