

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Catholic Church

JANUARY 28, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME!

CONTACT US

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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

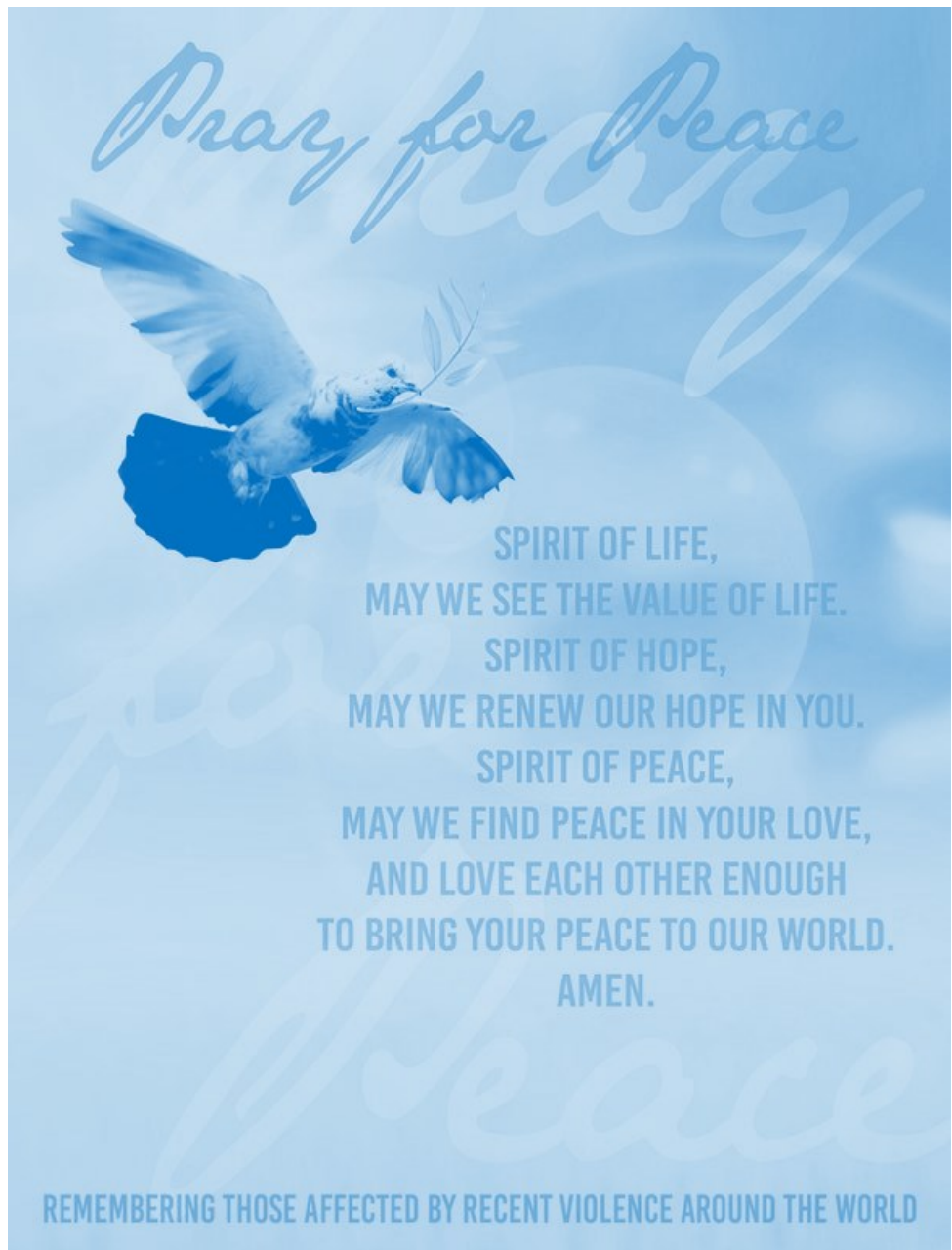
Saturdays 4:30 pm

or by appointment

ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel

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FACEBOOK!



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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"To Him You Shall Listen"

In the Gospel this Sunday people are astonished at the teaching of Jesus "for he taught them as one having authority." The Greek word used in the Bible for "authority" in this instance can be translated as "one with power who must be obeyed," and, indeed, the unclean spirit obeyed him and was driven out of the possessed man. Authority and obedience have not been popular concepts with people at any time, and this current age struggles mightily with them. That's because our experience has been with earthly leaders obsessed with their own power. The authority of Jesus, and our duty to obey him, are entirely different from worldly understanding of those terms, however. As Moses prophesied, Jesus is the one, a human, that God raised from among the people to give a face and voice to God, the one of whom Moses said, "To him you shall listen." The word "obey" comes from the Latin word meaning "to listen." We listen to Jesus because he speaks the language of love. His authority stems from God who so loved us that he sent his Son to die on our behalf. In his weakness, we gain our strength to love in the face of all adversity.

In the peace of Christ,

Deacon Chris

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 29 2 SM 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; MK 5:1-20

8:15 am Word and Communion Service

TUESDAY, 2 SM 18:9-10, 14B, 24-25A, 30-19:3; MK 5:21-43

8:15 am Word and Communion Service

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 2 SM 24:2, 9-17; MK 6:1-6

8:15 am Word and Communion Service

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1 1 KGS 2:1-4, 10-12; MK 6:7-13

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 MAL 3:1-4; LK 2:22-40

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3 1 KGS 3:4-13; MK 6:30-34

5:15 pm Mass

Blessing of the
Throats

Becky Franta †, Shelly Rigdon †,
Boettcher/Maki Families †, Leander Wagner †

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4 JB 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 COR 9:16-19, 22-23;
MK 1:29-39

800 am Mass Chris Goebel †

10:00 am Mass Joe Cook † James Anton †
Barbara Brielmaier †

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

ST. JOHN'S NEWS & EVENTS

Barbara Brielmaier

*Who passed away
January 17, 2024*

Our deepest sympathy



Rosanne Carlson

*Who passed away
January 19, 2024*

Our deepest sympathy

Welcome to our family
Bennett Alex Hoekstra
Parents: Joshua and Laura Hoekstra
Baptized on January 20, 2024



Welcome to our family
Beckett Steven Michael Moeller
Parents: Andrew and Emilie Moeller
Baptized on January 20, 2024



Saint Blaise Blessing of the Throats

February 3rd and 4th
after all masses.

Espresso Mass

Back by popular demand! On Friday, February 2, we will resume our fellowship gathering in the Narthex after mass on the first Friday of each month until the start of Floating Fridays this summer.

2024 Annual Pro Life Pancake Breakfast

Super Bowl Sunday , February 11
Holy Rosary Catholic
School Cafeteria

Pancakes, Sausage Eggs, Fruit,
Coffee, Milk, Juice and Water

Serving Times 8:30-Noon
Free Will Donation

Start your Super Day with a
Super Breakfast For A Super Cause

Annual Benefit for Birthright Raffle

Once again it is time for the annual benefit for Birthright ticket raffle! All proceeds stay in our community. The money raised goes a long way to support the many services which include pregnancy testing, counseling, moral support and referrals. Birthright is a non-profit group completely dependent on volunteers for their confidential help.

Tickets are \$5 each, with a chance to win up to \$250. Please contact the parish office at 625-3131 or David Mutch at 387-5406 for more information, or to purchase tickets.. Drawing will be held March 28, 2024. Thank you for your support!

Celebrate Mardi Gras Fun and Help Advance Literacy in Our Community

Join the Good Counsel Learning Center to celebrate an evening of Mardi Gras merriment at **Shrimpin' - Mardi Gras Style** on Friday, February 9 at the Kato Ballroom. The doors open at 5:30 pm with a Cajun shrimp boiled dinner served at 6:00 pm (chicken also available). Enjoy casino games, cake walks, a silent auction, and live jazz music with Sarah and the Houligans. For tickets & event details go to gclearningcenter.org/shrimpin or call 507-389-4229. The **Shrimpin'** fundraiser for Good Counsel Learning Center helps to make it possible to provide one-on-one tutoring for students struggling to keep up with math or reading and students learning English as a second language.

SACRAMENTS



LOYOLA
CATHOLIC
SCHOOL

Celebrating Catholic School Week

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.

Greetings during Catholic Schools Week 2024! We express gratitude for the support of our students, teachers, staff, and mission at Loyola Catholic School. Inspired by Pope Francis's words, we strive to instill faith, excellence, and service in our students, echoing the virtues of saints. Thanks to our parish partners for their vital support in fulfilling our mission.

Admissions for the academic year 2024-2025 are officially open across all grades. Explore details on Loyola's website or by reaching out to Ashley Braulick, Marketing, Admissions, and Enrollment Coordinator, at 507 386-5399. Your journey to greatness starts here!

We would like to thank the Minnesota River Builders Association of the Mankato Area Foundation for honoring Loyola Catholic School with a Building Our Future grant award! The funds received are dedicated to bolstering Loyola's high school woodworking course, laying the groundwork for students to acquire practical building skills and introducing them to the industry of building professions.

Loyola is joining hands with Project Community Connect for a community drive from now until February 2! Together, we aim to enhance the lives of individuals and families in need. Your donations will support PCC in offering new personal care items, household cleaning supplies, blankets, and more. If you're interested in contributing, please drop off your items at Loyola's main office.

ANNOUNCE THE GOOD NEWS

TODAY'S READINGS

4TH Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 28, 2024

First Reading:

"I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him." (Dt 18:18)

Psalm:

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

Second Reading:

An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. (1 Cor 7:34)

Gospel:

The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. (Mk 1:22)

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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

JAN. 6, 2023 - JAN. 19, 2024

Adult Support	\$ 10,421.00
Offertory	\$ 547.50
Donations via website 1/13--1/19/24	\$ 1,621.23
Holy Day	\$ 60.00
ACH (5 th and 20 th) 01/05/2024	\$ N/A
Weekly Total	\$ 12,649.73
Weekly Offering goal is:	\$ 18,163.73
Year-to-date income as of 01/19/2024	\$ 616,511.33

Money Counters

January 29 -Team 1
February 5 -Team 3
February 12 -Team 1



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!

February 3 - 5:15 pm

Communion Ministers: Lynn Beadell, Maggie Bennett, David Emanuel
Lector: Sheila Skilling
Sacristan: Jaci James
Servers: Bria Baumgard, Voluneer
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 2

February 4 - 8:00 am

Communion Ministers: Nicole Goebel, Mary Homan, Dan Kapsner
Lector: Mike Ulman
Sacristan: Mike Denn
Servers: Clayton Tibodeau, Oliver Tibodeau
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 6

February 4 -10:00 am

Communion Ministers: Mike Ludvik, Sharon Patterson, Tami Reuter
Lector: Christopher Vasquez
Sacristan: Jeanne Atkinson
Servers: Logan Gonzalez, Jack Green
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 10



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.

Piecemakers Quilting Group

From 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of most months throughout the year, Matthews Hall is full of the sounds of conversation, laughter, the hum of a sewing machine, scissors snipping yard and the rattle of pins on the quilting table. This enthusiastic group embraces quilting as a means to donate to those in need and in the past have donated quilts to Simon Ministry and Options for Women. The quilting sessions end with coffee and treats as well as stimulating conversation sharing current and past life experiences. Consider joining this group no matter what your quilting or sewing experience is. There is something to do for everyone. If you wish to donate good quality quilting fabric in at least 2 yard lengths, it will be gladly accepted. Contact Patricia Sullivan, 507-345-3662 for more information.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, JANUARY 29
Word and Communion Service
8:15 - Church
Spirit Singers
5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Room

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30
Sunrise AA Meeting
6:30 AM - Matthews Hall
Word and Communion
8:15AM - Church
Grief Group
5:00 PM - Matthews Hall

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31
Word and Communion
8:15 AM - Church
Choir for Christ
5:50 - Church
FF Grade 6-12
No Classes

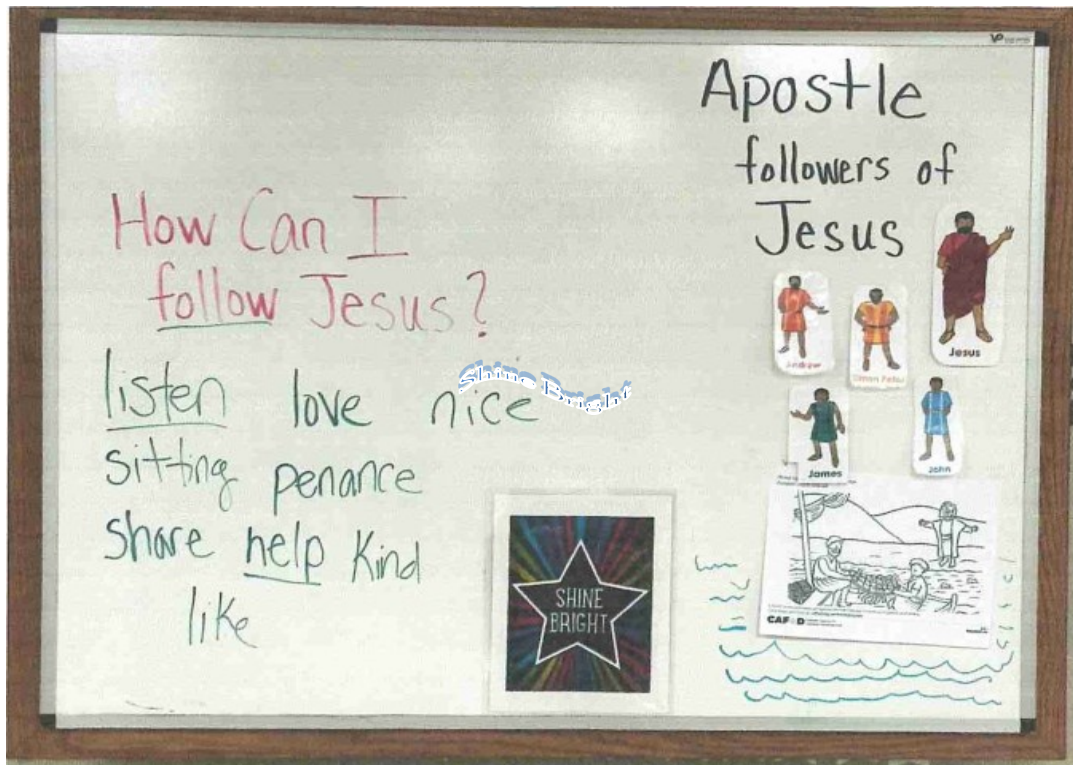
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1
Word and Communion Service
8:15 AM - Church
Simon Ministry
10:30- Matthews Hall
Catholic Inquiry
6:30 PM - Marian Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2
Al-Anon - ZOOM
Early Risers AA
6:30 AM - Matthews Hall
Word and Communion
8:15 AM - Church

SATURDAY, February 3
Confessions
4:30 PM - Confession Room
MASS
5:15 PM - Church
Blessing of Throats after Mass

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3
MASS
8:00 AM - Church
Blessing of Throats after Mass
FF Grades 1-5
9:00 AM—Classroom/Mt Rm
MASS
10:00 AM - Church
Blessing of Throats after Mass
CLW—Shine Bright
10:10AM—Matthews Hall
OA
3:00 PM—JP II Room

A message from the children of SJB's Children's Liturgy of the Word



Shine Bright!

Faith FORMATION

Second Grade
please save the following dates...

Wednesday, March 13 @ **5:30-7:30 PM**
First Communion Centers (more details coming)

Wednesday, April 3 @ **5:30-7:30PM**
First Communion Practice (more details coming)

April 6 & 7 First Communion Weekend
(more details coming)

Children's Liturgy of the Word

This past week we learned what an apostle was. We talked about what we can do to follow Jesus and we went fishing. Miss Michele is working on teaching how to do the sign of peace. If your child is in mass during that time please encourage them to offer it to family members or people around them. Miss Michele and crew would like everyone to have a great week.

Shine Bright Everyone!

NEXT
EXPLORE WHAT GOD HAS NEXT FOR YOU
For Post-Confirmation High School Students

Bishop Robert Barron
Keynote Speaker

What will life be like after High School?
What do I want for my life?
What is God's will for my life?

Feb. 24, 2024 from 9am - 5pm
@ St. Thomas More Newman Center, Mankato
Cost: \$10 per person

Featuring:
-Keynote and Mass with Bishop Barron
-College Student/Young Adult Leaders
-Food, Afternoon Activities, Music, & Prayer

LAUNCHING
2.24.24

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Saint Mary's
University
of MINNESOTA



St. Thomas More
Catholic Newman Center
1502 Warren Street
Mankato, MN 56001

Grades 6-12

January 31^s
All classes cancelled

February 7th
Small Groups - 7:00-8:00 PM
6th-8th grade meet in
Matthews Hall

February 7th - Ash Wednesday
7:00 PM - Service with Ashes
All students attend