

The Catholic Community of Saint John the Evangelist & Newman Center

St. John's

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First Sunday of Lent



Artist - Isaac Wohlers - Kindergarten

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.

February 10, 2008

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

Baptism:

Baptism Renewal/Preparation is required with each new baby. Next class will be in March. 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

Saturday, February 9th - *Lenten Weekday*

Saturday Scripture: Is 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32

Sunday Scripture: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 / Rom 5:12-19 / Mt 4:1-11

4:00 pm RECONCILIATION

5:30 pm EUCHARIST Int: Joseph and Darcy Keller

Sunday, February 10th - *First Sunday of Lent*

Catholic Daughters serving egg bake & muffins after 7:30 & 9:00 am Masses

7:30 am EUCHARIST Int: Christian Mothers (Rosary at 7:00 am)

9:00 am EUCHARIST People of the Parish

11:00 am EUCHARIST + Rose Schudar

3:30 pm BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. MEYER East Room

7:30 pm EUCHARIST + Dick Haskell

Monday, February 11th - *Lenten Weekday (Our Lady of Lourdes)*

Scripture: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 / Mt 25:31-46

7:00 am MORNING PRAYER

7:30 am EUCHARIST + Lillian Brunkhorst

7:00 pm RCIA East Room

Tuesday, February 12th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15

5:30 pm EUCHARIST Int: Kelly and Sherry Bisek

6:00 pm SOUP SUPPER and Spiritual Talk Mehok Center

7:30 pm APOSTOLIC WORKS Mehok Center

8:00 pm KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS East Room

Wednesday, February 13th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32

7:00 am MORNING PRAYER

7:30 am EUCHARIST ++ Frank and Mary Karel

10:00 am EUCHARIST (Leach) + Ray Peschel

12:00 noon BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS East Room

Thursday, February 14th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Est C:12,14-16, 23-25 / Mt 7:7-12

1:00 pm EUCHARIST + Margaret Leinen

5:00 pm FINANCE COMMITTEE Mehok Center

6:15 pm CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE East Room

7:00 pm MARDI GRAS COMMITTEE Mehok Center

Friday, February 15th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26

7:00 am MORNING PRAYER

7:30 am EUCHARIST Int: Valeria King

8:00 - 9:00 am ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

9:45 am EUCHARIST (SCLC) + Frank Gregor Jr

2:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5:00 - 8:00 pm FISH FRY Mehok Center

Saturday, February 16th - *Lenten Weekday*

Saturday Scripture: Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48

Sunday Scripture: Gn 12:1-4a / 2 Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9

4:00 pm RECONCILIATION

5:30 pm EUCHARIST + Geraldine Morris

Sunday, February 17th - *Second Sunday of Lent*

KC Breakfast served after morning Masses

7:30 am EUCHARIST + Donald Ahlers (Rosary at 7:00 am)

9:00 am EUCHARIST + Phyllis Schmit

11:00 am EUCHARIST People of the Parish

3:30 pm BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. MEYER East Room

7:30 pm EUCHARIST

**Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers,
please pick up your new schedule.**

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES If you will not be here, PLEASE find a sub

SATURDAY, February 16th

5:30 pm Proclaimer: Mark Zarak and Theresa Thompson

Servers: Joey Dahlgren and Peyton Waldera

Euch Min: Debbi Berg, Ann Brandenburger, Brett Graves, John Wieser, Tim Weisz, Mary Ann Weian

Greeters: Irv and Kaye Leinen, Karen Rice, Joanie Ward

Ushers: N Champion, H Muehler, T Resler, W Sprung, G Waldera, D Grosz

SUNDAY, February 17th

7:30 am Proclaimer: Marian Braun

Servers: Leslie Hibl

Euch Min: Daryl and Phyllis Knutson, Richard and Audrey Kurowski, Paul Dimmer, George Ethier

Greeters: Karrie and Scott Muehler, Elaine Wieser, Karen Pausch

Ushers: S & K Muehler, A Roll, R Kielb, P Dimmer, J Keaveny

9:00 am Proclaimer: Joan Brunkhorst and Youth

Servers: Megan DeVillers, Caleigh and Erika Differding

Euch. Min: Jack Anderson, Connie brandt, Mary Helland, Joan Pope, Deb Resler, Brian Olsen

Greeters: Carol Colby, Linda and Ben Fink, Mary Grant

Ushers: D Allmendinger, B & L Fink, K King, J Suda, D Rubertus

11:00 am Proclaimer: Liz Toussaint and Youth

Servers: Connor and Shelby Tschakert, Heather Glines

Euch. Min: Richard and Ann Smith, Renee Walter, Doug Campbell, Jane Priebe, Carol Osmundson

Greeters: Louise Erickson, Linda Thoennes, Paul Gratton, Mary Jane Reiff

Ushers: G Braun, H Formanek, D Buck, M Braun, N Bran, D Cook

Bishop Aquila will be celebrating a solemn Mass in honor of **Our Lady of Lourdes** at the Cathedral of St. Mary on Monday, February 11th at 7:00 pm. Confessions will be available at 6:00 pm and a rosary will start at 6:30 pm. Immediately following the Mass, the Bishop will lead us in a public praying of the special plenary indulgence. All are invited to join the Bishop at the Cathedral that evening.

As you have probably noticed our microphones used by our priests need to be replaced. Each microphone will cost approximately \$1000 and 2 are needed. If you can help with the cost please drop your donation in the collection basket or in the parish office. Thank you.

Deepest Sympathy is extended to **Vonnie and Lonnie Halverson and family** on the death of Vonnie's brother, **Peter Kaczynski**.

Deepest Sympathy is extended to **Linda and Ben Fink and family** on the death of Linda's father, **Forrest (Bud) Little**.

May they rest in Eternal Peace!

Thank you to Don and Deb Resler for providing a wonderful meal for Mardi Gras. Thank you to the Mardi gras Committee, all the many volunteers who helped decorate, work and Mardi Gras and helped clean up. Mardi Gras was a great success due to everyone's participation. Return unwanted baskets to the parish office.



Father I have a question? Have you ever had questions about your faith, but felt uncomfortable asking? We are encouraging you to ask those questions. Write them down, drop them in the box in the gathering space and we'll try to answer them in our weekly bulletin.

MUSIC NOTES. Regular practices this week, Joyful Noise 4:45 - 5:15 pm and youth and adult choir practice at 6 pm on Wednesdays.. The 11 o'clock choir practices Mondays at 5:30 and ½ hour before Mass. All are welcome!!

Fr. Meyer will be taking a winter respite this week to the Gunflint Trail in the Boundary Waters of Northern Minnesota. Please keep him in your prayers.

Advertisers of the Week: St John's/Newman Center thanks **McDonald's** for their support of our weekly bulletin.

Apostolic Works - Tuesday, 7:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

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"	\$ 7,905.77
242 Contributors	
Ash Wednesday	\$ 1,310.50
Ash Wednesday Plate	\$ 491.10
Children / Youth	\$ 12.75
Building Fund	\$ 5,416.00
Plate	\$ 535.81
Year-to-Date Collection thru 2-3	\$ 327,940.72
Budgeted Amount Needed thru 2-10	\$ 321,310.92

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, Emily Branly, James Braun, Connor Terfehr, Rose Bergman, Amy Ostrom-Ahlfs, Linda Johnson, Evelyn Fink, Mary Busta, Kathryn Glennan, Donna Tischer, James Parow, Lois Hoefs, Audrey Peplinski, Elizabeth Waclaw, Earl Baldner, Cordillia Birchem, JoEllen Puetz, John Deissler, London Nordick, Deborah Landphere, Hayden Asche, Mary Ann Siemieniewski, Marleen Kayeska, Richard Bladow, Dawson Wienbar, Maxine Schmit, Colleen Reinbold, Rod Styger, Bernard Anderson, Marian Zach, Lynn Bisch, Virgil Woytassek and Corrine Gira. 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!

All you can eat Pancake and Sausage Breakfast: Sunday, February 10th, 8 am to 1 pm at St. Mary's School Gym. Sponsored by Human Life Alliance, Richland-Wilkin Pro-Life.

Pancake and Sausage Feed: United Church of Christ, Wahpeton. Feb 16th - 7:00 am to 1:30 pm. Adults - \$5, \$3 under 12.

Walleye Fish Fry - (pan fried) St. Gall's Parish, Tintah, Minnesota - Friday, February 22nd serving from 4:30 - 8:00 pm at St. Galls, Tintah.

Nuggets of Truth

Notable quotations from Pope Benedict XVI

"AN ATTACK ON PEACE" As far as the right to life is concerned, we must denounce its widespread violation in our society: alongside the victims of armed conflicts, terrorism and the different forms of violence, there are the silent deaths caused by hunger, abortion, experimentation on human embryos and euthanasia. How can we fail to see in all this an attack on peace?

Missionary Trip: Dr. Geiselhart, from Wahpeton, will be traveling to Guam on March 1st and he will be taking supplies with him for the children of Guam. If you'd like to donate new or gently used infant/children's clothing or new backpacks for the children, please bring them to Michelle and Tammy's office by Tuesday, February 26th.

Youth & Education News

Students are needed to help with Bingo at the Fish dinners on Friday nights during Lent. Please call Tammy if you can help.

Upcoming Dates:

February 10th - Youth are asked to help at the Group Home with their Party. Students are asked to come to the Mehok Center at 2:00 pm to help with Bingo and the party. Small prizes will be given so if you'd like to donate anything such as lotion, boxes of Kleenex, etc., that would be appreciated.

February 13th - Regular Class - Senior Class will meet at Fr. Dale's house.

Catholic Heart Work Camp will be July 20-26 in Champaign, Illinois. This is a trip that is a combination of Steubenville and Pay it Forward. It is open to youth grades 9-12 and if you are interested in attending, please let Tammy know. Summer school will have been completed at this time and we are hoping to get a big group of students to attend Catholic Heart work camp!!

There will be a ski trip to **Andes Tower Hills** on February 15th for students in grades 6-12. We will be leaving from the church at 11 am and will be returning at approximately 8:30 pm. Cost is \$25 which includes the lift ticket as well as ski rental and gas. In order to make travel arrangements, you must let Tammy know by **February 10th**. Release forms can be downloaded from the church website under youth, or they are available at the church. If any adults would like to go along to help chaperone, your help would be greatly appreciated

Free Tax Help! for tax taxpayers with low and middle-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older. There will be help available to answer questions, prepare tax form and e-file at: Senior Citizens Center of Wahpeton, 520 3rd Ave. S, Wahpeton, ND.. From 9:00 am to 3:00 pm each Tuesday from February 5th to April 15th. Call 642-746 for an appointment.



This weekend is the God's Gift Appeal **Education Weekend**. Members of our parish will share their thoughts regarding the Bishop's annual God's Gift Appeal and why, over the years, they have chosen to generously participate in His call "to be one in Jesus and the Father." It's important as a Christian steward to accept responsibility and accountability for the gifts He has given us; and to return to Him the 'first fruits' of His generosity to us in thanksgiving and gratitude.

Mark Your Calendars: Hankinson Chapter Right to Life in Hankinson, ND, will be hosting the *Donum Vitae* (Gift of Life) Conference featuring respected bio-ethicist Wesley J. Smith, Sunday, March 2nd at 1:30 pm at St. Francis Convent Gym. General admission is free; free will offerings will be greatly appreciated.. For information or to register, call Sister Sara Marie at 701-242-7196, or email dvc2008@rrt.net.



All are welcome to come to the Lenten missions beginning this Tuesday. Mass at 5:30 pm, Free Will soup supper by Nancy Muehlberg, 6:45 Presentation. This week Fr. Dale will lead the presentation as Fr. Meyer is on retreat. Please join us for all or part of the Tuesday evenings.

Helping others - We are invited to bring food, paper products, or personal hygiene items such as bar or laundry soap, shampoo for our local food pantry. About 80 families are helped each month at our local Food Pantry. Additionally some local families are in need of towels. Finally a local group of children would receive a real boost if some Valentine candies could be brought to the parish office for them.

There will be an **adoption training class** on February 19th, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at the Americinn in Wahpeton. The training is free and open to anyone that is interested in helping raise awareness about adoption as an option for our young mothers. Please register online at www.infantadoptiontraining.org. Call Tammy with any questions.