Church of St. John the Baptist

Faith · Family · Friendship

November 15, 2026 ◆ Thirty-third 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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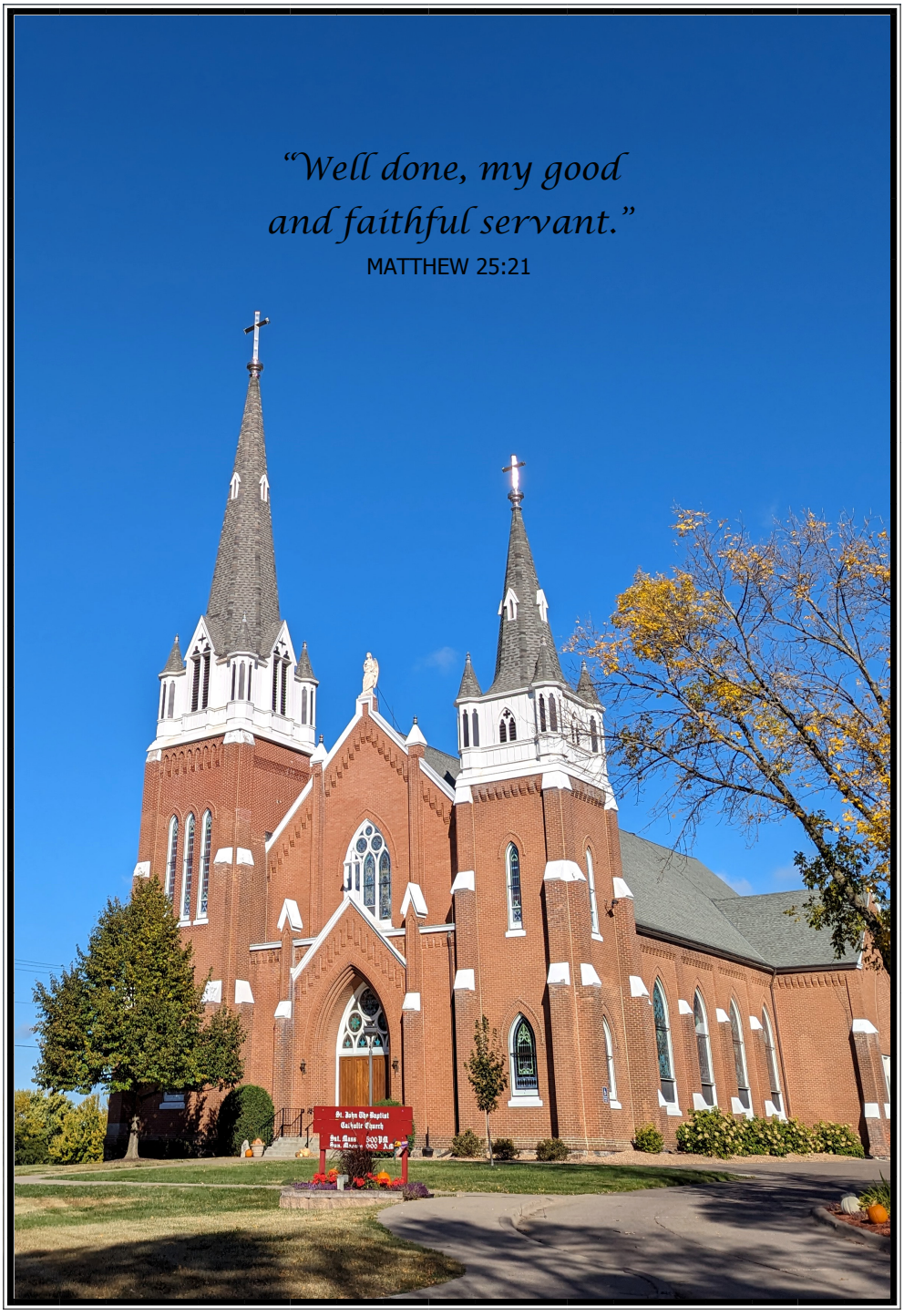



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/ 1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
Monday:	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/ Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday:	Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6/ 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).
Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).
Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).
Gospel — Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities (Matthew 25:14-30).

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

16	Mon.		**No Mass**
17	Tue.	6:30 p.m.	Don Pack † (4 year anniv.)
18	Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Taylor Gassman † (4 year anniv.)
19	Thu.	8:00 a.m.	Mary Thompson †
20	Fri.	8:00 a.m.	Dick and Mary Roden †
21	Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Tyrell Ramsdell †
22	Sun.	7:30 a.m.	David Gaetner † (2 year anniv.)
		9:00 a.m.	St. John the Baptist Parishioners

LITURGICAL ROLES

Next Weekend - November 21 and 22

5:00 P.M.

Ushers:	Teri Ray Cathrine Beauchene
Reader:	Deb Sodman
Server:	Thomas Bouley
Communion Minister:	Stacy Glass

7:30 A.M.

Ushers:	Russ Ray Mary Gagnon
Reader:	Cindy Gibbs
Server:	**Volunteer Needed**
Communion Minister:	Cindy Gibbs

9:00 A.M.

Ushers:	TLC Students
Reader:	TLC Students
Servers:	TLC Students
Communion Minister:	Beth Perry
Children's Liturgy:	Lead: Pam Leiran Aide: Alayna Leiran



SCRIP NEWS

Fall Travel - Remember to help pump-up our profits by purchasing Scrip gift cards for your gasoline needs before heading out of town. We carry in inventory Kwik Trip, SuperAmerica, and Holiday cards. Or you can pre-order for BP, Exxon, Marathon, Mobil, or Shell.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner - Use SCRIP gift cards for all your Thanksgiving indoor and outdoor decorating and supplies for your Thanksgiving dinner.

Scrip Sellers for Next Weekend

Nov. 21	5:00 p.m.	Rena Hales & Morlene MacGregor
22	7:30 a.m.	Deanna Larsen & **Volunteer**
	9:00 a.m.	Benita Lefebvre & Joanne Chouinard

From the Pastor

Growing up, my sister and I received our allowance in dimes - easy to do when you were making two to five dollars a week, depending on how many chores we did, but also important because it made it very easy for us to do the math to tithe and to save ten percent of our allowances.

Tithing is something that we as Catholics honestly don't do. The number of Catholics who give 10% of their income to the Church has no exact precise data but I'd wager it's extraordinarily low as the Church historically has not imposed an obligation to tithe - unlike say the Mormons, where you must tithe to receive the temple mandates and access their version of the sacraments, or certain congregational churches where to be voting members you must provide your tax returns.

Even though it's not a precept of the Church (though supporting the works of the Church is), I don't think my parents were wrong to try to teach tithing to my sister and I as it does have strong biblical roots and I think we all ought to examine our finances to see if we are in fact giving to our potential. When doing so, it is important to remember stewardship should not come from obligation or following a specific formula, but from a spirit of thanksgiving.

In Psalm 116, the Psalmist asks "How can I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me" - and that is the attitude we are meant to have as people of faith. Giving is not something we are meant to do begrudgingly but because of God's gifts to us. When we give, we are participating in God's own generosity, and just as God doesn't just give us 10%, we shouldn't be fixed on a percentage, but on an attitude and a spirit of sharing in the Lord's gift, of what we can do and how we can grow in generosity.

Our parish is currently in a good place of stewardship because of the overall generosity of parishioners, and a few very large gifts and bequests, but we should start thinking about the next phase after we've addressed our building's pressing maintenance concerns that those gifts are targeted for. What comes next for us as a parish? What do we need to continue to be a place where people are welcomed into that relationship with God, the Church, and with one another? How do we continue to pass on the faith to those coming after us and teach them not only gratitude but the power of that relationship with Jesus Christ?

~ Fr. John Powers

NEW IN THE COMMUNITY? WE WELCOME YOU!

Please call the parish office at 763.428.2828 to register.

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

Sign up for our final photography session on Tuesday, December 1. 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. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. You can also click on the QR code. You can also submit a photo for the directory for $15. To do so, text Jim at 612.221.8513.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Throughout the month of November, the month dedicated to remembering our beloved dead, there will be the Book of Remembrance on display in which you can place the names of your deceased relatives and friends. We will remember them in a special way in our Masses all month long.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." *- Matthew 25:21*

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, to use them wisely, and to be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us. God asks us to be generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to you.

CHURCH SUPPORT

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Adult Envelopes (44)	$ 2,395.00
Plate and Non-Parishioners	910.00
All Saints' Day Offerings (1)	50.00
Automatic Deposits (29)	2,933.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	$ 6,288.00
Projected Need	$ 5,776.00
Received Last Week	6,228.00
Projected Need to Date	109,744.00
Amount Received to Date	103,139.00
Deficit - Last Week	$ 7,057.00
- This Week	6,605.00

Thank You

JOIN US FOR TURKEY BINGO



Everyone is invited to come play Turkey Bingo **this Friday, November 20,** beginning at 6:00 p.m. The cost is $9.00 which includes a card to play all 15 games of Bingo and a complimentary meal of chicken soup, sandwich, salad, crackers, dessert and beverage. Additional cards are $6.00 each. We will also play some additional "Half-the-Take" games. This is a fun opportunity to come together with your fellow parishioners and build community. Mark your calendars and plan on bringing the entire family, your friends, neighbors or maybe an elderly person who couldn't get out otherwise and join us for an enjoyable evening and an opportunity to win your Thanksgiving turkey!



LUNCH AND CARDS

Join with fellow parishioners on Monday, November 23, 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!

CEMETERY UPKEEP

To help keep our cemetery looking cared for, we ask those who had live flowers on gravesites this summer to please remove the empty pots from the cemetery. Also, for those who will not be placing wreaths or artificial flowers on the gravesites this winter, we ask you to remove the plant stands, if possible, for the winter months.



FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. John's has Eucharistic Adoration most Fridays beginning after the 8:00 a.m. Mass until 7:00 p.m. and on most Wednesday evenings during TLC from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. We are in need of adorers to commit to regular shifts - please sign up on the bulletin board near the vestibule. We invite all parishioners to stop by on Wednesday evenings or Fridays and give some time - whether is be 10 minutes, a half hour or more - to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

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.

TRAVELERS For nationwide Mass times and locations visit www.Masstimes.org.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

TLC THIS WEEK - We have faith formation this week with TLC on Monday at 2:30 pm and Wednesday sessions at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Parents and any interested adults of the parish are welcome to join us at Wednesday's sessions. Father Powers will be doing a talk about the next section of the Archbishop's pastoral letter, Only One Thing is Necessary. If your children are unable to attend or if you have any other questions, please email Sarah at sarah.sjbchurch@gmail.com

"FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN"

Reading Isaiah with Dr. Michael Morris - A Four-Part Advent Lecture Series

Tuesday evenings, December 1, 8, 15, and 22, at 7:00 p.m. here at St. John the Baptist Church. Centuries before Jesus was born, the prophet Isaiah brought God's people a message of hope during troubled times. His words foretold a coming Savior - and still speak to us today. This Advent, join biblical scholar Dr. Michael Morris to explore the Book of Isaiah and its connection to the Christmas story. Learn what Isaiah's message meant to the people of his time and how the Church sees its fulfillment in Jesus Christ. Together, we'll explore familiar passages about Emmanuel - "God with us" - the promised King, and the servant who suffers for others. Whether you read the Bible often or are just getting started, come deepen your understanding of Scripture and prepare your heart for Christmas. Each evening will consist of a 45 minute lecture followed by time for Q&A. All parishioners and guests are warmly invited!

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

The St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus invite all youth in the community from grades K - 8th grade to participate in its annual Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest. Entry forms, contest rules and poster board, are available on the counter in the social hall beginning this weekend. Completed posters and the attached entry form, signed by a parent or guardian, should be placed in the designated containers on the counter prior to Christmas. Following Christmas, the posters will be judged and prizes for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each grade group will be awarded. 1st place winners in each group will be forwarded to compete at the district level. Participation this community event encourages our youth to expand an express the joy of this blessed time of the year.

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Due to early publication deadlines for Thanksgiving, all bulletin information for the November 29 bulletin must be submitted by 9:00 a.m. this Tuesday, November 17.

CATHOLIC Q & A

ABSTINENCE

Question: How is abstinence a virtue?

Answer: The virtue of abstinence describes the act of refusing, to any extent, food or types of food. On its own, this action does not produce grace within a soul. However, when regulated by reason and performed in pursuit of sanctification, it is a pious form of mortification of the flesh.

Abstinence is compelled by the fourth precept of the Catholic Church ("You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.") This precept "ensures the times of ascesis and penance which prepare us for the liturgical feasts and help us acquire mastery over our instincts and freedom of heart," says the Catechism (CCC 2043).

St. Thomas writes that the virtuous act of fasting is ordered to three ends: first, to control the appetites of the flesh; second, "that the mind may arise more freely to the contemplation of heavenly things," as we see so often in Scripture; and third, in reparation for sin (II:II, 147, Art. 1). ©LPi

BEST ADVENT EVER

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Better content. Better Christmas. Better life. Could it really be that simple? Yes. The content you consume is shaping your thoughts, habits, relationships and future. This Advent, join Matthew Kelly for a daily journey that will help you reclaim your attention, choose better content, and build a better life. Sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/advent. Each day you'll receive short, inspirational videos in your inbox to help you make this the best Advent of your life! Plus...for the first time ever, this year's program includes a special Christmas Week Retreat! Don't miss this 5-day video series on *The Practice of the Present of God.* All for free! Sign up today!

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, November 15
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
  Confessions following Mass till 8:45 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 9:00 a.m. Mass
  Hospitality after Mass hosted by the KCs

Monday, November 16
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Faith Formation - The Bible Timeline: Social Hall (till 7:30 p.m.)

Tuesday, November 17
- 6:30 p.m. Mass
- 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting, Social Hall

Wednesday, November 18
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
  TLC Family Sessions
- 5:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (till 8:00 p.m.)

Thursday, November 19
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Small Group Meeting, Social Hall (till 8:00 p.m.)

Friday, November 20
- 7:30 a.m. Confessions (till 7:50 a.m.)
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration **(till 4:00 p.m.)**
- 6:00 p.m. Turkey Bingo, Social Hall

Saturday, November 21
  Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions (till 4:45 p.m.)
- 4:30 p.m. Rosary
- 5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, November 22
  Solemnity of Christ the King
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
  Confessions following Mass till 8:45 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 9:00 a.m. TLC Mass



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, 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), 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 Cnnie 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).

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