

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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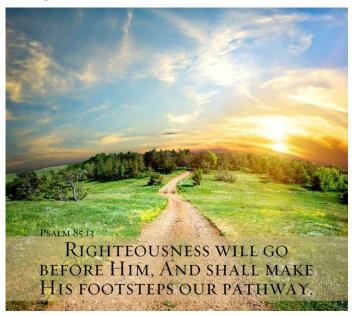
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July 2021

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 are finished for the season. We will begin our schedule 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.

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.





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.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 3 and 4, 2021

First Reading - Ezekiel 2:3-5 Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 123 Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Gospel Reading - Mark 6:1-6



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 10 and 11, 2021

First Reading - Amos 7:12-15 Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 85 Second Reading - Ephesians 1:3-14 Gospel Reading - Mark 6:7-13

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 17 and 18, 2021

First Reading - Jeremiah 23:1-6 Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 23 Second Reading - Ephesians 2:13-18 Gospel Reading - Mark 6:30-34

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 24 and 25, 2021

First Reading - 2 Kings 4:42-44 Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 145 Second Reading - Ephesians 4:1-6 Gospel Reading - John 6:1-15

Summer Prayer Drives



The days of the prayer drive will be **Sunday, July 25 at 2pm and 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 each prayer drive is the Wednesday before the day, July 21st and 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.





Even through Joseph's fears, God's will, his history and his plan were at work. Joseph, then, teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses. He also teaches us that amid the tempests of life, we must never be afraid to let the Lord steer our course. At times, we want to be in complete control, yet God always sees the bigger picture.

—Pope Francis

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.



SUMMER HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

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



Important Notice!

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.

Homily Corner



Last weekend, we celebrated the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The first reading was Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 30, the second reading was 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 and the Gospel reading was Mark 5:21-43.

Before we get into the readings today, I want to tell you about the celebration we had on Thursday for the Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, our Patron Saint. We were blessed to re-install our St. John the Baptist statue in the sanctuary. He will guide you on the right path. He will show you the way, leading you to Jesus, the way, the truth and the life.

Those of you who have been following on a regular basis, know that over the last two weeks we have reflected on five amazing eternal truth stories. These stories are ever green, ever living. And today, we have another eternal truth story, but before we get into the Gospel, we need to look at the first reading. The reading from the book of Wisdom tells us that God did not create death. And that death will have no power through God. God is eternal and immortal and he created us to be eternal and immortal as well. Death came to the world through the devil and sin. Death was not here at creation. In God's image, we are created to be incorruptible.

Assured that we are not meant to die, we move into the Gospel. We have two amazing stories that are presented in a dramatic way. Both stories have the same theme: life. The first story begins with a temple leader begging Jesus to heal his daughter who is "at the point of death." So Jesus went with him to see his daughter. At this point, we leave the first story and are brought into the second story. A gentile woman had been suffering for many years. Since she was a gentile, she couldn't come to the front of the crowd pressing in on Jesus. She crawled through the crowd, saying to herself, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." She touched his clothes and Jesus felt power go forth from him. He asked who touched him and the woman came before him in fear and fell down at his feet. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well." We then continue with the first story. When Jesus and the leader got to the leader's house, they were told the daughter had died. Jesus asked everyone to leave except her family and he said, "Little girl, get up!" And she did. He then told the people who were there that they should not tell anyone what had happened.

In both of these stories, we see that the healing process begins with those who ask for healing. And after Jesus saw their faith, trust and confidence, he voluntarily healed them. It is the same with us, the healing grace of God must begin with us. With our confidence. Last year, I explained the difference between magic and miracles. When we are looking for something from God, we need to do two things: 1)we should be ready to take the responsibility in trust and confidence and 2)we must never go for magic. We know that miracles always start with a human element. As we grow in our faith and trust of God, we can confidently go to him for all our needs.

At the end of the Gospel reading, Jesus told those who were there to not tell anyone about what they saw. Why? Because he was stopping people who were just looking for magic from following him. To have absolute trust and faith in God, we must first have trust, faith and confidence in ourselves. If you have trust in yourself, confidence in yourself, go to the Lord and ask for healing. We are created in his image and likeness. We are created to be incorruptible.

As we reflect on the holy scriptures this week, we should ask ourselves: How can I build confidence in myself? Do I truly believe that I was created amazingly in God's image and likeness?

God Bless!

—Father Antony

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.



Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Saturday, July 3 to Sunday, July 11

Saturday, July 3 5pm Holy Mass
St. Thomas 7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, July 4 9am Holy Mass

St. Elizabeth of Portugal 9am Holy Mass (Bienfait) †Emilia Lalonde

11am Holy Mass

11am Holy Mass (Torquay)

Wednesday, July 7 9am Holy Mass **†**Joseph Sylvestre Thursday, July 8 9am Holy Mass Health of Vanessa Friday, July 9 9am Holy Mass **†**Peter Kurcaba

St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions

Saturday, July 10 5pm Holy Mass Sunday, July 11 9am Holy Mass

9am Holy Mass (Bienfait) **†**Antonina O. Dimatera

11am Holy Mass

11am Holy Mass (Torquay)

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Wednesday, July 14 to Sunday, July 18

Wednesday, July 14 9am Holy Mass †Emilia Lalonde Thursday, July 15 9am Holy Mass †Betty Zeller

Friday, July 16 9am Holy Mass †Alphonse and †Clara Mehler

St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions

Saturday, July 17 5pm Holy Mass Sunday, July 18 9am Holy Mass

9am Holy Mass (Bienfait)

11am Holy Mass

11am Holy Mass (Torquay) **†** Joseph Sylvestre



Happy Anniversary To Our Parish Family Members Celebrating Their Wedding Anniversary In July

Armand and Cathy Hoffort

Walter and Marlene Shurygalo

Ken and Arlene Anderson

Jay and Megan Vanstone

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

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Wednesday, July 21 to Sunday, July 25

Wednesday, July 21 9am Holy Mass **†**Lucas Bittman

St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Thursday, July 22 9am Holy Mass †Bob Fichter

St. Mary Magdalene

Friday, July 23 9am Holy Mass Special Intentions For My Family

St. Bridget

Saturday, July 24 5pm Holy Mass

St. Sharbel Makhluf

Sunday, July 25 9am Holy Mass

St. James 9am Holy Mass (Bienfait) †Emilia Lalonde

11am Holy Mass

11am Holy Mass (Torquay)

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish - Wednesday, July 28 to Sunday, August 1

Wednesday, July 28 9am Holy Mass **†**Jacob Fichter
Thursday, July 29 9am Holy Mass **†**Emilia Lalonde

St. Martha

Friday, July 30 9am Holy Mass Special Intentions For Safety And Health

St. Peter Chysologus

Saturday, July 31 5pm Holy Mass

St. Ignatius of Loyola

Sunday, August 1 9am Holy Mass

9am Holy Mass (Bienfait)

11am Holy Mass

11am Holy Mass (Torquay) + Angelo Galido



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

Arnie Zimmerman Katherine Kawecki

Maya Daoust Trinity Heleta

Cailyn Kessler Tucker Hilstrom

Karwin Shurygalo Grace Hall

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.

