

St. John's Church

JANUARY 16, 2022

2nd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

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

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St. Vincent dePaul Assistance Hotline

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:

Vince Kirby (President), Jenny Boothe (Vice President), Pauline Pesek, Pat Costello, John Leise, Rachael Urban, Jim Mangimeli, Tom Oehler and Quentin Bliss

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."

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"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 CORINTHIANS 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

St. John's is active in social justice on many levels. To understand how our parishioners are involved in social justice, one needs to be aware of the many organizations and activities available for individuals to preform spiritual and corporal works of Mercy by acts of charity designated by Jesus. Living the Gospel is a daily part of our parishioners and parish organizations. Over the next five weeks, information on a few of these parish organizations will be presented!

Blessings,
Fr. Gnirk



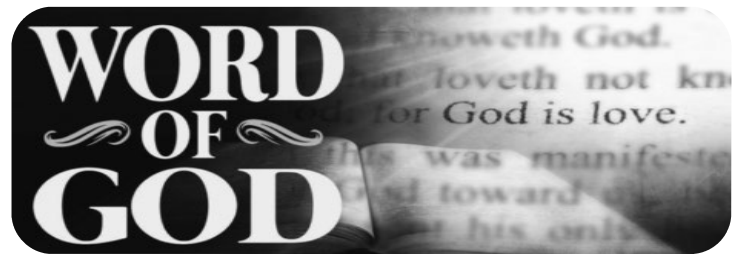
Hey Deacon! What do you know of a letter by the name of "Sacred Letter of Jesus"?

The "Sacred Letter of Jesus" also known as "A True Letter of Our Savior Jesus Christ" is a letter outlining the "Consecrating [of] the Drops of Blood Which Our Lord lost on His way to Calvary". This letter is said to have been found and then preserved for centuries in the Holy Sepulchre of Our Lord Jesus Christ in Jerusalem, preserved in a silver box by His Holiness and by the Emperors and Empresses of the Christian Faith " (catholictradition.org).

The letter is in response to "St. Elizabeth, Queen of Hungary, with St. Matilda and St. Bridget, wishing to know something of the Passion of Jesus Christ, offered fervent and special prayers, upon which there appeared to them Our Lord Jesus Christ Who spoke to them" (ibid) in response outlining His Passion in a somewhat detailed manner. He also offered anyone who offered specific prayers each day for three years special graces and indulgences.

This letter falls under what the Church defines as *private revelation*. There is also what is known as *divine revelation*. In essence, divine revelation refers to God's revealing of Himself to humanity through the life and mission of His Son Jesus. Divine revelation ended with the fulfillment of the Old Testament Scripture through Jesus Christ as written in the New Testament.

Private Revelation serves divine revelation and the Catholic faith, but does not impose an obligation of belief of the sort that public revelation does. However, since God has not issued private revelations with any degree of certainty, the burden to believe in private revelation is not imposed upon a person. But, "such a message can be a genuine help in understanding the Gospel and living it better at a particular moment in time; therefore, it should not be disregarded. It is a help which is offered, but which one is not obliged to use" (Ratzinger).



Readings for the week of
January 16th, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

St John's Church



The next St. John's **First Friday Eucharistic Holy Hour** will be **Friday, February 5th** from **6:00pm until 7:00pm.**

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

Please plan on bringing your entire family!



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

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Knights of Columbus
2nd Annual Golf Outing
July 23rd, 2022!

Knights of Columbus, along with SVdP will be holding a clothing drive for the local homeless shelters.

They are in desperate need of Men's XL, 3XL & 4XL sizes in t-shirts, underwear, socks and Coats. Donations can be dropped off in the blue bin in the gathering area!

Essential Pregnancy Services 26th Annual GLOW Benefit Dinner on Sunday, February 27th, 2022 at the Mid America Center in Council Bluffs, IA. For more information visit: bidpal.net/glow22.com

Women's "Mini-Retreat" Women hold so many "identities"...we are daughters, sisters, friends, mothers & wives. Whether we are parenting young children, caring for an elderly parent or just figuring out marriage...each of these times in our lives can come with blessings & rewards, and... it can, also, be really hard. And demanding & exhausting. It may seem nearly impossible to get away on retreat and RECONNECT with Jesus. Saturday, February 12th - 8:30am to 12:30pm (Doors open at 8am) at St. Bonaventure Parish Center - 1565 18th Ave Columbus, NE Questions? Contact Sarah at sdoerneman@sti.esu7.org

Update
your
Information



Have you moved this year? Changed phone numbers? Contact the office at 402-359-5783 to update your information!!

Nebraska Walk for Life

Please join us January 29th, Saturday, in Lincoln for our yearly Nebraska Walk for Life. The morning will start with Mass at 9:00am at St. Mary's Church at 14th and "K" Street. The Walk will begin at the Capitol Steps at 15th and "K" Street with a few speeches and then the Walk to the Nebraska UNL Student Union on 14th and "R" Street. The pro-life guest speaker this year will be Ashley Bratcher, the award-winning actress of "Unplanned". Please join us and stand up for life! Questions: Carol Heng 402-968-1767. Maybe we can carpool.

Set Your House in Order: A Program to Organize Finances and Plan Estate, February 5, one-day retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Columbus attorney James A. Fehringer. If you have possessions, you have an estate. Their orderly care during your lifetime represents financial management. Their disposition after your lifetime is called estate settlement. Deciding in advance how this will be done is known as estate planning. Capitalize on this opportunity to learn how to plan your estate. A thorough analysis of asset ownership, Wills, Trusts, Asset Management Powers of Attorney, Health Care Powers of Attorney, Long-Term Care Protection and Charitable Gift Planning will be presented. – Social distancing and wearing a mask is recommended. Program fee: \$35. Lunch is available at the Center for \$ 12.08 Register at www.StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.

January 28, 48th Annual Nebraskans Embracing Life Celebration of Life with Steven Mosher of the Population Research Institute, St Vincent de Paul Parish Center, 14330 Eagle Run Dr, 6p social, 7p dinner and program. "You can save a life today!"

Cathedral Arts Project's 37th Annual Flower Festival will be **LIVE and in person in 2022!** The event is held **January 29-30, from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, and 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Sunday**, with special viewing on Saturday from 9:00-10:00am for those 65 and older.

Each year, over one weekend, people throughout Nebraska visit the beloved and historic Saint Cecilia Cathedral to admire vast floral displays created by area florists and artists, and enjoy live musical performances by area performers and groups. The event is sponsored by area businesses and individual supporters. This year's theme is "**Hope Springs Eternal**". This event is free to the public and many volunteers are needed in order to make the event a success. Make the volunteer experience an occasion by inviting your friends and family to volunteer with you. For all information on the event and questions about volunteering, **contact Magan Smith at (402) 980-4716 or magan368@me.com**

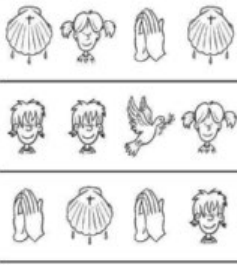
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

The Full RF Calendar can be found our website!

PUZZLE
Circle the picture that is the same as the first one. Then color in all the pictures.



MISSION
I will talk to God when I first wake up each morning.

GROWING WITH THE Gospel
CYCLE C

COLOR
Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



RF Monthly Outreach: Reaching our for January and February: Essential Pregnancy Services (EPS). Each RF class will have a giant “baby bottle” in their classrooms that will be used to collect Money for EPS. It will be a competition between classes to see who gets the most \$ in their bottle to donate to Essential Pregnancy Services (EPS). Every week we will collect all \$ from students first thing in RF class.

A big thank you to the St John Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this year’s “Keep Christ in Christmas” poster contest. We have a bunch of powerful posters spreading the importance of Christmas, hanging in the gathering area at Church. Congratulations to our contestants awarded winner and runner-up in each age division.

11-14 year old division: Izzabella Zach -Winner
Aniston Hoegh -Runner-up

8-10 year old division: Olivia Rehder -Winner
Ella Baulisch -Runner-up

5-7 year old division: Riley Knight -Winner
Will Baulisch -Runner-up

YOU'RE INVITED TO PRAY WITH US!

Mass for Vocations on January 17 at St. Joseph, Springfield

The Serra Club of West Omaha invites you to join us for a special Mass for Vocations at 5:30 PM on Monday, Jan. 17, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 100 9th Street in Springfield, to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life within the Archdiocese of Omaha. Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Frank Baumert, Chaplain of the Serra Club. Mass will be followed by a brief *Meeting & Mixer*. Our speaker at the meeting will be Deacon Terry Ficenc of St. Joseph. He will share his vocation story and his experience of serving as a deacon. Light refreshments and sweets will be provided. If you are interested in helping to build the Church locally through vocations support, contact John Lingo, Serra VP, 402-290-4670 or John@JLingoLaw.com.

Siena/Francis Meal

Thank you, Siena/Francis House Volunteers!

Next meal is: February 10th!

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.

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 :

February 6th, 2022

Register by calling the parish office at 402-359-5783 or online at stjohnvalleyne.com, under ‘sacraments’

BAPTISM CLASS FOR NEW AND EXPECTANT PARENTS

Congratulations! You are parents! You have said “yes” to God’s creative love in your lives. You have said “yes” to life. You are having or have already had a baby!

As you know, your doctor will provide medical care for mother and child, and will advise exercise, childbirth classes, a nutritious diet, and rest. He or she will also monitor the baby’s development and answer your questions and concerns.

Likewise, the Church desires to provide spiritual care for you and your baby. For your baby, this care finds its center in Baptism. Baptism is the gift of new life, the eternal life of the risen Christ. This gift is a sacrament, an encounter with Christ himself. Baptism is a moment when Christ comes to us and acts within us and among us. In this encounter, we are transformed.

Our children need our help on this spiritual journey — and the help of the entire Church — to become aware of the immense gift they have received in Baptism. Our help begins before birth and is most critical in early childhood, when the child has the greatest religious needs as well as the greatest religious capacities.

St John’s holds quarterly Baptism Classes where you will receive many tools that will help you with your child’s spiritual journey. Classes will be held after the 10:00am Mass. Classes will be forty-five minutes long. Once you have completed this class we can schedule your child’s Baptism. Please call 402-359-5783 or email the office to reserve your spot for the class of your choice. This requirement is for parents and expectant parents but is also good for godparents.

Thank you for your generosity!

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	\$ 14,216.00
SVdP:	\$ 65.00
CHILDREN:	\$ 47.00
BUILDING FUND/CAP. CAMPAIGN:	\$ 0.00
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE:	\$ 2,130.00
CHRISTMAS:	\$ 6,175.00
RELIGIOUS PENSION:	\$ 250.00
SEMINARY:	\$ 1,756.90
SOLEMNITY OF MARY:	\$ 80.00

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 +FR. PATRICK O'KANE

WED 9:30am NO MASS

THUR 8:30am +LUCILLE HENG

FRI 8:30am +LORRAINE MANHART

SAT 5:00pm OUR PARISH FAMILY

SUN 7:30am +ANN WORKMAN

SUN 10:00am +LINDA KORTH

Ministry Schedule January 22nd & January 23rd

	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM
SACRISTAN	J. LEISE	S. SMITH	P. CAVEYE
GREETERS	VOLUNTEER	SMITH'S	RATH FAMILY
LECTOR	J. BATTEN	T. OEHLER	N. RATH
EMHC	DEACON	DEACON	DEACON
	C. MANHART	J. OEHLER	C. TYLSKI
	J. SCHONDER	T. BUKOSKIE	G. TYLSKI
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SERVERS	D. THIESSEN	N. WURTZ	K. TIBKE
	G. KRINGS	C. WURTZ	I. ALZURI
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

January's Calendar Dates

January 16th

Sunday RF (Pre-K & K) at 10am

January 19th

RF-6:45-8pm

January 23rd

Sunday RF (Pre-K & K) at 10am

January 26th

RF-6:45-8pm

January 30th

Sunday RF- Sings at the 10am Mass

February 2nd

RF-6:45-8pm

February 6th

Donut Sunday
Baptism Class at 11am-St Cecilia Conference Room
Sunday RF (Pre-K & K) at 10am
4th Grade Mass at 10am

February 9th

Siena Francis House Meal Drop Off
RF-6:45-8pm

February 10th

Siena Francis House Meal Drop Off
Finance Committee Meeting at 5pm

February 13th

Sunday RF- Sings at the 10am Mass

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

SACRAMENTS

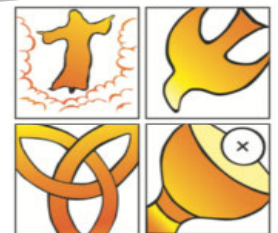
Reconciliation: Half hour before weekend Masses or by appointment

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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