

St. John's Church

MARCH 13, 2022

2nd Sunday OF LENT

While he was praying his face
changed in appearance and
his clothing became
dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

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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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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"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." (GENESIS 15:7)

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

Fish Fries will be March 18, 25 and April 1st.

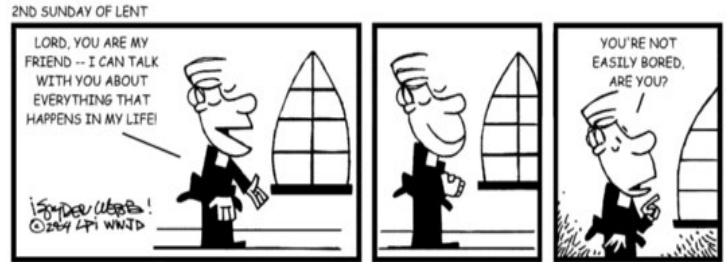
Rosary and Stations of the Cross will be on Wednesday evenings. The Knights of Columbus will lead the Rosary beginning at 6 PM followed by Stations at 6:15 PM.

Many people like to celebrate Reconciliation during this Holy Season in preparation for Easter. A Reconciliation Service is scheduled for March 16. Reconciliation will be available at the usual times and by appointment as well. Please email me for an appointment.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be at 7 PM on April 14. Stations of the Cross are on Good Friday April 15 at 3 PM, with the Good Friday liturgy at 7 PM.

The Easter Vigil will be at 8:00 PM on April 16. Masses on Easter will be at 7:30 and 10 AM.

Many blessings during this Lenten season.



Readings for the week of
March 13th, 2022

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/
Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/
Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9



Hey Deacon! Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times, young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parents. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled. Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish. Source: LPI

St John's Church



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

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



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On Wednesday, March 23rd, at 7 PM, Fr. Patrick Saint-Jean will be our guest at College of Saint Mary, presenting on the Anti-racism as a Spiritual Practice. This is a hybrid event being held in person at the College of St. Mary's Hillmer Art Gallery and live streamed via Zoom. Pre-registration is required. This event is free and open to the public. Register online at CSM.edu/events or contact Dr. Andrea Stapleton at astapleton@csm.edu

Vita an evening for Bethlehem House! April 1st, 2022 at Downtown Omaha Marriott. Dinner, Drinks, Program & Auction. Cocktails at 5:30pm, Dinner at 6:30pm
For more information visit: bethlehemhouseomaha.org/events



ST. JOHN'S 53rd FISH FRY

March 18th, 25th & April 1st
from 5:00-8:00pm

YOUR HELP is NEEDED!!!

This is a great opportunity for new or other parishioners to get involved. **Look for sign up sheets on the table in the gathering area!** Please consider being a weekly chairperson
Any questions call Paul Magiera 402-881-5980.

JOIN THE PARISH CHOIR

Choir has begun to gather from 9-9:55am in the St. Oscar Romero Room to begin preparations for the Lent and Easter Seasons, come join us.

New members are always welcome.

'Singing is praying twice' and a great way to enrich your Lenten journey.



Help Needed:

Ushers, Greeters, Families to take up Gifts & Servers!!

Please contact the parish office to add your name to the rotating list!

402.359.5783

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 before Mass on March 15th at 9am in the

St. Cecilia Conference Room. ?'s contact Carol Mangime-li at 402-359-2771

The Serra Club of West Omaha invites all the faithful to join us for a special *Holy Hour for Priests and Seminarians* on Monday, March 21, at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church. Join us in the Narthex at 6:00 PM for a Welcome Reception and at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary for the Holy Hour. During the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, together we will pray a Rosary for Priests and Seminarians, followed by the Litany for Priests. We will spend time in silent adoration as we pray for all our Priests and Seminarians who are part of the Archdiocese of Omaha. As our Archdiocese faces a shortage of priests amid a challenging time for our Catholic Church and our culture at-large, now more than ever, we need to support our Priests and Seminarians with fervent and ongoing prayer. Please show your support and invite your family, children, youth, friends, and neighbors to join us. Let's fill the church! All are welcome!

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
Find four differences.



MISSION
I will not whine and beg when my parents say "No."

GROWING WITH THE GOSPEL
CYCLE C

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



RF Monthly Outreach: March Reaching out project will be the Parish Prayer Tree

Parish Wide Prayer Tree

The purpose is to get our Parish praying for each other in the most powerful way this Lent. Each individual person (no age requirements) can fill out a prayer tag in the gathering space with their own personal need for prayer. Be as specific or as simple as you wish, when filling out these prayer tags. You can decide if you want to include names or remain anonymous on your tag.

After you hang your completed tag on the Prayer Tree, make sure you take a tag off of the tree with someone else's need for prayer. Hang this Parishioner's tag somewhere in your life that you frequently are reminded by. For example: in your car, your bedroom, a special shelf or bulletin board at home. Every time you see this Parishioner's tag, say a prayer for the intention on the tag.

If we all share a prayer and take a prayer, I believe we will see its power right here at St. John's Church! There is no better gift to give. A gift for everyone. A gift that has no age limitations, no cost or judgement. A gift given by sharing just a little of your time and love.

Feel free to share tags and take tags from the St. John's Prayer Tree throughout all of Lent. Together we can all pray for each other to create our own **BREAKTHROUGH**.



The Encounter Series are guides for small groups to pray together with Scripture (lectio divina). They rely on Jesus to do the heavy lifting of leading the group, and aim for transformation of heart (not just transfer of information). Your small group can include friends, neighbors, co-workers, or even your children and their friends. Join us on Wednesday evening beginning March 23rd, 6:45-8pm in the St. Cecilia Conference Room, here at St. John's. Please RSVP to Tom dcntom@stjohnvalleyne.com or Molly molly@stjohnvalleyne.com

Siena/Francis Meal

Thank you, Siena/Francis House Volunteers!

Next meal is: March 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 :

May 1st, 2022

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

The Beauty of Marriage: Ever Changing, Ever New, April 22 – 23, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Deacon Dr. Steve and Catholic Bible Study teacher Sharon Doran, MA. A marriage retreat for couples at every stage of their marital journey. Join Steve and Sharon Doran for a deeper look into the evolving mystery of Marriage. God uses His primordial sacrament in His eternal plan of salvation for all His beloved creatures and entrusts married people to help Him in a unique way. Come and see how God has entrusted you and your spouse to be part of His own redemptive plan through your gift of marriage. – Social distancing and wearing a mask is recommended. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to Saturday, ending with Mass at 4:00 p.m Register now at www.StBenedictCenter.com



Join our community-and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States -on a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl from the gathering area or your RF classrooms! During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by the injustice. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Lifted Up on the Cross, I Will Draw All People to Myself: The Passion according to John, March 26 – 27, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Prior Joel Macul, OSB, STL. On Good Friday each year, we hear the Passion according to John proclaimed. Today we will take a closer look at how Jesus' being lifted up is the goal of his life and the moment of forming a new people of God. In being lifted up, Jesus reveals and glorifies his Father and our Father. – Social distancing and wearing a mask is recommended. Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to Sunday after Lunch. Register now at www.StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.

Thank you for your generosity!

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- ~Followed the rules at school
- ~Used my manners
- ~My mom and I picked up my room.

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions

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|-------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| MON | 8:30am | NO MASS |
| TUES | 8:30am | ALL SOULS |
| WED | 9:30am | VALHAVEN (Residents Only) |
| WED | 7:00pm | PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE |
| THUR | 8:30am | +BOB MESCHER & ELIZABETH FREESE |
| FRI | 8:30am | + BILL CAVEYE |
| SAT | 5:00pm | +PAUL & STELLA KUHNEL |
| SUN | 7:30am | + LEAH & LARRY WINKLER |
| SUN | 10:00am | OUR PARISH FAMILY |

Ministry Schedule March 19th & March 20th

| | Saturday 5:00 PM | Sunday 7:30 AM | Sunday 10:00 AM |
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| SACRISTAN | J. LEISE | S. SMITH | P. CAVEYE |
| GREETERS | VOLUNTEER | VOLUNTEER | BLISS' |
| LECTOR | D. KALLENBACH | D. KOLEY | T. PALADINO |
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| SERVERS | R. WILSON | K. MCKINNEY | B. ZACH |
| | M. WILSON | BA. GRITTEN | E. BAULISCH |
| VALHAVEN | No Valhaven at this time | | |
| VALLEY LAKES | No Valley Lakes at this time | | |

March's Calendar Dates

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| March 16th |
| RF 6:45-PM Rosary at 6pm, Stations of the Cross at 6:15pm NO Encounter Prayer Series Parish Reconciliation Service at 7pm |
| March 18th |
| Fish Fry 5-8pm (Take-Out 402-359-5217) |
| March 20th |
| Sunday RF (Pre-K & K) at 10am |
| March 21st |
| K of C Meeting at 7pm, Rosary at 6:30pm |
| March 22nd |
| Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm |
| March 23rd |
| RF 6:45-PM Rosary at 6pm, Stations of the Cross at 6:15pm Encounter Prayer Series-6:45-8pm in St Cecilia Room |
| March 25th |
| Fish Fry 5-8pm (Take-Out 402-359-5217) |
| March 27th |
| Special Collection-Catholic Relief Services Sunday RF (Pre-K & K) at 10am Sunday RF sings at 10am Mass |
| March 30th |
| NO RF Rosary at 6pm, Stations of the Cross at 6:15pm Encounter Prayer Series-6:45-8pm in St Cecilia Room |
| April 1st |
| Fish Fry 5-8pm (Take-Out 402-359-5217) |

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

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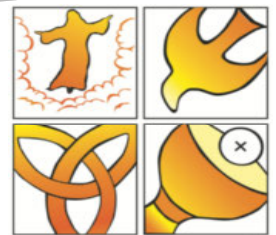
Reconciliation: Half hour before weekend Masses or by appointment

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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