

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.

#### **Office Hours:**

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## **Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 7 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m.

Weekday: Please check a current bulletin

**Sacraments** 

Reconciliation: Tuesdays 6p.m.- 6:45p.m. Thursdays & 3rd Fridays 8a.m. - 8:45a.m.

or by appointment

Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the pastor 6 months in advance

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

Saturday, September 21 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

St. Matthew, Apostle 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, September 22 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass

11am Baptism Celebration

Monday, September 23 10:30am Funeral Mass for Carol Cundall

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest 4pm CWL Executive Meeting held in the Meeting Room

6:30pm Confirmation/First Eucharist Parents Meeting held in the Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 24 7pm Holy Mass †Richard Hagel; Hagel Faimly

7:30pm Liturgy Committee Meeting held in the Meeting Room

Wednesday, September 25 11am (Hospital) Holy Mass Intentions for Kim & Julie Johner; Gerald & Janice

6:30pm First Reconciliation Parents Meeting held in the Parish Hall

Thursday, September 26 10 am All Schools Bible Holy Mass †Ryan & †Kevin; Family

Sts. Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs 1:30pm Bible Study held in the Parish Hall

7pm Bible Study held in the Parish Hall

7pm SJB Choir Practice held in the Church

Friday, September 27 10am (Nursing Home) Holy Mass **†**Clem Marcotte; Agnes & Family

Saturday, September 28 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

St. Wenceslaus, Martyr 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, September 29 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

10am Holy Mass

#### DON'T FORGET...

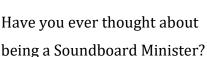
The days are going by fast and

we just want to remind you that



we are looking for pumpkins to decorate for
Thanksgiving in the Church. If your garden is full
and you have some to spare, you can call the office
at the end of September to arrange for them to be
dropped off.

### Soundboard Ministry Training





Are you an existing Sound Minister with a few questions? A workshop for all Sound Ministers will be held on Sunday, October 6 at 11:15am (right after the 10am Holy Mass). We will begin the workshop in the Meeting Room and then continue in the Church. If you would like more information about the ministry or the meeting, please contact Susan Bath at sbath@sasktel.net or 306-421-1095.

#### First Reconciliation



If your child is in Grade Three or older, they are invited to join us for First Reconciliation Preparation. Registration forms have been sent out through our Catholic schools. If your child attends a public school, registration forms are available in the main entrance of the Church, at the Parish Office and on our website at stjohnthebaptistestevan.ca.

The Parent's Meeting is on Wednesday, September 25 at 6:30pm. If you didn't attend our previous Parent's Meeting, you must attend this one. An outline of the year of preparation we have planned will be given at the meeting.

For more information, please contact Connie at the Parish Office or at 306-421-8447.

"Then I confessed my sins to you; I did not conceal my wrongdoings, I decided to confess them to you, and you forgave all my sins."

Psalm 32:5



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 soon. If you would like to join, please contact Connie Wheeler at 306-634-2190 or 306-421-8447.

## Bible Study Lectio Divina-Prayer



The Fall Bible Study series has begun, but there is still time to register. If you would like to join us please stop by the Parish Office to register.

### **Buildings and Grounds**

Thank you to Kevin Sliva for serving as our Building and Grounds Chairperson for the past several years. As he retires from his position, may God continue to surround him and his family with his love and blessings!!



## PLEASE BE AWARE

Fraudulent texts are being sent from an unknown source claiming to be Father Antony. The text says "Hi its Fr Sathi Antony.. Are you available via txt?..." The text originates from an out of province phone number. If you respond yes, the scammer requests money/gift cards for an alleged friend that is in the hospital. **Please do not respond** to this text. It is a scam.



The Parish will be doing a Food Bank Drive again this Fall. We will have the Food Drive on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> before Mass. Your food donation will help the Salvation Army to make food available for those in need before the Thanksgiving Weekend. Katie & Ron Dunville will have their blue Traverse parked at the main Church Entrance to receive your packages. Items Most Needed are: Hot/Cold Cereal, Canned

Fruits & Veggies, Pasta & Pasta Sauce (No glass please), Lunch Snacks & Crackers, Pasta, Rice & Sidekicks, Peanut Butter, Jam, Honey & Cheez Whiz, Condiments: Ketchup, Mustard, Relish & Mayo, Juice 1L & Lunch Box Size, Hamburger Helper, Boxed Potatoes & Stuffing.

ANY DONATION IS WELCOME & APPRECIATED. GIVE WHAT YOU CAN.

Thank you to everyone for your generosity and to Darla and Ron Wilhelm for their commitment to this project!

Katie Dunville Social Justice



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#### **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 have been sent through the Catholic schools. If your child attends a public school, please call Connie at the Parish Office to register.

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 (Bienfait), or Sacred Heart Parish (Torquay) to the Parish Office before Thursday, September 19th.

On Monday, September 23, there will be a Parents' Meeting beginning with Mass at 6:30pm. On Wednesday, October 2 at 6:30pm we will be hosting another Parents' Meeting. You must attend one of these Parent Meetings. The children do not attend these

meetings, it is only for the parents. Both meetings will be held in the Parish Hall. 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.

## **Parish Picnic**

Our Parish Family came together for our Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 15. We were blessed with beautiful weather, great food, fun for the kids and lots of visiting. Thank you to Megan Vanstone and the Fellowship Committee, the CWL, the K of C, the Liturgy Committee, the Hospitality Committee, Parish Pastoral Council, Sacristans, Music Ministry, and our Pastoral Assistant for everything they did to make our Parish Picnic a huge success! Thank you to everyone who attended and brought their friends and family with them! As our Parish Family grows in so many ways, may we all continue to be abundantly blessed by God! And we look forward to seeing you all again at next year's Picnic!!!



In Christ, Father Antony

Stewardship Bulletin Bit September 22, 2019 - 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." (Luke 16:13)

Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

We will be praying the Rosary a half hour before the Saturday and Sunday Holy Masses. Please join us in prayer.



## BIRTHDAY WISHES



Happy Birthday to Marguerite Fornwald and Kasey McIntyre

# **Truth or Dare**

#### September 2019

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Faith Formation and Evangelization

Faith Formation – to help build personal relationship with the Holy Trinity - God our Father, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Evangelization – to be a disciple and take God the Father, Jesus Christ our Brother and the Holy Spirit out into the world.

Truth – Buy a journal, if you don't already have one, then read the story of Jesus and the Woman of Samaria (The woman at the well story), John 4:1-43. Read it slowly a few times over. Now ask yourself the following questions: How is this story true to you? Are you a certain person in the story? Is Jesus talking to you personally in this story? What is he saying to you? What are some of the questions or thoughts that are entering into your heart and mind? Take some time with this story and the questions that arise, then write down what ever comes to mind while in this prayer time.

#### <u>OR</u>

**Dare** – Come early before mass OR after mass hang back a bit rather than rushing out the doors. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know or talk to someone you haven't talked to in a long time. If the thought arises ask them if there is any special prayer intention you could pray for them either during or after the mass. Then pray for their intention.

**Answers to June's Saint matching** (June's bulletin is still on the St. John the Baptist Parish web site):

\_2\_St. Norbert \_6\_St. Ephrem \_3\_St. Anthony of Padua \_7\_St. Thomas More \_4\_St. Irenaeus \_1\_St. John the Baptist \_5\_Blessed Nykcyta Budka