

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

## *Catholic Church*

AUGUST 6, 2023 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WELCOME!

### CONTACT US

**Pastor** - Fr. John Kunz

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### Office Hours

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### Website

stjohnscatholicchurch.com

### 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



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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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### CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Website: loyolacatholicschool.org

### LOYOLA AMBASSADORS

St. John's Parish  
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### CALVARY CEMETERY

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### ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

**Pastoral Leadership Team:**  
Dan Hansen | Jaci James | John Fell  
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## FROM THE PASTOR



This week the feast of The Transfiguration falls on Sunday. The glorious presence of God is revealed to the disciples and to us. It is awe inspiring and life changing for them and us. Of course, we later see the suffering and death of Jesus on another mountain - Calvary. It is the reality of the human condition on display. When our human life ends then we see the union of life with God - Resurrection. In it all we are reminded of the eternal flow of life from God and back into God - Oneness.

*Peace,*  
Father John

## MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, AUGUST 7** NM 11:4b-15; MT 14:13-21

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 8** NM 12:1-13; MT 14:22-36

8:15 am Joan Vaske † Doris Ramy †

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9** NM 13:1-2, 25, 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;  
MT 15:21-28

8:15 am Carol Armstrong † Charlie Frost †

**THURSDAY AUGUST 10** 2 COR 9:6-10; JN 12:24-26

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 11** DT 4:32-40, MT 16:24-28

8:15 am Tim Brown † Jack Koch †

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12** DT 6:1, 4-13; MT 17:14-20

5:15 pm Gretchen Adams † Edward Sweere † Brian Smishek †  
Anne Mrotz †

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13** 1KGS 19:9a, 11-13a; ROM 9:1-5;  
MT 14:22-33

8:00 am Ken Jensen † Patricia Norris †

10:00 am Carol Fredrickson † Jim Anton †



*Flowers for Mary  
Joan Busch and Patrick Brunner  
In honor of the  
Busch and Brunner Families*



Congratulations to Ronald and Linda Klocke celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 10<sup>th</sup>.



## Floating Friday Mass

August 11 - 8:15 AM

Home of Randy and Mary Ann Miller  
116 East Glencrest Drive, Mankato



*Thank you to those parishioners who hosted our Floating Friday Masses this summer.*

### **FREE Exercise Program for adults 55+ years of age!**

Stay Active & Independent for Life (SAIL) is a strength, balance and fitness program sponsored by Catholic Charities of Southern MN's Active Aging Programs.

All exercises and aerobics can be done sitting or standing and are very adaptive.

Classes consist of a warm-up, aerobics, balance, strength and stretching.

Classes are year-round and are held at 2 locations:

Monday & Thursday at 9 a.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church, 1706 Lee Blvd, North Mankato.

Tuesday & Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at Epiphany Lutheran Church, 605 Parkway Ave, Eagle Lake.

Contact Mary at 507-458-9687 or [mcassem@ccsommn.org](mailto:mcassem@ccsommn.org) to register.

### **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: [only1mariab@yahoo.com](mailto:only1mariab@yahoo.com).

### **\*\*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)

### **Diocese of Winona- Rochester Employment Opportunities**

The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is currently accepting resumes for opportunities at our Pastoral Center in Winona, MN. The following positions are open:

Notary/Administrative Assistant  
and  
Director of the Tribunal/Judge

For more information on these positions visit:  
[www.dowr.org](http://www.dowr.org)

### **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.

**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.

Start at Loyola! Student Success Starts Here. Make your child's first education experience count by joining the Loyola community today! We have limited spots available for Kindergarten. 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. Save the Date!

Loyola's annual fundraising gala is being held on November 10, 2023 at the Mayo Clinic Health System event center. Invite your friends and colleagues for a fun night in support of Loyola Catholic School. Socialize, enjoy an elegant meal, silent and live auction and a chance to win one of two exquisite pieces of jewelry from Williams Diamond Center and Exclusively Diamonds. Look for more information to come soon!

Join the Loyola family! Loyola is hiring a middle school science teacher and a middle school math teacher, starting with the 2023/24 school year. Visit [employment.loyolacatholicschool.org](http://employment.loyolacatholicschool.org) for more information.

Applications are being accepted to host an exchange student for the 2023-24 school year. Hosting an exchange student is an enriching experience for the exchange student and you and your family. This

is a wonderful opportunity to learn about another culture while sharing what is great about being an American, Minnesotan and a Loyola Crusader! Mankato has a strong tradition of hosting students who enrich and contribute to the school community. The student covers tuition and all expenses. Host families are only asked to provide a nurturing home and meals. Curious? Please contact Scott Morgan, International Exchange Program Local Coordinator for Loyola at 507-382-2824 or [iasmorgan4@yahoo.com](mailto:iasmorgan4@yahoo.com)

Nacel International Exchange Program is also looking for a host family for Thi, a 17-year-old girl from Vietnam who would like to attend Loyola this fall. Contact Julianne Antes, Coordinator of Nacel, 507-304-2143 for more information.

Attention Loyola alumni! Has your contact information recently changed? Please let us know so that you continue to receive important news and updates from the school. Contact us at [development@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:development@loyolacatholicschool.org) with your new information.

Be sure to keep up with Loyola's happenings on social media! Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Thank you for your continued support of Catholic education in Mankato!

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

**MASS TIMES AROUND THE AREA**

**DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE:**

- KTW 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



**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading:**

And you taught your people, by these deeds, that those who are just must be kind; and you gave your children good ground for hope that you would permit repentance for their sins. (Wis 12:19)

**Psalm:**

Lord, you are good and forgiving. (Ps 86)

**Second Reading:**

The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. (Rom 8:26)

**Gospel:**

"Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, 'First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn.'" (Mt 13:30)

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## FINANCES

### JULY 22 - 30 2023

Adult Support	\$ 15,923.06
Offertory	\$ 741.00
Donations via website— 7/22-7/30	\$ 1,080.35
Holy Day	\$ 25.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$ 17,769.41</b>
Weekly Offering goal is:	\$ 18,163.73

Year-to-date income as of 7-28-2023 (Beginning of a new fiscal year) **\$ 65,853.64**

## 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

### Money Counters

August 7: Team 2  
August 14: Team 3  
August 21: 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!

### August 12—5:15 pm

**Communion Ministers:** Maggie Bennett, David Emanuel, John Fell, Jane Kohler, Phyllis Maloney, Laura Sieberg, Brenda TeVogt

**Lector:** Maggie Bennett  
**Sacristan:** Don Lingen  
**Servers:** Giesele McCabe  
**Ushers/Hospitality:** Team 1

### August 13—8:00 am

**Communion Ministers:** Massaad Chahine, Dan Kaspner, Mary Homan, Teresa Depuydt, Najwa Massad, Ron Prange, Mike Ulman

**Lector:** Mike Ulman  
**Sacristan:** Sam Blace  
**Servers:** Quinn Kelly, Soren Kelly  
**Ushers/Hospitality:** Team 5

### August 13—10:00 am

**Communion Ministers:** Mike Coughlan, Jessica Keech, Chris Meehan, Marsha Murphy, Sharon Patterson, Becki Stanik, Gary Stanik

**Lector:** Sharon Patterson  
**Sacristan:** Jeanne Atkinson  
**Servers:** Francis Bierer, Charlie Keech  
**Ushers/Hospitality:** Team 9

## 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

### 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  
Marlene Hunt 507-381-1177



## 06 THE WEEK AHEAD

**MONDAY, AUGUST 7**  
Word & Communion Service  
8:15 AM - Church

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 8**  
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 9**  
Daily Mass  
8:15 AM - Church  
Building Committee  
6:00 PM - Marion Room

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 10**  
Word & Communion Service  
8:15 AM - Church  
Simon Ministry  
10:30 AM - Matthews Hall  
Pastoral Leadership Meeting  
6:00 PM - Marion Room

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 11**  
Al-Anon - ZOOM  
Early Risers AA  
6:30 AM - Matthews Hall  
Floating Friday Mass  
8:15 AM - *Home of  
Randy and Mary Ann Miller  
116 Glencrest Drive, Mankato*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12**  
Confessions  
4:30 PM - Confession Room  
Mass 5:15 PM - Church

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13**  
Mass 8:00 AM - Church  
Mass 10:00 AM - Church  
OA  
3:00 PM - JP II Room

WORLD-RENOUNDED MUSICIAN  
**TONY MELENDEZ**  
LIVE IN CONCERT  
**AUGUST 19-20-21, 2023**

*Tony generates hope and a commitment to help bring people's hearts toward Jesus Christ. Knowing how important life is, he strongly believes in justice and living with dignity!*

**MADISON**  
SAT., AUG. 19 | 7PM  
Church of St Michael  
412 West 3rd Street

**LITCHFIELD**  
SUN., AUG. 20 | 7PM  
Church of St. Philip  
821 E. 5th St.

**MANKATO**  
MON., AUG. 21 | 7PM  
St. John the Baptist Church  
632 S. Broad St.

Free Will Donation | Merchandise For Sale

Concerts sponsored by  
**A'KALA**  
FAMILY FOUNDATION  
San Lucas Toliman Guatemala  
*A Christian ministry committed to embracing hope for children and families by providing and sustaining basic life needs in San Lucas, Guatemala!*  
PO Box 52 | Cologne, MN 55322 | 507-829-6667

*Tony Melendez Ministries is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing compassion and hope through music and personal triumph. Tony continues to bring HOPE to all who listen to his words of encouragement.*

# Faith FORMATION

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**GRADES 6 - 12**

**Now Open!**

**FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION**

**CLASSES STARTING SEPTEMBER 20TH**

 **JOIN NOW**



**CLASSES MEET WEDNESDAYS FROM 7-8PM REGISTER ONLINE!**

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- CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES
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