

Church of St. John the Baptist
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Confessions: Sat. Night 6:30 – 7:00 pm

Feb.25, 2018 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

Mon. 26 8:10 a.m. Rosary
Mon. 26 8:30 a.m. Mass – Poor Souls
Mon. 26 9 – 10 a.m. Holy Hour & Stations
Tues. 27 8:30 a.m. Rosary & Comm. Service
Wed. 28 5:45 p.m. Poor Souls
Thur March 1st 8:30 a.m. Rosary & Comm. Service
Sat. March 3rd 7:30 p.m. Lorayne Primus
Sun. March 4th 10:30 a.m. Joseph Hubner

Wed. 28th at 8:15 p.m. Grey Eagle Stations & Benediction

TAKE UP GIFTS:

Sat. the Primus Family
Sun. the Hubner Family

USHERS FOR MARCH

Saturdays: Charles Pelzer & Tom Nienaber
Sundays: Dave Hollenkamp & Phillip Cichon
ASLO Ushers for :

Holy Thurs. March 29th Charles Pelzer & Tom Nienaber
Good Fri. March 30th Dave Hollenkamp & Phil Cichon

SERVERS FOR MARCH

Sat. 24th (Sat. before Palm Sun.) Beau & Alex Thoma
Sat. 31st - Holy Saturday Beau & Alex Thoma
(4 for Holy Sat.) so also Kaleb & Sam Primus
Other Saturdays – whoever can serve

Sun. 4 & 11 Andrew & Corine Notermann
Sun. 18 & 25 Zach & Issac Gapinski
Easter Sunday April 1st – Zach & Issac Gapinski

ALSO Servers for:
Holy Thurs. Mar. 29th – Tanner & Jamison Koetter
Good Fri. Mar. 30th - Sam & Kaleb Primus

LECTORS FOR MARCH

Saturdays: 3rd – 10th – 17th - Tom DeFrance

Sat. March 24th -- before Palm Sunday
Joan Gessell 1st & 2nd readings // (Passion readings)
Narrator is Tom DeFrance, Voice is Rosemary Nienaber
& Christ is Fr. Ron

Sat. March 31st – Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil
Tom DeFrance - Readings 1 and 111
Rosemary Nienaber – Readings V and V11
Joan Gessell – Epistle: Romans and Prayers of Faithful

Sundays: 4th – 11th – 18th Mary Hollenkamp

Palm Sun. 25th Mary Hollenkamp 1st & 2nd readings,
(Passion readings) Narrator is Randy Mettler,
Voice is Bea Golombecki and Christ is Fr. Ron
ALSO lectors for:

Holy Thurs. Joan Gessell – Reading of day & Oils

Good Fri. Mary Hollenkamp 1st & 2nd readings
(Passion readings) Narrator is Tom DeFrance,
Voice is Bea Golombecki and Christ is Fr. Ron

EUCCHARISTIC Ministers for MARCH

Sat. 3rd, 10th, 17th Izzy Schmiesing & Jeanette Barthel
Sat, 24th & 31st AND Holy Thurs the 29th. (We need four)
Jerry Thoma, Jeanette Barthel, Rosemary Nienaber and
Peggy Dragseth

GOOD FRIDAY: Julie Hollermann

ALL Sundays: Richard Knopik & Jeff Opelia
Diane Loven & Marge Mettler

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: stjohnschurchswanville.org
Diocese web page: www.stclouddiocese.org
Parish e-mail stjohnscatholicswanville@centurylink.net

HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

Collection for February 17TH & 18TH

Adult	\$ 1,631.00
Plate	\$ 312.25
St. Cloud Visitor	\$ 40.00
Bishop Annual Appeal	\$ 205.00
Dinner/Auction	\$ 560.00
Funeral Lunch	\$ 500.00
Stoll Fee	\$ 100.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,348.25

Mass attendance Saturday	94
Mass attendance Sunday	119

FAITH FORMATION

Marge Mettler – Coordinator 547-2513

Wed. February 28th—Regular Classes at 6:30 p.m.

Practice for confirmation will be Wed., February 28th at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Long Prairie. A letter has been sent home with your child with necessary information about confirmation Mar. 4th.

Keep these in your prayers as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament of confirmation: Hailee Schmidt, Nathan Lambrecht, Dylon Kurtz, Jayna Johannes, Avery Jackson, Nicole Gill, Abigail Kurowski, Emily Beseman, Miranda Gross

YOUTH GROUP fun day TODAY, Sun, 25th 2:00 - 4:00 .p.m. at the high school gym for basketball, volleyball, dodge ball.

The Saturday night Choir will have rehearsals to prepare for Lent and Holy Week at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings of March 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd. Please join us by sharing your time and talents in the form of music ministry !!

Lent is not just for giving up things. Here are a few ideas how we can welcome Jesus' healing touch this lent : 1) Fast from anger & hatred (give others an extra love) 2) Fast from judging others (recall how Jesus overlooks our faults) 3) Fast from discouragement (Hold on to Jesus' promise that He has a perfect plan for your life. 4) Fast from complaining (instead take a moment to recall the joy Jesus has given you) 5) Fast from resentment or bitterness (Try to forgive those who have hurt you) 6) Fast from spending too much money (Reduce spending by 10% and give some of this saving to the poor) Maybe not easy but this is part of what Lent is about !

ALL MASS HELPERS PLEASE READ THE SCHEDULE FOR MARCH ON THE LEFT SIDE AS MORE PEOPLE ARE NEEDED FOR OUR HOLY DAYS.

Sunday, March 4th all parishioners are asked to come to the dining hall by 8:00 p.m. to discuss the future of our parish. Last two questions to ponder...5) What resources does a parish need to have quality of religious life and 6) what recommendation do you have for the planning in our parish ?