

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

## *Catholic Church*

AUGUST 27, 2023 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WELCOME!

### CONTACT US

**Pastor** - Fr. John Kunz

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### MASS TIMES

**Tues, Weds, 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

### ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel



## 21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.  
Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in  
heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall  
be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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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.

## PARISH CONTACTS

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### PARISH STAFF

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Website: loyolacatholicschool.org

### LOYOLA AMBASSADORS

St. John's Parish  
Natalie Wiebold | 608-772-7994

### CALVARY CEMETERY

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Office 507-387-5784 | P 507-995-1010

### ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

**Pastoral Leadership Team:**  
Dan Hansen | Jaci James | John Fell | Mike Logeais | Lisa Soupir  
Mark Traxler | Nicole Goebel

**Finance Council:**  
Kelsie Davis | James Loaney  
Mike Ludvik | Dianne Reuter  
Tom Schueneman | Joe Meidl  
Steve Jansen | Pam Steffl

**Parish Trustees:**

## FROM THE PASTOR



Peter says "You are Christ". Peter had known Jesus as a friend and mentor. Yet his awareness of Jesus as Christ was another jump in his faith journey.

If we keep Jesus as just a personal buddy who walks along at our side we miss the true message "Christ is God", and Jesus is the Christ's historical manifestation in time". (Richard Rohr). This connection of Jesus to all of created history opens us to an awareness of God being present from the beginning of time - and still active in the Beloved Community of the Church.

*Peace,  
Father John*



*A Journey in Faith*

## MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, AUGUST 28** 1 THES 1:1-5, 8b-10; MT 19:23:13-2

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 29** 1 THES 2:1-8; MK 6:17-29

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30** 1 THES 2-9-13; MT 23:27-32

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 31** 1 THES 3:7-13; MT 24:42-51

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1** 1 THES 4:1-8; MT 25:1-13

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** 1 THES 4:9-11; MT 25:14-30

5:15 pm Mass Marion Jones †, Jack Nawrocki †, Jeff Longnecker †

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** JER 20:7-9; ROM 12:1-2; MT 16:21-27

8:00 am Mass Tim Brown †

10:00 am Mass John Busch † and Peggy Sheehan †  
Delores Reuter †



**William Ring**

Who passed away August 16, 2023

**Our deepest sympathy to his family**

# ST. JOHN'S NEWS & EVENTS



*Flowers for Mary  
Jenny Wagner  
in Memory of  
Ernie and Charlotte Pleiss*

## MASS OF ANOINTING

A Mass of Anointing will be celebrated on  
Friday, September 15th at 11:00 am. Lunch will follow.

### Mindfulness Meditation Experience – an Adult Enrichment Opportunity.



An 8-week experience starting Thursday, September 21 from 7pm- 8pm here at St. John's. Come and discover "The Gold Within" and learn about meditation and mindfulness.

Contact the parish office if interested at 507-625-1811 or email [mbtrax88@gmail.com](mailto:mbtrax88@gmail.com) (Coordinator of this offering is Barb Traxler, member of St. John's Parish).

*"Search within your heart, and you will find something there that will make it possible for you to understand" ~ Anthony de Mello S.J.*

### Connections Shelter

#### Fabulous Fall Block Party and Shelter Shower

Thursday, September 14, 2023

4:00 - 7:00 pm

First Presbyterian Church, 220 E Hickory St, Mankato MN  
Music, Good Trucks, Activities, Shelter Tours & More



### You Are Invited!

#### SAN LUCAS TOLIMAN MISSION

JAN. 25 -FEB. 1, 2024

You are invited to join the Mankato Joy group on a learning/service trip to San Lucas Toliman Mission. Whether you are returning or going for the first time, you are welcome. San Lucas Trips are a blend of learning about the culture of the area, developing relationships with the residents there, and participating in the daily life of the area in a variety of ways. If you are interested and would like to know more, please contact: Mary Beth Nygaard 507-625 -1450 or [Mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com](mailto:Mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com). Hope to hear from you soon!

### \*\*JOB OPENING\*\*

St. John's has an opening in our Faith Formation Area. The candidate must be a practicing Catholic, in good standing with the church, with an active and faithful Catholic life. The primary responsibility of the position is to develop and administer the Faith Formation Program for the younger grades and adults. A theology degree is preferred, but not required. Competence with a teaching and ministry role is a must. This is a full-time position, that reports directly to the pastor. The position begins September of 2023. Interested and qualified candidates should email a cover letter and resume to Mike Logeais at [mike@stjohnsmankato.net](mailto:mike@stjohnsmankato.net)

### PEACE THROUGH PLANNING

Death comes to each of us. Often we have very little forewarning or control over the circumstances of our dying. Planning for these end times is a gentle way of being supportive of our loved ones who, while grieving our dying, must also try to make a peaceful, orderly, and spiritual transition to living without us. If you or a loved one are facing final illness, death, and funeral planning, or you just want to prepare for that un-known day when you will be called home, ease the burden by picking up a "P" booklet. This guide is available at any time in the parish office and is designed to make the planning for end times a logical step in the life of a responsible and caring adult.

### 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:

- Detergent (50 oz or less)
- Dish Soap
- Paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, tissues)

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.

**Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service**

**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](mailto:advancement@loyolacatholicschool.org) to subscribe to our Advancement Bulletin monthly emails.

It's not too late to register for the 2023/24 school year! Classes begin Tuesday, August 29th. Limited spots are available for kindergarten through grade 12. We would love for you to become a part of our Loyola family. If you are interested in enrolling a student, please contact Ashley Braulick, Admissions Coordinator, at [admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org) or call 507-386-5399.

Wired to the Heart, Loyola Catholic School's annual fundraising gala is coming up on November 10, 2023. This year the event will be held at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center.

Is your business looking for greater exposure in the community, while having the opportunity to give back to the Loyola Catholic School? We are now accepting a variety of sponsor levels for Wired to the Heart. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Carrie Kijenski at 507.381.5705 or [ckijenski@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:ckijenski@loyolacatholicschool.org). Thank you for your consideration!

**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](mailto: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 the Anointing of the Sick.



**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading:**

"I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut, when he shuts, no one shall open." (Is 22:22)

**Psalm:**

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands. (Ps 138)

**Second Reading:**

For from him and through him and for him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen. (Rom 11:36)

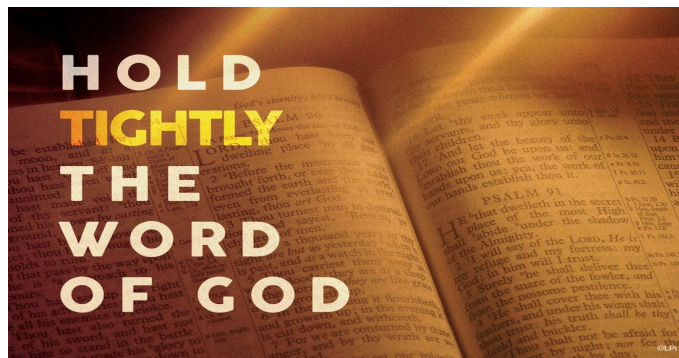
**Gospel:**

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 16:18-19)

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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](mailto:mike@stjohnsmankato.net)

**MASS TIMES AROUND THE AREA**

**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



## FINANCES

AUGUST 11 - AUGUST 18, 2023	
Adult Support	\$ 13,198.00
Offertory	\$ 768.66
Donations via website - 8/12 -8/18	\$ 14,705.63
Holy Day	133.00
ACH (5 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> ) August 7, 2023	8,719.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$ 28,805.29</b>
Weekly Offering goal is: \$ 18,163.73	
Year-to-date income as of 8/04/2023 (Beginning of a new fiscal year) \$ 124,388.06	

### 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

#### Money Counters

August 28: Team 2  
September 5: (Tues) - Team 3  
September 11:- Team 1

Did you know that you can now make donations by text?  
Text to: 1-507-428-2929  
to make a secure donation to St. John's!

## LITURGICAL CORNER

### September 2- 5:15 pm

**Communion Ministers:** Carrie Altomari, Kelly Andresen, Lynn Beadell, David Emanuel, John Fell, Craig Soupir, Brenda TeVogt

**Lector:** Craig Soupir

**Sacristan:** John Fell

**Servers:** Matthew Soupir, Thomas Soupir

**Ushers/Hospitality:** Team 4

### September 3 - 8:00 am

**Communion Ministers:** Nicole Goebel, Dan Kapsner, Donna Kapsner, Ron Prange, Terri Prange, Mike Ulman, Colleen Walters

**Lector:** Nicole Goebel

**Sacristan:** Randy Meyer

**Servers:** Colton Fontaine, Oliver Tibodeau

**Ushers/Hospitality:** Team 8

### September 4 - 10:00 am

**Communion Ministers:** Julia Corbett, Mike Coughlan, Jessica Keech, Marsha Murphy, Becky Stranik, Gary Stranik, Sharon Patterson

**Lector:** Julia Corbett

**Sacristan:** Amy Kloss

**Servers:** Paxton Meehan, Brock McKeel

**Ushers/Hospitality:** Team 12

### Hope Women's Grief Support Group

A non-denominational grief support group for women who have experienced the death of a spouse or significant other. You are not alone. This grief support group is led by widows who understand what you are going through. This group offers an opportunity to learn about grief, share experiences and find healing and hope from your loss. No registration is necessary. We meet Tuesdays 5:15 - 6:15 pm in Matthews Hall (lower level).

For more information, please call Maria Berrones at 507-779-5458 or email: [onlyImariab@yahoo.com](mailto:onlyImariab@yahoo.com).



### 11th Annual "Healing Takes Time Fall Retreat"

This interdenominational retreat is an uplifting experience to support adults (18+) who are suffering the loss of a loved one. Inspiring talks and small groups will offer support and hope. Groups are created for several types of loss and will be led by people who have experienced similar loss and can relate to your journey in a particular way.

SMALL GROUPS DESIGNED FOR:

LOSS OF CHILD

LOSS OF SPOUSE

LOSS THROUGH SUICIDE

LOSS OF SIBLING/PARENT

LOSS THROUGH HOMICIDE

LOSS THROUGH PREGNANCY/INFANT LOSS

Hope United Grief Group® Fall Retreat

SEPTEMBER 15-17, 2023

FRIDAY 7 PM - SUNDAY 11 AM

FOR INFORMATION & REGISTRATION\*

Hope United Grief Group

[hopeunitedgriefgroup@gmail.com](mailto:hopeunitedgriefgroup@gmail.com)

Marlene Hunt 507-381-1177

**MONDAY, AUGUST 28**  
Word & Communion Service  
8:15 AM - Church

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 29**  
Sunrise AA Meeting  
6:30 AM - Matthews Hall  
Daily Mass  
8:15 AM - Church  
Hope Women's Grief Group  
5:15 PM - Matthews Hall

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30**  
Daily Mass  
8:15 AM - Church

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 31**  
Word & Communion Service  
8:15 AM - Church  
Simon Ministry  
10:30 AM - Matthews Hall

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**  
Al-Anon - ZOOM  
Early Risers AA  
6:30 AM - Matthews Hall  
Daily Mass  
8:15 AM - Church

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**  
Confessions  
4:30 PM - Confession Room  
Mass 5:15 PM - Church

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**  
Mass 8:00 AM - Church  
Mass 10:00 AM - Church  
OA  
3:00 PM - JP11 Room

Saturday Night Fellowship and Dinner  
Each Week following 5:15 Mass  
You are welcome to join our small group of St John's Parishioners  
(10—15 persons per week)  
In September, the meeting place will be at The Pizza Ranch.  
Please call or text Mary Olson @ 507-327-3259 by noon on Saturdays for  
Reservations and/or questions! Hope you can join the fun!

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
**MINISTRY ROUND-UP**  
*Come help us gather & rebuild our community!*

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16    ST. JOHN'S NARTHEX FOLLOWING ALL MASSES    SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17

*Join us*  
**SIGN UP    LEARN MORE    GIVE BACK**

EXPLORE OUR VARIOUS MINISTRIES SEEKING VOLUNTEERS  
CURRENT MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS



# Faith

## FORMATION

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**CLASSES MEET  
EVERY SUNDAY  
FROM 9 - 9:50AM**

**GRADES 1 - 5**

**FAITH FORMATION  
REGISTRATION**

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**CLASSES  
STARTING  
OCTOBER 1**



DIRECT LINKS TO REGISTRATION

Grades 1-5: <https://forms.gle/W7x9YfAJC4hfRnn47>

Grades 6-12 <https://forms.gle/eaSEJFw1hLRwZuzF6>

**GRADES 6 - 12**

**FAITH FORMATION  
REGISTRATION**

**Now  
Open!**

**CLASSES MEET  
WEDNESDAYS  
FROM 7-8PM**



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**CLASSES  
STARTING  
SEPTEMBER  
20TH**

- MIDDLE SCHOOL
- CONFIRMATION PREP #1
- CONFIRMATION PREP #2
- CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES
- HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP