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MASS TIMES

NO Daily Mass this week NO Mass or Word Service this Fri. **Saturday** 9:00 am, 5:15 pm **Sunday** 8:00 am & 10:00 am **Word & Communion Service** Monday—Thursday 8:15 am

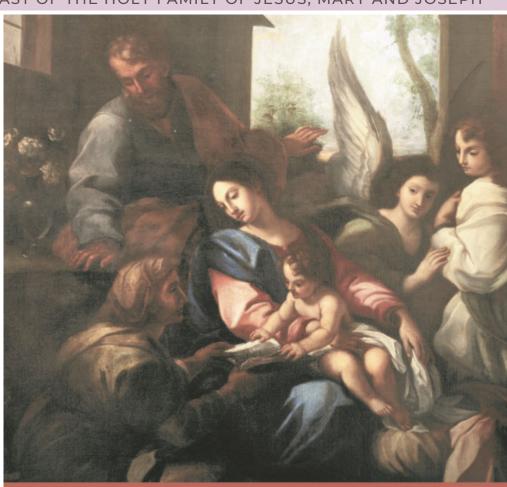
RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place in the Adoration Chapel **Saturday** 4:30 pm or by appointment

ADORATION

Adoration in the Chapel during parish office hours Mon-Fri. **NO** Adoration during Reconciliation or Mass times





THE HOLY FAMILY

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He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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With the Holy Spirit pouring the love of God into our hearts, we invite people to Christ by living like Christ through prayer, service, and learning.

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FROM THE PASTOR



O Emmanuel, may the assurance of your unfailing presence be for us a source of unending peace. This peace has existed since the beginning of time. However, each year we remember and celebrate that moment when the birth of Christ taught us a lesson and became an example for us to follow. We each carry inadequacy, weakness and imperfection. But when we gaze on God as a baby—fragile, noniudamental. lovina—we see our own littleness. We

celebrate Christ's birth and our own. We each are invited to make our lives a total gift of ourselves.

Merry Christmas,

Father John

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- Lk 2:51-52

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27 1 JN 1:1-4; JN 20:1A, 2-8

8:15 am Word Service

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28 1 JN 1:5-2:2; MT 2:13-18

8:15am Word Service

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29 1 JN 2:3-11: LK 2:22-35

8:15 am Word Service

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30 1 JN 2:12-17; LK 2:36-40

Word Service 8:15 am

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31 1 JN 2:18-21; JN 1:1-18

NO MASS NO WORD SERVICE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1 NM 6:22-27: GAL 4:4-7: LK 2:16-21

9:00 am Donald Sargent †, Billie Caven †, Pete Phillips †, Jack Koch †

Phyllis Goettl †, Robert Miller †, Josephine Dugo †, 5:15 pm

Debby McGuiret & Linda Kump +

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2 IS 60:1-6; EPH 3:2-3A, 5-6;MT 2:1-12

Anna Mae Barklow †, Patricia Norris †, Charles Buley † 8:00 am

Brian & Jan Hughes

10:00 am James Kunkel †





Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 25/26 2021

*BB = "Breaking Bread" Book. To help you follow along with Mass, you may request a copy in the office.

Gathering

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
Peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
We glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, Have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit In the glory of God the Father. Amen

*Readings are found in Breaking Bread page 53

First Reading: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.

R/. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Second Reading: Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17

Gospel Reading: Lk 2:41-52

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation

He came down from heaven

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

Preparation of the Gifts and Altar

Eucharistic Acclamation

- 1) We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.
- 2) When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.
- 3) Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Eucharistic Prayer: Mass of Christ the Savior

Holy, Holy	BB 876
When We Eat	BB 878
Amen	BB 880
Lamb of God	BB 881

Prayer for a Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion

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SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

Marriage - Contact the parish office I year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

Becoming Catholic - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — "I prayed for this child, and the LORD granted my request. Now I, in turn, give him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD." (I Sm 1:27-28)

Psalm — Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. (Ps 84)

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And so we are. (1 Jn 3:1)

Gospel Reading— After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. (Lk 2:46)

LOYOLA NEWS

Admissions

We are excited to announce that enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year will open on January 3rd, 2022 for the community. Current Loyola families will have priority registration starting on December 15th - January 3rd. Please call Kerstyn Cafarelli, Admissions Associate at 507-386-5399 or email admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org to schedule a tour.

School Based Mentoring Program

Loyola Catholic School is participating in the YMCA School-Based Mentoring Program for the upcoming school year. The school-based mentoring program pairs Loyola Catholic School students with adult mentors for lunch once a week. For the students, it is an adult who will listen without judging, talk without preaching, and take a genuine interest in how things are going. In other words, a friend. Our hope is to have mentors ready to start in September with additional mentors being added as needed and they become available throughout the school year. Please email Becky Gerdes, Dean of Academics at bgerdes@loyolacatholicschool.org if you would be interested in serving as a mentor. Training will be provided by the YMCA.

Your parish support makes all we do, learn, and celebrate at Loyola possible

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Simon Ministry Christmas Party

Thank you to all who donated gifts and their time to make a successful Simon Ministry Christmas party. We also want to thank the other parishes who were involved in this event: Saints Peter and Paul, St. Joseph the Worker, Holy Rosary and the Church of the Immaculate Conception in St. Clair. Your generosity means so much to those in need.

Job Opportunity

The Diocesan Pastoral Center in Winona is currently accepting applications for an Information Technology/Communications Specialist. Interested applicants are encouraged to go to the Diocese of Winona/Rochester website (https://www.dowr.org/about/employment.html) for more information.

MASS TIMES AROUND THE AREA

DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE:

KTTW Channel 7 (Sioux Falls) at 7:00am KEYC Channel 10 (Mankato) at 7:30am KEYC-DT, Digital Channel 12.2 or Charter Channel 19 (Mankato) at 9:30am KAAL Channel 6 (Rochester) at 9:00am WKBT Channel 8 (LaCrosse) at 7:30am

St. John's Prayer Network—

To submit a prayer request call: Mickey Bicek 388-5906 or Alice DiMeglio 345-5273

Email: Pastoral Care Associate at: mike@stjohnsmankato.net

LITURGICAL CORNER



FINANCES

Previous Total \$402,791.55

DECEMBER 10-16, 2021

Adult Support \$ 23,391.00 Holiday/Holy Day \$ 2,682.00

Offertory \$ 562.00

Donations via \$815.00 website as of 12/16/21

Weekly Total <u>\$ 27,450.80</u>

Weekly Offering goal is: \$18,163.73

Year-to-date income as of 12-16-2021: \$ 430.241.55

Money Counters

December 27: Team 4 January 3: Team 1 January 10: Team 2

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been dropping off or mailing your weekly donations. We are grateful for whatever contributions you are able to make, as we continue to pay our utilities, payroll and other expenses. Your generosity is much appreciated!

Did you know that you can now make donations by text? Text to: 1-507-428-2929

Daily Communion Minister:

December 27 -31~ Chuck Frost

<u> January 1— **5:15 pm**</u>

Communion Ministers: Kelly Andresen, Margaret Dugo, John Fell

Lector: Sheila Skilling Sacristan: John Fell Ushers/Hospitality: Team 1

<u>January 2—**8:00 am**</u>

Communion Ministers: Massaad Chahine, Jan Denn, Mike Denn

Lector: Bill Simonette Sacristan: Beth Pooley Ushers/Hospitality: Team 5

January 2— **10:00 am**

Communion Ministers: Elaine Ludvik, Mike Ludvik, Nick Meyer

Lector: Leon Schaffer Sacristan: Sarah Nelson Ushers/Hospitality: Team 9

Update Family and Member Information and Set Publish

Preferences

by using a program called ConnectNow Family Suite. A component of Family Suite is a portal called My Own Church for you to view and update your family information as well as view your giving history.

Please go to St. John's website under "My Own Church" to register. If you have questions, please contact the office at (507) 625-3131 and someone will assist you.



All donations for 2021 tax purposes need to be in the parish office by Friday, December 31, 2021. It can also be postmarked or submitted through PayPal, online giving, or text giving **by midnight** on December 31, 2021. This also includes donations to our Annual Diocesan Appeal.

Thursday, December 30, 2021 is the last day of the year that the office will be open from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. The parish office will be closed on Friday, December 31, 2021.

Thank you for all of your support this past year prayerfully as well as financially!!

Please Take Note:

This year, 2021, St. John's will no longer be mailing out "Giving Statements". If you are in need of a Giving Statement, please call the office and one will be printed that you may pick up at the office, M-F from 9:00AM until 4:00PM beginning January 21, 2022.

06 THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

Word & Communion Service 8:15 AM – Church

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

Sunrise AA Meeting 6:30 AM - Matthews Hall Word & Communion Service 8:15 AM - Church Spirit Singers Rehearsal 5:30-7:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Room

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

Word & Communion Service 8:15 AM - Church St. John's Night at Kiwanis 4:30 pm - Sibley Park

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

Word & Communion Service 8:15 AM - Church Simon Ministry 10:30 AM - Matthews Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

OFFICE CLOSED Al-Anon 6:30 AM – Parish Library NO Mass or Word Service

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

Holy Day Mass - 9:00 AM - Church Mass - 5:15 pm

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

Mass -8:00 AM - Church Mass - 10:00 AM - Church

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Merry Christmas to all of our Faith Formation Families!

GRADES 1-5: No Classes on Sun. Dec. 26th & Sun. Jan. 2nd – Christmas Break. We hope to return to in person learning on Sun, Jan 9th, 2022 (stay tuned for updates)!

GRADES 6-12: Wed. Dec. 22nd NO Small Groups.

Wed. Dec. 29th Faith Formation Night at Kiwanis Holiday Lights, 4:30 PM - late (NO Small Groups). Email jcusick@stjohnsmankato.net to sign up to volunteer for our night at Sibley Park if you haven't done so yet.

Kiwanis Holiday Lights + St. John's Faith Formation Group
To volunteer for OUR night in the park on Wed. Dec. 29th, email Jill at jcusick@stjohnsmankato.net
St. John's Faith Formation Group is excited to be a part of this local community event this year;
spreading the light & love of Jesus to all!

The display at Sibley Park goes now through Dec. 31st, please be sure to stop down and vote for your favorite Nonprofit Tree; we have one set up.

St. John's Apparel is back by popular demand; once again available to order now through Jan 10th! Visit www.unitedteamelite.com, click on the "TEAM STORES" tab, and enter code "STJB21" to order.

Orders from November are available NOW to pick up in the Parish Office.

"Jesus, King of Kings" 1 of a Kind Art by Lisa - Raffle Tickets Available in Parish Office
Our "Portraits of Jesus" Art Gallery Exhibit & Advent Cantata was postponed. Our new date is TBD.
Raffle tickets for the One-of-a-Kind Art Piece by Lisa Bierer available for \$5 each during office hours.
The drawing will also be held at the new date. Please stay tune for a new date & time;
we appreciate your understanding.

Thank you to our Event Sponsor: www.21stlagreatermankato.com

St. John's Faith Formation follows District 77 Health & Safety Policy; Masks are required for students, teachers, mentors, & staff for Grades 1-8, and all indoor St. John's parish events & Masses.

We Invite You to Become Catholic:

If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, or have questions about the process (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults), please contact the Parish Office and we will connect you with a member of our welcoming team.

We invite you to LIKE & FOLLOW St. John the Baptist's Faith Formation - Mankato on Facebook @StJohnsMankatoFaithFormation www.facebook.com/StJohnsMankatoFaithFormation

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Pre-register by January 14th as seating is limited. Email at mcassem@ccsomn.org or call 507-458-9687



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