

Church of St. John the Baptist  
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**Confessions:** Sat.Night 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

#### May 20, 2018 Pentecost Sunday

Mon.	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Tues.	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8:30 a.m.	Rosary & Comm. Service
Wed.	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5:45 p.m.	People of the Parish
Thurs	May 24 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	Rosary & Comm. Service
Sat.	May 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 p.m.	Kenneth Miller
Sun.	May 27 <sup>th</sup>	1 0:30 a.m.	Florence

Jesus ascended into heaven but did not leave us alone. He sent us the Holy Spirit to guide us throughout our entire life. We only need to accept our Father, Son & Holy Spirit.

#### TAKE UP GIFTS:

Sat. the Miller Family  
Sun. the Pietrowski Family

#### USHERS FOR MAY

Saturdays: Dan Primus & Bob Koetter  
Sundays: Phillip Cichon & Dave Hollenkamp

#### SERVERS FOR MAY

Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> any server who is here  
Sat. 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Kaleb & Sam Primus  
Sun. 3<sup>th</sup> Zach Gapinski & Connor Gerads  
Sun. 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Aiden Shattuck & Corine Notermann

#### LECTORS FOR MAY

Saturdays: Joni Primus  
Sundays: Diane Loven

#### EUCCHARISTIC Ministers for MAY

Saturdays: Julie & Jerry Hollermann  
Sundays: Jay and Heidijo Loven  
Diane Loven & Ann Peterson

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will serve breakfast in Grey Eagle Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. As always this is a great breakfast and time for fellowship. By now we are all aware of the wonderful things the Knights do with their fundraiser proceeds.

**CEMETERY FLOWERS, ETC.** We ask that you put all cemetery decorations on the monument. They can then be left on for many weeks. If you put them on the ground, they will be removed when mowing the grass.

Natural Family Planning class will be held in Little Falls at 7:30 p.m. on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Natural Family Planning class will be held in Long Prairie at 7:00 p.m. on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

For more information on both, please call 320-252-4721.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter will be held in Buffalo, MN. on July 13<sup>th</sup>. For more information please call 612-756-8720. This encounter is not just for marriages having problems but for all married couples to continue in a strong relationship.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting Monday, June 4th, our morning Mass will begin at 8:00 A.M. Also, for Tuesdays and Thursdays, the Rosary will start at 8:00 A.M. followed by Communion Service.**

Once again I want to thank those who take care of many of the "behind the scenes" chores. Maintenance of garbage, grounds, changing light bulbs, cleaning light fixtures in and outside, watering flowers, votive lights, decorations, and the list goes on and on.....Just me – Val

It is hard for teenagers to understand that someday they will be as ridiculous as they think their parents are now. **For those graduating**, they will soon discover their parents may not have been all that ridiculous after all.

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. 547-2920. Just me – Val -- home phone 547-2479. You can get our bulletin on our parish web page:

stjohnschurchswanville.org

Diocese web page: www.stclouddiocese.org

our e-mail: [stjohnscatholicswanville@centurylink.net](mailto:stjohnscatholicswanville@centurylink.net)

#### **HANDICAP ACCESSABLE**

**Collection for May 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>**

Adult	\$ 1,913.00
Youth	\$ 1.00
Plate	\$ 279.00
Funeral Lunch	\$ 60.00
Youth Group	\$ 50.00

TOTAL \$ 2,303.00

**Thank you for your gifts and support !**

Mass attendance Saturday 103

Mass attendance Sunday 149

**FAITH FORMATION**  
**Marge Mettler – Coordinator 547-2513**

Today, May 20<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate Mass and congratulate our class of 2018 graduates: Simon Bryce, Jeremy Decker, Dylan Hollermann, Payton Jackson, Crystal Kaun, Nathaniel Koetter, Lawrence Mettler, Quinton Och, Brooklyn Thieschafer, Lucas Throener and Abby VanHeel. May you always keep God in your life !

#### **Grey Eagle has their Dinner/Auction fundraiser**

Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at the Hub Supper Club. Dinner at 5:30 is \$20. Live auction starts at 7:30 and they also have a silent auction. If you can, go and enjoy the fun and help with their fundraiser.

In honor of St. Isidore, Fr. Ron will be  **blessing the farms and gardens** Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. If you would like him to stop at your place, please sign the sheet on the table in the entrance.

We would welcome any parishioner who would be willing to plant and take care of the flower bed by the crucifix and Fr. Brandl's grave in the cemetery

After several meetings discussing what to do to prepare for the future and preservation of our cemetery ( as surrounding parishes have done) our parish has decided to proceed with improvements. This is the biggest project our parish will be doing since building a new church. The cost will be approximately \$63,000. The resource for this will come out of our diocese fund. We thank all who have worked many years with the Craft Fair/Raffle and the Auction/Dinner and those who gave donations or participated in any way, because these funds are now available because of their hard work. This will enhance the appearance of our cemetery out of reverence and respect for our loved ones, (past, present and future). The time line for this will be about three to four months. If you have any questions, concerns or input, please contact the parish office and they will be mentioned at our next meeting. Thank you.