

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

Third Week of Lent

3/20 Mon. 7:00A Communion Service
3/21 Tues. 7:00A- ... Eucharistic Exposition &
 Adoration
 5:00P * Eucharistic Benediction
 5:30P Mass Int.: Milo Kistler †
3/22 Wed. 8:00A Mass Int.: Joe Morris †
3/23 Thurs.
3/24 Fri. 9:30A Rosary @ Custer Regional
 Senior Care
 5:30P Stations of the Cross,
 followed by Simple Meal
3/25 Sat. 4:45P- 5:15P Reconciliation

Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:30P Mass Int.: Intentions and
 Blessings for the John
 Dvorak Family
3/26 Sun. 7:15A- 7:45A Reconciliation
 8:00A * Mass Int.: Nick Schmaltz †

Note: * indicates that incense will be used.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be on **Fridays at 5:30P** during
 Lent followed by soup and bread in the parish hall.

"Opening the Word" follows in the parish center around 6:30P.
 The parish middle and high school youth groups will be offering
Living Stations of the Cross on Fri., April 7.

ST. JOHN'S BIBLE STUDY Starting **Wed., March 22** at 9A, the
 parish will host a weekly Bible study in the parish center. For more
 info call Ann Dvorak at 673-4478. All are welcome!

REMEMBER!!! WOMEN OF ST. JOHN'S HAM DINNER is this
Sun., March 19 from 11A-2P. Join us for great food and fellowship.

FREE ROSARY REPAIR for Our Lady. Even if you are missing
 pieces. Enclose in an envelope/bag with your contact info and give to
 Fr. Gerlach or Karen at the parish office.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT:		March 12, 2017	
Regular Collection	\$1,350.75	Plate Collection	\$ 190.00
Youth Collection	\$ 8.00	Seminarians	\$ 75.25
Capital Improve.	\$ 63.50	Anawim	\$ 50.00
Cath. Soc. Serv. (CSS)	\$ 40.00	Flowers	\$ 70.00
Black & Ind. Mission	\$ 40.00	Votive Lights	\$ 38.98
General Donations Collected (to date)		:	\$110,741.15
General Budgeted Expenses (to date)		:	\$100,969.35
Difference (+/-)		:	+ \$ 9,771.80

LENT FASTING & ABSTINENCE

- **Fasting:** required for those **ages 18-59**; one full meal, two smaller
 meals together not equaling one full meal

- **Abstinence (from meat):** required for those **ages 14+**

Days of Fasting & Abstinence: Ash Wed. & Good Friday

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Note: For the days of fasting, if you are sick, have a chronic illness
 (e.g., diabetes), are pregnant or nursing, you are exempt from fasting.
 Use common sense and don't further jeopardize your health. See also
February's West River Catholic, page 16. See more Q&As
 regarding Lenten practices here: www.USCCB.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/len/catholic-information-on-lenten-fast-and-abstinence.cfm.

WHAT IS CRS RICE BOWL? CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief
 Services' Lenten faith-in-action program for families and faith
 communities. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we deepen our personal
 experience of Lent, and hear stories from our brothers and sisters in
 need worldwide. We devote our Lenten prayers, fasting, and gifts to
 transform the lives of the poor. **THIS WEEK: ENCOUNTER
 OPPORTUNITY** -- We encounter Fernando in El Salvador where,
 despite a lack of economic opportunity, youth are pursuing their
 dreams of building businesses to better the lives of their families.
 How have you worked to better the lives of others this Lent? Visit
www.CRSRiceBowl.org for more info.

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH CORNER

Schedule for Wednesdays of the Month

First Wed.: Family Formation beginning with Mass at 5:15P
 followed by a potluck meal and catechesis. **All parishioners
 are invited!** Concludes at 8P.

Second Wed.: Life Teen (high school youth) beginning at 6P
 with a potluck meal. Concludes at 8P.

Third Wed.: Life Teen (high school youth) and Edge (middle
 school youth) groups both meet beginning at 6P with a potluck
 meal. Concludes at 8P.

- Elementary (K-5) Family Activity from 6:30-7:30P in the
 Parish Center.

Fourth & Fifth Wed.: Life Teen (high school youth)
 beginning at 6P with a potluck meal. Concludes at 8P.

If you have any questions regarding this schedule, please
 contact Belinda Wickham at 255-5353.

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS: Sr. Rosalie, Tyler Anderson, Lorena Bottum, Billie Colvin, Pam Cornelius, Jackie DeKeyrel, Walter DeNeve, Lois Dvorak, Peggy Grassman, Tom/Marilyn Green, Jason Hafner, Jill Hart, Bea Henry, John Kocer, Connie Lynch, Susan McNally, Michael Murphy, Jesse Olson, Maureen Poulas, Jimmy Schneller, Sherry Sharkey, Ashley Gaides Siers, Grace Snyder, Mitchell Snyder, Sue Tennyson, Judy Uhrich, Terry Wakeland, Donale Walker, Roger Whiting, Joyce Whitney, Mary Woytassek, Stephanie Zacher, and all residents of Custer Regional Senior Care Center and Wedgwood Assisted Living.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is every Tuesday from 7:00A until 5:00P. A sign-up sheet is available in the entry of the church. “Lord Jesus Christ, pierce my soul with your love so that I may always long for you alone, who are the bread of angels and the fulfillment of the soul’s deepest desires. May my heart always hunger for you, so that my soul may be filled with the sweetness of your presence.”

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Tues., March 21 5:30p

Sacristan	Laura Wickham
Servers	Joshua Wickham, Johnny Wickham
Reader	Belinda Wickham
EMHC	Myra Wickham, David Wagner

Wed., March 22 8:00A

Sacristan	Dawn Holland
Server	David Wagner
Reader	Phyllis Wheeler
EMHC	Myra Wickham

Fourth Sunday of Lent -----

Sat., March 25 5:30p

Sacristan	Mary Eide
Servers	Jon Larcher, Anthony Dillon, Amelia Weiland, Garret Weiland
Readers	Cathy Brickey, Lonnie Arthur
EMHCs	Dee Hone, John Fejfar, Fran Coy, Lisa Krogman
- Deacon	Dn. Pat Coy
Greeters	Bill & Terry Wakeland
- West Door	Mai Dillon

Sun., March 26 * 8:00A

Sacristan	Forrest Lewis
Servers	Jonathan Lewis, Shauna Zacher, Darian Block, Ana Rosa
Readers	Stephanie Zacher, Ann Dvorak
EMHCs	Gayle Schneller, Duke Schneller, Fran Coy, Joan Vega
- Deacon	Dn. Pat Coy
Greeters	Block Family
- West Door	Russ Arnold

PRAYER MINISTRY FOR THE DYING Our volunteers are asked to pray three Divine Mercy Chaplets for those near the end of life. You can pray these anywhere – at home, at work, the church building, etc. Members are contacted by text or e-mail. Contact Patrick to join this ministry or request prayers for the dying: 605/569-1012 or PatDanFlan@ProtonMail.com.

STEWARDSHIP SPOT: In today’s Gospel, Jesus sends out the disciples to meet the needs of others. His admonition to them is the same challenge He makes to us: “The gift you have received, give as a gift.”

CATECHETICAL CORNER: Two “In-A-Year” Series: Tidbits from the Catechism each weekday at www.Flocknote.com/catechism; Tidbits about each Pope each weekday at www.Flocknote.com/popes. It’s never too late to start!
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NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

MOVIE: FACING DARKNESS When the deadly Ebola virus infected Samaritan’s Purse team members Dr. Kent Brantly and missionary Nancy Writebol, the epic crisis hit home for the ministry and its leader, Franklin Graham. FACING DARKNESS tells an incredible true story of faith, determination, and prayer ... and of how God performed miracles! The end of the film includes a special presentation of the Gospel by Franklin Graham. The movie is coming to theaters for one night only: **Thurs., March 30 at the Carmike 10 in Rapid City.** Tickets are available online now. Take a moment to watch the trailer at www.FacingDarknessMovie.com. For group ticket purchases contact Groups@FacingDarknessMovie.com or call 844/422-8259 ext. 106.

PASTORAL MINISTRY DAYS is coming up **April 2-4 (Sun.-Tues.), 2017.** Online registration, the flyer, and a schedule can be found at www.PMD2017.com.