

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Parish

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16



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## PARISH UPDATE 03/03/2024

Regarding what I have announced last Sunday on adults who may join the young people in receiving Holy Confirmation on **June 29**, by adults I mean those who are 18 years of age and above. Those who are 17 years old and below should go through the ordinary preparation for Holy Confirmation as required by Archdiocesan policies – i.e., at least one year of catechesis.....

A little girl child confided to me that during Communion, she saw a parent break a piece of the Holy Eucharist and gave it to his/her child. Obviously, this girl knows her catechism well and recognized that what she witnessed was seriously wrong. That parent should have known better what's happening in Holy Communion and why it should not be given to a child below the age of reason. I exhort everyone, therefore, to be always vigilant with regards to errors such as this. If you observe anything of this sort, call the attention of that person as charitably as possible. After all, correcting the ignorant is one of the spiritual works of mercy.....

While I am at it, I would like to remind everyone to prepare well for Holy Communion. How?

- ◆ First, have the right intention. Don't come to Mass out of mere obligation. Rather, intend to unite yourself to the Lord to obtain guidance and strength to live a truly Christian life.
- ◆ Secondly, examine your conscience. If you are aware of any grave sin, refrain from receiving the Eucharist, and do a spiritual communion instead until after you have gone to Confession. In this regard, I would like to announce our **Lenten Penitential Service on March 11 at 7 PM**. There will be another priest to help me hear confessions.
- ◆ Thirdly, have your own intentions. The priest usually announces an intention at the beginning of the Mass. This should not prevent you from presenting to the Lord your own intentions.
- ◆ Fourthly, observe the Eucharistic fast. Refrain from eating and drinking at least 1 hour before Holy Communion. This includes chewing gum, candy, fruit juice, etc. However, water and medicines are permissible.

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## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY

March 02 // 5PM

The intentions of all parishioners

### SUNDAY– 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

March 03 // 11AM and 6PM

The intentions of all parishioners

### MONDAY

March 04 // No Mass

### TUESDAY

March 05 // 7PM

The eternal repose of William Rios – req. Barry & Fabiola Titchkosky

### WEDNESDAY

March 06 // 7PM

Thanksgiving – req. Winnipeg Divine Mercy Group

### THURSDAY

March 07 // 7PM

Birthday Thanksgiving for Nelly Espinal – req. Barry & Fabiola Titchkosky

### FRIDAY

March 08 // 10AM

Special intentions & for world peace - req. Winnipeg Divine Mercy Group

### SATURDAY

March 09 // 5PM

The intentions of all parishioners

### SUNDAY– 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

March 10 // 11AM- Birthday Thanksgiving– req. Dorothy LePage

March 10 // 6PM- The intentions of all parishioners

### ◆ Monthly Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

#### March 2024- For the New Martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

### ◆ March 03 Third Sunday of Lent

Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." **John 2:19**

Lent is the ideal time to clean out the Temple of our own hearts and to offer to God proper Divine worship by obeying the Ten Commandments. Our New Covenant with God demands that we should keep our parish Church holy, and our divine worship vibrant by our active participation in the liturgy with hearts cleansed by repentance.

### ◆ Weekly Bible Quiz

1. Honor your father and your mother that your \_\_\_\_\_ may be long in the \_\_\_\_\_ which the Lord your God gives you.(Exodus 20: 12).

2. According to 1 Corinthians 1, to whom did Paul address his letter? \_\_\_\_\_

(1 Corinthian 1: 2).



Answers of 02/25/2024

1. Issac, Moriah 2. Purple

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