

**St. John the Evangelist Church**  
**2 January 2022 Epiphany Sunday**  
 stjohnsfortpierre.org website has  
 parish bulletins & audio: 'click to listen to  
 Sunday sermons from Fr. Ron'

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat. 4pm, or call  
 223 2176 for Fr. Ron Garry. Email is  
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**St. John Weekend Mass** (Fr. Ron at Draper Sun. 8:00am)  
**Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 10:00am CT**  
**Eucharistic Adoration Sunday 2-3pm**

Weekday Mass this week: Monday 5:30pm  
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 7:00am CT  
 Sun 1/2 For parishioners  
 Mon 1/3 + Wes Zaiko  
 Tue 1/4 Jade Fenhaus  
 Wed 1/5 Pro Life ministry  
 Thu 1/6 + Jim Emery  
 Fri 1/7 + Vern Cunningham

**Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Christmas meal** is  
 Sunday 9 January in Padre Hall. Call Steve VanMulle

**KC free throw contest** will be Sunday 16 Jan, 1pm in  
 Parkview gym. Ages: 9-14. KC basketballs for the champions

At Terra Sancta Retreat Center: a mini **retreat with Bishop  
 Steven Biegler** of Cheyenne on January 21-22. The retreat  
 will include three conferences on the Beatitudes; each.  
 Retreatants will be offered Scripture passages for silent  
 individual prayer. Register on-line at  
[terrasancta.org/beatitudes](http://terrasancta.org/beatitudes)

**Faith Formation**  
**Wednesday Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> Atrium and High Schoolers meet.**

**The children will present the Christmas story  
 on Sunday January 9<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00am. Mass.  
 Coffee and rolls in Padre Hall after Mass.**



**Diocesan Strategic planning process** over the next 2 years  
**Presented at mass January 15/16, with a meeting  
 on Tuesday January 18: meal 6pm Padre Hall  
 discussion at 6:30pm**

How do we best utilize our human and material resources as  
 well as the capacity of the clergy for the proclamation of the  
 Gospel in Western SD?

Develop informed predictions about the demographic trends  
 in our diocese

Ask parishes to discern their real needs in light of the needs  
 of the entire diocese

Provide a framework through which to meet the needs of the  
 faithful with the anticipated number of clergy available

#### **Values as Proposed by Committee**

We believe that the Holy Spirit is leading the planning  
 process.

We will observe all relevant norms of Church doctrine and  
 law.

We will not presume that the way it has always been, is the  
 way that it must be.

Under the direction of the Holy Spirit, we will learn and be  
 open to change as we engage this process.

Every effort will be made to provide opportunities for all  
 members of the parish to be aware of and involved in the  
 planning process.

The strategic pastoral plan should include proposals for the  
 recruitment, formation, affirmation and support for priests,  
 deacons, religious, and lay leadership for ministry and parishes.

We acknowledge that not every part of the diocese, especially  
 mission territory, functions according to the norms that  
 typically govern parish structure and life. We will respect this  
 diversity, and work as one body to meet the needs of all.

The weekend Mass will remain central to our planning  
 efforts.

The support and nurture of healthy, viable parishes is  
 paramount to our efforts.

Parish priests should not say more than four weekend Masses  
 (2 per day).

Priests will not be asked or expected to serve beyond the  
 canonical age of seventy-five.

Considering the vast distances and small populations in much  
 of our diocese, we will strive to balance the distance the faithful  
 drive to attend Mass, the distance the priest drives to provide  
 Mass, and the distances at which priests live from one another.

If the parish church can accommodate everyone in one Mass  
 unnecessary duplication of weekend Masses for the  
 convenience of people will be avoided.

**Adult Bible Study** will be reviewing the book of Revelation  
 later this month. Contact Jeri Fosheim for 605-280-4328.

#### **Epiphany House Blessing Prayer**

*Chalk on the top frame of an entry door*

Lord Jesus, we ask that you bless our home today.  
 We thank you for the love we have for each other and  
 for you. With the prayers of the saints,  
 Casper, Melchoir and Balthasar, we ask that our home  
 be a place of happiness, love, understanding,  
 acceptance, and safety for all who enter. As we write  
 our New Year and the initials of the Three Wise Kings  
 on our door, we pray in your name. Amen

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