

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.

Welcome

We are so glad you joined us today!

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9am -12pm and 1pm -3pm

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November 20 & 21, 2021

Christ the King

Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 5pm Sunday Liturgy: 9am & 11am Tuesday - 6:30pm Wednesday to Friday - 9am Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor Marriage Preparation: Contact the Pastor

Homily Corner



Last weekend, we celebrated the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. The first reading was Daniel 12:1-3, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 16, the second reading was Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 and the Gospel reading was Mark 13:24-32.

On November 20 and 21, we will conclude the liturgical year with the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The Holy Church guides us with God's grace as we walk together through the liturgical year. We started the year with many celebrations, then God gave us the marvelous deeds and miracles. When we were full of the grace of the miracles, we learned how to put the miracles into our lives, fully living in God. The last few weeks, we have heard how we can have Jesus in our lives.

This week, the readings clearly have the theme of the end. The first reading and the Gospel both talk about the coming end. They give us clarification in what will happen and what we need to do.

In the first reading, the author of Daniel writes about the signs that will mark the end of time as we know it. These include earthy and cosmic upheavals and the persecution of those who remain faithful to God. He says, "But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book." In the Gospel reading, "Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the Angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven."

Both readings are talking about the Book of Life. You need to live a faith filled life to be written in the Book of Life. As an example, throughout the month of November, we have the names of our deceased loved ones written in the books on the altar. These are the names we remember. We are called to pray for them, so their names will be written in the Book of Life.

How will we have our names written in the Book of Life? We all have concerns about the judgment, but Jesus tells us to be free. To live a life of certainty and to not worry about the uncertain things. We need to live in confidence, trusting in our Father. Jesus says, "But about the day or hour no one knows, neither the Angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." He is telling us that we shouldn't worry about the day and time, that is uncertain. We are called to shine like stars. We are the light of the world. When we shine with the certainty of God, there will not longer be darkness in the world.

As we reflect on the holy scriptures this week, how can my name be written in the Book of Life? Am I doing everything I can to shine with the light of Jesus?

God Bless!

—Father Antony

Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish	
Saturday, November 20	5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, November 21	9am Holy Mass
Presentation of the Blessed	11am Holy Mass
Virgin Mary	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass
	5pm (Bienfait) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Tuesday, November 23	6:30pm Holy Mass † Angelo Gallido
St. Clement I	7pm Liturgy Meeting
St. Columban	
Wednesday, November 24	9am Holy Mass † Ray Stepp
St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companio	ns
Thursday, November 25	9am Holy Mass Health for Patrick Conlin
St. Catherine of Alexamdria	1:30pm Bible Study in the Parish Hall
	7pm Bible Study in the Parish Hall
	7pm Choir Practice in the Church
Friday, November 26	8:30am Podcast Friday - Advent—Will You Be Ready? Jeff Cavins
	9am Holy Mass Special Intentions
Saturday, November 27	5pm Holy Mass
Sunday, November 28	9am Holy Mass
	11am Holy Mass
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Brooke Dzeryk Raymond Cossette

Finally, the People of God shared in the royal office of Christ. He exercises his kingship by drawing all men to himself through his death and Resurrection. Christ, King and Lord of the universe, made himself the servant of all, for he came "not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." For the Christian, "to reign is to serve him," particularly when serving "the poor and suffering, in whom the Church recognizes

the image of her poor and suffering founder. The People of God fulfills its royal dignity by a life in keeping with its vocation to serve with Christ.



We will be using incense at the Feast of Christ the King Holy Masses on Sunday, November 21. If you are sensitive to incense, please join us for Holy Mass that weekend on Saturday, November 20. Incense will not

be used at that Holy Mass.



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CWL Members of SJB Estevan Council

Membership dues in the amount of \$30.00 for 2022 are now being collected. Please make your cheque payable to the Estevan CWL and place it in an envelope for the collection basket at Holy Mass, drop it off at the Parish office, or call 421-7538 for home pick-up.

E-transfers are also accepted at <u>stjohnthebaptistcwl@gmail.com</u>. Thank you.



Do you play a musical instrument and like meeting interesting people? Do you like to get together and play along with others?

Enjoy the spontaneous musical collaboration of a Jam Session!

Monday, December 6, 2021 1:00 – 4:00pm St. John the Baptist Parish Hall



Fun, free, and entertaining. Call 421-7538 for further information or just show up with your gear!

Light refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by SJB Fellowship Committee

Devotion to St. Joseph is one of the choicest graces that God can give to a soul, for it is tantamount to revealing the entire treasury of our Lord's graces. When God wishes to raise a soul to greater heights, he unites it to St. Joseph by giving it a strong love for the good saint.

St. Peter Julian Eymard

The Year of St. Joseph closes on December 8, 2021. We have prayed the St. Joseph Prayer after each Holy Mass throughout this past year and will close the year with a 9 Day Novena to St. Joseph beginning on Tuesday, November 30 before the Holy Mass at 6:30pm. Please join us as we pray the Novena for the nine days leading up to Wednesday, December 8. Our Parish Family and our own personal families have truly been blessed by your devotion to St. Joseph throughout this special year.

Readings for Saturday, November 27 & Sunday, November 28

First Reading: Jeremiah 33.14-16 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 25 Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.2 Gospel Reading: Luke 21.25-28,34-36



The Lord is king; he is robed in

majesty.

YEAR OF ST. IOSEPH

Psalm 93



Advent Wreaths

It may seem far away, but the first Sunday of Advent is less than a week from today! Starting on November 28th, we start our four-week journey to prepare ourselves and our homes for the birth of Jesus !

Advent Wreaths are a great tradition to put in one's home during the season to encourage prayer and preparation for the birth of Jesus and are easy to make if you can't find a premade one! The advent wreath is comprised of:

- A circular shaped evergreen branch or wreath, symbolizing both God's eternal love, and the eternal life that Jesus has given to us.
- Three purple candles, which symbolize our repentance and waiting for His birth.
- One pink candle, symbolizing our joy that Christmas is coming soon.



If you don't have an Advent Wreath at home, we encourage everyone in our Parish Family to find or make one! Making and decorating an Advent Wreath is a great activity for a family and will encourage the preparation of out minds and hearts for the Christmas season.

On the weekend of November 28th, we invite all families to bring their Advent Wreaths to any of the weekend Holy Masses to be blessed. Let's join together to celebrate the coming of the Lord!

> 1 Thessalonians 3:13 "And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints."



The following members will be recognized at Holy Mass on Tuesday, December 7th at 6:30pm for their dedicated years of service in *The Catholic Women's League* for the years ending 2019, 2020, and 2021.

Family and friends are invited to attend in support and congratulations. May they continue to be blessed in their work for God and Canada.

5 Years

Michelle Smith, Debbie Augey, Sheryl Aceron-Masepequena

10 Years

Joan Fingler, Colleen Harkins, Annette Kendall, Pam Cook, Barbara McLaren, Pat Mehler, Cathy Wanner

15 Years

Hilda Gedak, Deanne Ganje, Gwen Van De Woestyne, Joy Beahm, Brenda Friess, Sherry Baryluk,

Josie Beaulieau, Amanda Hagel, Valerie Hagel

20 Years

Anne Welch, Theresa Fernandez

25 Years

Marlene Shurygalo

30 Years

Gail Dodds, Simonne Brown

35 Years

Margaret Daoust, Elaine Gedak, Emelia Durr, Anne Dechief

40 Years

Arlene Anderson, Genevieve Fichter, Lillian Hahn, Charlotte Johner, Virginia Wheeler, Anita Lowry, Joanne Weisgerber, Gloria Gingras, Donna Kretsch, Eleanor Mack

45 Years

Jo Ann Schopf, Dianna Green, Eva Hagel, Helen Stark

50 Years

Bertha Andries, Clara Weinrauch, Theresa Dukart

55 Years

Bette Ehrmantraut

60 Years

Marjorie Heidinger, Marie Crumly

65 Years

Mabel Bouchard, Norma Kuntz

70 Years

Lucille Bonokoski, Marie Bonokoski, Marie-Anna Bonokoski