Church of St. John the Baptist

Faith · Family · Friendship

October 11, 2026 ◆ Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MISSION STATEMENT:

We are called together in fellowship to witness to our Catholic faith through prayer and the celebration of the sacraments. We give testimony to Jesus Christ by reaching out with compassion to others.

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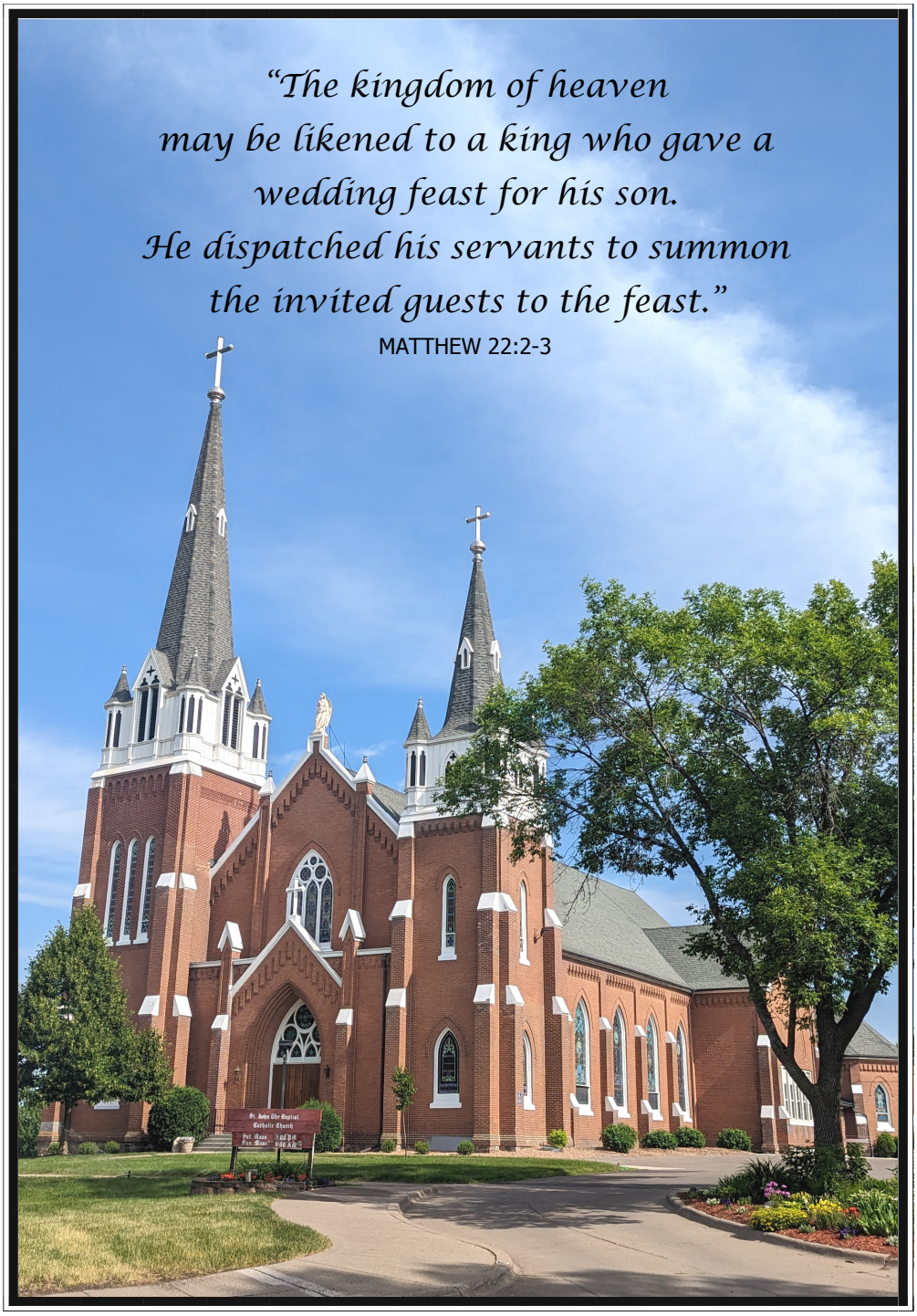
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10
Monday:	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
Friday:	Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday:	Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10/ 1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — On this mountain the LORD will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines (Isaiah 25:6-10a).
Psalm — I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life (Psalm 23).
Second Reading — God will supply whatever you need (Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20).
Gospel — I have prepared my banquet, and everything is ready. Come to the feast! (Matthew 22:1-14).

CELEBRATIONS OF EUCHARIST:

Tuesday	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday thru Friday	8:00 a.m.
Saturday:	5:00 p.m.
Sunday:	7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Friday:	7:30 - 7:50 a.m.
Saturday:	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday:	Following 7:30 a.m. Mass until 8:45 a.m.

Other times by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday by 9:00 a.m.

PARISH REGISTRATION:
We warmly welcome new parishioners and request that they register by calling the parish office.

BAPTISM:
Congratulations! We are excited to help you welcome your child into the Church. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to their child's baptism. Please call the parish office to register.

MARRIAGE:
Couples should contact the parish office as soon as possible after their engagement is announced. The preferred preparation period is 12 months. You must be a registered parishioner before setting a wedding date.

♿ HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

12	Mon.		**No Mass**
13	Tue.	6:30 p.m.	**No Mass**
14	Wed.	8:00 a.m.	**No Mass**
15	Thu.	8:00 a.m.	**No Mass**
16	Fri.	8:00 a.m.	**No Mass**
17	Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Michelle Grandprey (living)
18	Sun.	7:30 a.m.	Gary Kocur †
		9:00 a.m.	St. John the Baptist Parishioners

LITURGICAL ROLES

Next Weekend - October 17 and 18

5:00 P.M.

Ushers:	Teri Ray
	Dawn Kennedy
Reader:	Mike Gilman
Server:	Thomas Bouley
Communion Minister:	Ed Barder

7:30 A.M.

Ushers:	Russ Ray
	Tony Rzeszutek
Reader:	Scott Theisen
Server:	**Volunteer Needed**
Communion Minister:	Jo Theisen

9:00 A.M.

Ushers:	Rob and Barb Carnes
Reader:	Dan Lefebvre
Servers:	Jude and George Walton
Communion Minister:	Cindy Gibbs
Children's Liturgy:	Lead: Catie Bebeau
	Aide: Regina Moylan



SCRIP NEWS

Let's rake in the profits this Fall - Use SCRIP gift cards for all your fall household needs. From lawn and leaf bags to lawnmowers, rakes to roofing materials, painting supplies to pumpkins, and Halloween to hunting. Check out a SCRIP form for a list of participating merchants.

Scrip Sellers for Next Weekend

Oct. 17	5:00 p.m.	Maraline Virnig & Lynn Eggert
18	7:30 a.m.	Linda McAlpine & **Volunteer**
	9:00 a.m.	Joanne Chouinard & Darlene Hagel



From the Pastor

It is good to be back; but I do feel like a bad pastor as I'm about to leave you all for another week to go on retreat. As I've done a few times while I've been here, I will be heading to the other side of the cities to Stillwater to participate in an icon workshop, where I will be making an icon of St. Francis.

While I was in Spain, we marked the 800th anniversary of St. Francis' death; and my family has a strong devotion to St. Francis - both Grandparents Powers were lay Franciscans - to the point where both my dad and one of my uncles will also be doing the workshop. While Franciscan spirituality has some nuances to it; I think this weekend's second reading encapsulates it well, that in all things we are called to entrust ourselves to the Lord, who provides for us. That was one of my particular "Camino moments" - insights and prayers you have while walking the 72 or so miles to the tomb of St. James, of which you will hear a lot about over the next couple months, the realization that God knows our limitations and works with them for our good and the good of others.

God does this out of love for us, so that we would know not only his grace, but also that we are called to cooperate with him in lots of ways - for example inviting others to our Catholic by Christmas program, or signing up for adoration, or something as simple yet as profound as praying with your kids and grandkids, modelling the faith for them. We are called like St. Francis and St. Paul and so many other Saints to use the graces that God has given us.

~ Fr. John Powers

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next Weekend - October 17 and 18

Next weekend we will join Catholics around the world to celebrate World Mission Sunday. On this day we are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church's missionary work in more than 1,130 mission territories across the globe. Your prayers and generous help in next week's collection provides hope where despair too often dominates - through the building of churches, formation of seminarians and religious sisters, healthcare clinics and Catholic schools. Please use the envelope included with today's bulletin to make your donation and drop it in the regular Sunday collection basket next weekend. Please continue to keep the missions in your prayers and please be as generous as you are able.

CATHOLIC BY CHRISTMAS

We are offering an accelerated OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) for anyone who is interested in joining the Church - be it an unbaptized person, a baptized person who would like to be received into full communion, or a Catholic who needs to complete their sacraments of initiation (Baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist). Classes will meet every Sunday beginning October 18 at 10:10 a.m. in the social hall with the ultimate goal of administering the sacraments on December 13. Please contact the parish office at 763.428.2828 or email sjbchurch@yahoo.com if interested or for more info.



LUNCH AND CARDS

Join with fellow parishioners on Monday, October 19, in the social hall from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. A light lunch will be served (free will offering is appreciated). Cards to follow. Hosted by Angie Haggerty, member of the Mission and Media Committee and Parish Council. All are welcome! Hope to see you there!



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"My God will fully supply whatever you need…"
- Philippians 4:19

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month – be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works, and treasure, then see how God provides for your needs.



Church Support

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Adult Envelopes (50)	$ 1,860.00
Plate and Non-Parishioners	959.00
Misc. Contribution - DAF Giving	400.00
Automatic Deposits (29)	2,923.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	$ 6,142.00
Projected Need	$ 5,776.00
Received Last Week	6,142.00
Projected Need to Date	80,864.00
Amount Received to Date	76,626.00
Deficit - Last Week	$ 4,604.00
- This Week	4,238.00



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN SERVICE PROJECT

Small Group of St. James invites you to a Feed My Starving Children meal packing event in Coon Rapids from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21. A sign-up sheet is located in the back of church. For questions visit their website or call Sharon at 7636.244.9523.

WE REMEMBER

Richard (Dick) Kinkle
February 28, 1998 - September 19, 2026

Your prayers are requested for fellow parishioner Richard Kinkle who passed away recently and for his family. Dick was preceded in death by his daughter, Baby Girl Kinkle; son, Richard Kinkle; loving wife, Louise Kinkle; sisters Clara, Dorothy and Shirley; and brothers Edward "Spike" and Robert. He is survived by his daughter, Colleen (Paul) Edlund; daughter-in-law, Cyndee Kinkle-Buranen; grandchildren Bryan, Mark, Matthew (Jennifer) Edlund and Laura (Jacob) Holthaus; and 11 great-grandchildren. The funeral Mass for Dick took place here at St. John's on Thursday, October 8 and burial was in Sunset Cemetery. May the Lord grant him eternal rest. We extend our sincere sympathy to his entire family and friends.

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY SIGNUPS ARE IN PROGRESS!

To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to https://schedule.ucdir.com, click on Photography Session Sign-Up, then enter
Church Code field: **MN692**
Church Password field: MNPARISH692
Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. **ASTERSK (*) INDICATES REQUIRED FIELDS.** If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. **Schedule soon to secure your preferred date and time. Manual sign-up sheets will also be available at all weekend masses.** You can also click on the QR code.

OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE ROSARY

We would like to remind everyone that the Rosary is prayed prior to the Saturday evening 5:00 p.m. Mass beginning at 4:30 p.m. and on Sunday mornings between the two Masses beginning at 8:30 a.m. Please join as a community of faith in this traditional Marian devotion especially during October which is the month of the Rosary.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

If you are new to the area (or maybe not so new) and would like to become a member of our parish family, you can register by calling the parish office at 763.428.2828.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FAITH FORMATION - MEA BREAK

There is no TLC this Wednesday because of fall break. The Monday homeschool session will run at the new time of 2:30 p.m. on Monday, October 12 and 19, but will take a week off with no class on October 26.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS AND SWAGS

The CCW is taking orders for Christmas wreaths, swags, garlands, etc. Orders will be taken until Sunday, October 25. Order forms and brochures are available at the entrances of the church. Please include payment with your order. Expected delivery is by November 20 (before Thanksgiving to deliver to family members).

APPALACHIAN MISSION PROGRAM

St. John's CCW is once again participating in our Archdiocesan Appalachia Christmas Program. Over the past 50 years, people in many age groups have benefited from your generosity. **New items only!!** Please do not wrap gifts. No scary or war-related toys such as toy guns or knives. No canned goods or food items. Please leave your donation in the bins in the vestibule or social hall no later than **Monday, October 19**. Gift suggestions:

Clothing: socks, shirts, sweatshirts/sweatpants, sleepers, belts, slippers, hunting clothes, flip flops, coats and jackets.

Toys: pull toys, rattles, board games, stuffed animals, small musical instruments, balls, blocks, dolls, cars and trucks, etc. Coats and blankets are needed in cold temps.

Accessories: cosmetics, watches, purses, wallets/billfolds, scarves/mittens/hats, slippers, hair accessories, jewelry

Hygiene: powder, lotion, towels, toiletries and soaps

Misc: fishing equipment, radios, wrapping paper, dried fruits/nuts, blankets/bedding, candles, tools, kitchen items, sports equipment and craft kits.

Other: batteries, school supplies, coloring books, crayons, teethers, crib mobiles, ribbon and bows, ornaments.

All candies/fruits/nuts/lotions should be boxed or bagged separately to keep moisture out.

SEASONS OF HOPE RETREAT

Serving the Spiritual Needs of Grieving Parents

"Come to me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest." - Matthew 11:28

A Catholic ministry for any parent who has a child living in Heaven - at any age, by any cause, no matter how long ago. Losing a child is the most devastating cross a parent can carry, but you were never meant to carry it alone. Please join us. All bereaved parents are welcome. Saturday, October 24 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. here at St. John the Baptist Church. For more information, visit https://seasonsofhopemn.org/. To register or for more info, call Lisa Torbenson at 612.804.3657 or Cindy Gibbs at 763.442.1980.

CATHOLIC Q & A

GOD IN DAILY LIFE

Question: How do I bring God into the work of my daily life?

Answer: Whatever your daily work, you have an opportunity to encounter God and to follow His commandments in love. In the New Testament, we see that most of the Apostles didn't have a previous religious position. They were fishermen, tax collectors, and political activists. St. Paul was a tentmaker. Among the saints, we have doctors, lawyers, farmers, and stay-at-home moms. No matter your daily tasks, God can be present there!

One way concerns behavior. Start with an examination of conscience. Look at areas where you tend to struggle to imitate Christ at work. Do you gossip? Does brimming frustration become impatience at home? Pick one sin you struggle with, then choose a virtue to strengthen that area. If you tend to speak poorly of your co-workers, resolve to stop and to say one kind thing a day instead.

Another way relates to perspective, particularly your perspective of others. Jesus' incarnation reminds us of the value of every human being. Jesus is God, and each of us is created in God's image. When you encounter another person, you have an opportunity to see God in a new place and a new way – in that person in front of you. Genuinely listen to them and be present to their concerns. Loving your neighbor is loving God! Our relationship with God and the love He inspires in our hearts shouldn't remain only at church on Sunday. We can – and should – let our faith animate our lives! ©LPi

MASS INTENTIONS

We have open dates in the Mass schedule for Mass intentions starting in January of 2027. Masses may be offered for the living or deceased and for various reasons like remembrance, thanksgiving, or special intentions. If you would like to schedule a mass intention, please call the parish office at 763.428.2828 or email sjbchurch@yahoo.com. The usual stipend is $7.00.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS . . .

Stephen Bouley, Bena Bourgeois, Ken Croteau, Lynn Eggert, Jenny Enga, Daniel Festler, Donna Rivers Hauan, Martha Killian, Jean Klee, Peggy Kohman, Wayne Lahn, Rick Marion, Bruce & Mary Middleton, Barbara Mulcahy, Gary & Anné Otremba, Deacon Sherman Otto, Rodney Peterson, Viola Plante, Jodi Playle, Greg Rosnow, Catherine Schumacher, Dawn Storms Family, Mary Watson, Billi Jo Weekley, and Sandi Weekley. Becky Barder (sister of Ed Barder), Ricky Bengtson, Mary Sue Beltrand Bistodeau (friend of Paulette Orr), Mike Gullickson and Bill Southworth (friends of Marilyn Nordine), Raymond Bernard (brother-in-law of Joan Playle), Georgia Dockerty (friend of Elaine Sand-Schulenburg), Anderson Boss and Nancy Karls (friends of Mary Dahlheimer), Jeff Chouinard (son of Joanne Chouinard), Dennis Daleiden, Collette Hardy, Andy Heid, Virginia Resler and Joe Simms (friends of Lynn Eggert), Darrell Delles (brother-in-law of Joan Playle), Julie Corbin Dray (niece of Joan Playle), Dave Foster (brother of Char Barder), Nancy Hobbs (sister of Linda Bebeau), Jake (friend of Kathy Bennett), Joyce Jurmu (mother of Barb Carnes), Jerry Kamrow and Scott Knowlan (sons-in-law of Mary Kay Christian), Bob Kline (son-in-law of Darlene Hagel), Linda Ryther (sister of Mary Dahlheimer), Dawn Schmidt (friend of Joanne Chouinard), John and Connie Stanislawski (brother and sister-in-law of Kathy Timm), Dave Stasson (brother-in-law of Lucy McAlpine), Kathleen Weik (sister of Teri Ray), Edgar Zachman (father of Cindy Gibbs), and Dan and Kristy Zapf (grandchildren of Earl and Elaine Schulenburg).

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 11
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
  Confessions following Mass till 8:45 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 9:00 a.m. TLC Mass
  Hospitality after both Masses hosted by the KCs

Monday, October 12
- Columbus Day
  Indigenous Peoples' Day
- 2:30 p.m. TLC Sessions for Homeschoolers
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Faith Formation - The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation, Social Hall (till 7:30 p.m.)
- 6:00 p.m. Small Group Meeting, Church

Tuesday, October 13
- **No 6:30 p.m. Mass**

Wednesday, October 14
- **No 8:00 a.m. Mass**
- **No Faith Formation Classes - MEA Break**

Thursday, October 15
- **No 8:00 a.m. Mass**
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Small Group Meeting, Social Hall (till 8:00 p.m.)

Friday, October 16
- **No Confessions or 8:00 a.m. Mass**
- **No Eucharistic Adoration**

Saturday, October 17
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions (till 4:45 p.m.)
- 4:30 p.m. Rosary
- 5:00 p.m. Mass
  Special Collection - World Mission Sunday

Sunday, October 18
- World Mission Sunday
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
  Confessions following Mass till 8:45 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 9:00 a.m. Mass
  Special Collection - World Mission Sunday

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