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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 30 and October 1, 2023

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St. John the Baptist Holy Mass Schedule

Sat. Sept. 30	5pm Estevan; Bill Kirkham 7pm Torquay; †Arthur & †Beatrice Charlebois
Sun. Oct. 1	8am Bienfait; †Simonne and †Allan Brown 10am Estevan; Mass For The People
Tues. Oct. 3	
Wed. Oct. 4	11am Hospital; Word of God Liturgy With Communion
Thurs. Oct. 5	9am Estevan; Word of God Liturgy With Communion
Fri. Oct. 6	
Sat. Oct. 7	5pm Estevan; †Mike Baryluk
Sat. Oct. 7	7pm Torquay; †Jerome Stepp
Sun. Oct. 8	8am Bienfait; †Special Intention for Kendra Fai
Sun. Oct. 8	10am Estevan; Mass For The People

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 1:** 10am Presentation of the Parents during Holy Mass
- Oct. 2:** 1:30pm Funeral Choir Practice
- Oct. 2:** 7pm Baptism Prep
- Oct. 3:** 7pm CWL Meeting
- Oct. 5:** 9:30am Coffee In The Hall
- Oct. 5:** 1:30pm Bible Study
- Oct. 5:** 7pm Bible Study
- Oct. 9:** Thanksgiving Day - Office closed.
- Oct. 9:** 1pm Music with Friends
- Oct. 10:** 7pm K of C Meeting
- Oct. 11:** 1pm Finance Meeting
- Oct. 11:** 6:30pm First Reconciliation Parents' Meeting

Lord, be mindful of your mercy. *Psalm 25*

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Children's Reflection

Matthew 21.28-32

In today's Gospel, some Pharisees (those were the guys who thought they had things all together and always wanted to worry about rules) approached Jesus and asked Him how He acted with such authority. They were trying to trick Him and trap Him up.

Jesus gave a parable to demonstrate that the Pharisees were doing a lot of talking, but not much real doing. He said that a man had two sons, and asked them both to work for him. One son said he would, but didn't do anything. The other son refused to work at first, but later went and did the work. Obviously, the son who really worked was the obedient one. Jesus was making a point that the Pharisees were caught up in saying they did the right thing, but they were missing the big picture. They were missing Jesus! He said that the sinners would be the ones to learn the truth. You see, we need to keep our eyes open for ways that we can truly love and obey, not just talk about it.

And there's an even greater truth being demonstrated in this parable. Jesus did have power and authority. It came from God Himself. He wanted everyone to know that He was the obedient son. Jesus did what He said He would. He came to rescue us from sin, and He fulfilled God's promises. We can take joy in knowing that He will always do what He says, and that because of that, we have the mercy and grace that come from God. We want to pass that along by truly living out our love and serving others!



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 contact Connie at the Parish Office. Registration forms have been sent out through the schools and they are available at the Parish Office and at all the entrances of the Church.

The next Parents' Meeting is on Wednesday, October 11 at 6:30pm. If you did not attend the Parents' Meeting we held in September, you need to attend the October 11 meeting. We will go over the preparation process for First Reconciliation. See you there!



Father Thuy's Installation Mass

Father Thuy will be installed as our Pastor on Sunday, October 22 at the 10am Holy Mass. Archbishop Donald Bolen will be here to celebrate the Rite of Installation.

Following the Holy Mass, everyone is invited to join us for brunch in the Parish Hall. Please keep Father Thuy in your prayers as he shepherds our Parish Family.



October Is The Month Of The Holy Rosary

Join us thirty minutes before each weekend Holy Mass in October as we pray the Holy Rosary together for our families, our neighbours and all people.

"When we pray the Rosary, we allow ourselves to be guided by Mary, model of faith, in meditating on the mysteries of Christ, and day after day we are helped to assimilate the Gospel, so that it shapes all our lives."

-Pope Benedict XVI



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Francis Quin
Hannah Vanstone





Pastor's Corner

Our faith is the very basis of our lives. Our faith was given to us in baptism and as we journey through our lives we are called to grow in our faith. With the grace of God, we are given a living, growing, changing faith. We are constantly learning through participating in the Holy Mass, praying, spending time in Adoration, reading spiritual books and studying the works of the great masters of the Church.

I want to encourage you to take part in our Fall Bible Study, Untold Blessing: Three Paths To Holiness. Bishop Robert Baron is an awesome speaker and in this study, he lays out three intriguing paths to holiness: Finding the Center, Knowing You are a Sinner, and Realizing Your Life Is Not About You. He also shares the practical approaches to enhance the journey along these three paths.

Check out the trailer here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VzPymnEIMQ4>

We are hosting two sessions each Thursday (1:30pm and 7pm) and you may attend either session depending on your schedule. We will begin this 7 week study on Thursday, October 5 and conclude on Thursday, November 23. Registration forms are available at all the entrances of the Church and at the Parish Office. Completed registration forms with the \$25 registration fee can be dropped off at the Parish Office or put in the collection basket (make sure you mark it "Bible Study"). If you are unable to make it into the office, you can also register by phone or email (stjohnthebaptist@sasktel.net).



Pumpkin Spice and Everything Nice!

CWL members: wrap yourself in the smells and tastes of autumn and celebrate the winner of \$5,000 this Tuesday, October 3rd when CWL Diocesan President, Janette Rieger will make the draw for the winning ticket of our 50/50 lottery at 7:00pm, sharp! Who will it be?

Come enjoy a selection of homemade desserts and good conversation; Parish Hall doors open at 6:45pm.



See you there!

Thanksgiving Decorations

We are getting ready to celebrate Thanksgiving and our Decorating Committee needs your help.

We are looking for pumpkins, squash, gourds, etc. If you have any to donate, please drop them off at the Parish



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention For October

For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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, October 9, 2023
1:00 – 4:00pm
St. John the Baptist Parish Hall
109-12th Avenue, Estevan

Fun and entertaining. Call 306-421-7538 for further information or just show up with your gear! Musicians, singers, dancers, and guests all welcome to attend.



Light refreshments served.



Priest Study Days

Please pray for the Priests of our Archdiocese, especially our Pastor, Father Thuy, as they attend their Study Days this week. May the grace of God be poured upon them as they are renewed in their calling.



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