Happy Easter 2018
St. John the Baptist Parish
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St. John the Baptist Parish Office will be closed from March 30 to April 8, 2018.
Regular hours will resume Monday, April 9, 2018.

Liturgy Workshop
Thursday, April 12
6:30pm

In the Church Auditorium

All liturgical ministers must attend!!
We will be going over the order of the Holy Mass and the roles of each ministry. We will also be commissioning all our ministers.

See you there!!
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Please see below the schedule for April - May and June are on the way.

- April 1st - no Children's Liturgy
- April 22 – Kathy and Hanna
- April 8th - Megan and Jill
- April 29 – Michilla and Jill
- April 15th - Gina and Amanda
### Divine Mercy - April 7 & 8, 2018

**Saturday 7pm**

**Choir**  
Matt & Breanne  

**Mass Coordinator**  
Joan Fingler  

**Hospitality**  
Elaine Gedak, Margaret Daoust  

**Lectors**  
Amanda Hagel, Dylan Galang  

**Holy Communion**  
Amanda Hagel, Pat Mehler, Eden Pacunayen  

**Precious Blood**  
Maureen Daoust, Gwen Van De Woestyne, Deborah Augey, Amber Hilstrom  

**Altar Servers**  
Christian Quinn, John Aaron Elorde, Luke Sliva, Quintin Sliva  

**Ushers**  
Brian Miiller

**Sunday 10am**

**Choir**  
Kristy & Doris  

**Mass Coordinator**  
Darla Wilhelm  

**Hospitality**  
Eleanor Mack, Genevieve Fichter, Ed Moreau, Lorna Moreau, Elaine Carriere, Jim Carriere  

**Lectors**  
Theresa Beck, Malou Badeo  

**Holy Communion**  
Theresa Beck, Malou Badeo, Hanna Keating  

**Precious Blood**  
Guy Chicoine, Gloria Chicoine, Gerald Bonokoski, Joyce Wagner-Bonokoski  

**Altar Servers**  
Joshua Heleta, Trinity Heleta, Hailey Hack, Pierce Lozinsky, Halle Lozinsky  

**Ushers**  
Dave Wanner  

**Collection Counters**  
Elaine Walton, Darla Wilhelm, Ron Wilhelm, Theresa Fernandez (Team 1)  

**First Reading**  
Acts 4.32-35  

**Second Reading**  
1 John 5.1-6  

**Gospel**  
John 20.19-31

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**Doug Third Tribute**

Thank you to all of the Parishioners of St. John the Baptist Parish who made a donation to the St. Joseph Hospital Foundation in honour of Doug Third and in recognition of his tremendous contribution to our Church and community as officiant at funeral prayers and services for over 27 years. The total amount donated to date is $13,850!

With the monies donated, St. Joseph’s Hospital will proceed with a room revitalization. An appropriate recognition that the funds for the project were donated in honour of Mr. Third by our Parishioners will be placed in the room. Thanks again for your generosity.
St. John the Baptist Parish Marriage Prep
April 21 and 22, 2018

If you are newly engaged and starting to plan your wedding, please contact the Parish Office at 306-634-2190 to set up an appointment to meet with Father Antony at least six months before your proposed wedding date.

Once you meet with Father, we are looking forward to registering you for our Marriage Prep weekend on April 21 and 22.

We will begin on Saturday, April 21 at 9am. The day will be filled with video presentations and dynamic speakers on a variety of topics including “Marriage, A Covenant”, “Financial Aspects”, “The Five Love Languages”, and “Legal Aspects”. We also have a romantic, candle light four course dinner planned.

On Sunday, April 22, we will have one presentation and then we will all attend Holy Mass together.

Please contact Connie at the Parish Office for more information.

Congratulations on your engagement and we can’t wait to help you prepare for a marriage filled with faith and love.

Blessed are you, God of mercy and love:
You have guided us through prayer and fasting to this feast of the resurrection.
Fill our celebration with joy and gladness, that this food may be a sign of the heavenly banquet. Bless our gathering and this food that we may always live the new life of baptism, won for us by Jesus Christ, our risen Lord, who is exalted at your right hand, reigning in eternal splendour, for ever and ever.

Amen
Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday after Easter is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Began by a Polish nun, Sister Faustina Kowalska, in the late 1930s, we are encouraged to place our trust in God’s mercy and receive His grace into our lives. Seeing the importance of this message, Sr. Faustina was canonized on April 30th, 2000 by Pope John Paul II who declared that, from that time forward, the second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Let us join together praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet on the second Sunday of Easter this year, to receive forgiveness and mercy from the Risen Lord.

How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Use an ordinary rosary.

1. Make the Sign of the Cross
2. Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary and The Apostles’ Creed
3. On the Our Father beads say:
   Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
4. On the Hail Mary beads say:
   For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
5. Repeat for the five decades.
6. Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Go to http://www.praymorenovenas.com/divine-mercy-novenas/ to learn more about the Divine Mercy Novena which begins on Good Friday.
Congratulations to our catechumens and candidates who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. Thank you to their sponsors for journeying with them.

Stacey Chalmers and her sponsor Sharon Knox
James Chamney and his sponsor Randy Cossette
Robert and Kaitlyne Graham and their sponsors Nancy Bourbonnais and Megan Vanstone
Nora Graham and her godparents Marc and Mallory Turgeon
Carol Knievel and her sponsors Anita Messner and Mary Sernick
Roldan Panlilio and his sponsors Roce La and Ronandre Cayanan
Michael Polegato and his sponsor Marion Mcinnis
Kelsey Stephens and her sponsor Jackie Chamney
Heidi Vandenhurk and her sponsor Dan Vandenhurk

May they continue their faith journey surrounded by our love and support.

All Ministers: When you arrive to serve at the Holy Mass, please check off your name on the ministry list on the table at the entrance of the Church. This will ensure the Mass Coordinator knows you have arrived. Thank you for your cooperation.
The Lord Descends Into Hell – Easter Message

Something strange is happening – there is a great silence on earth today, a great silence and stillness. The whole earth keeps silence because the King is asleep. The earth trembled and is still because God has fallen asleep in the flesh and he has raised up all who have slept ever since the world began. God has died in the flesh and hell trembles with fear.

He has gone to search for our first parent, as for a lost sheep. Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, he has gone to free from sorrow the captives Adam and Eve, he who is both God and the son of Eve. The Lord approached them bearing the cross, the weapon that had won him the victory. At the sight of him Adam, the first man he had created, struck his breast in terror and cried out to everyone: “My Lord be with you all”. Christ answered him: “And with your spirit”. He took him by the hand and raised him up, saying: “Awake, O sleeper, and rise from the dead, and Christ will give you light”.

I am your God, who for your sake have become your son. Out of love for you and for your descendants I now by my own authority command all who are held in bondage to come forth, all who are in darkness to be enlightened, all who are sleeping to arise. I order you, O sleeper, to awake. I did not create you to be held a prisoner in hell. Rise from the dead, for I am the life of the dead. Rise up, work of my hands, you who were created in my image. Rise, let us leave this place, for you are in me and I am in you; together we form only one person and we cannot be separated. For your sake I, your God, became your son; I, the Lord, took the form of a slave; I, whose home is above the heavens, descended to the earth and beneath the earth. For your sake, for the sake of man, I became like a man without help, free among the dead. For the sake of you, who left a garden, I was betrayed to the Jews in a garden, and I was crucified in a garden.

See on my face the spittle I received in order to restore to you the life I once breathed into you. See there the marks of the blows I received in order to refashion your warped nature in my image. On my back see the marks of the scourging I endured to remove the burden of sin that weighs upon your back.
See my hands, nailed firmly to a tree, for you who once wickedly stretched out your hand to a tree.

I slept on the cross and a sword pierced my side for you who slept in paradise and brought forth Eve from your side. My side has healed the pain in yours. My sleep will rouse you from your sleep in hell. The sword that pierced me has sheathed the sword that was turned against you.

Rise, let us leave this place. The enemy led you out of the earthly paradise. I will not restore you to that paradise, but I will enthrone you in heaven. I forbade you the tree that was only a symbol of life, but see, I who am life itself am now one with you. I appointed cherubim to guard you as slaves are guarded, but now I make them worship you as God. The throne formed by cherubim awaits you, its bearers swift and eager. The bridal chamber is adorned, the banquet is ready, the eternal dwelling places are prepared, the treasure houses of all good things lie open. The kingdom of heaven has been prepared for you from all eternity.

An Ancient Homily by Early Church Fathers.
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**Baptism**

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

Matthew 28:19-20a

*Upcoming Baptism Preparation*

Wednesday, June 6 - Prep Class at 7pm in the Church Auditorium

Sunday, June 10 - Presentation of the Parents at 10am in the Church

Wednesday, June 13 - Prep Class at 7pm in the Church Auditorium

Sunday, June 17 - Welcoming Ceremony at 10am in the Church

Sunday, June 24 - Baptism Celebration at 11:30am in the Church

Please call the Parish Office to register.

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**Confirmation/First Eucharist**

*Upcoming Important Dates*

Wednesday, April 18 - Class at 6:30pm in the Church Auditorium

Wednesday, April 25 - SHSC Retreat at 9:15am in the Church Auditorium

Wednesday, April 25 - St. Mary’s Retreat at 1pm in the Church Auditorium

Saturday, April 28 - Celebration Rehearsal at 1:30pm

Sunday, April 29 - Celebration at 2pm in the Church

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**April 1, 2018 - Easter Sunday**

“Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.” – Colossians 3:2

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing “Alleluia.” Let’s try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how He is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel will be suspended Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Monday and throughout Easter Break

March 29-April 6
A Word of Appreciation

Thanks to each and everyone who helped one way or another through their ministry call for the Good celebration of Lent and Holy Week. May the resting Lord continue to bless you.

Father Sathì Antony