

Church of St. John the Baptist  
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**Fr. Ron** (320) 547-2920 or cell (320) 290-4902  
**Confessions:** Sat. Night 6:30 pm – 7:00

Feb. 4, 2018 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary time

Mon, 5	8:30 a.m.	Intention of Fr. Ron
Tues. 6	8:30 a.m.	NO service
Wed. 7	5:45 p.m.	Intention of Fr. Ron
Thurs. 8	8:30 a.m.	Rosary & Comm. Service
Sat. 10	7:30 P.M.	Arnold & Edith Kimman
Sun. 11	10:30 a.m.	Florence Pietrowski

TAKE UP GIFTS:

Sat. the Kimman Family  
Sun. the Pietrowski Family

THE TIME HAS COME to join others for a fun evening with great food and laughter. Friday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> is our Auction/Dinner Fun-Draiser !

HELPERS NEEDED: **We need people to take our auction items to Sobieski Friday morning, Feb 9<sup>th</sup>. We will load in back of the church at 9:00 A.M. We also need helpers to set up the tables, chairs, etc. at the Sobieski Center. We also appreciate those who stay to help take down and clean up the center after the event. THANK YOU SOOO MUCH.**

Please take NOTE that we will be UNABLE to cash checks or accept checks for anything other than dinner tickets or auction items. Checks can be written for the amount of purchases only. Thanks !

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

Saturdays: Dan Primus & Bob Koetter  
Sundays: Jeff Kurtz & Elmer Vavra

SERVERS FOR FEBRUARY

Sat. 3 & 10 Anyone who comes  
Sat, 17 & 24 Beau & Alex Thoma  
Sun. 4 & 11 Anthony Notermann & Frank Meagher  
Sun. 18 & 25 Aiden Shattuck and Cooper Thieschafer

LECTORS FOR FEBRUARY

Saturdays: Joni Primus  
Sundays: Ann Peterson

EUCCHARISTIC Ministers for FEBRUARY

Saturdays: Issy Schmiesing & Val Sobania  
Sundays: Ann Peterson & Richard Knopik  
Laura & Jeff Kurtz .

If you want a printout of your donations for 2017, please let me know by calling 547-2920 in the morning or leave a very clear message and I will mail it to you.

If you leave a message for Fr. Ron to visit someone at a facility, please tell the building name or number ( and ) the room number.

**Quilt Bindo** Feb. 18 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Upsala. 20 games for \$10—free lunch follows.

St. Anthony Parish - 1<sup>st</sup> Street N. in St. Cloud has a **fish fry** Fridays during lent from 4 to 7 p.m. starting February 16<sup>th</sup>.

LOOKING AHEAD: St. Joseph Parish in Grey Eagle will have a **fish fry** at the Hub Supper Club March 26<sup>th</sup> Plan to go and support them and enjoy some fish, etc.

Just a reminder: I usually don't drive to work so my car will NOT be here but I am usually here from 8:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon. If I am not busy, I will leave early so please call before coming to be sure I am here. Just me - Val

Office hours are normally 8 a.m. to noon. However, they do vary so you may want to call before coming to be sure I am here. Just me – Val 547-2920 home phone 547-2479  
**You can get the bulletin on the parish webpage below.**  
Parish web page: stjohnschurchwswanville.org  
Diocese web page: www.stclouddiocese.org  
Parish e-mail [stjohnscatholicswanville@centurylink.net](mailto:stjohnscatholicswanville@centurylink.net)

**HANDICAP ACCESSABLE**

Collection for January 27th & 28th

Adult	\$ 1,484.00
Plate	\$ 201.00
Auction/Dinner Cash	\$ 300.00

TOTAL \$ 1,985.00

Mass attendance Saturday 73  
Mass attendance Sunday 140

FAITH FORMATION  
Marge Mettler – Coordinator 547-2513  
February 7th regular classes

**NOTE “CHANGE” IN DATES FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> COMMUNION AND REHEARSAL.** Rehearsal will be Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. First Communion will be PALM SUNDAY, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**CONFIRMATION CORRECTION:** The date will still be on March 4<sup>th</sup> but the time will be at 3:00 P.M. NOT 2 p.m. as previously scheduled. This will be in Long Prairie.

**ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14<sup>TH</sup>** MASS AT 12:30 P.M. AND AT 6:30 P.M. GREY EAGLE MASS AT 8:00 P.M.

**THANK YOU** to those who donated some wonderful items or cash for our auction/dinner. We have a great selection of items to auction off and a wonderful meal catered by Gorka's again. You can still donate an item even at the last minute but it will not be on the auction bill nor in the program. Thanks again for your support.

To find what events are going on in our St. Cloud Diocese you can go to the website shown above. Various parishes have breakfasts, bingos, etc. that you may want to know about. I try to post those that are more local and those that send us a memo asking us to post their event.

A quote from Billy Graham: “The journey God has set before us isn't a freeway; we are constantly encountering forks and junctions and crossroads. Which way will we go when we meet them? Life is filled with decisions, and we can't avoid them. God has a plan and the devil has a plan, and you will have to decide which plan you are going to fit into.”

Another quote from Billy Graham: “Becoming “new” in Christ is a wonderful beginning, but it isn't the end of pain or problems in our lives. It is the beginning of our facing up to them. Being Christian involves a lifetime of hard work, dedicated study, and difficult decisions. “