# St. John the Baptist Parish

September 8 & 9, 2018 Year B

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

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

Thursdays & Fridays 8am-8:45am

Or by appointment

Sacrament of Anointing: contact the pastor

Office hours: Monday to Friday

9:00am -12:00pm & 1:00pm - 5:00pm

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306-421-8447

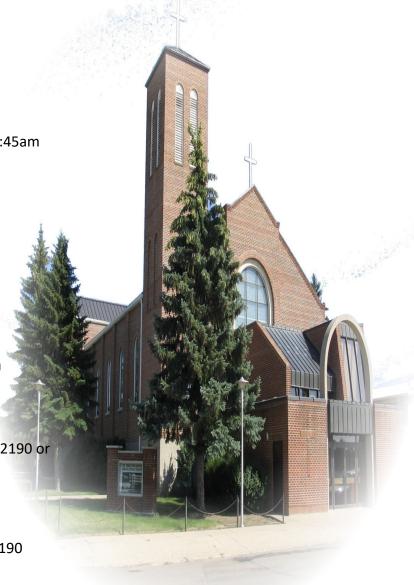
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**Bookkeeper**: Susan Mack

Caretaker: Sigfredo Gonzales



## **Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish**

Saturday, September 8 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, September 9 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass

Monday, September 10 1pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Room

7:30pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, September 11 1pm Finance Meeting

7pm Mass †Doris Heidinger; Nydia Pobran

Wednesday, September 12 11am Mass (Hospital) †Joseph Pele; LaBelle Family

The Most Holy Name of Mary 7pm Baptism Prep Class Church Auditorium

Thursday, September 13 9am Mass †Michael Bonokoski; Gerald & Joyce

St. John Chrysostom 9:30am Coffee After Mass

7pm SJB Choir Practice

Friday, September 14 9am Mass †Bernard Collins; Linda Weber & Al Fleishhacker

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 10am Mass (Creighton Lodge) †Margaret Weisgerber; The Bath Family

Saturday, September 15 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

Our Lady of Sorrows 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, September 16 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass

## St. John the Baptist Parish Baptism Preparation

Our next Baptism Preparation at St. John the Baptist Parish will begin on Wednesday, September 12. You must be a registered parishioner of our parish to attend the Prep sessions. To register with the parish and register for the Prep sessions, please stop in at the Parish Office and ask for Connie. The following is the format for the Prep:

Wednesday, September 12 at 7pm in the Church Auditorium: Session 1

Saturday, September 15 at 7pm in the Church: Presentation of the Parents during Holy Mass

Wednesday, September 19 at 7pm in the Church Auditorium: Session 2

Sunday, September 23 at 10am in the Church: Welcoming Ceremony during the Holy Mass

Wednesday, September 26 at 7pm in the Church Auditorium: Session 3

Sunday, September 30 at 10am in the Church: Holy Mass followed by the Baptism Celebration

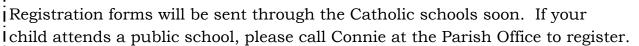
You must pre-register for the Preparation Sessions!!

## CONFIRMATION/FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION

"And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away. It is for everyone the Lord our God calls to himself."

(Acts 2:39)

Once again this year at St. John the Baptist Parish, Grade Two and above candidates will receive both the sacrament of Confirmation and the sacrament of First Eucharist at the same celebration. The preparation for these sacraments will take place in the Church, in the school and in the child's home. Preparation will begin in the fall and continue throughout the school year.



Registration forms are also available at the Main Entrance of the Church and on our website: stjohnthebaptistestevan.com. Please bring in the completed registration form, the \$50.00 registration fee and a copy of your child's baptism certificate if they were not baptized at St. John the Baptist Parish, St. Monica Parish, or Sacred Heart Parish to the Parish Office before Monday, October 1.

On Tuesday, October 2, there will be a Parents' Meeting beginning with Mass at 7pm and then the meeting at 7:30pm. On Wednesday, October 3 at 7pm we will be hosting another Parents' Meeting.

<u>You must attend one of these Parent Meetings.</u> The children do not attend these meetings, it is only for the parents. Both meetings will be held in the Church Auditorium. This meeting will give you an outline of the year of preparation ahead.

If your child is older than Grade 2 and has not received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or First Communion, please contact Connie at the Parish Office to discuss a plan.



Hall Funeral Services and St. John the Baptist Parish invite you to attend "How To Plan A Catholic Funeral" on Tuesday, October 30 at 7pm at Hall Funeral Services (1506 Fourth Street).

Dustin Hall will explain the process of planning a funeral with the funeral home staff, a representative from Purple Shield will be there to talk about pre-planning your arrangements, there will be an opportunity to tour the funeral home and a representative from the Church will talk about the process of planning the Resurrection Mass for the deceased. Following the presentations, there will be time for questions and fellowship. Please join us for this informational evening as we journey toward All Souls Day.



## St. John the Baptist Parish Fall Bible Study

Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. To help you learn to gather and live with greater wisdom, St. John the Baptist Parish will begin Wisdom: God's Vision for Life on Thursday,

October 4 at 1:30pm and 7pm.

For more information or to register, pick up a registration form available at the entrances of the Church and in the Parish Office. Please drop off your completed registration form and the registration fee at the Parish Office. If you register by Wednesday, September 19, the registration fee is \$50.00. After September 19, the fee is \$60.00. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together.

Wisdom invites you to experience the transforming power of taking time to apply God's wisdom to your own life. You will learn to see with his vision. You will experience the peace of knowing God cares for you, and you will see how God—and only God—can show you a path through any circumstance. Participants of Wisdom will receive a journal and will meet every week (except Thursday, November 1) to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. The eight 30-minute videos, presented by Jeff Cavins, will guide you through a variety of themes drawn from the wisdom literature of Scripture. Jeff will explain Scripture's wisdom on decision-making, finances, relationships, peace of mind, and speaking to one another and will look at the beauty of wisdom gained through age and at how Christ himself is the embodiment and fulfillment of all wisdom.



Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic and wanting to learn more about your Catholic faith? RCIA is for everyone—people who want to know more about Christianity, people who are curious about what the Church teaches, newcomers to the Catholic Church, "cradle Catholics" who want to know more about their faith! RCIA classes are starting in September. If you would like to join, please contact Connie Wheeler at 306-634-2190 or 306-421-8447.

The CWL Fall Fun Fair and Bake Sale will be on Saturday, September 22 from 10am-2pm. Donations for bargain table, silent auction, baking, produce, etc. would be appreciated. You may drop off items in the church auditorium on Friday, September 21 between 2pm-6pm.



Please watch the entrances of the Church and our website for new information about preparing for the Sacraments at our St. John the Baptist Parish. There will also be new information about celebrating funerals in our parish. Take the time to look this new information over and see what our parish is up to.

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 15 & 16, 2018

Saturday 7pm

SoundMike BeriaultPower PointDan JenishChoirSandra BazinMass CoordinatorJoan Fingler

HospitalityColleen Harkins, Clayton HarkinsLectorsDylan Galang, Dawn Hengen

Holy CommunionMalou Badeo, Amber Hilstrom, Eden PacunayenPrecious BloodMaureen Daoust, Margaret Mack, Terry Stefiuk

Altar Servers Emily Greening, Kelsey Greening, Kade Phillips, Keira Phillips

**Ushers** Greg Walliser

Sunday 10am

SoundJames DoboPower PointCecilia WannerChoirDustin HallMass CoordinatorTreena Hirsch

HospitalityElaine Carriere, Jim CarriereLectorsBrenda Keating, Gordon Schwab

Holy Communion Lynwood Cundall, Carol Cundall, Hanna Keating

Precious Blood Karen Melle, Marlene Shurygalo, Joyce Wagner-Bonokoski, Darla Wilhelm

Altar Servers Sean Aroy, Marchette Coronel, Logan Dalziel, Lucas Dzeryk, Art Son

Ushers Ron Wilhelm
Collection Counters Team 4
First Reading Isaiah 50.5-9
Second Reading James 2.14-18
Gospel Mark 8.27-35

## **First Reconciliation**

If your child is in Grade Three or older, they are invited to join us for First Reconciliation Preparation.

Registration forms will be sent out through our Catholic schools soon. If your child attends a public school, registration forms are available at the Main Entrance of the Church and in the Parish Office. More information can be found on our website at stjohnthebaptistestevan.com. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

The First Reconciliation Parents' Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 9. We will begin with Holy Mass at 7pm with the meeting to follow in the Church Auditorium. A parent must attend this meeting. The children are not required to attend; this meeting is just for the parents. You will be given an outline of the year of preparation we have planned.



We are looking for pumpkins to use for decorating for Thanksgiving weekend. If you have any you can

donate to us, please call the Parish Office to arrange a time to bring them over. With your help, our parish family will have a beautiful setting for the Thanksgiving Holy Masses.



#### MINISTRY SCHEDULING

We are very pleased to be using the Ministry Scheduler Pro for our ministry scheduling. Treena Hirsch is our new Scheduling Coordinator and we are grateful for her commitment to this ministry.

An email was sent out this past week to all the ministers asking for everyone to supply their dates that they are unavailable to serve. Once everyone has replied, the October schedule will be available to the ministers on the Ministry Scheduler Pro website and on the app. If you haven't responded to the email, please do so as soon as possible.

If you do not have internet access, you can call the Parish Office to let us know which dates you are unavailable or in the upcoming week, you will be called to give those dates.

If you are having any trouble with the website or the app, please contact Treena Hirsch by email at thirsch@sasktel.net or on her cell phone at 306-421-0252.

Thank you for your patience while we have been switching over to this new system.

Please make sure you check off your name on the Ministry Sign In sheet in the main entrance of the Church before Holy Mass. It is important for the Mass Coordinator to know you are there and ready to serve in your ministry.



### Children's Liturgy 2018-2019

What is Children's Liturgy and who can attend? Children's Liturgy currently is for children of the ages 4-7. Younger children are welcome, but we ask that they be accompanied by an adult or responsible older child. What will the children do? Children will learn about the gospel that is being taught at Sunday mass at a level of their age of understanding. The children will actively participate in a mini mass of their own. They will light candles and learn about Jesus's love and light of their own. They will sing, pray in a fun way, hear and/or read the gospel, and participate in an activity that helps them relate to the gospel of that day. Most of all, they get to have fun, learn about our Creator and hopefully be excited to share what they have learned when they leave the church.

We are in need of more leaders! We are looking for adults and any youth who feel called to help out. If you are interested in helping, we would love to have you! You would have a partner, and if we can get enough leaders, you would only have to commit to approximately one Sunday per month. What to expect as a leader? As a leader, you will be able to share in God's teachings with the children of our parish. Don't worry you will not be alone, God is always there and another adult will always be there so you can be a support for each other in faith and action. The children are not critical, so don't worry about making a mistake. They only want to learn and have fun! Our hope is that you will not only have fulfillment in teaching and leading, but be able to share your faith in a safe environment; where you are able to build new friendships, and find community in your parish.

If you feel called to be a leader, even if it is a little tiny thought, pray about it, and when you are ready please contact **Cindy Billesberger**, **306-421-7086** or **Kathy Thompson**, **306-421-4021**. Forms will be available at the back of the church. If you like, I'm sure any of the current leaders would love to talk to you about the program as well, so don't hesitate to approach them with any questions.

Email: childrensliturgy2015@sasktel.net Children's Liturgy will begin on Sunday, September 9, 2018.