

# St. John the Baptist Parish

March 23 & 24, 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

**Reconciliation:** Tuesdays 6pm - 6:45pm

Thursdays in Lent 11am - 12pm

Or by appointment

**Office hours:** Monday to Friday

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

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**Caretaker:** Sigfredo Gonzalez



## Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, March 23	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass
<i>St. Turibius of Mogrovejo</i>	7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, March 24	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass
	10am Holy Mass
Monday, March 25	7pm RCIA in the meeting room
<i>The Annunciation of the Lord</i>	
Tuesday, March 26	7pm Holy Mass †Leo †Marion Stepp; Bill & Laura Baryluk
	7:30pm Liturgy Meeting held in the Meeting Room
Wednesday, March 27	11am (Hospital) Holy Mass †Fr. Stephen Ripplinger; Genest LaBelle Family
Thursday, March 28	10am Staff Meeting
	12:10pm Holy Mass †Anton & †Nympha Mack; Mannie & Doreen Mack
	7pm Lenten Mission in the Parish Hall
	8pm SJB Choir Practice
Friday, March 29	12:10 pm Lenten Service and Lunch at St. Peter's Lutheran Church
	6pm Adoration followed by Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass
	7:30pm †Lillian Bill; K of C
Saturday, March 30	2pm SJB Choir Practice
	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass
	7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, March 31	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass
	10am Holy Mass
	11:30am Annual General Meeting held in the Parish Hall

### Lenten Lunch Schedule - Who wants Jesus to die?

March 29th	St. Peter's Lutheran Church
	Barabbas wants Jesus to Die - Mark 15:6-15
April 5th	St. Paul's United Church
	The High Priest wants Jesus to Die - John 18:12-14
April 12th	St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church
	Satan wants Jesus to Die - Matthew 4:1-11



St. Giles Anglican Church invite you to **Pause & Pray** every Wednesday during lent. You are welcome to pray, rest, or sit and just “be” in the presence of God. There will be prayer aids, candles, music and printed materials. Pause and Pray with us every Wednesday from March 13-April 17 12pm-1pm and 5pm-7:30pm. For more information please call 306-897-0402.

## St. John the Baptist Parish Lent and Holy Week Mass Schedule

Saturday, April 13 at 7pm - Palm Sunday Holy Mass

Sunday, April 14 at 10am - Palm Sunday Holy Mass

Thursday, April 18 at 7:30pm - Holy Thursday Holy Mass

Friday, April 19 at 12pm - Good Friday Liturgy

Friday, April 19 at 3pm - Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday, April 20 at 3pm - Easter Basket Blessing

Saturday, April 20 at 8:30pm - Easter Vigil Celebration

Sunday, April 21 at 10am - Easter Sunday Holy Mass

### Lenten Reconciliation Services

**March 31 @ 7:00pm**

**April 2 @ 7:30pm**



### RCIA

Taking part in our RCIA program this year, we have four catechumens, Catherine Kroeker, Savanna Kuntz, Morgan Petersen and Anne Kim, and two candidates, Kristina Muhr and Chantel Cossette.

*God of Love,*

*Let us surround them with prayer as we accompany and lead them to encounter Christ. And may they find in our community, compelling signs of unity and generous love. Amen.*

**RCIA**  
Christian Formation Process

### Triduum



As Christians, we are obliged to be present during the Triduum.

This season in the Church begins with Holy Thursday and continues through Good Friday and Holy Saturday and ends on Easter Sunday. These services flow into one another and are full of beautiful rites and traditions. Following the Mass on Holy Thursday, we are all asked to leave the Church in silence. Adoration will be taking place in the Church until midnight that night. When we come to the Church for the Good Friday Liturgy, we are asked to come in silence and to leave in silence again that day. We also begin the Easter Vigil in quiet and in the dark. These periods of silence are very meaningful in our journey through the Triduum.

### A Prayer for Forced Migrants around the World

Have mercy on me, God most high.

In my fear and loneliness, be my refuge. Far from my homeland, I feel lost.

My heart is stirred by thoughts of the family I left behind. O God, hear their cries and come to their help! Calm the storms of anxiety and doubt raging within me. Go before me and guide my steps among a people I do not know. May their kindness and compassion assure me that You are there to welcome me.

Prayer developed by Cardinal Luis Tagle, President of Caritas Internationalis, following his experiences meeting forced migrants supported by the Caritas family. CP1819



## Easter Flowers

We have begun planning our Easter celebrations and are gratefully accepting donations of any amount for the flowers that will be in the Church throughout the Easter season. You may donate in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for your family in the envelopes available in the main entrance of the Church or by stopping by the Parish Office. Your loved one's name will be published in the bulletin for special prayers. Your support will bless our Parish Family during this season. Thank you so much!!



## *Easter Flowers*

*Thank you to the families who have donated for Easter flowers in thanksgiving for someone in their lives or in memory of their departed loved ones. May your families be blessed this Easter.*

*In thanksgiving for  
Roselle Melanson-Heleta  
†Doris Heidinger  
† Marie Ludwig*



## 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.

You can donate your used prescription eye glasses and tabs from canned beverages to St. Mary's School c/o Gwen Van de Woestyne.

These donations will be forwarded to Regina Pasqua Hospital and an Eye Practitioner for those in need.

## Stations of the Cross

Each Friday during Lent, you are invited to take some time out of your day to reflect and prepare your heart for Easter. We will begin with Adoration at 6pm, then Stations of the Cross at 7pm followed by Holy Mass.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Led By</u>
Friday, March 29	Holy Family Teachers & Staff
Friday, April 5	Pastoral Council
Friday, April 12	K of C



## Chrism Mass

The Archdiocese invites you to attend the Chrism Mass on Monday, April 8 at 7pm at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Regina. At this Holy Mass, the Archbishop blesses the oils and each parish of the Archdiocese will receive their oils that will be used for sacraments throughout the year. These oils will be presented to our parish family at the Holy Thursday Mass. All attending the Chrism Mass will renew their baptismal promises and the clergy will reaffirm their ministry by renewing the promises made at their ordination. The Chrism Mass is a wonderful opportunity to participate in the reception of the oils as we journey toward the Triduum and Easter.



Readings for March 30 & 31

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1b,6-7, 10-13

Second Reading: Ephesians 5.8-14

Gospel: John 8.12



## St. John the Baptist CWL

Invites all parishioners to witness the  
**Installation of New Executive and Reception of New Members**  
**Sunday, April 7, 2019; 10:00am Holy Mass**  
**Special Guest: Regina Diocesan President, Marilyn Schuck †**

For further information, please phone 306-421-7538 or email: [adkjersem@sasktel.net](mailto:adkjersem@sasktel.net)

### A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019

In the Hospital Chapel—7:00 p.m.

Marian Huber—Presiding

Dustin Hall—Music

This service is open to all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

Please extend an invitation family members and friends who may wish to attend.

Coffee and fellowship will follow in the

Auditorium. If possible could you please let me know by March 25th the number of people who will be attending.

*Marian Huber*  
*Spiritual Care*  
*637-2451*



### Knights of Columbus Council 3165

The Knights of Columbus dues were mailed out for 2019. This is a reminder to return payment as soon as possible in a sealed envelope marked K of C Dues. Please place it in the Church collection basket or deliver to the Parish Office at 109 12th Avenue, or mail to Box 196 Estevan Sk S4A 2A3.

Thank you,

Albert Petrash

Financial Secretary



## SEASON OF LENT IN PROGRESS

Dear friends of Life, with the third week of Lent approaching, HOW close are we from rebuilding Our IMAGE means the image of God. Often, we are known or reminded of the Season of Lent as a Season of Grace and a time of opportunity for renewal; by the way what is this renewal? Isn't it the Rebuilding of Our Image that God has created into us, isn't it the Image St. Paul calls a Temple of God (1Cor:3:16). In our daily lives we ourselves defile or even destroy Our Body the image of God. That is when the season of Lent is an opportunity for Rebuilding the Image of God. This reconstruction is required to live and enjoy God's amazing gifts including eternal life.

What words can adequately describe God's gifts? They are so numerous that they defy enumeration. They are so great that any one of them demands our total gratitude in response. Yet even though we cannot speak of it worthily, there is one gift which no thoughtful being can pass over in silence. God fashioned us in his own image and likeness; He gave us knowledge of himself; he endowed us with the ability to think which raised us above all living creatures; He permitted us to delight in the unimaginable beauties of paradise and gave us dominion over everything upon earth.

When we are deceived, defiled and destroyed by sin, which led to death and to all the sufferings associated with death, God still did not forsake us. Moreover, when we continued in sins God did not desert us. This is where the power of Lent, the season of opportunity comes in effect. Those who desire the rebuilding of our Image, all of us should be going through this season of Grace.

As we move forward with Lent step by step, further what we enjoy and experience is the Resurrection of Christ through His Paschal Mystery which is the Recreation of humanity and of the world. A good example of which is at the Easter vigil, we proclaim the first reading from the Book of Genesis the first chapter the creation narration.

He bore our infirmities and endured our sorrows. He was wounded for our sake so that by his wounds we might be healed. He redeemed us from the curse by becoming a curse for our sake, and He submitted to the most ignominious death in order to exalt us to the life of glory. Nor was He content merely to summon us back from death to life; He also bestowed on us the dignity of his own divine nature and prepared for us a place of eternal rest where there will be joy so intense as to surpass all human imagination.

All these show the necessity for a rebuilding of our body and soul the Image of God. How, then, shall we repay the Lord for all his goodness to us? He is so good that he asks no recompense except our love: that is the only payment he desires.

Friends of Christ, let us then Love ourselves by rebuilding us using the great opportunity of Lent.

Lenten Blessings to Everyone.