

# St. John's Church

MARCH 27, 2022



## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday OF LENT

“He said to him, ‘My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours.’”

- Lk 15:31

### 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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**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.”*

## March 27, 2022 • 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Many of you know that I am retiring in June. Many have asked who would be pastor at St. John's. The new pastor will be Tim Forget. He and I have worked together in the past. Here is a brief bio for him. Welcome Fr. Tim.

*So a little bit about myself. Father Tim Forget (pronounced like 4-J)*

*I am son of Alice (deceased) and Jerry Forget who are members at St Mathews Bellevue. I am 6th of 12 siblings 9 boys 3 girl. Growing up we lived in Milwaukee Wisconsin and Upstate NY (my parents home state). We moved to Nebraska 30 years ago as I had three siblings attend Creighton University (where my mom also worked after raising kids).*

*I was ordained in 2002 and served at Holy Cross Omaha and St Leo s in Omaha as Assistant Pastor. Was named Pastor at Clarkson and Leigh Ne, then St Bonaventure Columbus and finally Randolph and Osmond and later Pierce NE where I currently serve. Hobbies over the years include some bow hunting, fishing and bike riding. I am excited to serve in Valley and be closer to my siblings who still live in Nebraska (all in the Omaha area)*

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. 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.



**Hey Deacon! Is it ever appropriate to receive the Eucharist more than once a day? If so under what conditions of circumstances?**

The short answer is; yes it is appropriate for a Catholic to receive Communion

twice a day. Canon Law 917 states "A person who has received the most holy Eucharist may receive it again on the same day only during the celebration of the Eucharist in which the person participates." If a person is in danger of death, he or she may receive Communion, often called viaticum (Bread for the Journey), no matter how many times they have already received it on that same day.

So for example if a person receives Communion at a Communion Service thinking that Mass is not available, it is permissible for that person to receive a second time if they find they are able to attend Mass. Also by way of example, if a person attends daily Mass and receives Communion they may also receive Communion if they were to attend a funeral or wedding that same day.

This holds true for the reception of the Eucharist on weekends. A person may receive Communion Saturday morning and again Saturday evening in order to fulfill their Sunday Obligation. It would also hold true that a person could receive Communion at the Saturday Vigil service and then return Sunday and receive Communion as Canon Law speaks to reception of Communion on the same day not the same service. A person could indeed then also receive twice on Sunday, but that person should ask themselves a very serious question; "Is this reception of Communion furthering my spiritual life and union with Christ, or am I receiving simply because I am here?" If it is the later answer it may be better to refrain from receiving a second time with the full understanding that the graces received in the first reception are innumerable and sufficient.



Readings for the week of  
March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Sunday:** Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

**Next Sunday:** Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

# St John's Church



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

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



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**Knights of Columbus 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Outing**  
**July 23rd, 2022 ~ 1pm Shotgun Start!**

Contact Vern at 402-372-7830 with your 4 person team information

**Smoked Easter Hams** are available again this year by the Knights of Columbus. Place your order for a delicious smoked Easter ham today! Hams average between 18 to 22 lbs. @ \$3.75 per lb. Contact Sam Gottuso at [snjgottuso@gmail.com](mailto:snjgottuso@gmail.com) or 402-560-8536.



**\$500 Scholarship** The Knights of Columbus are now accepting scholarship applications. Applications must be completed and submitted by April 15th, 2022 and \$500 scholarships will be awarded to four students of a college, university, or tech school after a successful semester. For complete details and to apply, visit [www.kofc7034.org](http://www.kofc7034.org) and click on the *News and Announcements* link.

The Bethlehem House is in need of full & queen size mattresses! There is also a need for bunkbeds! If you have any mattresses and/or bunkbeds that you would like to donate, contact Vern at 402-372-7830

**"NO ONE IS BORN A PRIEST..."**

VOCATION SUMMIT – April 2, 2022

St. Patrick's Church in Elkhorn, NE 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sponsored by the Vocation Office and the Serra Clubs of Omaha. The summit this year will be presented by Greg Schweitz, of Serra International, and Mark Bonkiewicz of Omaha. "Igniting the faithful begins with a Spark"



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



**ST. JOHN'S 53<sup>rd</sup> FISH FRY**

April 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

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Valley Community Blood Drive on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:30am at St. Mark's in Valley. To sign-up for one of the slots available, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: Valley, Nebraska



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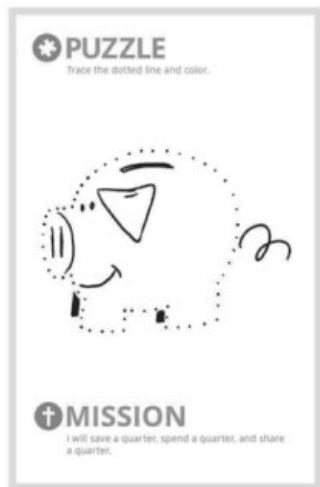
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# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Call or email Molly Zach with questions  
402-359-5783 or [molly@stjohnvalleyne.com](mailto:molly@stjohnvalleyne.com)

*The Full RF Calendar can be found our website!*



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, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:45-8pm in the St. Cecilia Conference Room, here at St. John's. Please RSVP to Tom [dcntom@stjohnvalleyne.com](mailto:dcntom@stjohnvalleyne.com) or Molly [molly@stjohnvalleyne.com](mailto:molly@stjohnvalleyne.com)

## Siena/Francis Meal

Thank you, Siena/Francis House Volunteers!

***Next meal is: April 14<sup>th</sup>!***

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](mailto:lindajank44@yahoo.com)

or

Beth Kudlacz: [msmek1@gmail.com](mailto:msmek1@gmail.com)

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

**May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022**

Register by calling the parish office at 402-359-5783 or online at [stjohnvalleyne.com](http://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](http://www.StBenedictCenter.com)

**From childhood to adulthood, abuse takes many forms and occurs in families, churches and communities. The Archdiocese of Omaha invites anyone impacted by abuse to come together and pray for the healing of wounds. Archbishop George Lucas will preside. This is not a Mass. We welcome people of all faiths, walks of life and backgrounds to join us on: Monday, April 4, 2022 , 7:00 p.m. at St. Leo's, 1920 N. 102<sup>nd</sup> St., Omaha Reception to follow**

Adult Faith Formation Wednesday Night Series: Father Gnirk will be doing an Adult Formation Session on April 6, 2022 from 7:00-8:00pm, in the Church sanctuary. He will be speaking on The Acts of the Apostles. This formation is free and open to all Adult Parishioners & Religious Formation Parents. What a wonderful opportunity for any of our RF parents to drop off your student(s) for religion, and in return, take an hour for yourselves, growing in your Faith as well. We are hoping, by bringing this opportunity to St. John's during Wednesday RF classes, that we can meet our Parish Community where they are at in their busy, day-to-day lives.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	\$ 9,410.00
SVdP:	\$ 150.00
CHILDREN:	\$ 31.10
BUILDING FUND/CAP. CAMPAIGN:	\$ 2,2126.88
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*If you would like more information or to visit about parish finances contact Fr. Gnirk*



This weekend is a special collection for the Catholic Relief Services, please give generously!

### Mass Schedule and Intentions

- MON 8:30am** NO MASS
- TUES 8:30am** +JOHN HEGARTY
- WED 9:30am** VALHAVEN (Residents Only)
- THUR 8:30am** +ED KOJDECKI
- FRI 8:30am** +HARLAN & VERA MUELLER
- SAT 5:00pm** OUR PARISH FAMILY
- SUN 7:30am** +HELEN NOVOTNY CAVALERI
- SUN 10:00am** +DOLORES TOWNLEY

### Ministry Schedule April 2<sup>nd</sup> & April 3<sup>rd</sup>

	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM
SACRISTAN	J. LEISE	S. SMITH	P. CAVEYE
GREETERS	B. DICKAU	S. JANOVSKY	COSTELLO'S
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VALHAVEN	No Valhaven at this time		
VALLEY LAKES	P. PREBLE		

### March's Calendar Dates

<b>March 30<sup>th</sup></b>
NO RF Rosary at 6pm, Stations of the Cross at 6:15pm Encounter Prayer Series-6:45-8pm in St Cecilia Room
<b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b>
Fish Fry 5-8pm (Take-Out 402-359-5217) NO First Friday Eucharistic Holy Hour
<b>April 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
Donut Sunday Sunday RF (Pre-K & K) at 10am
<b>April 6<sup>th</sup></b>
RF 6:45-PM Rosary at 6pm, Stations of the Cross at 6:15pm Children's Rosary & Stations at 6pm in RF Hallways Adult Formation-6:45-8pm in St Cecilia Room
<b>April 10<sup>th</sup></b>
SVdP Meeting at 8:15am in the St Cecilia Room <u>Last Sunday RF Class</u> (Pre-K & K) at 10am Sunday RF sings at 10am Mass
<b>April 13<sup>th</sup></b>
Siena Francis Meal Drop Off Rosary at 6pm, Shadow Stations of the Cross at 6:15 & 7pm
<b>April 14<sup>th</sup></b>
Siena Francis Meal Drop Off Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm
<b>April 15<sup>th</sup></b>
Stations of the Cross at 3pm Good Friday Liturgy at 7pm
<b>April 16<sup>th</sup></b>
Easter Vigil at 8pm

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

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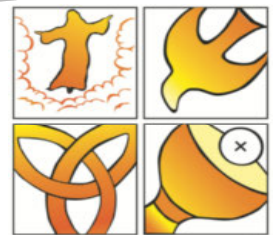
**Reconciliation:** Half hour before weekend Masses or by appointment

**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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