

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Catholic Church

MARCH 3, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

WELCOME!

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MASS TIMES

Tues, Wed, Fri 8:15 am

Saturday 5:15 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Word & Communion Service

Mon, Thurs. 8:15 am

RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place
in the Reconciliation Room

Saturdays 4:30 pm

or by appointment

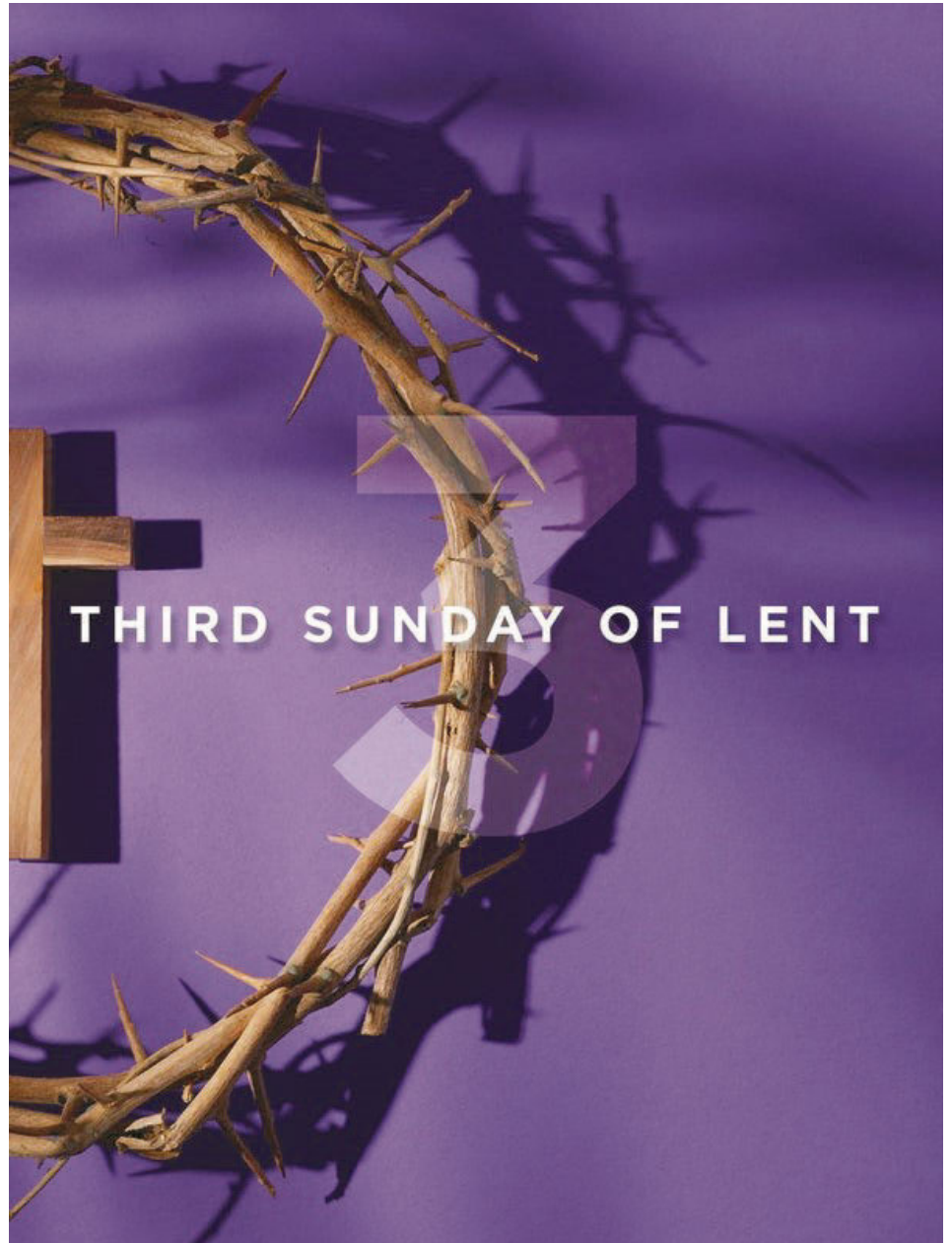
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In the Adoration Chapel

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MISSION STATEMENT

With the Holy Spirit pouring the love of God into our hearts,
we invite people to Christ by living like Christ through prayer, service, and learning.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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Jesus understood the human person. He watched as people defined life as something we can measure - our riches, our morality, our relationships, our values, etc.

The ways of God could not be defined by the money changers. They seemed successful to many. God keeps inviting us to go deeper, walking past the things that are so tempting to grab onto. Then we see our foolishness and we are awakened to something more than we can imagine.

Jesus draw near, we pray.

Peace,
Father John

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 4 2 KGS 5:1-15AB; LK 4:24-30

8:15 am Word and Communion

TUESDAY, MARCH 5 DN 3:25, 34-43; MT 18:21-35

8:15 am Mass Genelle Lenort †

WEDNESDAY MARCH 6 DT 4:1, 5-9; MT 5:17-19

8:15 am Mass Carol Armstrong †

THURSDAY, MARCH 7 JER 7:23-28; LK 11:14-23

8:15 am Word and Communion

FRIDAY, MARCH 8 HOS 14:2-10; MK 12:28-34

8:15 am Mass Marlyn Miller †, James Brozik †,
Carol Armstrong †

SATURDAY, MARCH 9 HOS 6:1-6; LK 18:9-14

5:15 pm Mass Allie Boettcher †, David Dauw †,
Rosanne Carlson †, Barbara Brielmaier †,
Edward Sweere † Richard Makela †

SUNDAY, MARCH 10 2 CHR 36:14-16, 19-23; EPH 2:4-10;
JN 3:14-21

8:00 am Mass Jeremy Wyrowski †, Cancer Research,
Chris Goebel †

10:00 am Mass James Anton, Charlie Frost †, Shelly Rigdon †,
KimMarie Winans †, Mason Weis †

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."

ST. JOHN'S NEWS & EVENTS



Rebecca Howard

*Who passed away
January 21, 2024*

*Our deepest sympathy
to her family*



Michael Griffin

*Who passed away
February 19, 2024*

*Our deepest sympathy
to his family*

Welcome

New members of our parish community

Meghan Schaub

Please feel our warm welcome!

Espresso Mass Due to a funeral last Friday, the fellowship gathering has been moved to Friday, March 8th after the 8:15 mass. Please join us in the Narthex. Treats will be provided by Elaine Koch and Kathleen McCabe.

St. John's Book Club The next meeting will be on March 20, 2024 at 1:30pm in the St John's Library. The book we will be discussing this month is *The Things We Keep* by Sally Hepworth. Please contact Anita Maki at 507-386-1395.

PASTA WITH THE PADRES! 16th Annual "Pasta with the Padres" fundraiser for ECHO Food Shelf. This year, the dinner will be held at St Joseph the Worker Catholic Church on Sunday, March 10th from 4-7 p.m. Bully Pulpit will provide entertainment along with more musical selections from Fr. Paul van de Crommert from Holy Rosary. The spaghetti will be delicious. Volunteer sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.



NicBluCares is the national pilot of a successful worldwide movement called 'Compassionate Communities'. The people of Nicollet and Blue Earth Counties in Minnesota are building a safety net of community support, strengthening our compassion and capacity to care for one another in times of crisis and loss.

NicBluCares is offering the following programs every month for you to enjoy some powerful connections to your health!

Talking Café

.Join in the Conversation - Make New Friends

March 21, 2024 11:30-12:30pm

Curiosi-Tea House, 1745 Commerce Drive, North Mankato

Caring Circle for Loss & Grief

A place to give and receive our stories, for healing.

March 21, 2024 4:30-6:00pm

Hope Interfaith Center, 114 Pohl Road, Mankato

For more information on these programs please call 651-303-0744 or go to NicBluCares.com

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

Marriage - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

Becoming Catholic - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact Dcn. Chris Walchuk at

Dcn.cwalchuk@stjohnsmankato.net

Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of

Loyola News: Embark on your journey to greatness! Enrollment for the 2024-2025 academic year is open for all grades. For further details, please explore our website or reach out to Ashley Braulick, Marketing, Admissions, and Enrollment Coordinator, at 507-386-5399. Start paving your path to excellence today!

The Lucky 20 Raffle at Loyola Catholic School has begun! This vital annual fundraiser contributes essential revenue to our school. Each ticket costs \$100, offering 20 opportunities to win, with the grand prize being \$10,000! The raffle drawing is scheduled for April 19, 2024, at Loyola. You need not be present to win; we'll contact the winners directly. Tickets can be purchased in Loyola's main office or online at www.loyolacatholicschool.org. Thank you for your support!

Stay Connected - Are you interested in learning about what's going on at Loyola? Follow us on Facebook and Instagram or email us at advancement@loyolacatholicschool.org to subscribe to our Advancement Bulletin monthly emails.



TODAY'S READINGS

3rd Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024

First Reading:

"Strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink." (Ex 17:6)

Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading:

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. (Rom 5:5)

Gospel:

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (Jn 4:13-14)

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2024
Catholic
Ministries
Appeal

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St. John's Prayer Network

To submit a request call:

Mickey Bicek 507-388-5906 or Lynn Beadell 507-351-3742

Email: Pastoral Care Associate at:

mike@stjohnsmankato.net



Set your clocks ahead
one hour
on March 10th!

DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE:

KTTW Channel 7 (Sioux Falls) at 7:00am

KEYC Channel 12 (Mankato) at 7:30am

KEYC-DT, Digital Channel 12.2 or

Charter Channel 19 (Mankato) at 9:30am

KAAL Channel 6 (Rochester) at 9:00am

WKBT Channel 8 (LaCrosse) at 7:30am



LITURGICAL CORNER

FEB. 16, 2023 - FEB. 23, 2024

Adult Support	\$ 13,063.97
Offertory	\$ 715.00
Donations via website 02/17-02/23/24	\$ 7,482.75
Holy Day	\$ 20.00
ACH (5 th and 20 th) 02/20/2024	\$ 7,378.00
Weekly Total	\$ 28,659.72

Weekly Offering goal is:
\$ 18,163.73

Year-to-date income as
of 02/16/2024 **\$ 729,940.11**

March 9- 5:15 pm

Communion Ministers: Carrie Altomari, Tom Rognes, Mary Walker
Lector: Lisa Soupir
Sacristan: Don Lingen
Servers: Matthew Soupir, Thomas Soupir
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 3

March 10- 8:00 am

Communion Ministers: Colleen Walters, Mary Westby, Betty Widmer Blace
Lector: Brenda Kelly
Sacristan: Beth Pooley
Servers: Quinn Kelly, Soren Kelly
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 7

March 10- 10:00 am

Communion Ministers: Chris Meehan, Marsha Murphy, Pam Steffl
Lector: Sharon Patterson
Sacristan: Sarah Nelson
Servers: Jack Green, Charlie Keech
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 11



Children's
Weekly Stewardship
\$ 85.97
February 16 - February 23

Money Counters

March 4 - Team 1
March 11 - Team 2
March 18 - Team 3

Simon Ministry

Help our parish to be the salt for our community as we share your love with those caught in the struggles of life. We are always in need of basic products. If you can help us serve our visitors, some items needed are:

- Personal Care Items - shampoo, body wash, deodorant, etc.
- Detergent (50 oz or less)
- Dish Soap

Any help is appreciated! Items can be placed in the bins/baskets at the church entrances.

ECHO Food Shelf

What service can you do for your neighbor this week? A few blocks from this church is a great need for community service. More and more families are coming to the ECHO food shelf with the higher food prices. New volunteers are urgently needed. The team work and camaraderie is terrific! Please consider giving a call to **ECHO at 345-7477** and volunteer.

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been dropping off or mailing your weekly donations. We are grateful for whatever contributions you are able to make, as we pay our utilities, payroll and other expenses. Your generosity is much appreciated!



**131st
St. Patrick's Day
Ham Dinner**

Please see information in the Narthex for volunteer opportunities.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, MARCH 4

Word and Communion Service

8:15 AM - Church

Spirit Singers

5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Rm

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

Sunrise AA Meeting

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Mass

8:15 AM - Church

Piecemakers

1:00 pm - Matthews Hall

Grief Group

5:00 PM - Matthews Hall

Stations of the Cross

6:15 PM - Church

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

Mass

8:15 AM - Church

Choir for Christ

5:50 PM - Church

Faith Formation

7:00 PM Small Groups

7:00 PM 6th - 8th - Matthews Hall

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

Word and Communion Service

8:15 AM - Church

Simon Ministry

10:30 - Matthews Hall

Catholic Inquiry

6:30 PM - Marian Room

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Al-Anon - ZOOM

Early Risers AA

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

MASS

8:15 AM - Church

Espresso Gathering

8:45 - Narthex

SATURDAY, March 9

Confessions

4:30 PM - Confession Room

MASS

5:15 PM - Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

MASS

8:00 AM - Church

FF Grades 1-5

9:00 AM - Classroom/Mt Rm

MASS

10:00 AM - Church

CLW - Shine Bright

10:10 AM - Fr. John - church

OA

3:00 PM - JP II Room

131st St. Patrick's Day Ham Dinner

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

632 S. BROAD ST.

MANKATO, MN

11:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

SERVING:

BAKED HAM, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, BAKED BEANS, POTATO SALAD,

RELISHES, JELLO, ROLLS,

COFFEE OR MILK,

PLUS PIE!!!

ADULTS: \$10.00

K-6TH \$3.00

PRESCHOOL: FREE

FAMILY MAX: \$30.00



Faith FORMATION GLPI



Dear God,
We would like to thank you for your wonderful gifts that were given to our St. John's family in March. Please continue to bless them and keep them in your care.
Amen
Allie, Evelyn, Dylan, Olivia, Matthew, Ellis, Atticus and Brooklynn

I Spy from February 18th Baptismal Font

Please walk by the font and show your child how to dip their fingers in and then make the sign of the cross.



ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION DATES

Sunday, March 10 - 9:00 Class

Wednesday, March 13 - 5:30 2nd Grade First Communion Centers

Sunday, March 17 - **NO CLASS** (St. Patrick's Day Ham Dinner)

Sunday, March 24 - **NO CLASS** - Palm Sunday Procession

*if interested in joining the procession please meet in the Narthex at 9:40

Sunday, March 31 - **NO CLASS** - Easter Sunday

Wednesday, April 3 - First Communion Practice @ 5:30 (must attend)

Saturday, April 6 - 5:30 First Communion Mass

Sunday, April 7 - 8:00 and 10:00 First Communion Mass

Sunday, April 14 - Closing Mass at 10:00

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD FAMILIES

March 10 we will be doing the Children's Liturgy of the Word different. We will be dismissed as we always are, but we will be sitting in the front of the church. Father John will be leading our lesson. It is part of our Lenten program with the topic of storytelling.

March 24 we are asking that the CLW group meet Ms. Michele in the Narthex at 9:45 to help with the procession of palms. We would encourage you to do it as a family so your child knows where you are sitting. There will be **NO** class that day, just the

Register for Steubenville 2024



3-day Teen Conference in Rochester, MN

DATES of Event: July 12 -14, 2024

Age grade: 9th grade (fall of 2024) - 12th grade (fall of 2024)

Cost of Event: (cost includes, hotel, meals at conference, t-shirt and transportation)

\$430 if registered by May 10, 2024

\$440 if registered after May 10, 2024

*****Down Payment \$50 due March 29, **Final payment due May 10**

Please make all individual payments to your Parish

If you have questions about the conference or need help registering, please contact Kristy McCabe (kristy@stjohnsmankato.net)

Register here: www.giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/4cd799a0-6ddd-4a6f-8feb-147bc2000a4e

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