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Catholic Church

APRIL 28, 2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME!

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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



*You are the
Light of the World*



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains
in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without
me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

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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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The renewal of the earth and plants in springtime is a wonderful experience. We watch the growth and change right before our eyes. Often times the plants need lots of attention - watering, weeding, trimming, etc. The parable of the vine and branches uses this earthly experience to reflect on our own lives. How do we maintain our connection to the vine of God's presence? May these spring days, which are traditionally about cleaning and pruning reach into our spiritual well-being.

Peace,

Fr. John

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 29 ACTS 14:5-18 JN 14:21-26

8:15 am Word and Communion Service

TUESDAY, APRIL 30 ACTS 14:19-28; JN 14:27-31A

8:15 am Word and Communion

WEDNESDAY MAY 1 ACTS 15:1-6; JN 15:1-8

8:15 am Mass Carol Armstrong †, Barbara Fink †, Jack Koch †

THURSDAY, MAY 2 ACTS 15:7-21; JN 15:9-11

8:15 am Word and Communion

FRIDAY, MAY 3 1 COR 15:1-8; JN 14:6-14

8:15 am Mass Carol Armstrong †,
Harold John Drummer Sr †

SATURDAY, MAY 4 ACTS 16:1-10; JN 15:18-21

5:15 Mass Gretchen Adams †, Richard Makela †,
John Murphy †,
Barbara and Teresa Brielmaier †

SUNDAY, MAY 5 ACTS 10:25-25, 34-35, 44-48; JN 4:7-10;
JN 15:9-17

8:00 am Mass Patricia Norris†, James Brozik †,
Bill Simonette †

10:00 am Mass Mildred Jewison † and David Jewison †,
Cheryl Regant †



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Anne Steffen
In memory of
Margo Kirby*

Financial Report



APRIL 12 - APRIL 17, 2024	
Adult Support	\$ 8,302.00
Offertory	\$ 885.75
Donations via website 04/13-04/17/24	\$ 1,476.23
Holiday (Easter)	\$ 130.00
ACH (5 th and 20 th) April 8, 2024	\$
Weekly Total	\$ 10,793.98
Weekly Offering goal is: \$18,163.73	
Year-to-date income as of 04/05/2024	\$ 892,253.51



Children's
Weekly Stewardship
\$113.00
April 13-14, 2024

Money Counters

April 29 - Team 3
May 6 - Team 1
May 13 - Team 2

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 appreciated!

ST. JOHN'S AND COMMUNITY NEWS



Welcome to our family
Kai Emanuele Alexander
Parents:
Byron and Michaela Alexander



Welcome to our family
Mack Murphy Michalski
Parents:
Mark and Meghan Michalski

Welcome

New members of our parish community
Martin and Lisa Phillips
Karina Guerrero and John Alvarado

"Come and See"

School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND) Associate Program

All of us are invited to find ways to spread the Gospel by our very lives. The Associate Program describes ways individuals/groups can do that in their daily lives. Come Thursday, May 2nd, at 7:00 pm to Matthew's Hall at St. John the Baptist Church to learn more about the SSND program and see if it fits you. Join others in sharing the good news in your life! We all can make a difference!



DIVE INTO FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD

Are you looking for some fun this summer? Do you enjoy storytelling, science experiments and hanging out with children? Well, we have an opportunity for you! Please come and help us with our Vacation Bible School from June 10-14. We will be meeting from 8:30-11:30 am at the Holy Rosary Education Center.

We are looking for adults, high school and middle school volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Jeanne Fitterer at jeannef@stjohnsmankato.net or text 507/995-7416. We have a job for you that will be fun and rewarding. We cannot wait to meet you and work with you this summer.

Pregnancy Loss Evening of Remembrance



All who have been affected by pregnancy loss are invited to attend the ecumenical Evening of Remembrance at the Wings of Hope memorial site in Calvary Cemetery on Thursday, May 9, at 6:00pm.

Please see wingsofhopemankato.com for details.



Saturday Night Fellowship

Following 5:15 Mass
May 11th MC's Garage
May 25th Hooligan's

We will meet the second and fourth Saturday's of each month.
Contact Mary at 507/327-3259 with questions.

SACRAMENTS



*Catholic Charities Annual Appeal
Mother's Day Weekend
May 11th and 12th, 2024*

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.



For over 75 years, we have been the social services arm of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester, answering God's call to serve others. We offer programs that help build families through adoption, and shelters that welcome the people of our communities that struggle with homelessness, but we are so much more! We invite you to learn more about us at www.ccsomn.org. Please help us put our faith into action and consider supporting our mission on **May 11th and May 12th** for the **Catholic Charities Annual Appeal - Mother's Day Weekend**. Your

support makes all the difference in our local communities!

*All donations stay in our diocese.



TODAY'S READINGS

**5th Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024**

First Reading:

Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him. (Acts 9:27)

Psalm:

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. (1 Jn 3:23)

Gospel:

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." (Jn 15:5)

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DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISION 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

Attention All Volunteers:

As more volunteers are coming back to the parish and also new volunteers are coming forward, we wanted to take this time to remind all volunteers at St. John's that a Background Check and an Awareness Session from Virtus, needs to be done online through www.virtusonline.org, every 5 years.

Our Diocesan Child Sexual Abuse Policy requires all volunteers, in any capacity representing St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, to be VIRTUS trained. The *VIRTUS* Protecting God's Children awareness program is an online session for all adults (18 years or older). "Protecting God's Children" Program helps create a culture of safety. We invite people to this training - to learn more about how they can be protectors of children and the vulnerable. You will better understand how this training fits into the overall culture of safety within our parish. We are grateful for all the volunteers that contribute to our culture of safety in our community. To register for an online session or in person training session, please go to: www.virtusonline.org click on "First Time Registrant" and remember the organization you are registering in is the Diocese of Winona. If you need assistance registering or have questions, contact Susan at the church office at 507-625-3131.

The Diocese of Winona 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.dow.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@dow.org

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, APRIL 29
Word and Communion
8:15 AM - Church
Spirit Singers
5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Rm

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1
Mass
8:15 AM - Church
Choir for Christ
5:50 PM - Church
Faith Formation
7:00 PM - Small Groups
7:00 PM - 6th-8th - MH

THURSDAY, MAY 2
Word and Communion
8:15 AM - Church
Simon Ministry
10:30 AM - Matthews Hall
"Come and See"
SSND Associates Program
7:00 PM - Matthews Hall

FRIDAY, MAY 3
Early Risers AA
6:30 AM - Matthews Hall
Mass
8:15 AM - Church

SATURDAY, MAY 4
Confessions
4:30 - 5:00 PM Church
Mass
5:15 PM - Church

SUNDAY, MAY 5
MASS
8:00 AM - Church
MASS - May Crowning
10:00 AM - Church
OA Meeting
3:00 PM - JP II



Liturgical Corner

May 4 - 5:15 pm

Communion Ministers: Lynn Klingsporn, Jane Kohler, Glenda Landsteiner
Lector: Maggie Bennett
Sacristan: John Fell
Servers: Matthew Soupir, Thomas Soupir
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 3

May 5 - 8:00 am

Communion Ministers: Massaad Chahine, Mary Westby, Betty Widmer Blace
Lector: Jan Hughes
Sacristan: Mike Denn
Servers: Luke Blace, Eli Mueller
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 7

May 5 - 10:00 am

Communion Ministers: Jessica Keech, Chris Meehan, Nick Meyer
Lector: Mike Coughlan
Sacristan: Sarah Nelson
Servers: Francis Bierer, Brock MeKeel
Ushers/Hospitality: Team 11



We're in search of a few additional golf teams to finalize the registrations for the Crusader Golf Classic. Join us for a day filled with golf, camaraderie, and enjoyable competitions at Loyola's annual event, the Crusader Golf Classic, happening at the Mankato Golf Club on May 13th. All Loyola parents, alumni, and members of the

Mankato community are invited to take part. Reserve your foursome's spot now at <https://www.crusadergolfclassic.com>.

Loyola is seeking candidates for the following roles for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year:

Part-time High School Theology Teacher

Full-time K-8 STEM and 6th Grade Science Teacher

Those interested should send their resume, cover letter, and three references to:

employment@loyolacatholicschool.org.

Would you like to make a difference in a young man's life? Meet Eduardo from Spain! Eduardo has been accepted for enrollment at Loyola for next school year and is in need of a host family. He will be in 11th grade and likes gymnastics, skiing and basketball. His favorite classes are biology and chemistry. There is a \$300 monthly host family stipend that would accompany Eduardo to help offset any expenses. If you would like more information on Eduardo or other potential exchange students, please contact International Experience local coordinator Scott Morgan at 507-382-2824. (All exchange students cover their own tuition at Loyola).



Sunday, May 5 - May Crowning - 10:00 mass with second grade students
Sunday, May 12 - Closing Mass at 10:00 - All Faith Formation Students

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Children's Liturgy of the Word
2024-25

REGISTER HERE:
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/CRGFNHKRJBFAWXFG7](https://forms.gle/CRGFNHKRJBFAWXFG7)

MEETS SUNDAY DURING THE 10AM MASS.

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION OPENS ON **APRIL 30TH!**

No registration fee!

Children ages 4 - kindergarten

CONTACT JEANNE FITTERER WITH QUESTIONS
JEANNEF@STJOHNSMANKATO.NET

ST. JOHN'S Faith Formation REGISTRATION Opens Soon!

REGISTER EARLY FOR THE BEST PRICE!
APRIL 30TH!

TUITION FEE:
 EARLY REGISTRATION (APRIL 30 - JUNE 1) \$50
 REGULAR REGISTRATION (JUNE 2 - AUGUST 9) \$60
 LATE REGISTRATION (AUGUST 10 & AFTER) \$75

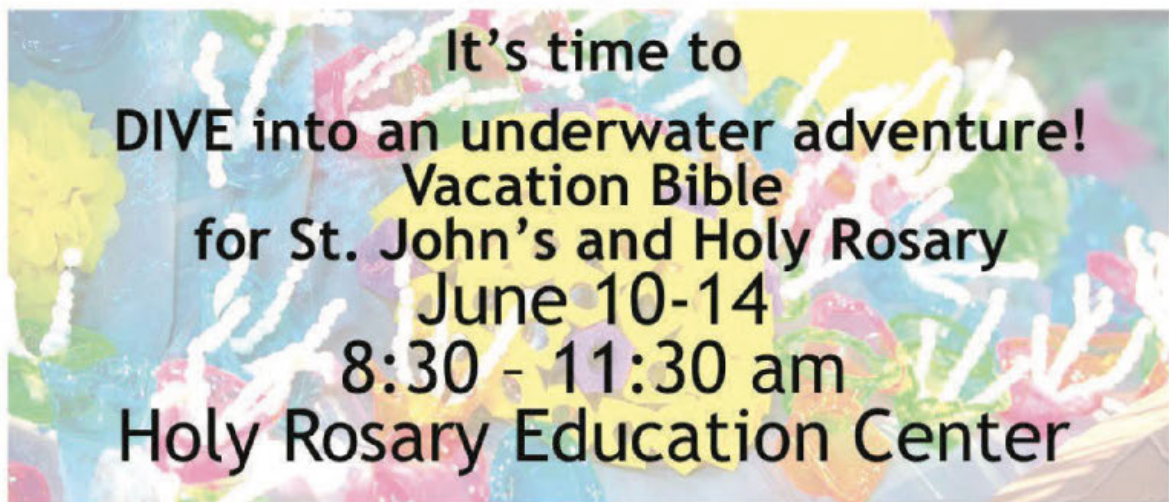
Opening Mass September 29th | 10AM
 Classes start in October



Dive into Friendship with God!

Our focus this summer is to plunge into a deeper friendship with God! We are excited to come together to play games, STEM activities, sing songs, eat snacks and pray with our friends.

Registration Forms will be available June 10-14.
Cost: \$20.00 per child.

A vibrant, colorful illustration of an underwater scene. It features various types of coral in shades of pink, purple, and yellow, along with several colorful fish swimming around. The background is a mix of light blue and green, suggesting sunlight filtering through the water.

**It's time to
DIVE into an underwater adventure!
Vacation Bible
for St. John's and Holy Rosary
June 10-14
8:30 - 11:30 am
Holy Rosary Education Center**

Any students from St. John's or Holy Rosary entering Kindergarten-5th grade are welcome to join the fun!

Registration forms are available at:
<https://tinyurl.com/msacah3c>
or by scanning the QR Code below.



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