



# The Catholic Community of Saint John the Evangelist

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**Third Sunday of Advent**  
December 17, 2017

**Pastor**

Rev. Dale Lagodinski

**Parochial Vicar**

Rev. Patrick Parks

**Deacons**

Douglas Campbell,  
George Ethier, retired

**Parish Life Coordinator**

Michelle Fehr

**Youth Director**

Melissa Schroeder

**St. John's School**

Renee Langenwalter, Principal  
Renee Walter, Secretary  
701-642-6116

**Parish Office Hours**

M 8 am—12 noon, 1 pm—4 pm  
T - Th 8 am - 12 noon, 1pm -5 pm  
F—8 am—3 pm

**St. John's Childcare Director**

Karrie Gregor  
701-642-4922

**Lay Directors**

Laurie Straus  
Jim Lutz

**Parish Offices**

Betsy Sitz—Office Manager  
Pat Keaveny—Secretary  
701-642-6982



Artist - Bjorn Kubela - Grade 5

**Weekend Masses**

**Saturday**

5:30 pm

**Sunday**

7:30 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

7:30 pm

**Registration:** If you are new to the Wahpeton Community, call the office.

**Baptism:** Renewal/Preparation is required with each new baby. Call the parish office to register.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Hospitalization or serious illness, please contact one of the priests.

**Pastoral Care:** If you are homebound or hospitalized, Eucharist will be brought to you. Contact the Parish Office.

**Prayer Chain:** Call Lorraine Wieser at 701-642-5062 to start the prayer chain.

To schedule an appointment at St. John's in Wahpeton with Jennifer Anderson, counselor with Catholic Charities, please call 1-800-450-4457.

**Pro-life and Pro-Women go together. Abortion hurts women.**

If you are struggling with guilt, depression, regret, anger or other difficult emotions after an abortion, you are not alone. Project Rachel Ministries is a post-abortion healing ministry of the Diocese of Fargo. For confidential referrals to trained priests, counselors, retreats and support groups contact Project Rachel Ministries: 844-789-4829

**Saint 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.

**Saint John's Development Program**

Please remember St. John's in your will and beneficiary designations!

To learn more about making a final estate gift to benefit St. John's Church or School, call (701) 642-6982, email legacy @702com.net, or visit us online!

Readings for the week of December 17<sup>th</sup>

Sunday: : Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28  
 Monday: Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1:18-25  
 Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a / Lk 1:5-25  
 Wednesday: Is 7:10-14 / Lk 1:26-38  
 Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 / Lk 1:39-45  
 Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28 / Lk 1:46-56  
 Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 / Lk 1:57-66  
 Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a. 16 / Rom 16:25-27  
 / Lk 1:26-38

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> - Late Advent Weekday**

9:30 am Int: 2 young men

**Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> - Late Advent Weekday**

5:30 pm + Kenny Meyer

**Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> - Late Advent Weekday**

7:30 am + Sybilla Helland

10:00 am (Leach) Special Intention

**Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> - Late Advent Weekday /  
Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

7:30 am ++ Rod Nordick and Mary Nordick

10:45 am (SCLC) + Donald Oswski

**Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> - Late Advent Weekday**

1:00 pm + Lois I Randall

**Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> - Late Advent Weekday /  
Saint John of Kanty, Priest**

5:30 pm + Dale Hinsverk

**Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> - Fourth Sunday of Advent**

7:30 am ++ Judy and Sam Underberg

9:00 am People of the Parish

11:00 am + Jeff Minar

## Christmas Masses

**Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> - Nativity of the Lord (vigil)**

5:30 pm + Joyce Schneider

**Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> - Nativity of the Lord**

12 midnight + deceased members of Reubish family

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:00 am + Deborah Weitzel

11:00 am ++ Cheryl Kubela, Earl Ziegelmann, Dawn Luick

## Adoration

Monday - 8:15 - 9:15 am

Tuesday - 4:15 - 5:15 pm

(no incense used on Tuesday)

Wed. - Cenacle of Life Prayer

8:00 - 11:45 am

Thursday - 8 - 9 am

Friday - none scheduled

## Reconciliation

Thursday and Friday  
at 7:00 pm

Saturday at 3pm or  
by appointment

We are looking for a Fatima DVD - 100 years of Grace. If you borrowed it from a table in the gathering space, please return it to the church office. Thank you.

If you could help a person get to a doctor's appointment in Fargo on January 11<sup>th</sup>, please call Michelle at the church office.

Looking for a donation of a good toaster Contact the parish office with further questions.

## Schedule of Ministries

**SATURDAY: December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

5:30 pm Proclaimers: *Cathy Muehler*

Servers: Devin Privatsky and Annika Steinborn

Euch Min: Penny Leinen, Tom Peschel, Paul Sinner, Tom  
And Darlyn Weber

Greeters: Jeanette Munson and Carol Pausch

Ushers: D Grosz, R Leinen, H Muehler, T Resler, G Waldera

**SUNDAY, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am Proclaimers: *Andy Stasko*

Servers: volunteer needed

Euch Min: Rick and Vicki Kielb, Andy and Becky Stasko

Greeters: Rick and Vicki Kielb

Ushers: S Diederick, P Dimmer, J Keaveny, I Mohn

9:00 am Proclaimers: *Joe Langenwalter and Brent Muehlberg*

Servers: Addie Rugland and Reagan Wohlers

Euch Min: Brett Graves, Jeff Klostreich, Steve and Patti Lies  
Vicky Schafer

Greeters: Geraldine Ciesynski, Julene Griffin, MarJo Keller

Ushers: G Braun, D Fitterer, D Held, C Mahrer, D Schill

11:00am Proclaimers: Darryl Jilek and Carol Osmundson

Servers: Spencer Hettwer and William Meyer

Euch Min: Carol Crissler, Jane Priebe, Karen Rice, Bill and  
Laurie Straus

Greeters: Heather and Holly German, Ray and Linda Thoennes

Ushers: D Fehr, B & L Fink, M Priebe, B Straus

Blank schedules are in the gathering space for the  
Christmas Masses. Please fill in where you can help.

## Happenings at St. Johns....

**Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 pm RCIA

**Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am Bible Study

**Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am Decorating for Christmas

4:15 pm Patriotic Rosary

7:00 pm More decorating for Christmas

**Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

1:30 am Buildings and Grounds

3:30 pm and 7:30 pm Religious Formation

5:00 pm Finance Committee

**Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>**

3:15pm Women's Cursillo Group

7:00 pm Reconciliation (until all are heard)

**Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**

7:00 pm Reconciliation (until all are heard)

## And around the area...

**Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

Christmas Dinner at Faith church, Wahpeton

**Advertiser of the Week**  
**Terrace Lanes**

**YOUTH NEWS**

**December 20<sup>th</sup>** - RE for all grades.

**A teacher is needed** to take over our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade RE class since she's expecting a baby. A teacher's aid is available to help you. If you would consider helping us complete the rest of the year, please call Michele at the parish office.



**Help Wanted:** St. John's Child Care Center is looking for fun, reliable, professional people who work independently and as a team member. We are in need of part time and substitute employees. No evenings or weekends. Contact the parish office.



**Parish Communal Penance Service**

Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

4:00 pm and 6:30 pm

In preparation for Christmas several priests will be available at St. John's for Reconciliation. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

(If you cannot keep this schedule the Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be celebrated at 7:00 pm December 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> until all are heard.

The deadline to sign up for our mission trip to Jamaica is approaching fast, if you are considering this mission please contact Melissa.

**Rest in Eternal Peace!**

† Raymond Schmit

† Cheryl Runchey, sister of Liz Toussaint

† Anthony Conzemius, father of Carmen Paquin

**Stewardship Moment:** *"Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you"* – 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16 – 18 This scripture reading sums up Stewardship. "Rejoice always" means place your trust in God; He will provide all that you need. "Pray constantly" means prayer should be a running conversation with God throughout the whole day, every day. "Give thanks in all circumstances" means even in bad situations, thank God. Suffering a little bit helps build empathy for others in similar situations.

**Reminder:** Year end contributions must be in the parish office by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**PARISH SUPPORT (Fiscal Year July 1 - June 30)**

|                                |    |            |
|--------------------------------|----|------------|
| Envelope & plate needed Weekly | \$ | 13,874.23  |
| Envelope 12-10                 | \$ | 9,246.00   |
| Online                         | \$ | 830.50     |
| Plate                          | \$ | 1,217.00   |
| YTD Envelope and plate         | \$ | 300,606.22 |
| YTD Budgeted Envelope & plate  | \$ | 332,981.54 |
| Building Fund                  | \$ | 525.00     |

**Thank you to all who generously support our Parish!**

**St. John's School News**

"Formed by God's Love  
we form our children"



If you would like a Christian based education for your child, please contact St. John's School, 701-642-6116.

Preschool through Sixth Grade.

- ◆ We invite all our teacher aides to come for Mass this week. Students from all grades will lead us at our children's Mass on Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 pm. We invite all our parents, grandparents, friends and parishioners to join us. The children and staff truly appreciate your support!
- ◆ Advent season is upon us! Please pray for our school children and know that we in turn pray for all parishioners as we are "Waiting for THE Gift"!
- ◆ Please come and be a part of our school family! We invite all parishioners to prayerfully consider sending your child(ren) to St. John's School, (4 year old Preschool through 6th grade). Registration for the 2018-2019 school year will begin soon and class sizes are limited. All faith denominations are welcome! Please encourage your friends and neighbors. Call 642-6116 if you have questions
- ◆ Please save your Our Family labels and Box Tops! You may bring them to the school or drop off at the church office. We are able to get many great supplies for our classrooms with the points earned. Thank you for your support of our school!

**December Events:**

December 22<sup>nd</sup> - last day of school before Christmas vacation, School resumes January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Report

**Please help us decorate for Christmas!** We will start at 10:00 am on Tuesday and then finish up at 7:00 pm that evening.

**Please take names from our Jesse Tree!**



The great tree which greets us at the baptistry is covered with the names of Saint John's parishioners, some of whom we may know well and others we may not know at all. The Jesse Tree tradition is a celebration of the pathways through Salvation History - Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Isaiah on down to John the Baptist - through whom our God has announced the coming of the savior among us. Now the Savior is among us and seeks to dwell in our hearts. Each year during Advent we invite you to take a tag or two from our tree and do something kind for the person or family whose name you've picked...become the hopeful pathway of God's Good News to a fellow parishioner! You can simply send a card (some may be provided at the tree), make a telephone call, send a kind e-mail, drop off some goodies or a small Kris Kringle gift. You may even invite them for dinner or a cup of coffee. Remember, please be careful of each tag because it bears the name of someone loved by God. If that tag is lost, no "visit" will be made!

*A special THANK YOU to all who generously support St. John's School Noel Night!  
We are so very grateful and blessed for our many supporters: donors, committee members,  
volunteers, parishioners, school families, and friends of SJS.*

*Thank you for your generous gifts, dedication, support, prayers, and many hours of work.*

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