

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Catholic Church

OCTOBER 1, 2023 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME!

CONTACT US

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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

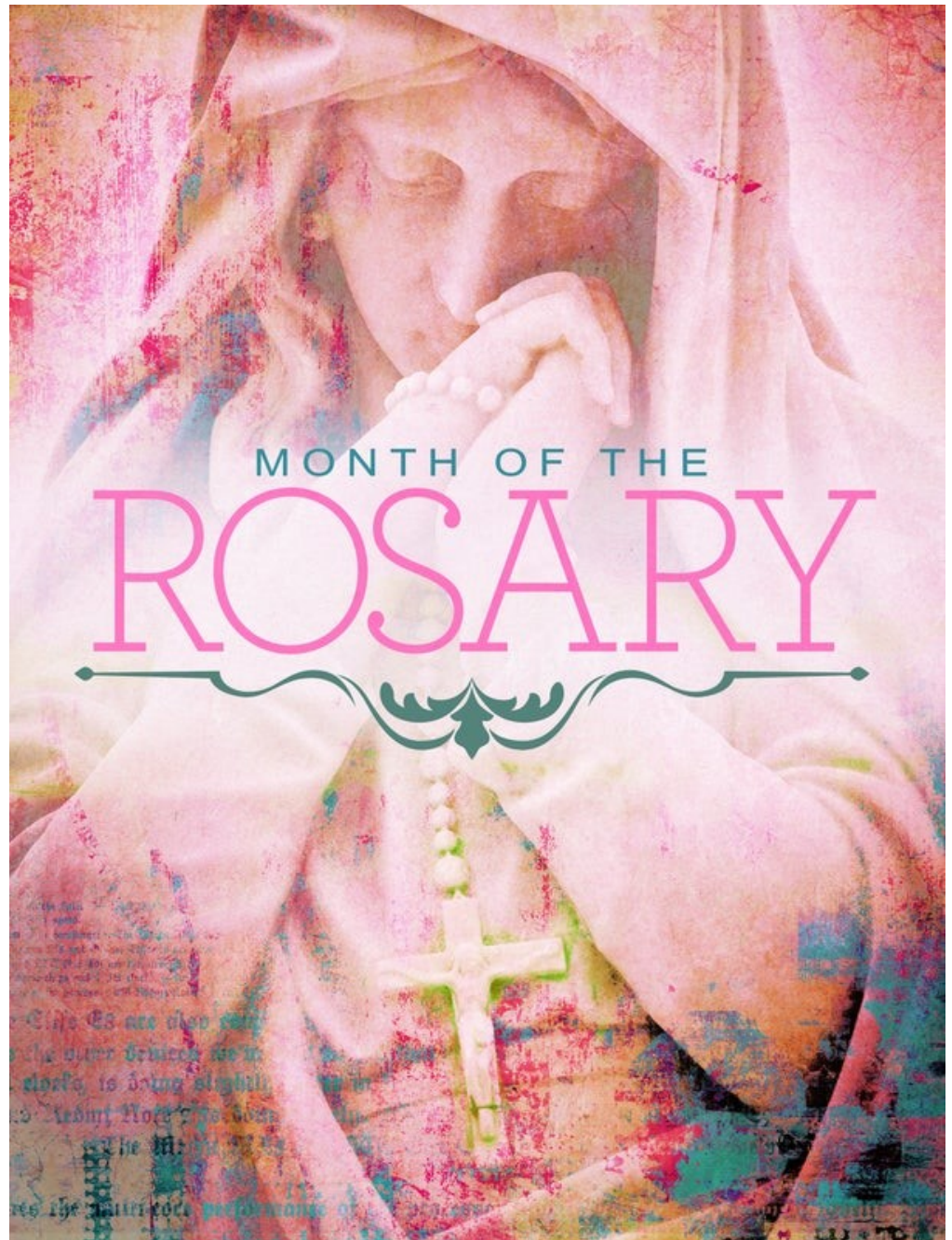
Confessions will take place
in the Reconciliation Room

Saturdays 4:30 pm

or by appointment

ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel



LIKE US ON



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.

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FROM THE PASTOR



Your ways, O Lord, make known to me;
teach me your paths,
Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my savior,
and for you I will wait all day.
Psalm 25:4-5

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 ZEC 8:1-8; MT 8:1-5,10

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3 ZEC 8:20-23; LK 9:51-56

8:15 am Mass Bernadette Stark †

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 NEH 2:1-8; LK 9:57-62

8:15 am Mass Peggy Sheehan †, John Busch †, Carol Armstrong †

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5 NEH 8:1-4a; LK 10:1-12

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6 BAR 1:15-22, LK 10:13-16

8:15 am Mass St. John Parishioners

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 BAR 4:5-12, 27-29; LK 10:17-24

5:15 pm Mass Gretchen Adams †, Brian Rykhus †,
Joe McCabe †, Ray † and Jean Ryan †

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8 IS 5:1-7; PHIL 4:6-9; MT 21:33-43

8:00 am Mass Patricia Norris †, Lloyd Swenson † Bernice Rezac †

10:00 am Mass Clarence Stark †, Jeremy Wyrowski †, Josee Sturm †



Flowers for Mary
Carol and Michael Stott, Sr
in Memory of
Deceased family members

ST. JOHN'S NEWS & EVENTS

Respect for Life Sunday October 1, 2023

Pick up your baby bottle to help Catholic Charities' Mother and Child Assistance Fund provide financial assistance to women who are pregnant or have a new baby. Each gift will help families in our community.

The State of MN recently cut grant funding that supported agencies like Catholic Charities who provided positive alternatives to abortion. This loss of funding means that there is a greater need to support pregnant women through the Baby Bottle Campaign. Each woman who receives assistance from Catholic Charities is presented with the options of parenting or adoption. By providing tangible help, we empower women to choose life for their baby.

If you are unable to pick up a bottle, please mail your donation directly to Catholic Charities Baby Bottle Campaign, P.O. Box 379, Winona, MN 55987 or give online at www.ccsomn.org/donate and designate your donation to the Baby Bottle Campaign in the notes section.

Wings of Hope Evening of Remembrance Service Calvary Cemetery

October 3, 2023 at 6:00 PM

All who have lost a child in miscarriage, stillbirth and infant death are invited to attend. The service will include a candle lighting ceremony. Bring your own candle or there will be some available. October is National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Month.

All are welcome - Mark your calendar!

St John's Book Club Informational Meeting
October 18th at 1:30pm in the St John's Library.
Contact Anita Maki with questions, 507/519-0108

WELCOME CONNECTIONS VOLUNTEERS

Connections Shelter is in their 7th year of serving people who are in need, with dignity and respect. Our first week to host meals and hospitality shifts is October 9-15. If you can help please sign up now at www.connectionsshelter.org, click on Volunteer tab, then scroll down to click on Meal Signup or serve as Evening Greeter.

Let me know if you have trouble signing up.
THANK YOU to those who have signed up and those who will.
Questions? contact Mary Beth Nygaard
mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com

ECHO Food Shelf

What service can you do for your neighbor this week? 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.

*Let us not grow
tired of doing
good, for in due
time we shall reap
our harvest, if we
do not give up.*

Galatians 6:9

The Holy Land & Jordan Pilgrimage 11 DAYS: NOVEMBER 7- 17, 2024

Hosted by Father Timothy Reker



Visiting Hiafa * Tiberias* Jerash* Petra *
Nazareth* Mt. Nebo* Madara*
Bethlehem* Jerusalem*

\$4999 from Minneapolis*

*Air/land tour price is \$4299 plus \$700
gas/taxes/airline surcharges

For more information , please contact:

Fr. Timothy Reker

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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.

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 the Anointing of the Sick.



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 1, 2023

First Reading:

But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life.
(Ez 18:27)

Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord.
(Ps 25)

Second Reading:

Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus. (Phil 2:5)

Gospel:

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21 :3 1)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Did you know...?

Loyola students have numerous faith-filled opportunities throughout the school year to build and strengthen their relationship with God and others. Some events that accomplish these goals are school masses, prayer services, grade level retreats, and adoration.

Wired to the Heart, Loyola Catholic School's annual fundraising gala is coming up on November 10, 2023, held at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center in Mankato. This year's event will benefit Loyola's Fund for Excellence, focusing on increasing teachers' salaries and expanding classroom space, and the Fund for Campus Enhancement to provide clean and safe learning spaces.

Tickets are now on sale! Please visit the Wired to the Heart website www.wiredtotheheart.com to purchase your tickets. We are happy to share that this year you can save time and purchase your after party ticket and treasure chest keys at the time of registration. The golden tickets will be available online soon.

**Attention
Junior and Senior High School Students**

Children's Liturgy of the Word is in need of your help to assist with projects, discussions, and activities with our young friends. Ms. Michele and children 4 years old through kindergarten meet during the 10:00 am mass each Sunday in Matthews Hall. You would not be required to help every Sunday. Ms. Michele and the children would love to have you join them. Contact Jeanne Fitterer at jeannef@stjohnsmankato.net, or contact the Parish Office.

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

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

SEPTEMBER 15 - SEPTEMBER 22, 2023	
Adult Support	\$ 7,114.50
Offertory	\$ 751.70
Donations via website - 09/16 -09/22	\$ 1,556.40
Holy Day	10.00
ACH (5 th and 20 th) 09/20/2023	7.478.00
Weekly Total	\$ 16,910.60
Weekly Offering goal is: \$ 18,163.73	
Year-to-date income as of 09/23/2023 (Beginning of a new fiscal year) \$ 222,191.02	

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been dropping off or mailing your weekly donations. We are grateful for whatever contributions you are able to

Money Counters

October 2 - Team 1
October 9 - Team 2
October 16 - Team 3

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

October 7- 5:15 pm

Communion Ministers: Phyllis Maloney, Rita Dauw, Margaret Dugo, David Emanuel, Laura Sieberg, Maggie Bennett, Brenda TeVogt

Lector: John Fell

Sacristan: John Fell

Servers: Gisele McCabe

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 1

October 8- 8:00 am

Communion Ministers: Janet Denn, Mike Denn, Mary Homan, Najawa Massad, Massaad Chahine, Jan Hughes, Brian Hughes

Lector: Michelle Fischer

Sacristan: Pat Sullivan

Servers: Eli Mueller, Oliver Tibodeau

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 5

October 8- 10:00 am

Communion Ministers: Deb Fogal, Dan Fogal, Sandi Fogal, Scott Fogal, Jen Pfeffer, Tami Reuter, Helen Ward

Lector: Christopher Vasquez

Sacristan: Jeanne Atkinson

Servers: Jack Green, Paxton Meehan

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 9

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 October, the meeting place will be at Perkins. Please call or text Mary Olson @ 507-327-3259 by noon on Saturdays for reservations and/or questions!

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.

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: onlylmariab@yahoo.com.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2**Word & Communion Service**

8:15 AM - Church

Spirit Singers

5:30 PM St. Elizabeth Room

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3**Sunrise AA Meeting**

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Mass

8:15 AM - Church

Piecemakers

1:00 PM - Matthews Hall

Hope Women's Grief Group

5:15 PM - Matthews Hall

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4**Mass**

8:15 AM - Church

Choir for Christ

5:15 PM - Church

Reconciliation for**Confirmation Students**

6:30 PM - Church

Small Group 6th-8th Grade

7:00 PM - Classrooms

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5**Word & Communion Service**

8:15 AM - Church

Simon Ministry

10:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Mindfulness

7:00 PM - Narthex

RCIA

6:30 PM - Marion Room

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6**Al-Anon - ZOOM****Early Risers AA**

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Mass

8:15 AM - Church

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7**Confessions**

4:30 PM - Confession Room

Mass 5:15 PM - Church**SUNDAY, October 8****Mass 8:00 AM - Church****FF Grades 1-5**

9:00 AM - Classroom/Mtg Rm

Mass 10:00 AM - Church**CLW - Shine Bright**

10:10 AM - Matthews Hall

OA

3:00 PM - JP II Room





Faith FORMATION

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Beginning October 1, 2023

Who is it for: children 4 years old through kindergarten

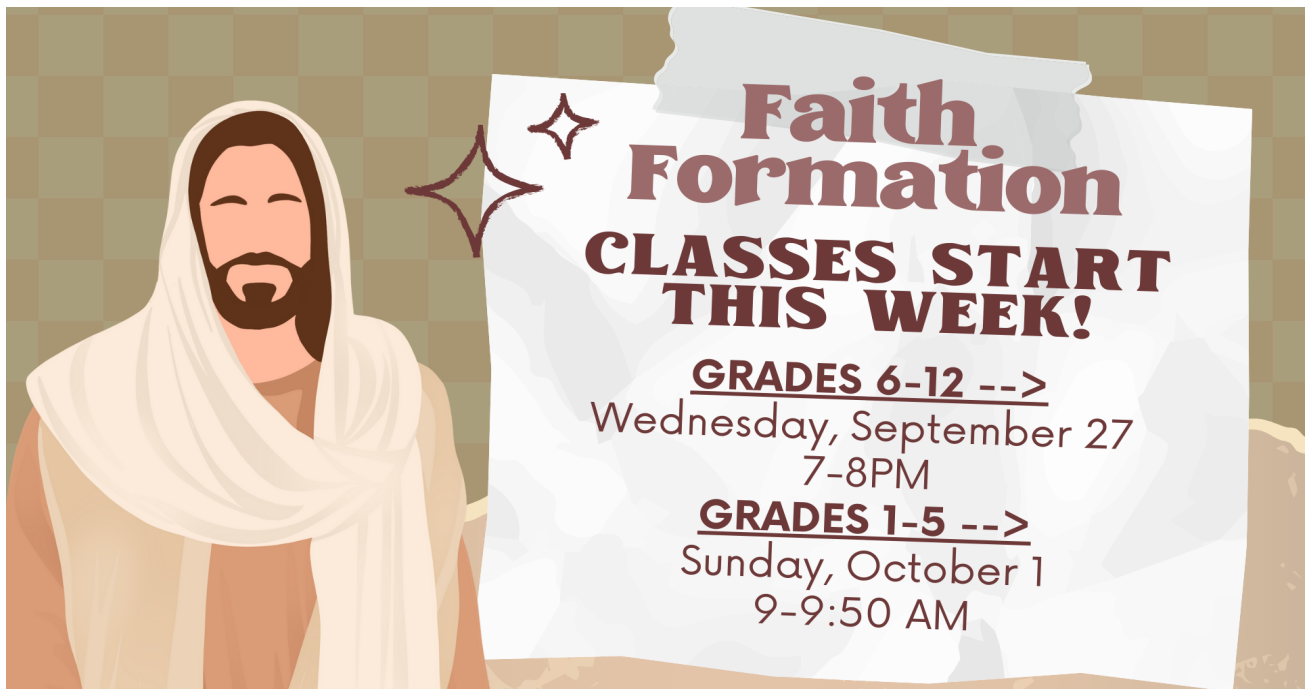
When is it: it is held during the 10:00 AM mass

Where is it: it is held in Matthew's Hall

How does it work: Your child will go to mass with you. When Father has completed the initial blessing he will invite the Children's Liturgy children up to the front of the church. (Ms. Michele will be by the banner). Father will offer a short blessing and then the children will be led to Matthew's Hall by Ms. Michele. She will do the Gospel reading and an activity with them at their level. She will bring them back up to the church while the Profession of Faith is being said. She will not sit down until all children are seated with their families.

Do I need to register and is there a fee: No

Please contact Jeanne at jeannef@stjohnsmankato.net if you have any questions.



**Faith
Formation**
**CLASSES START
THIS WEEK!**

GRADES 6-12 -->
Wednesday, September 27
7-8PM

GRADES 1-5 -->
Sunday, October 1
9-9:50 AM

If you have questions about or would like to get involved with our Faith Formation Program, please contact:

GRADES 1-5: Jeanne Fitterer jeannef@stjohnsmankato.net

GRADES 6-12: Kristy McCabe kristy@stjohnsmankato.net