

The Catholic Community of Saint John the Evangelist & Newman Center

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Fourth Sunday of Lent



Artist - Tyler Wohler - Grade 4

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.

If you need information on Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Marriage, Sacrament of the Sick, Pastoral Care, information on the Catholic Faith (RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) or would like to register, please contact the Parish Office at 642-6982.

Office hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - Noon and 1:00 - 5:00 pm

If you would like to donate money towards **EASTER DECORATIONS** in "Honor of" or in "Memory of" someone, please fill out the information below and return it with your donation to the Parish office or in the collection basket by **Monday, March 17th**.



PLEASE PRINT

IN HONOR OF _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

GIVEN BY _____

March 2, 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

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, March 1st - *Lenten Weekday*

Saturday Scripture: Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14

Sunday Scripture: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Eph 5:8-14 / Jn 9:1-41

4:00 pm RECONCILIATION

5:30 pm EUCHARIST People of the Parish

Sunday, March 2nd - *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

Catholic Daughters serving coffee and rolls after 7:30 & 9:00 am Masses

7:30 am EUCHARIST + Peter Miesen (Rosary at 7:00 am)

9:00 am EUCHARIST + Joe Kreller

11:00 am EUCHARIST Int: Bradley and Deborah Kubela

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

7:30 pm EUCHARIST + Irene Lawrence

Monday, March 3rd - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Is 65:17-21 / Jn 4:43-54

7:00 am MORNING PRAYER

7:30 am EUCHARIST + Al Barina

7:00 pm CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS Mehok Center

7:00 pm RCIA East Room

Tuesday, March 4th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Ez 47:1-9,12 / Jn 5:1-16

5:30 pm EUCHARIST ++ Frank and Mary Karel

6:00 pm SOUP SUPPER and Spiritual Talk Mehok Center

Wednesday, March 5th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Is 49:8-15 / Jn 5:17-30

7:00 am MORNING PRAYER

7:30 am EUCHARIST + Mary Formanek

10:00 am EUCHARIST (Leach) Int: JoAnn Hinsverk

Thursday, March 6th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Ex 32:7-14 / Jn 5:31-47

1:00 pm EUCHARIST + Jeanne Morken

Friday, March 7th - *Lenten Weekday*

Scripture: Wis 2: 1a, 12-22 / Jn 7:1-2, 10,25-30

7:00 am MORNING PRAYER

7:30 am EUCHARIST + Cheryl Kubela

8:00 am - 2:30 pm ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

9:45 am EUCHARIST (SCLC) +Mildred Hilgers

2:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

7:30 pm WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - United Church of Christ

Saturday, March 8th - *Lenten Weekday*

Anointing of the Sick

Saturday Scripture: Jer 11:18-2 / Jn 7:40-53

Sunday Scripture: Ez 37:12-14 / Rom 8:8-11 / Jn 11:1-45

4:00 pm RECONCILIATION

5:30 pm EUCHARIST + Frank Gregor Jr

Sunday, March 9th - *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

Knights of Columbus serving breakfast after morning Masses

Proceeds to Home on the Range

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

9:00 am EUCHARIST People of the Parish

11:00 am EUCHARIST Int: Virgil Woytassek

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

7:30 pm EUCHARIST + Walter Potocki

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

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES If you will not be here, PLEASE find a sub
SATURDAY, March 8th

5:30 pm Proclaimer: Theresa Thompson and Cathy Muehler

Servers: Jenae Wieser, Brittany Skoog, Frances Mangalaw

Euch Min: Tim Weisz, Brett Graves, Mary Ann Weiland, Ann Brandenburger, Harlan and Cathy Muehler

Greeters: Joanie Ward, Sharon Wateland, Pat Krebs, Karen Rice

Ushers: T Resler, H Muehler, P Krebs, D Grosz, N Champion, G Waldera

SUNDAY, March 9th

7:30 am Proclaimer: Rick Kielb

Servers: Leslie Hibl

Euch Min: Paul Dimmer, George Ethier, Daryl and Phyllis Knutson, Vickie and Rick Kielb

Greeters: Sherri and Tiffany Thomas, Travis Thomas, Marty Schmidt

Ushers: L & D Ewalt, M Schmidt, S & B Diederick, D Langenwalter

9:00 am Proclaimer: Ann Trebesch and Youth

Servers: Faith Horn Jacob Antrim and Erika Differding

Euch. Min: Jody Schuler, Larry Brunkhorst, Kim Althoff, Jack Anderson, Pat Stern, Marlene Straus

Greeters: Kathy and Dave Langenwalter, Julene and Paul Griffin

Ushers: D Langenwalter, D Rubertus, D Resler, K King, G Davis, J Suda

11:00am Proclaimer: Jamie Keller and Youth

Servers: Catherine and Lucas Litchfield, Sarah Chase

Euch. Min: Betty Goroski, Mary and Mike Yaggie, Geraldine Ciesynski, Gary Abel, Laurie Straus

Greeters: Lorraine Tisdell, Linda Klindt, Mary Jane Reiff, Liz Toussaint

Ushers: D Thiel, B Straus, J Sturdevant, T Schneider, D Buck, G Abel

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. .

News from St. John's School

†Stations of the cross will be presented by 2nd grade at 2:30 Fri, March 7th at St. John's Church.

†Please turn in your Box Tops for Education to St. John's School as soon as possible so that they may be counted towards this year's goal.

†Jubilee Foods continues to sponsor St. John's School through the collection of receipts. ONLY receipts dated September 1, 2007 - March 31, 2008 are eligible. All eligible receipts must be turned in by April 1, 2008.

†Registration for the 2008-2009 school year has begun. St. John's School offers a great academic foundation for your children centered around God. All are welcome. For more information please call St. John's School at 642-6116.

The Catholic Order of Foresters are collecting new or slightly used towels during the Lenten Season. They will be donated to the poor. Please put them in the basket in the gathering space.

St. John's Childcare Center is accepting applications for a dedicated full-time Program Director to manage the overall operation of the St. John's Childcare Center. Interested applicants should send a letter of application, resume and credentials to Betsy Sitz, 115 2nd St. N, Wahpeton, ND, 58075. Applicants will be accepted through March 14.

SCRIP order forms are available on the desk in the gathering space.

Because of the high cost of processing credit card orders we have decided to discontinue accepting credit cards to purchase **SCRIP**. Thanks to all who remember **SCRIP** when doing shopping and gift giving.

MUSIC NOTES: Joyful Noise will practice at 4:45 on Wednesday,

March 5th. Youth and adult choir will practice on Monday,

March 3rd at 6:00 pm and Wednesday, March 5th at 6 pm to

prepare for Holy Week. All voices are welcome to come and

join us for Holy Week!. The 11 o'clock choir practices Mondays

at 5:30 and ½ hour before Mass. All are welcome!!



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"	\$ 6,732.50
227 Contributors	
Children / Youth	\$ 36.10
Building Fund	\$ 3,943.33
Plate	\$ 1,103.86
Year-to-Date Collection thru 2-24	\$ 349,198.22
Budgeted Amount Needed thru 3-2	\$ 351,433.80

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'

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, 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, Marian Zach, Lynn Bisch, Virgil Woytassek, Doretta Zach, Lone O'Hearn 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!

Palm Sunday Week Retreat: All Parishioners, visitors and friends of St. Mary and St. Thomas Catholic Parishes are invited to attend and participate at a Palm Sunday Week Retreat from Monday March 10th - Wed, March 12th at St. Mary's in Breckenridge. The Retreat will run from 7 - 9 pm on Monday, 6 - 7 pm Tuesday followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation and 7 - 9 pm on Wednesday.

St. Catherine's Living Center presents **A Little Taste of Italy ***COUNTRY STYLE***** featuring **"THE ROOSTERS"** Tuesday, March 11th at the Eagle's Club. Pasta Meal served from 5 - 8:30 pm and Dance from 7 - 11 pm. Everyone Welcome - Join the Fun!

As you can tell, this last week we received and installed the new microphones. **Thank you** to all that donated towards the purchase of the much needed microphones!

NUGGETS OF TRUTH

Notable quotations from Pope Benedict XVI

"DECISIVE IMPORTANCE" Respect for the right to life at every stage firmly establishes a principle of decisive importance: *life is a gift which is not completely at the disposal of the subject.*

Youth & Education News

Youth needed! Youth are needed to help serve the soup/sandwich dinner on Tuesday, March 4th from 5 - 6:30 pm. Please let Tammy know if you can help!

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

First Reconciliation - Please hold the 2nd grade students and their families in prayer this week. They will receive their First Reconciliation this Saturday.

Grade 2 Parents and students - Please remember we begin at **9:00 am Saturday, March 8th** for our retreat and celebration of **First Reconciliation. We will be finished shortly after Noon.**

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, March 4th, the youth will be serving a soup and sandwich supper from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. We will have a variety of soups and sandwiches and there will be a free will donation taken with proceeds going to a hunger fighting organization.

March 5th - Regular Class

March 11th - Grade 3 parent and student meeting for 1st Communion at 7 pm in the Church.

March 14th - High School Lock-in. More information to follow!!

March 5th and March 12th - High School Seniors will be meeting at the Middle School Library with Mr. McNary for Religious Ed.

Grades 6 - 9: We are planning a road trip to the Junior High Youth Rally in Oakes, Saturday April 4th. Registrations will be handed out Wednesday or can be found at www.fargodiocese.org. Sign up soon with Tammy or Michelle. Invite you friends! ☺

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!!

When do we start building?

As soon as we reach \$3M in cash and pledges we can move from digital pictures to actual plans and from there to the letting of bids. We are happy to announce that our number has surpassed **\$2.6M** and is moving up with great promise! Given the conservative nature of our parish commitment to build what we can afford and our history of eventual generous sacrifice which made our beautiful church possible, actual construction could begin this year. Meetings with the officials are scheduled to determine what must be done regarding the existing utility lines which are routed through our property. **We need to remember that at \$3M we will be constructing only the bare minimum, not including needed spaces such as a new kitchen, parish offices or a full sized gym.**

Something we should consider is the potential cost savings which could be ours if we are able to start soon, given the favorable construction climate which exists right now. **Now that we know construction is around the corner, our great hope and prayer is that those of us who have been holding off for fear that nothing would happen, may now come on board and others of us might reach beyond our initial gift.** We might also seize this once in a lifetime happening in a parish and consider what one wishful parishioner was overheard to say, "Do we dare hope for a full sized gym and parish offices?" *Thanks be to God for those who are considering commemorative gifts. Not only can you make this project fulfill such hopes, you also have the opportunity to create a permanent memorial.*

March 7th - World Day of Prayer will be held at the United Church of Christ in Wahpeton at 7:30 pm. All are welcome.

Deepest Sympathy is extended to **Stephanie Bladow and family** on the death of her husband, **Richard Bladow.**

May he rest in Eternal Peace!

Remember next Sunday DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS!