

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.



We are so glad you joined us today!

Office Summer Hours

Monday - Friday

9am - 12pm

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July 4 & 5, 2020 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 7pm

Sunday: 9am, 11am

Tuesday to Friday: 9am

Sacraments

Anointing: Contact the Pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor

8 months in advance

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Beginning Monday, July 6 the Parish Office Hours for July and August are Monday to Friday 9am—12pm.



The Summer Holy Mass schedule is:

Wednesday to Friday at 9am Saturday at 7pm Sunday at 9am and 11am

Please contact Connie at the Parish Office to register for the Holy Masses you would like to attend.

Adoration will remain from Tuesday to Friday from 9:30am until 7pm.

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. Please pray for healing before and after receiving this Holy Sacrament.



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 11 and 12, 2020 Readings

| 1st Reading - Isaiah 55:10-11 | Psalm - The seed that fell on the good soil | produced a hundred fold. (Psalm 65) | 2nd Reading - Romans 8:18-23 | Gospel Reading - Matthew 13:1-23



Adoration Ministry Update

Because we are unable to use the Adoration Chapel due to limited space and the social distancing regulations that must be followed, we have set up two adoration spots in the Church in front of the tabernacle. Seating is also available in the pews. Father Antony will expose Jesus in front of the tabernacle from Tuesday to Friday following the 9am Holy Mass until 7pm.

You are invited to come spend some time with Jesus praying for yourself and our Parish Family, our community, and the whole world. This ministry is for our whole Parish Family as well as our scheduled Adoration ministers.





Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, July 4 5pm (Bienfait) Holy Mass (Bienfait Parishioners Only)

St. Elizabeth of Portugal
 Sunday, July 5
 St. Anthony Zaccaria
 7pm Holy Mass
 9am Holy Mass
 11am Holy Mass

5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass (Torquay Parishioners Only)

Tuesday, July 7 9am Holy Mass **†** Monique Benard ne Demargerie

Wednesday, July 8 9am Holy Mass **†** Gwen Walton

Thursday, July 9 9am Holy Mass Health of Darlene Geisel

St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions

Friday, July 10 9am Holy Mass **†**Lauren LaCoste

Saturday, July 11 5pm (Bienfait) Holy Mass (Bienfait Parishioners Only)

St, Benedict 7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, July 12 9am Holy Mass
11am Holy Mass

5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass (Torquay Parishioners Only)



Holy Mass Updates

We are allowed to have more people attend the Holy Mass. We are truly grateful for this blessing and look forward to seeing more of our Parish Family. As we serve, pray and look out for each other, we have a few directives for you to keep in mind for attending a Holy Mass:

- You must sign up to attend a weekday or weekend Holy Mass. Please, call, text or email Connie at 306-634-2190, 306-421-8447 or conniesjb@gmail.com.
- You must do a self-assessment before you arrive at the Church and have no symptoms of cough, cold, flu, or allergies. The self-assessment will be emailed out to you the day before you are scheduled to attend a Holy Mass. If you answer yes to any of the self-assessment questions, please contact Connie to let her know you won't be able to come to your scheduled Mass.
- Social distancing will be adhered to.
- If you would like a copy of the Directives for Attending Holy Mass, please contact Connie.

Your cooperation with all of these items will allow us to celebrate safely. Our sincere appreciation to everyone, as we celebrate our spiritual and sacramental life while protecting the vulnerable of our Parish Family.



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Homily Corner



This is a recap of my homily from the previous weekend. This past Sunday's homily was on the readings for the 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time. The first reading was 2 Kings 4:8-12a, 14-16, the second reading was Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 and the Gospel reading was Matthew 10:37-42.

As Canadians, we are known for our hospitality, but we really need to think about whether we practice hospitality only in word or do we practice in deed?

In the first reading, we see the prophet Elisha preaching in the streets. He was the successor of the great prophet Elijah. A woman sees him alone and her and her husband invite Elisha in to eat and they eventually prepare a room for him to stay in. They did this so that Elisha could continue preaching. They are a wonderful example of hospitality in action. And in return, Elisha, wanting to give them something, prays over the woman and tells her she will have a baby next year.

In the Gospel, we are assured of our reward. This is the power of hospitality. This reading brings to mind our great father, Abraham. He saw three strangers walking past and he ran to them, washed their feet, let them rest and fed them. The strangers blessed him and his wife and said the same words that Elisha said in the first reading: they would have a baby next year.

Hospitality in action is always experientially rewarding. A Church should be active in hospitality. We must always keep in mind how we celebrate the Holy Mass as a great banquet with each other and with Jesus. We need to look out for each other, We need to get to know the people who are attending Mass with us. Do they need our prayers? Are they celebrating something in their lives? When we offer ourselves to someone, we are offering Jesus as well.

When we listen to the directives given to us by the Provincial Government and the Archdiocese, we are showing a gentle hospitality. Our Hospitality Ministry in the Church is a terrific ministry that is hospitality in action.

And this hospitality in action shouldn't just be limited to the Church. We need to do this in all our interactions. Can we help someone? Do we have gratitude for the people in our lives?

This week, as you contemplate in prayer and as you receive the Holy Eucharist: Thank God for your everyone in your life. Pray for them and our whole community. Prayerfully meditate on how you are expressing hospitality in deed and ask God to help you to do more.

See you next week as we reflect on the 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

—Father Antony

St. John the Baptist Parish is building a Pastoral Care Team. Are you interested in joining this team as an extra ordinary communion minister visiting the sick and homebound? Would you like to be a part of a team that provides a lay presided service to our care homes on Sundays? Would you like more information? Please contact Connie Wheeler at the Parish Office at 306-634-2190.

"I was sick and you took care of me."

Matthew 25:36