

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.

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We are so glad you joined us today!

Parish Office Hours

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

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November 27 & 28, 2021

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 8 months in advance

Homily Corner



Last weekend, we celebrated the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The first reading was Daniel 7:13-14, the Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 93, the second reading was Revelation 1:5-8 and the Gospel reading was John 18:33b-37.

We are coming to the end of the liturgical year that we have been following with the Holy Church. This year we focused on the Gospel of Mark, journeying through Advent, Jesus' public ministry and his miracles and receiving instructions from the Holy Scriptures on how to live as disciples of Christ. It is revealed to us how we can build the Kingdom and live in his Kingship. And whether the world or even ourselves agree or not, the Word will never die. Jesus is the King with all authority over his Kingdom. Without him, nothing is complete. We, as his holy people, are invited to follow his kingly invitation. How can we serve him? How do we answer the call to follow him?

The Feast of Christ the King was established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI. He saw that secularism in the world was on the rise. People were selfishly taking power and claiming themselves as leaders. God and faith and religion were forgotten about. Filled with the Holy Spirit, Pope Pius XI proclaimed that all of creation should be claiming Christ as King as he instituted this Universal Feast. World leaders should serve Jesus Christ the King. He is the King of Kings.

Right now in our world, we are experiencing how powerless we are. When we don't live up to the standard of the King of Kings, he must lovingly cleanse us. And again, whether we agree or not, Jesus is the powerful one and his Kingdom will have no end. We are called to be truthful servants, following our King truthfully, building his Kingdom and receiving his blessings, assured that we will also have no end.

When we pray the Lord's Prayer we say, "Thy Kingdom come." We are taking that invitation to be a part of building the Kingdom. It is our obligation to live up to this standard, accepting the King's invitation. It is all up to us if our lives end hopelessly or if we live up to the call to truthful discipleship and receive his blessings, the place in the Kingdom that is promised to us.

As we reflect on the Holy Scriptures this week, ask God to give you strength to accept his invitation. Look at your life and reflect on how you can help build the Kingdom here on earth.

God Bless!

–Father Antony

Christmas Flowers

We are graciously accepting donations for the flowers that will decorate the Church during the Christmas season. You may donate in memory of a deceased loved one or in thanksgiving for someone in your life. Special donation envelopes are available in the main entrance of the Church or at the Parish Office. With your help, our Parish Family will be blessed throughout the Christmas season and always.



Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

| Saturday, November 27 | 5pm Holy Mass |
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| Sunday, November 28 | 9am Holy Mass |
| 1st Sunday of Advent | 11am Holy Mass |
| | 5pm (Bienfait) Holy Mass |
| Tuesday, November 30 | **9 Novena To St. Joseph Begins Before Each Holy Mass Until November 8 |
| St. Andrew | 6:30pm Holy Mass Health for Darlene Geisel |
| Wednesday, December 1 | 9am Holy Mass Health for Matt Ehrmantrout and Cathy Wanner |
| Thursday, December 2 | 9am Holy Mass † Ray Stepp |
| | 6pm Bible Study Leader's Meeting in the Meeting Room |
| | 7pm Choir Practice in the Church |
| Friday, December 3 | 8:30am Podcast Friday - |
| St. Francis Xavier | 9am Holy Mass Special Intentions for Caroline and Rose Marcotte |
| Saturday, December 4 | 5pm Holy Mass (Name Tag Sunday) |
| St. John Damascene | |
| Sunday, December 5 | 9am Holy Mass (Name Tag Sunday) |
| 2nd Sunday of Advent | 11am Holy Mass (Name Tag Sunday) |
| | 5pm (Bienfait) Liturgy of the Word with Communion |
| | 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass |

Make Music with Friends

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**!

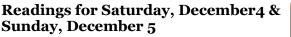
Monday, December 6, 2021 1:00 – 4:00pm St. John the Baptist Parish Hall



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



First Reading: Baruch 5.1-9 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 126 Second Reading: Philippians 1.3-6, 8-11 Gospel Reading: Luke 3.1-6

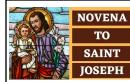




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Advent and Christmas Schedule



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 **JOSEPH** 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.

Advent Reconciliation and Adoration

Advent is fast approaching and during that busy season St. John the Baptist Parish is pleased to invite you to a time to be quiet and stillness and prepare your heart for the upcoming Christmas season. We will be hosting an Advent Reconciliation and Adoration evening on Monday, December 13 from 6:30pm until 8pm. Please join us for this evening of reflection and prayer.



Christmas and New Year's Holy Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: Friday, December 24 at 5pm, 7pm and 9pm

(Incense will be used at all three Christmas Eve Holy Masses.)

Christmas Day: Saturday, December 25 at 10am (No Incense)

Please note that there will not be Holy Mass at 5pm on Saturday, December 25.

Sunday, December 26 at 9am and 11am

New Year's Eve: Friday, December 31 at 7pm (No Incense)

New Year's Day: Saturday, January 1 at 10am (Incense)

Please note that there will not be Holy Mass at 5pm on Saturday, January 1.

Sunday, January 2 at 9am and 11am



ADVENT WREATH BLESSING

Don't forget to bring your Advent Wreath to one of the Holy Masses this weekend. Please place it under the Parish Advent Wreath and Father will bless it during the Advent Wreath lighting celebration.

2022 Contribution Envelopes

The 2022 Contribution Envelopes are in. You can pick yours up in the main entrance of the Church. If you are unable to attend Holy Mass and receive your envelopes there, you may contact the Parish Office to make arrangements to pick them up or have them delivered to you.

If you have not signed up yet and would like to receive Contribution Envelopes, please contact the Parish Office. We are also happy to offer the opportunity for Automatic Funds Transfer (ATF) that can be set up by contacting Cindy at the Parish Office.

Thank you for your continued generosity, sharing your gifts with your Parish Family.

Christmas Hamper Envelopes

As we begin the season of Advent and focus on preparing ourselves for the coming of Christ, we give thanks for the many blessings we have received this year and understand that everything we have comes from our Father. Walking together in gratitude, we have the opportunity to share our blessings by donating to the Christmas Hamper Fund. The envelopes are available in the main entrance of the Church and you can also e-transfer to stjohnthebaptist@sasktel.net by clearing marking the donation as "Christmas Hamper Fund".

Your generosity is building the Kingdom of the King of Kings and you and your family will be greatly blessed.



We will be using incense at the Christmas Eve Holy Masses at 5pm, 7pm and 9pm and at the New Year's Day Holy Mass at 10am. If you are sensitive to incense, please attend one of the other Christmas and New Year's Holy Masses.









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