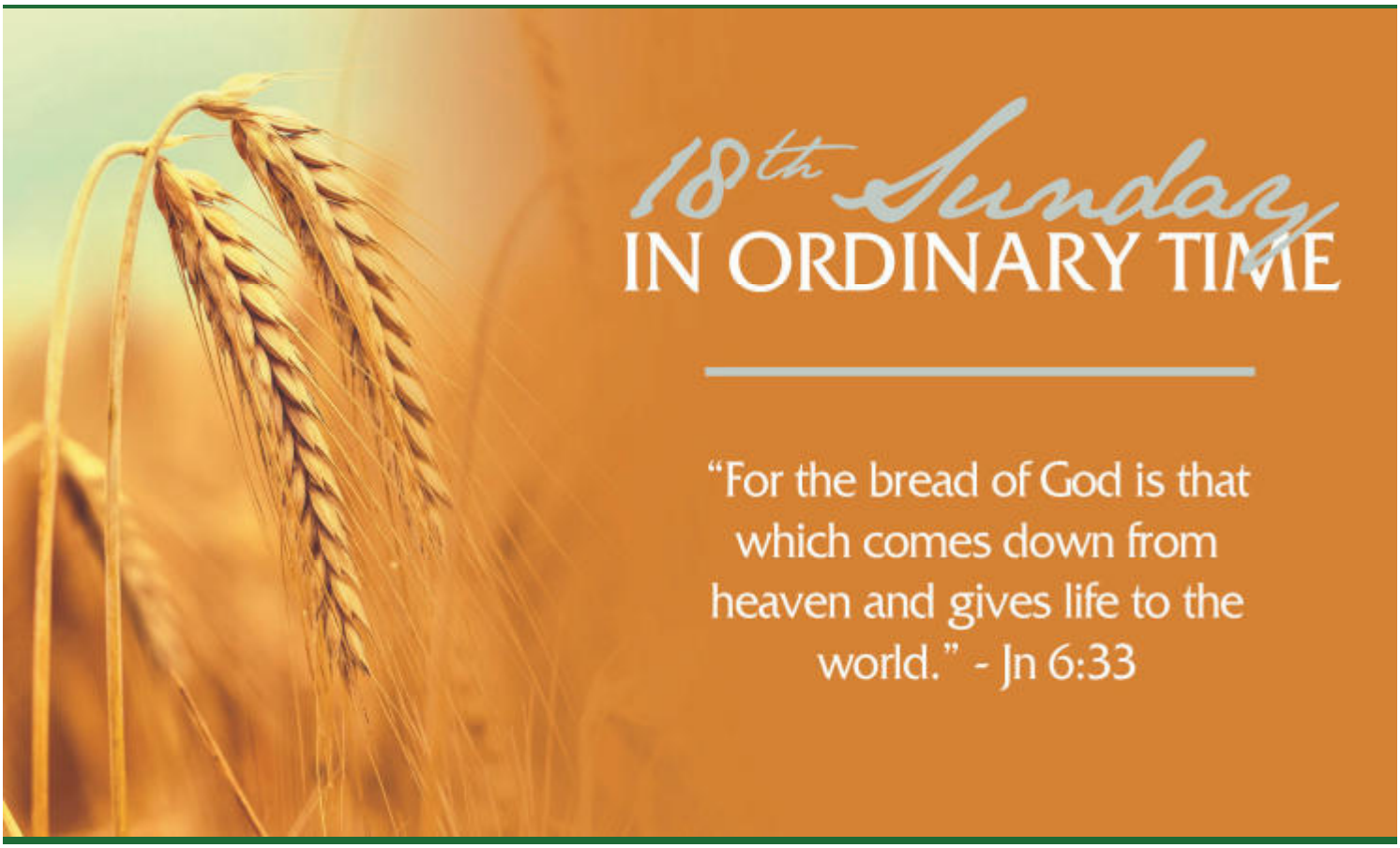
St. John's Church

AUGUST 1, 2021



The Church

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Hours
Monday-Friday 9:00 am– 3:00 pm

Sunday Masses
Saturday 5:00 pm;
Sunday 7:30 am and 10:00 am

Weekday & Holy Days
Daily Masses 8:30 am Tue, Thurs, Fri.
9:30 am Weds at Valhaven
See bulletin & website for Holy Day schedule

Bulletin Deadline Tues. at 1:00 pm

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402-669-7118

New Members: Welcome! Please visit our website or call the office at 402-359-5783 to register and join our faith family.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:
Pauline Pesek (President), Vince Kirby (Vice President), Don Peters, Pat Costello, John Leise, Jenny Boothe, Peggy Staup, Rachael Urban and Jim Mangimeli

Archdiocese of Omaha Vision Statement
One Church: encountering **Jesus**, equipping **disciples**, living **mercy**

Parish Mission Statement
"St. John is a welcoming Catholic faith community with a spirit of generosity, offering nourishment for the body and soul through the Good News of Jesus Christ."

August 1, 2021 • 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." EXODUS 16:4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego leads to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living as a disciple helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a grateful and generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

As the plague moved through Germany and Europe in the early 1630's, the town of Oberammergau, Germany promised God that if they were spared from the plague, they would stage the Passion Play every 10 years. No one in Oberammergau died, and thus began the production of the Passion Play. This production is in two parts and lasts hours with a break for dinner.

As we have survived this pandemic of 2020-21, how fitting to attend this marvelous production in Thanksgiving to God for sparing us. I will be leading a tour to the Passion Play in June 2022, from June 8-18. Other sights include Heidelberg, Rhine Valley, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Munich, Rothenburg and more. For more information contact Fr. Lloyd Gnirk at elgn52@cox.net.

Like a lot of plans, the pandemic certainly messed up many plans for people. This trip was to have been in 2020, but travel was restricted. Take this opportunity now to travel and experience this production and many sights.

Space and tickets are limited, so sign-up now. When you contact me, I will send you the registration information.

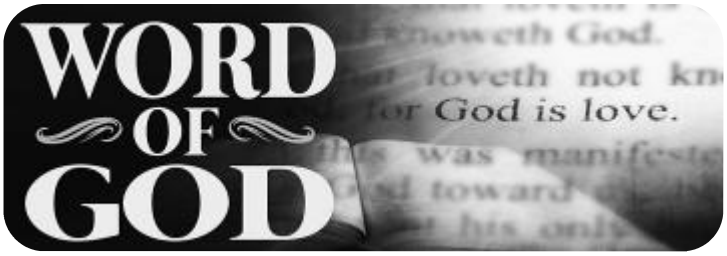
A Walk Through the Mass - A Catechesis
Ritual Act; Story Telling (Part one)

Liturgy of the Word. When we gather at a friend's home for a meal, we always begin with conversation, telling our stories. At Mass, after the rites of gathering, we sit down and listen as readings from the Word of God are proclaimed. They are the stories of God's people.

Three readings and a psalm. On Sundays there are three readings from the Bible. The first reading will be from the Hebrew Scriptures. (except during the Easter season) We recall the origins of our covenant. It will relate to the Gospel selection and will give background and an insight into the meaning of what Jesus will do in the Gospel. Then we will sing or recite a psalm—a song from God's own inspired hymnal, the Book of Psalms of the Hebrew Bible. The second reading will usually be from one of the letters of Paul or another apostolic writing. The third reading will be taken from one of the four Gospels. Some visitors to the Catholic Mass are surprised to find us reading from the Bible! We have not generally been famous for our Bible reading, and yet the Mass has always been basically and fundamentally biblical. Even some Catholics might be surprised to learn how much of the Mass is taken from the Bible: Not only the three readings and the psalm, not only the obviously biblical prayers such as the Holy, Holy, Holy and the Lord's Prayer, but most of the words and phrases of the prayers of the Mass are taken from the Bible.

Thanks to Presentation Parish in Sacramento CA.; the source of this catechesis.

If you or someone you know are interested in becoming a Catholic or would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith, please call the parish office for more information or email me dcntom@stjohnvalleyne.com. Our sessions begin on Sunday September 13 at 8:30 a.m Do you have a question about why we do this or that as Catholics please not hesitate to reach out and say "Hey Deacon" . . others may be wondering the same thing. You can email at dcntom@stjohnvalleyne.com or you can leave a message 402-359-5783 ext. 216



Readings for the week of August 1st, 2021

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [2a]/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 [cf. 3a]/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 [4a]/
Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a and 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10

Saturday: Dn 6:4-13/Ps 18: 28, 3-4. 47 and 51/Mk 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

The next St. John's **First Friday Eucharistic Holy Hour** will be **Friday, August 6th** from **6:00pm until 7:00pm**.

Please come and spend one hour with Jesus at Eucharistic Adoration.

There will be NO a potluck after, due to the garage sale

Please plan on bringing your entire family!

St. John the Evangelist's
St. Vincent dePaul Conference

Hotline Number: 402.669.7118

Please look for the collection envelope in your packet and consider a donation to The St. Vincent dePaul Society.

Any amount is greatly appreciated and needed to help the poor and those suffering a recent misfortune in their lives. Loss of a job, fire, vandalism, or death can cause a catastrophic financial hardship for many in our parish and the community. It can happen to any of us at any time. Our parish SVdP Society volunteers respond! You are our only source of funding. Each year, we help over 100 individuals and families.

If you or someone you know needs assistance, please call our parish St. Vincent dePaul assistance hotline at 402-669-7118.

Thank you so much!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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5th Sunday of the Month Rosary- August 29th
rosary will begin at 7:05am & 9:35am

Annual K of C Garage Sale
August 5th-8th, 2021

August 5th-6th (8am- 6pm) - Open to the Public
August 7th (8am- 5pm) - Open to the Public
August 8th (8am-Noon) - Open to the Public

Volunteer Sign-ups Sheets can be found in the Gathering Area

Call Dick Wirges with Question's at 402-651-4832

R.C.I.A.

If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you. Our parish will soon begin a set of sessions to share with others the truths of the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our church family. We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions also are opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church.

Sessions are always held on Sunday at 8:30am.
This first session is **September 12th, 2021**

Please give us a call if you have questions or would like further information at (402)359-5783 or email Deacon Tom at dcntom@stjohnvalleyne.com or Father Gnirk at elgn52@cox.net

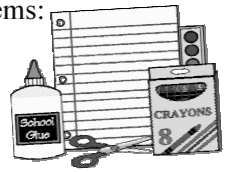
Alteration The Mystery of the Mass Revealed

A 60-minute video helping adults and teens appreciate the awesome beauty and mystery of the Mass. The video may be viewed on August 15th at 8:15am and/or August 22nd at 8:45am in the St. Cecilia Conference Room here at St. John's.
Questions contact Carol Mangimeli at 402-359-2771

COPE
Christian Outreach Program–Elkhorn

COPE's Annual Back to School Supply Drive

We are collecting school supplies for COPE! There is a box in the gathering area to drop supplies off in. COPE has an extra need for these items:



composition notebooks (wide rule)
12-16 oz. water bottles
wide rule notebooks
scientific calculators

Please have supplies returned by August 8th

August 14, 2021 at 9:30am at St. Vincent de Paul Parish Center. Keynote speaker, Mary E. Buckley, is a local author, pro-life advocate, and award-winning nurse educator. Her book, "*I Knew You Before You Were Born: A Pregnancy Memoir,*" tells the inspirational story of her choice for life as a single, unwed mother still in nursing school.

Questions, contact Dawn Hovey at 531.239.3130

More information visit:
https://one.bidpal.net/bfl21

Children's Corner

FAITH FORMATION

Call or email Molly with questions
402-359-5783 or molly@stjohnvalleyne.com

The Full RF Calendar can be found our website!

We are getting closer to RF classes starting on Wednesday evenings again. The first Wednesday night RF class (1st-8th grade) will be held **September 8th 6:45pm-8:00pm**. The first Sunday school class (Preschool and Kindergarten) will be **Sunday September 12th**. If you have not done so already, please register your children preschool-8th grade ASAP. We are offering a small bonus to all families that register their children before August 25th. Cost for RF this year is $45.00/child with a family maximum of $135.00. If registered before August 25th, you will receive a $5 discount per child. Don't forget I also need baptismal certificates (if we don't already have them from last year) with your registration.

If anyone is interested in becoming an RF teacher this year, or wants to substitute teach, or co-teach with another teacher. Please contact me ASAP as well. We are looking for a couple more teachers. We would greatly appreciate your talents here at St. John's. All fees for RF are waived for children of teachers!

Online registration, visit our website at stjohnvalleyne.com or **Manual registration,** you can pick up a form here at church

Global Leadership Summit: Registration now open!
August 5-6, 2021 Christ the King - Omaha; St. John the Baptist - Fordyce Registration is now open for the Global Leadership Summit, a two-day conference where you will receive practical tools to support you in your leadership growth. August 5-6, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

"The Little Way Nun Run is for high school and college age girls interested in exploring Consecrated Life. Join us and Fr. Padraic Stack on a one-day trip to visit the Carmel in Valparaiso and the School Sisters of Christ the King in Lincoln, along with Mass and meals for the day. Thursday, August 5th, from 8:00am-8:00pm. Email paulabastian@cox.net or call 402-515-0767 with questions or to register. Cost: $10 for the day."

Siena/Francis Meal

Thank you, Siena/Francis House Volunteers!

***Next meal is:* August 12th!**

We will continue to provide one meal a month to the Siena/Francis House and are temporarily making changes to the collection process. Boxes and coolers will be available OUTSIDE the South entrance of the Church on Wednesday from 8 am until 4 pm; and on Thursday from 8 am until Noon. **If you are uncomfortable or unable to continue with your donations,** we understand your concerns and encourage you to take a break from your participation. If there are any changes to this plan you will be notified by text, email or phone. We pray that everyone stays in good health and that soon we will be back to normal. God bless you all and thank you!

For further information, call the parish office or email
Linda Jankowski: lindajank44@yahoo.com
or
Beth Kudlacz: msmek1@gmail.com

Planning a baptism? The next baptism class will be held on be held on :

August 8th, 2021

Call the parish office at 402-359-5783 to get registered or find the registration form on the website!

Join hundreds of single Catholics from across the country at the 20th National Conference for Single Catholics - August 20th-22nd, 2021 at the Omni Interlocken hotel in Broomfield, CO. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers (Fr. Nathan Cromly, Fr. Thomas Loya, Mary Beth Bonacci and others!) as well as music, social events, Mass, adoration, opportunities for confession, fellowship, food and more. Register before July 5th to get the Early-Bird discount and enter promo code: NCSC21 for an extra $20 off. Visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

Bethlehem House

Mark your calendars NOW!

Bethlehem House Golf Scramble on Thursday, September 30th at Tiburon Golf Club, for an 11:00am shotgun start.

If you have any questions or would like to be involved in our 2021 Golf Scramble as a participant, volunteer, or sponsor, please contact TJ Ernst at 402-502-9224 or by email at ternst@bethlehemhouseomaha.org.

Thank you for your generosity!

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	$	10,477.00
SVdP:	$	0.00
CHILDREN:	$	27.00
BUILDING FUND/CAP. CAMPAIGN:	$	910.00
REPAIR & MAINTENCE:	$	250.00
MISSION COOP	$	2,071.00

If you would like more information or to visit about parish finances contact Fr. Gnirk

Mass Schedule and Intentions

MON **8:30am** NO MASS

TUES **8:30am** +EDDIE & ARLENE EISCHEID

WED **9:30am** VALHAVEN (Residents Only)

THUR **8:30am** +RICHARD FARBER

FRI **8:30am** +MATNARD PESTER

SAT **5:00pm** +FR. PETRASIC

SUN **7:30am** OUR PARISH FAMILY

SUN **10:00am** +BILL CAVEYE & FAMILY

Ministry Schedule August 7th & August 8th

	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM
SACRISTAN	J. LEISE	S. SMITH	E. GOTTUSO
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	C. THIESSEN	L. WASCHEK	E. GOTTUSO
SERVERS	D. THIESSEN	D. WACKER	M. ZACH
	VOLUNTEER	A. WACKER	L. ZACH
VALHAVEN	No Valhaven at this time	No Valhaven at this time	No Valhaven at this time
VALLEY LAKES	No Valley Lakes at this time	No Valley Lakes at this time	No Valley Lakes at this time

August's Calendar Dates

August 1st

Donut Sunday in the Parish Hall

August 5th – 8th

K of C Annual Garage Sale

August 6th

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration at 6pm,
NO potluck due to K of C Garage Sale

August 7th & 8th

Special Collection-SVdP Collection

August 8th

Baptism Prep Class in the
St. Cecilia Conference Room at 11am

August 11th & 12th

Siena Francis House Meal Donation Drop Off

August 12th

Finance Committee Meeting at 5pm

August 15th

Alteration Viewing in the St. Cecilia Conference room at 8:15am

August 16th

Knights of Columbus Meeting at 7pm, Rosary at 6:30pm

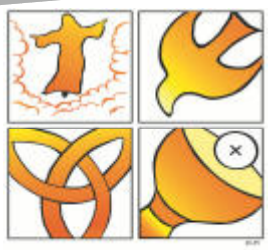
August 22nd

Alteration Viewing in the St. Cecilia Conference room at 8:45am

August 24th

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm

St. John's Prayer Line:
Call with prayer requests
Pat 402-359-5336 or Sally 402-660-6702



SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Half hour before weekend Masses or by appointment

Baptisms: Baptism classes are offered quarterly. Plan to make these classes part of preparing for the birth of your child. Make arrangements with the office

Marriage: Six month preparation for sacrament prior to the event. Contact parish office to make arrangements

Funeral Rites: Please contact Father

Sacrament of the Sick: As needed in individual cases

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