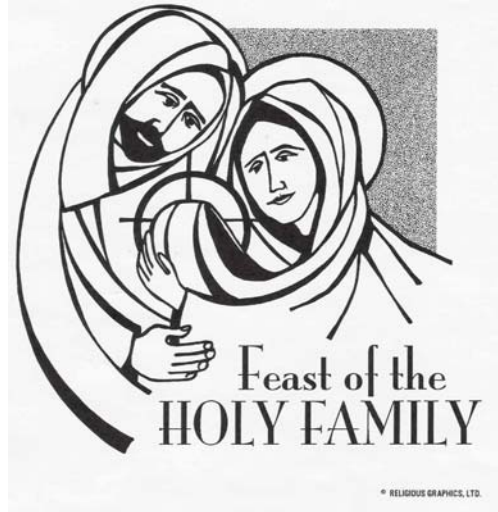


The Catholic Community of Saint John the Evangelist & Newman Center

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 30, 2007



WEEKEND EUCHARIST
At Saint John's Church
Saturday, 5:30 pm
Sunday, 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am, 7:30 pm



Almighty Father, you have sent your Spirit to build up the Church you established through your Son, Jesus Christ. Formed by your love, we form our children. Send Your Spirit upon us now, as we, your Church, begin the work of building *Saint John's Center for School and Religious Formation*. By your grace may our work bear fruit in the hearts and lives of our children and all of your people. Form us in our faith and in our work, all for the greater glory of your name. Amen.

St. John's Parish Mission Statement

St. John the Evangelist of Wahpeton, a Catholic community of faithful stewards, uniquely gifted, is committed to living fully a spiritual life. We accomplish this mission by:

- † Celebrating a sacramental life;
- † Being a hospitable, generous, faithful, and forgiving people;
- † Serving as a renewing community of life and love;
- † Supporting all people in their journey toward the Kingdom of God.

Parish Goal One

To have functioning, inspiring and welcoming religious grounds that will meet the present and future needs of the parish and community by developing and implementing a plan for addressing the education facility needs.

Parish Goal Two

To promote continual spiritual growth and fuller participation throughout the parish. We will obtain this goal by researching, developing and implementing a renewal process; developing effective methods for evangelization; developing effective methods for increasing participation by all; promoting enrollment in the parish school and by creating effective

St. John's

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642-3415

Mass Times & FAX
642-2601

Pastor

Rev. Dale Lagodinski
642-6982

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Luke Meyer

Deacons

Ignatz Zach, Retired
George Ethier, Retired
Gene Hoefs, Retired

Parish Offices

Betsy Sitz
Pat Keaveny
642-6982

Office Hours

8:00 am - Noon
1:00 - 5:00 pm

Saint John's School

Renee Langenwalter,
Principal
Renee Walter, Secretary
642-6116

Parish Life Coordinator

Michelle Fehr
Office: 642-6982
Home: 642-3461

CYO Coordinator

Kathy Davis
Home: 642-3071

Youth Minister

Tammy Goerger
Office: 642-6982

St. John's Day Care

Cary Forrester, Director
642-4922

Parish Lay Officers

Rick Kielb 642-5915
Carol Crissler 642-4288

Pastoral Council

Tammy Goerger 439-2875
Dale Thiel 642-2748
Mike Jacklitch 642-1666
Randy Pope 642-4547
Darryl Jilek 642-6383
Rhonda Antrim 642-8061
Neil Hipp 643-1750
Rod Koch 274-8282

Baptism:

Baptism Renewal/Preparation is required with each new baby. Next class will be in January. Contact the Parish Office at 642-6982.

Confirmation /

First Eucharist:

May 9, 2008

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

For the un-baptized and those seeking full communion with the Catholic Church. For information, contact the Parish Office at 642-6982.

Reconciliation:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. at St. John's, or by appointment. Call 642-6982.

Marriage:

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.
Please call the Parish Office at 642-6982.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Hospitalization or serious illness, please contact one of the priests for Sacrament of the Sick at 642-6982.

Pastoral Care:

If you are homebound or hospitalized, Eucharist will be brought to you.
Contact the Parish Office at 642-6982.

Registration:

If you are new to the Wahpeton Community, please register by contacting the Parish Office at 642-6982.

FUNERALS: To support our parish family in its grief, regular daily Mass, whenever possible will be transferred to the hour of the funeral. + + +

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S PARISH

SAT., Dec. 29th - *Fifth Day in Octave of Christmas*
 Saturday Scripture: 1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35
 Sunday Scripture: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14 / Col 3:12-21 / Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
 4:00 pm RECONCILIATION
 5:30 pm EUCHARIST+ deceased members of Clarence & Margaret Moore fam
 SUN, Dec. 30th - *Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*
 7:30 am EUCHARIST People of the Parish (Rosary at 7:00 am)
 9:00 am EUCHARIST + Robert Chezik
 11:00 am EUCHARIST + Rose Schudar
 7:30 pm EUCHARIST ++ Frank and Mary Karel

MONDAY, Dec. 31st - *Seventh Day in Octave of Christmas*

Scripture: 1 Jn 2:18-21 / Jn 1:1-18
 5:30 pm EUCHARIST Special Intention

(Vigil Mass)

TUESDAY, Jan. 1st - *Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God*

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Scripture: Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21
 7:30 am EUCHARIST People of the Parish
 9:00 am EUCHARIST + Al Barina
 11:00 am EUCHARIST Int: Roman and Delores Berg

Parish Office Closed

WED., Jan 2nd - *Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, bishops, doctors*

Scripture: 1 Jn 2:22-28 / Jn 1:19-28
 7:00 am MORNING PRAYER
 7:30 am EUCHARIST + Edwin Braun
 10:00 am EUCHARIST (Leach) Int: Patricia Prchal

THURS., Jan 3rd - *Christmas Weekday / Holy Name of Jesus*

Scripture: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 / Jn 1:29-34
 1:00 pm EUCHARIST + Richard Bobiney

FRIDAY, Jan. 4th - *Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious*


Scripture: 1 Jn 3:7-10 / Jn 3:7-10 / Jn 1:35-42
 7:00 am MORNING PRAYER
 7:30 am EUCHARIST + Lucille Robertson
 8:00 am - 4:00 pm ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT
 9:45 am EUCHARIST (SCLC) + Mary Formanek


SAT, Jan 5th - *John Neumann, bishop*

Saturday Scripture: 1 Jn 3:11-21 / Jn 1:43-51
 Sunday Scripture: Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12
 4:00 pm RECONCILIATION
 5:30 pm EUCHARIST + Frank Gregor Jr

SUN, Jan 6th - *Epiphany of the Lord*

7:30 am EUCHARIST + Chuck Dufault (Rosary at 7:00 am)
 9:00 am EUCHARIST People of the Parish
 11:00 am EUCHARIST + Laura Peterson
 3:30 pm BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. MEYER
 7:30 pm EUCHARIST + Clara Packowski

 Thank you to all who made donations for our beautiful Christmas decorations in honor and memory of loved ones. 

 **MUSIC NOTES** Regular Choir Practices will resume on January 2nd. Joyful Noise will practice at 4:45 and youth and adult choir at 6 pm. 11:00 am choir practices at 5:30 on Mondays and ½ hour before Mass.
New voices are always welcome!

Proclaimers, Servers and Eucharistic Ministers

Please pickup your new schedules.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES If you will not be here, PLEASE find a sub
MONDAY, December 31TH

5:30 pm Proclaimer: Theresa Thompson and John Wieser
Servers: Jill Wieser, Casey Puetz, Jordan Steffens
Euch Min: Marlene Straus, Mary Ann Wieand, Mark Zarak, Jeannie Schreiner, Jane Priebe, Linda Pajala

Greeters: Sharon Wateland, Kathy and Jerry Bodensteiner, Diane O'Meara
Ushers: T Resler, J & K Bodensteiner, D O'Meara, S Wateland, H Muehler

TUESDAY, January 1st

7:30 am Proclaimer: Vickie Kielb
Servers: Jacob Berg
Euch Min: Geraldine Ciesynski, George Ethier, Mary Helland, Rick and Vickie Kielb, Alex Roll

Greeters: volunteers needed
Ushers: volunteers needed
9:00 am Proclaimer: Ann Trebesch and Kristi Mahrer
Servers: Andrew Meyer
Euch Min: Deb Resler, Brent and Nancy Muehlberg, Aaron and Brenda Morman, Clarence McKinnon

Greeters: Karrie and Scott Muehler, Lonnie Halvorson, Elaine Wieser
Ushers: S Muehler, R Kielb, D Knutson, J Keaveny, L Ewalt, P Dimmer

11:00 am Proclaimer: Dale Thiel and Carol Osmundson
Servers: Brandon Erdahl and Taylor Heinz
Euch Min: Gary Abel, Doug and Mary Campbell, Maria Kaduc, Ann and Richie Smith

Greeters: volunteers needed
Ushers: volunteers needed

SATURDAY, January 5th

5:30 pm Proclaimer: Cathy Muehler and John Wieser
Servers: Brittany Skoog, Peyton Waldera, Abigail Weisz
Euch Min: Bill Sprung, Ann Brandenburger, John Wieser, Cathy Muehler, Linda Pajala, Mary Aldrich

Greeters: Pat Krebs, Lucille Holtz, Lynette and Darin Klein
Ushers: P Krebs, N Champion, D Klein, W Mayo, T Resler, H Muehler

SUNDAY, January 6th

7:30 am Proclaimer: Rick Kielb
Servers: Jacob Berg
Euch Min: Paul Dimmer, Renee Ehlert, Rick and Vicki Kielb, George Ethier, Alex Roll

Greeters: Donna and Cliff Hermes, Vickie and Rick Kielb
Ushers: Rick and Vicki Kielb, volunteers needed
9:00 am Proclaimer: Mark Zarak and Brian Olsen
Servers: Megan DeVillers, Sami Helland, Jacob Antrim

Euch. Min: Mary Helland, Penny Leinen, Clarence McKinnon, Denise Herding, Brenda and Aaron Morman
Greeters: Shannon and Wade King, Andrea and Jason Hornstein
Ushers: D Antrim, M Matejcek, J Halvorson, D Rubertus, P Mauch, S O'Leary

11:00 am Proclaimer: Dale Thiel and Matt Fehr
Servers: Taylor Birnbaum, Tim Breuer and Devon Jilek
Euch. Min: Laurie Straus, Marty and Connie Madsen, Aimee DeVries Jane Priebe, Maria Kaduc

Greeters: Diane O'Meara, Sherry Koch, Carol Crissler, Wendy Albertson
Ushers: D Thiel, M Madsen, D & D Calderson, W Albertson, D O'Meara

DEEPEST SYMPATHY is extended to **Tom Kubela and family and Earl and Darlene Ziegelman and family** on the death of their wife and daughter, Cheryl Kubela.

May she rest in Eternal Peace!

Bible Study with Fr. Meyer will resume next Sunday, January 6th at 3:30 pm

IN THE NEW YEAR....
 Add peace where there is none.
 Subtract violence when you see it.
 Multiply love when you can.
 Divide hate when you must.

PARISH SUPPORT - A TIME TO SHARE

Our Tithes to the Lord (Fiscal Year July 1-June 30)

"No one, in fact, is so poor that they have nothing to give." John Paul II

Amount Needed Weekly	\$ 10,040.96
Envelope "Our Return to the Lord"	\$ 14,011.50
207 Contributors	
Children / Youth	\$ 32.43
Building Fund	\$ 16,085.33
Christmas	\$ 8,765.50
Christmas Plate	\$ 2,073.61
Plate	\$ 645.91
Year-to-Date Collection thru 12-25	\$ 257,990.00
Budgeted Amount Needed thru 12-30	\$ 261,064.96

THANK GOD FOR YOU! Thank you for using your envelope every Sunday. It is a great witness and invitation to all around. No one needs to know WHAT we give, but Jesus does demand that we lead those around us by what we do...evangelize...invite others by our good example. When you place your envelope in the collection each week, you do just that. Thanks for being good leaders. A special thanks also to our neighbors who not only visit our pews from time to time, but also make a grateful donation as well. We appreciate your thoughtful generosity.

Thanks be to God for your stewardship to the ministry of Our Lord here at Saint John's

Please pray for the ill and for those who have asked for prayers.

Because it is difficult to hear correctly so many names during the Prayers of the Faithful it has been suggested that individual names be listed for prayer in our weekly bulletin. Please pray for: Brian Brummond, Lydia Zwilling, Bob Hanson, Melissa Nordick, Eileen Willprecht, James Braun, Connor Terfehr, Rose Bergman, Amy Ostrom-Ahlfs, Linda Johnson, Evelyn Fink, Wayne Winter, Mary Busta, Kathryn Glennan, Donna Tischer, James Parow, Lois Hoefs, Audrey Peplinski, Elizabeth Waclaw, Earl Baldner, Cordillia Bircham, JoEllen Puetz, John Deissler, London Nordick, Deborah Landphere, Hayden Asche, Mary Ann Siemieniowski, Marleen Kayeska, Richard Bladow, Dawson Wienbar, Maxine Schmit, Colleen Reinbold, Rod Styger, Marian Zach, Corrine Gira, Ron Schmit and Virginia Krause, Praying for our sick is a Corporal Work of Mercy for us all. Please notify our office if a name needs to be listed in our bulletin and please also let us know when a name can be removed. Thank you!

YOUTH & EDUCATION NEWS

Upcoming Dates:

Jan. 2nd - Religious Education classes resume!

Jan. 6th - Trip to St. Francis Home to visit with the residents and to give the women manicures!

Jan. 24th - Trip to Arrowwood Resort by Alexandria, MN. Arrowwood has a great water park. This is open to all 6-12 graders and their families. Cost is \$10 a person which includes entrance to the water park and \$3 to help pay for gas. Please contact Tammy by January 21st if you plan to attend. The water park is open from 4-9 pm and there is no school on the 25th.

Jan 30th - Tim Moser will be a guest speaker sponsored by Make a Sound Choice. He will be speaking at St. Mary's Church about making healthy choices. All of our students' grades 6-12 will be attending as part of their religious education class that night. Parents are also encouraged to attend. Watch the bulletin for more details in the near future.



REMINDER...ADDRESS CHANGE, ETC. If you are moving away or are new to the parish, have an address change or change in family status (birth, death, marriage, divorce) please contact the parish office so we can update membership records. Anyone over 18 should register as an adult. We also need to know if you are no longer a member of our parish.

**Check out our parish website.. www.stjohns-wahpeton.org.
Updated weekly!!!**

Epiphany - In Advent we heard the hymn that proclaimed, "Stay awake, get ready. The Lord is coming soon!" We must be as alert as possible to those occasions when we can be surprised by epiphany moments. A child's question, a teenager's dilemma, a quiet moment of prayer can all lead to a deeper awareness of God's presence. Epiphanies seem to come when we are ready to see with new eyes. We are encouraged to slow down and see Jesus Christ in those for whom we care, to listen for the ancient sounds that call us to prayer and to keep looking as the wise men did. God is among us.

Think about the Catholic young adults you know. Maybe you have a son or daughter. Maybe a niece or nephew. Maybe someone from church or youth group. **Would you consider inviting them to take a look at serving on a mission team for this summer? Could you ask them over the Christmas break?** The mission team is called the Young Disciples which is based in Fargo. The teams serve rural communities and reservations in predominantly North Dakota and Minnesota. We need team members for our mission work this summer, commitment is for 10 weeks, beginning May 15th through July 29th. For more information check out the website www.fargodiocese.org/youngdisciples.

Thank you for the excellent efforts that you have shown in support of the **2007 God's Gift Appeal**. The pledges that were received will help support 44 ministries that assist our brothers and sisters throughout Eastern North Dakota. Our Deanery Reception for the **2008 God's Gifts Appeal** will be held January 10th at 7 pm in Lisbon. All Catholic Faithful are invited to attend a **'Town Hall Meeting'** with Bishop Aquila.

North Dakota Income Tax Credit available - Act before 12-31-07. If you or someone you know is looking to enhance the work of the Church, receive a lifetime income stream, and receive a Federal **Charitable Income Tax** deduction and a **ND income tax credit** please contact Paul Leier, Director of Stewardship and Development at 701-356-7926 or our parish office. By simply returning a portion of your blessings, the works in Christ's vineyard can flourish. Details and transactions must be finalized by December 31st to qualify for the tax credit in 2007.

Workshop for all Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (EME). Please plan on attending the workshop on Thursday, January 17th. 6:30 for EME's and 7:30 for Lectors. Please call the parish office if you are unable to attend on that date.

THANKS BE TO GOD FOR YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!

We priests are very, very grateful for your greetings, cards and gifts which we are honored to receive during this Holy Season of Christmas. Being remembered by you, our parishioners, means so much and is very humbling. We pray that we may be able to serve well your spiritual needs not only during this sacred time but throughout the year. Please pray for us that we may remain faithful and good priests. May you and those you love find in your lives the joy and the peace which only Christ can give.

Fr. Luke Meyer, Fr. Dale Lagodinski

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!