

2024 - NOVEMBER 30TH & DECEMBER 1ST

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Meetings: 1st Thursdays @ 8PM

Parish Center Office Hours
Hours are approximate & will remain flexible & subject to change.

Fr. John:
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and
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If you are willing to be involved in Mass Ministry, please contact the parish office. We are all called to partake in the liturgy. A big thank you to all who have served and continue to serve. You are appreciated!

MASS SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 2ND - 8TH			
DAY	TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
Mon. 12/2	--NO Mass--Father's Day Off--		
Tues. 12/3	8:30 AM	Parkview	Ron Hornung
"	9:30 AM	Southwind	Annette Stein
Wed. 12/4	8:30 AM	Parkview	Steve Ackerman
Thurs. 12/5	8:30 AM	Parkview	Sonja Strecker
Fri. 12/6	8:30 AM	Parkview	Mark Downey
Sat. 12/7	6:30 PM	Church	Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
Sun. 12/8	8:00 AM	Church	Jeremy Stein
Confessions: Saturdays at 5:45 PM or by appointment.			



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.
ST. LEONARD'S COUNCIL #1539

KofC Meetings
1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows



The Daughters of Isabella
St. Vincent de Paul #211

DofI Meetings
2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room



If you'd like to be added to the email prayer chain ministry, or have a prayer request to send out, please contact either Ginny Werner (ginny_werner@yahoo.com) or Lynnette Hessman (nettemae1984@yahoo.com).



MASS MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 7TH & 8TH		
Collection: Carson Konrade		Collection Asst: Ross Ackerman
	SATURDAY - 6:30 PM	SUNDAY - 8:00 AM
Sacristans	Dana Howerton	LynAnn Bowman
Servers	Cheyenne Ackerman, Hallie Ackerman, Emmett Wheaton	YOUTH MASS - 5th & 12th Grades
Lectors	Audrey Ackerman	YOUTH
EMCs	Larry Schmidt, Jolene Tasset, Larry Tasset	LynAnn Bowman, Drew Hubbell, Jeff Hubbell
Musician	Dana Howerton	Dana Howerton
Cantor	Chase Howerton	Chase Howerton
Ushers	Cory Ackerman, T.J. Ackerman	YOUTH
Gifts	T.J. Ackerman Family	YOUTH

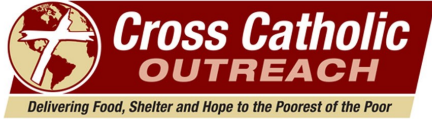
Vocation Views: *Be on the watch! Allow God to lead you in the ways of truth and justice. God is calling you to serve. (Jeremiah 33:14-16)*
-- If you're discerning the priesthood, contact **Fr. Ted Stoecklein** at vicargeneral@dcdiocese.org or **620-227-1555**--

Parish News
STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:
"Be on guard," Jesus warns in today's Gospel, "lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence." Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

TITHING REPORT for NOV. 23RD & 24TH:
Box Collection: \$ 10,346.00
Online Giving: \$ 1,060.00

COLORING CONTEST:
You may have noticed the wall of coloring pages when you walked into church. Please take the time to look at the work our elementary religion students have done and vote for your favorites! There are three age categories:
~Kindergarten & 1st
~2nd & 3rd Grades
~4th & 5th Grades.
and we invite you to vote for your favorite in each by writing the corresponding number on a slip of paper and placing it in the correct container. The pictures will remain hanging and voting will remain open until Wednesday, December 4th. Winners will be announced in next week's bulletin!



CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH TO VISIT:

We will welcome a visiting priest from the Cross Catholic Outreach Ministry the weekend of December 7th & 8th. He will preach and explain the goals of their ministry in hopes to garner some financial support. There will NOT be a special collection. The priest will just distribute brochures after each Mass. Cross Catholic Outreach is a Catholic Ministry that partners with Bishops, Priests, Religious and Lay workers to provide food, water, housing, education, orphan support, medical care and disaster relief and the Love of our Lord Jesus to the poorest of the poor in over 30 countries around the world.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE:
Confessions are offered as usual every Saturday around 5:45pm before the 6:30 Mass or by appointment. Father John and others will also have an Advent Penance Service on Sunday, December 22nd. Time TBD.

PARISH ROSARY CHALLENGE:
When you receive the statue, pray the rosary daily for a week, for your own intentions and for the special intentions listed. **December** - For the upcoming jubilee year, that it strengthens our faith and helps us to recognize Christ in our daily lives.
December 1st - 8th: TBD

DECEMBER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:
The December Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday, December 5th. Committees are welcome to meet at the Parish Center starting at 7. The council meeting will begin a little early at 7:45 to do Word-Working.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR:
If you are interested in joining the choir for the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass (Tuesday, December 24th @ 5 PM), sign up in the church entryway or reach out to Jenny in the Parish Office, and she will get you music. We will do much of the same music as last year and keep things simple due to lack of practice times. We are looking forward to filling the choir loft with beautiful voices like last year!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT WINDTHORST:
The DC3 Music Department invites all to their Annual Christmas Concert, held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Windthorst, on Sunday, December 8th at 3 pm.
Enjoy the choral and instrumental holiday music, while appreciating the stunning stained glass windows and Christmas décor of a beautiful church.

3RD-12TH GRADES TO HAVE CONFESSION:
This coming Wednesday, December 4th, the religion classes will have the opportunity to attend adoration and confession during their religion class time. Fr. Ted and Bishop John will join Fr. John to hear confessions and will stay as long as needed. Students can be dropped off and picked up at the church. **2nd Grade** will still meet at the school.

Birthdays December 2nd - 8th	
December 3rd	Jenna Gleason, Jacob Stegman, Kason Stein
December 4th	Lee Naasz
December 5th	Nathan Bowman
December 6th	Jolene Eberle, Steve Knoeber, Diana Nau
December 7th	Lakyn Schulte