

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Parish

"When you fast, anoint your head and wash your face." Matthew 6:17-18



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PARISH UPDATE 02/18/2024

I encourage everyone to find online Pope Francis' Lenten Message for 2024. Let us all read and reflect on it. Here's a passage to whet your appetite: "God has not grown weary of us. Let us welcome Lent as the great season in which he reminds us: 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery' (Ex 20:2). Lent is a season of conversion, a time of freedom... Unlike Pharaoh, God does not want subjects, but sons and daughters. The desert is the place where our freedom can mature in a personal decision not to fall back into slavery. In Lent, we find new criteria of justice and a community with which we can press forward on a road not yet taken."..... At the initiative of the parish Commission on Family & Life, I would like to announce the opening of the registration / application period for the **convalidation** of marriage to be held on **October 19**. It is very important that couples who desire to have their marriages convalidated in the Church register early in order to have enough time to secure all the requirements and to find remedies in case such requirements are unavailable – e.g., missing Baptismal record, etc. The convalidation of marriage is offered to couples (where one of the party is Catholic) who are in civil marriages or in common law marriages, that is living together without the benefit of the sacrament of Holy Matrimony..... The Commission on Family and life assists the Parish Priest in the pastoral care for the domestic Church. Among its functions are the following:

- to coordinate with other commissions especially the Commission on Youth in initiating programs that foster deepening of parent-child relationship;
- to assist those in irregular unions and those in difficult marriage situations.
- to guide engaged couples as they prepare for marriage;
- to initiate programs for the strengthening of marriage;
- to coordinate with other bodies in the promotion of family and life;
- to make parish members be aware and get involved in life issues.

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY

February 17 // 5PM

The intentions of all parishioners

SUNDAY– 1st Sunday of Lent

February 18 // 11AM and 6PM

The intentions of all parishioners

MONDAY

February 19 // No Mass

TUESDAY

February 20 // 7PM

The intentions of all parishioners

WEDNESDAY

February 21 // 7PM

The intentions of all parishioners

THURSDAY

February 22 // 7PM

The intentions of all parishioners

FRIDAY

February 23 // 10AM

The intentions of all parishioners

SATURDAY

February 24 // 5PM

The intentions of all parishioners

SUNDAY– 2nd Sunday of Lent

February 25 // 11AM and 6PM

The intentions of all parishioners

◆ Monthly Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

February 2024- For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

◆ February 18th First Sunday of Lent

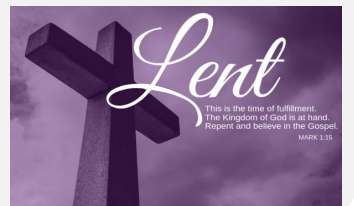
"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." **Mark 1:15**

As we begin our 40 Days Lenten journey, we need to recall and remember that we are not setting out on this journey on our own. God is with us walking by our side every step of our way to guide, help, support and protect.

◆ Weekly Bible Quiz

The theme of 40 Days comes up repeatedly in Scripture

1. _____ send the raven out 40 Days after the flood (Genesis 8).
2. _____ fasted 40 Days on Mount Sinai (Exodus 34).



Parish Hall Booking: Kitin Cayona (Hallbookings.StJohnParishMorden@gmail.com)

Confession Schedule: Saturday (4:00 – 4:45 PM) & Sunday (5:00 – 5:45 PM)

Or call for an Appointment