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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 27 & 28, 2024

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St. John the Baptist Holy Mass Schedule

Sat. Jan. 27	5pm Estevan; †Antoinette Styre
Sat. Jan. 27	7pm Torquay; †Art Gisi
Sun. Jan. 28	8am Bienfait; Special Intentions
Sun. Jan. 28	10am Estevan; Mass for the People
Wed. Jan. 31	11am Hospital; †Father Lucey
Thurs. Feb.1	9am Estevan; Word of God Liturgy with Communion
Sat. Feb. 3	12pm Estevan; Funeral Mass for Arlene Anderson
Sat. Feb. 3	5pm Estevan; †In Thanksgiving for Fr. Thuy
Sat. Feb. 3	7pm Torquay; †Father Lucey
Sun. Feb.3	8am Bienfait; Healing for Joanne Weisgerber
Sun. Jan. 28	10am Estevan; Mass for the People

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan. 29:** 1pm Make Music with Friends
- Jan. 29:** 7pm Baptism Prep
- Jan. 30:** 6:30pm Youth & Family Events Ministry Planning Meeting
- Jan. 31:** 9:15am CWL Executive Meeting
- Jan. 31:** 6:30pm Confirmation/ First Holy Eucharist Parents' Meeting
- Feb. 1:** 9am Coffee in the Hall
- Feb. 1:** 7pm SJB Choir Practice
- Feb. 3:** 7pm Vigil for Arlene Anderson at Hall's Chapel
- Feb. 5:** 1pm SJB Funeral Choir Practice
- Feb. 5:** 7pm Baptism Prep
- Feb. 6:** 2pm CWL Council Meeting

O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord. Do not harden your hearts!- Psalm 95

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Youth and Family Ministry



You are invited!

We are starting a Youth and Family Ministry this year that will host Youth and Family Events each month and we are looking for ministers to join this ministry. Do you feel called to support and work with the young people of our Parish Family? Do you have gifts you would like to share with our young people? We are having an initial meeting to put together a team on Tuesday, January 30 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Please join us as you pray and discern about joining this ministry!

Are you ready for Lent?



Experience the Spiritual Pilgrimage of a lifetime! This Lent, join Matthew Kelly for a historic journey through 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory – the first ever guide to Eucharistic Consecration. Join “Best Lent Ever” on the Dynamic Catholic website:

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/home>

Baptism Prep



Our next Baptism Prep sessions are on the following dates:

Monday, January 29 at 7pm – Class in the Meeting Room

Monday, February 5 at 7pm – Class in the Meeting Room

Monday, February 12 at 7pm – Class in the Meeting Room

Sunday, February 25 at 10am – Holy Mass followed by the Baptism Celebration

Please contact the Parish Office for more information and to register.



We pray for Father Thuy, may he have a safe, rejuvenating, and joyful holiday reuniting with friends and family.



We pray for Father Daris, Father Leonardo and Father Anthony Tran as they serve our Parish Family during Father Thuy's vacation, may they be blessed beyond measure as they live their call to shepherd God's people.

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Special Monthly Offering Envelopes

As we continue to grow in faith, our Parish Family is blessed to have many programs and initiatives happening to offer support, education, prayer and fellowship to each of us. With this in mind, we are introducing Special Offering Envelopes that will be placed in the pews. Each month will have a particular theme which will be explained in the bulletin and you are invited to give an offering to support that month's initiative.

We are truly blessed with the generosity you continue to share with your Parish Family and we look forward to continuing to deepen our faith together.

The February Special Offering Envelopes for Music Ministry will be in the pews next weekend.

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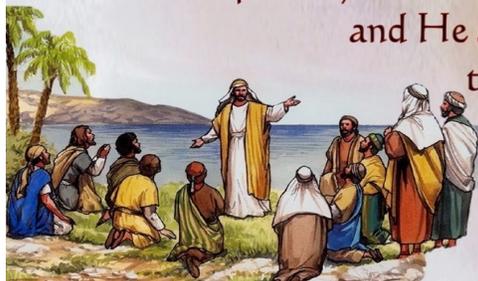
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I will raise up a Prophet from
 among their countrymen like you, and
 I will put My words in His, mouth
 and He shall speak to
 them all that I
 command
 Him

Deuteronomy 18:18



I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes us, and we change things.
 -Mother Teresa

Please consider temporary or ongoing coverage for Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 2-3pm and Friday 1-2pm. Also, for January only, we are looking for subs for Thursday 12-1 pm and Friday 2-3 pm.

Call Bridget at 306-461-4611 if you can fill any of those times.

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The CWL General Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6 at 2:00pm In the Parish Hall. See you all there!

Also a reminder that your 2024 CWL fees are due.

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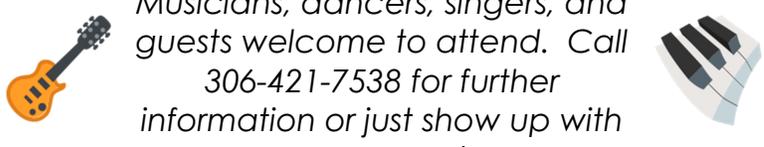
We have low gluten hosts available for communion at Holy Mass. Before the Holy Mass begins, please let our Hospitality Ministers know that you would like one.



Make Music With Friends

Do you play a musical instrument and like meeting interesting people?
 Do you like to get together and play along with others?
 Enjoy the spontaneous musical collaboration of a Jam Session!
 Monday, January 29 from 1-4pm in the Parish Hall

Musicians, dancers, singers, and guests welcome to attend. Call 306-421-7538 for further information or just show up with your gear!



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Would you like to attend the Lenten Bible Study but don't want to drive in evening?

We will be happy to make sure you have a ride to the Study!

Please contact the Parish Office to have your name added to the list of people we will pick up.



Please support our sponsors

Shrove Tuesday

Shrove Tuesday is on Tuesday, February 13 and we are celebrating our Annual Shrove Tuesday Supper from 5pm - 6pm. Pancakes and sausages will be served as we observe the tradition of using up our rich foods such as eggs, milk and sugar before we fast during Lent.



Following the supper, we will burn the palms from last Palm Sunday to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday. **Please bring your palms from home and place them in the basket in the main entrance of the Church.**

We will conclude the evening with a Word of God Liturgy with Communion beginning at approximately 6:30pm.



Everyone is welcome!

Bring your family and friends!

A free will offering will be collected for the supper.

SJB Blessed Meals

Our Parish Family will be offering delivered meals to seniors in our community beginning with residents living in Midtown Manor, Trinity Tower and Yardley Place on two Saturdays a month starting in February.

If you or someone you know would enjoy a free home cooked meal, please contact the Parish Office at 306-634-2190 or text Gwen at 306-421-7933.



Lenten Bible Study

We are excited to announce that our Lenten Bible Study will be The Pivotal Players Volume 1 by Bishop Robert Barron.

Bishop Barron is on a journey to unlock the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people! You'll discover the places where St. Thomas Aquinas lived, learned, and wrote. Visit the countryside where St. Francis gathered a group of friars and revived the Church. See the places where St. Catherine of Siena ministered and prayed. Trek through England to where Bl. John Henry Newman and G.K. Chesterton left their mark and sparked an English Catholic revival. And through unprecedented footage, marvel at the extraordinary art of Michelangelo, from his David statue in Florence, to the Pietà at St. Peter's, to the Sistine Chapel.

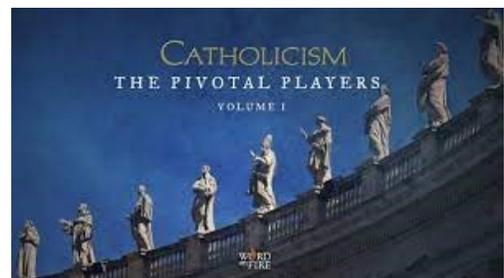
The sessions will be held on Thursdays beginning on February 15 and ending on March 21. Each session will begin at 6:30pm and end at 8:30pm and include an introduction, video and small group discussion as well as time for questions and answers.

Registration forms are available at all the entrances of the Church as well as on our website. You can place your completed registration form along with your donation to cover the cost for the study in the collection basket at Holy Mass or drop it off at the Parish Office. You can also call or email the Parish Office to register.

Please note that the approximate cost of the study per person is \$50.00. All donations will be used to cover the cost of the study and if there is any extra, that money will stay in the Bible Study fund for the next study.

This is an amazing opportunity to add to your Lenten prayer and reflection.

See you there!



In preparation for Holy Mass, we will pray the Rosary 20 minutes before each weekday Holy Mass and 20 minutes before weekend Holy Masses we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST

“And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away. It is for everyone the Lord our God calls to himself.”

(Acts 2:39)

The sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist are celebrated together in the Archdiocese of Regina for all children in Grade 2 or older. The preparation for these sacraments will take place in the Church, in the school and in the child's home. Registration forms have been sent out through the Catholic schools and they are also available at the entrances of the Church, at the Parish Office and on our website (stjohnthebaptistestevan.com).

On Wednesday, January 31, there will be a Parents' Meeting at 6:30pm. And Wednesday, February 7 at 6:30pm we will be hosting another Parents' Meeting. You must attend one of these Parent Meetings. The children do not attend these meetings, it is only for the parents. Both meetings will be held in the Parish Hall. This meeting will give you an outline of the sacrament preparation.

If your child is older than Grade 2 and has not received the sacrament of Baptism, and you would like them to receive the sacraments of Confirmation or First Holy Eucharist, please contact Connie at the Parish Office to discuss a plan.



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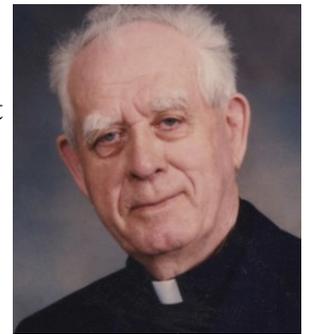
This is a partnership between RCSD, Archdiocese of Regina, CWL & K of C.

For more information you can contact Maureen Daoust at 306-421-7949

Father Lucey's Vigil and Resurrection Mass

The Vigil for Father Lucey will be held on Tuesday, February 6 at 7pm with Rev. Sathiadass Antony presiding and his Resurrection Mass will be on Wednesday, February 7 at 1:30pm with Archbishop Donald Bolen presiding. Both services will be held at St. John the Baptist Parish. Please join us for lunch and fellowship in the Parish Hall following the Resurrection Mass.

Hear with favor our prayer, which we humbly offer, O Lord, for the salvation of the soul of Father Lucey, your servant and Priest, that he, who devoted a faithful ministry to your name, may rejoice in the perpetual company of your Saints. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Children's Liturgy

We are blessed to have a terrific Children's Liturgy program for all children aged 4-7 years old at the Sunday 10am Holy Masses.



We are looking for teachers and helpers. If your child is attending Children's Liturgy, it would be awesome if you could be a helper once a month. If you would like more information, please contact Cindy Billesberger at billesberger.cynthia@gmail.com.