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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.

# *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

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## November 23 & 24 2024



### St. John the Baptist Holy Mass Schedule

Sat. Nov 23	5pm Estevan; Sharon Dauk
Sat. Nov 23	7pm Torquay, †Anton Burner
Sun Nov 24	8am Bienfait; No Mass Intention
Sun. Nov 24	10am Estevan; Mass for the People
Tues. Nov 26	6:30pm Estevan; †Leslie Prabhu
Wed. Nov 27	11am Hospital; †Mannie Mack
Thurs. Nov 28	9am; Estevan; †Jeannette Johner
Fri. Nov 29	9am Estevan; †Earl Craig
Sat. Nov 30	5pm Estevan; †Otilia Beaulieu
Sat. Nov 30	7pm Torquay; †Joanne Graham
Sun. Dec 1	8am Bienfait; No Mass Intention
Sun. Dec 1	10am Estevan; Mass for the People

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 24:** 11am Christ the King Brunch
- Nov 26:** 7pm Liturgy Meeting
- Nov 27:** 9:45am CWL Executive Meeting
- Nov 27:** 6:30pm Bible Study
- Nov 28:** 6:30pm RCIA Prep Class Meeting Room
- Nov 28:** 6:30pm First Reconciliation prep Class-Parish Hall
- Nov 28:** 7pm SJB Choir Practice
- Dec 2:** 1pm Music with Friends
- Dec 3:** 5:30pm CWL & K of C Gala
- Dec 4:** 6:30pm Bible Study
- Dec 5:** 9:30am Coffee in the Hall
- Dec 5:** 6:30pm First Reconciliation Prep Class-Parish Hall
- Dec 5:** 7pm SJB Choir Practice

The Lord is King: he is robed in majesty. -Psalm 93

## Christmas Flowers

We are graciously accepting donations for the Christmas flowers that will decorate the Church throughout the Christmas season. You may donate in memory of a deceased loved one or in thanksgiving for someone in your life. Their names will be listed in the bulletin so our parishioners can pray for them. Thank you so much for your continued generosity. Our Parish Family is truly blessed!



Maureen Daoust

## Advent Wreath Blessing

Having an Advent Wreath is a very important tradition that we encourage all families to make a part of their preparations for Christmas. Please bring your Advent Wreath to one of the weekend Masses on Saturday, November 30 or Sunday, December 1. Place it under the Parish Advent Wreath and Father will bless it as he blesses our Parish Wreath. May your season of Advent be a time of hope, peace, joy and love.



## Advent Schedule 2024

Advent Adoration and Reconciliation Evening is on Friday, December 13 at 7pm.

Father will be available on December 21 and 22 following the Holy Mass for anointing.



Happy Feast Day of Christ the King! Not only do we reflect on Jesus Christ as King of the Universe, but this is also the concluding weekend of our Liturgical Year. Let us pray that we will help others encounter Christ anew, bringing the Gospel to everyone we meet, that all might bear witness to him before others! Jesus is King!

Next weekend, we begin the new Liturgical Year, Year C. We will focus on the Gospel of Luke, beginning with the season of Advent. This is a season of waiting and expectation. A time to prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ. I encourage you to find a good Advent devotion book, video series, or podcast to use as a tool for prayer each day. Set aside time to slow down during this busy season while you are preparing for your Christmas celebrations. Reflect on who you are and whose you are. Give praise and thank God for all your blessings. Take your relationship with Jesus into prayer: is there a way that you can make this relationship stronger?

We are looking forward to Advent here at St. John the Baptist. Please check out the schedule in the bulletin for Reconciliation and Anointing. Join us each weekend as we follow the theme of the week in preparation for the coming of our Lord.

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas. We who have so much to do and seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day. We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us. We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom. We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence. We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light. To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!" Amen.



### First Reconciliation

Our First Reconciliation Preparation will begin soon. If your child is in Grade 3 or older and you would like them to receive this important sacrament, please call the Parish Office. Registration forms have been sent out through the schools and they are available at the Parish Office and at all entrances of the Church. You are required to attend the Parents' Meeting to start our First Reconciliation Prep. The children do not attend the Parents' Meeting.

#### Important Dates

**November 20 at 6:30pm**

Parents' Meeting in the Parish Hall

**November 28 at 6:30pm**

Reconciliation Class in the Parish Hall

**December 5 at 6:30pm**

Reconciliation Class in the Parish Hall

The celebration of First Reconciliation will be on Friday, December 13 at 6pm.

#### JESUS CHRIST THE KING

Let us allow Jesus to be on the throne of our hearts to be the Lord of our lives. After all who is the more intelligent? Us or Jesus, God the Son, the 2nd person of the Trinity! We can trust Him in all things & following His ways, as given to us in the Bible; the CCC & the Traditions of the Church.

God is the same yesterday, today and forever. His love carries us to be strong in His love and ways which defeats Satan.

Please support our



**November 24, 2024**

### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"Jesus answered, My kingdom does not belong to this world." (John 18:36)

Life is short. How much time, energy and money do you put into building "your" kingdom here on earth? We all know we can't take it with us. The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time, energy and money do you invest in working for that eternal kingdom? Ask God for His guidance. Detach from earthly possessions. Generously share your material goods with others for the greater glory of God.



#### K of C and CWL Christmas Gala

The K of C and CWL Christmas Supper and Music will take place on Tuesday, December 3th following 5pm Holy Mass.

Tickets are available from Gen Fichter at 306 634-3059, Brenda Keating at 306 471-6217, and Kim Skjonsby at 306-421-5512



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Christmas Eve-Nativity of the Lord

Tuesday, December 24 at 5pm and 7pm (Estevan)

Tuesday, December 24 at 9pm (Bienfait)

Christmas Day-Nativity of the Lord

Wednesday, December 25 at 8am (Torquay)

Wednesday, December 25 at 10am (Estevan)

New Year's Eve-Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Tuesday, December 31 at 7pm (Estevan)

New Year's Day-Mary the Holy Mother of God

Wednesday, January 1 at 10am (Estevan)



**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone who attended, helped cook, donated food, and volunteered their time for our Fall Supper!!

**We Raised \$7963.14!**

We Could not have done it without all of you.

**Archbishop's Appeal**

In His dialogue with Pilate, Jesus declares that His kingdom is not of this world. His reign is founded on truth and love, calling us to look beyond earthly powers. By supporting the Archbishop Appeal, we align ourselves with Christ's eternal kingdom, investing in endeavors that reflect His values. Our unified efforts help manifest His reign here and now, fostering communities rooted in justice, peace, and compassion. Let us acknowledge Christ as our King by working together to build a world that mirrors His divine sovereignty.



This Christmas season,  
St. Joseph's Hospital  
would like to invite you to  
**A Celebration of Life**

A celebration to remember all of our loved ones who have passed away into a new life.

A moment in time to find silence in the scurry, and light on our path.

Please join us in remembrance and prayer  
7:00pm, Monday, December 9th, 2024  
St. Joseph's Hospital Chapel

Refreshments will be served following the celebration.



**You are invited to our Parish  
Christmas Party December 20, 2024**

**Kids: bring your tickets for the prize draw!**

**Major prizes:**

**Electric Scooter**

**Nintendo switch lite**

**Beats by Dr. Dre Headphones**

**Bluetooth Karaoke Machine**

**32" TV**

***Pot Luck Supper  
at 6pm.***

***Bring a dish that  
is enough to feed  
the people you  
bring with you!***

***Christmas games!***

***Carol Singing!***

***Dancing!***

***Many More Prizes!***