

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

## *Catholic Church*

OCTOBER 22, 2023 TWENTY-NINETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WELCOME!

### CONTACT US

**Pastor** - Fr. John Kunz

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### MASS TIMES

**No weekday masses until Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Saturday** 5:15 pm

**Sunday** 8:00 am & 10:00 am

**Word & Communion Service**

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. 8:15 am

### RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place  
in the Reconciliation Room

**Saturdays** 4:30 pm

or by appointment

### ADORATION

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.

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### ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

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We are God's Coins.

In this Sunday's Gospel we read that the hearts of the Pharisees are filled with malice. They are trying to trap Jesus, to find a pretense to arrest him and get him out of the way. They lay their snares carefully according to the social norms of their day. They defer to him as teacher, and they compliment him in a formulaic way. They expect Jesus to play the game, to respond with false niceties and so fall into their trap. They expect Jesus to be like them. But Jesus doesn't buy it. He reads their hearts, and he responds to what he sees there, not to their words and manner. He calls them hypocrites, actors on a stage, and he exposes their trap with truth by replying "show me the coin that pays the census tax." They hand him the Roman coin and he asks, "Whose image is this?" They reply, "Caesar's" and Jesus says, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." And what belongs to God? In response to this question St Hilary wrote, "Man is God's coin on which is stamped his image." We, every one of us, are created in the image and likeness of God. We belong to God, and God asks nothing less than that we give him our entire being—heart, mind and soul, all that we have received from him. That is not to say that we aren't to live in and enjoy the world. To reject God's creation is as wrong as to embrace material things as the highest good. We must have balance; we are called to live in the world while doing the will of the Father. May you have a blessed week, Deacon Chris

## MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23 ROM 4:20-25; LK 12:13-21

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24 ROM 5:12, 15B, 17-19, 20B-21; LK 12:35-38

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 ROM 6:12-18; LK 12:39-48

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 ROM 6:19-23; LK 12:49-53

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 ROM 7:18-25A.; LK 12:54-59

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 EPH 2:19-22; LK 6:12-16

5:15 pm Mass Marion Jones †, Jack Koch †, Arnold Iffert †,  
Bernice Rezac †, Ann Frost Sobraske †

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 EX 22:20-26; PS 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; MT 22:34-40

8:00 am Mass Patricia Norris † Tim Brown †,  
Tom and Mary Zimmerman †

10:00 am Mass Delores Reuter †, LaDonna Alfson †, Chuck Strate †



*Flowers for Mary*  
Bob and Marsha Murphy  
*In Memory of*  
Jason Murphy



**Rene T. Chamberlain**

*Who passed away on  
October 13, 2023*

Our deepest sympathy  
to her family

**Thomas "Tom" Andresen**

*Who passed away on  
October 13, 2023*

Our deepest sympathy  
to his family

**Harold Drummer, Sr.**

*Who passed away on  
October 16, 2023*

Our deepest sympathy  
to his family

**Baby Bottle Campaign Supports Alternative to Abortion**

October 22, 2023

Next week we will be collecting the baby bottles that have been collecting your spare change. Please remember to bring them to church/school with you and return them to the display table. If you are unable to return them next week, please leave them at the office as soon as possible. Every donation truly makes a difference in the lives of mothers and babies! If you were unable to pick up a bottle, you can still support the campaign! Please mail your donation directly to Catholic Charities Baby Bottle Campaign, PO Box 379, Winona, MN 55987 or give online at [www.ccsomn.org/donate](http://www.ccsomn.org/donate) and designate your donation to the Baby Bottle Campaign.

**Woodcarving Art Show**

Sister Mary Ann Osborne, SSND is having an Open House and Art Showing of her woodcarvings at her studio in Florian Hall on Good Counsel Hill, Saturday, October 28, from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. You will have the opportunity to purchase hand-made, original one of kind Christmas gifts. For more information please call 507-389-4224.

**Pancake Breakfast**

North Mankato Knights of Columbus  
Holy Rosary Lower Dining Hall  
Sunday, October 29, 2023  
8:30 - noon  
Serving pancakes, sausage,  
scrambled eggs and beverages.  
Free will offering.

**Connection Shelter**

Thank you from Mary Beth Nygaard

A big THANK YOU goes out to all of the St John's parishioners who helped fill the needs of the Connections Shelter for this past week. Whether you cooked food, helped serve, provided hospitality, took time to pray for shelter guests and volunteers, brought needed items, or any of the other important things that keep the shelter going - it surely made a difference for the guests this week.

On the nights I was there I couldn't help but notice the respect and dignity all the volunteers offered to the guests. Some of the guests told me that the way they were treated here was different from some other shelters that they had been in. I also want to share that twice in the past weeks people mentioned how amazing it was that St. John's had so many people willing to help out. Good Job to you all! We'll never know how much our participation means to each individual, but the mood at the Shelter is positive for sure.

The next opportunities for St. John's to serve are January 22-28, and April 15-21, 2014.



## 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.

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

Stay Connected! Loyola is flexible and open to tours and shadow days at any time during the year. If you are interested in scheduling a tour or shadow day, please contact Ashley Braulick, Admissions Coordinator, at [admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org) or call 507-386-5399.

#### Wired to the Heart

November 10, 2023, 6:00 PM

Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center

Don't forget to purchase your ticket to Wired to the Heart. You can purchase tickets at [www.wiredtotheheart.com](http://www.wiredtotheheart.com). Save time by purchasing tickets for the after party, sponsored by American Way Realty, Angie VanEman and treasure chest keys for a chance to win one of two beautiful pieces of jewelry from Exclusively Diamonds and Williams Diamond Center!

This year, the event benefits Loyola's **Fund for Excellence**, focusing on increasing teachers' salaries and the **Fund for Campus Enhancement** to expand classroom space due to enrollment growth.



**29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 22 2023**

#### First Reading:

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him. (Is 45:1)

#### Psalm:

Give the Lord glory and honor. (Ps 96)

#### Second Reading:

We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love. (1 Thes 1:2-3)

#### Gospel:

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." (Mt 22:21)

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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)

#### Diocese of Winona-Rochester - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information

The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at [www.dowr.org](http://www.dowr.org) under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Mary Hamann, at 507-858-1244, or [mhamann@dowr.org](mailto:mhamann@dowr.org).

## 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 29 – OCTOBER 6, 2023	
Adult Support	\$ 8,710.78
Offertory	\$ 724.75
Donations via website - 10/7 –10/13	\$ 1,935.00
Holy Day	40.00
ACH (5 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> ) 10/11/2023	8,169.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$ 19,579.53</b>
Weekly Offering goal is: \$ 18,163.73	
Year-to-date income as of 10/06/2023 \$ 275,405.42	

### Catholic Ministries Appeal 2023

**Our Goal:  
\$70,885.00**

**As of September 29, 2023  
\$39,885.14**

**Need \$31,00.00  
to reach our goal.**

**Thank you to all who have  
contributed.**

#### 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!

***October 28- 5:15 pm***  
***Communion Ministers:***

***Lector:***  
***Sacristan:***  
***Servers:***  
***Ushers/Hospitality:*** Team 4

***October 29 - 8:00 am***  
***Communion Ministers:***

***Lector:***  
***Sacristan:***  
***Servers:***  
***Ushers/Hospitality:*** Team 8

***October 29 - 10:00 am***  
***Communion Ministers:***

***Lector:***  
***Sacristan:***  
***Servers:***  
***Ushers/Hospitality:*** Team 12

Jaci will be  
in contact  
with Liturgical Assistants

#### Money Counters

October 23 - Team 1  
October 30 - Team 2  
November 6 - 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!

### 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? 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.



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 23****Word & Communion Service**

8:15 AM - Church

**Spirit Singers**

5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth's Room

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24****Sunrise AA Meeting**

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

**Word & Communion**

8:15 AM - Church

**Hope's Women's Grief Group**

5:15 PM - Matthews Hall

**Knights of Columbus**

6:30 - Matthews Hall

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25****Word & Communion**

8:15 AM - Church

**Choir for Christ**

5:50 PM - Church

**FF Small Groups**

7:00 PM Classroom/Mtg Rooms

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26****Word & Communion Service**

8:15 AM - Church

**Simon Ministry**

10:30 AM - Matthews Hall

**Mindfulness**

7:00 PM - Narthex

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27****Al-Anon - ZOOM****Early Risers AA**

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

**Word & Communion**

8:15 AM - Church

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28****Confessions**

4:30 PM - Confession Room

**Mass**

5:15 PM - Church

**SUNDAY, October 29****Mass**

8:00 AM - Church

**FF Grades 1-5**

9:00 AM - Classrooms/Mtg Rooms

**Mass**

10:00 AM - Church

**CLW - Shine Bright**

10:10 AM - Matthews Hall

**OA**

3:00 PM - JP11 Room



*So faith, hope, love  
remain, these three;  
but the greatest of  
these is love.*

Corinthians 13:13







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**Classes resume on October 25 and 29, 2023**

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