

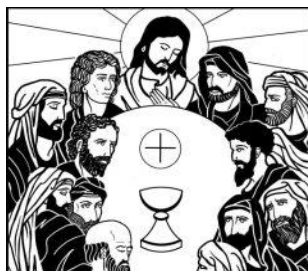
St. John the Evangelist Church
14 March 2021 4th Sunday of Lent

stjohnsfortpierre.org website has parish bulletins, and audio: 'click to listen to daily reflections from Fr. Ron'

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat. 4pm
 or by calling 223 2176 for Fr. Ron Garry. Office email: main.stjohns@midconetwork.com
 206 W. Main Ave, Ft. Pierre SD 57532
 Eucharistic Adoration Sunday 1pm

Mass schedule all Central Time

Saturday 5:30pm Sunday 7:30am, 10:00am
 Monday and Tuesday – 5:30pm
 Wed – 7am and 10:00am Thursday & Friday – 7am
 Sat 3/13 welfare of Pat Storms
 Sun 3/14 + Joseph Turpin For parishioners
 Mon 3/15 + Bud Whitney
 Tue 3/16 + Pete Buchholz
 Wed 3/17 + Grant Gormley
 Thu 3/18 + Mary Welsh
 Fri 3/19 Reparation for clergy sexual abuse



For God so loved the world that He gave his only Son

- Students in grades 1-8, come to grade class on Sun 14 Mar, 9am, with St. Patrick movie. Cupcakes for all. Next is on April 11.
- Students in grades 9-12, each Wednesday come to Padre Hall at 6:15pm for Stations of the Cross, and class until 7:30pm



An online Lenten devotion from Augustine Press: 40 Days to Grace and Glory: daily Mass readings and commentary by Dr. Tim Gray. Sign up at formed.org/lent

Theology (without the Tap) Mon 15 March, 7pm in Pierre Good Shepherd Hall. **Fr. Paul Rutten: a Lenten Reflection**

Marty Rotella will be in Pierre March 23 – 29, at Sts. Peter & Paul church, 6:30 pm each evening. A rosary for the unborn followed by music & teachings in Jesus' love.

Catholic Men's Conference Saturday 27 March at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, speaker Kevin Wells: The Men We Need. Cost \$40 includes breakfast and lunch. Register at journeymensd.org

Bishop Muhich reinstates the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for those who are healthy, starting 27 March

(see the back page for fuller explanation)

Beginning today, the east side pews will not have ropes, with the possibility of your sitting next to another person not of your household. If you are healthy and want this situation, sit on the east side. **The west pews will be reserved for seating every other pew:** for those who want more space.

The **Teammates Mentoring Program of Pierre** is a 1 to 1, school-based, mentoring program serving kids in 6th through 12th grade that will support you in your quest to make that difference for a child. Please consider this opportunity and contact Renaeh.Lehman@k12.sd.us for more information, or call Brandon Johnson 280 8701. You can apply to mentor at teammates.org and clicking "Become a Teammates Mentor"



St Joseph's Day Friday



St Patrick's Day Wednesday

Stations of the Cross this Friday 5:30pm, with special prayer in this Year of St. Joseph at 5:50pm

Share in Jesus' victory over sin: **Confession:** Tuesday 4-5:15pm. Wednesdays 7-8pm. Fridays 6-7pm. Saturdays 4-5pm

Pastoral Ministry Days March 22 & 23, Monday & Tuesday. Only 100 persons at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, 9am MT start
 Speakers Chris & Linda Padgett: **Family: Become Who You Are:** The Christian Family's Share in the Ministry of Evangelization
 with digital connection of recorded sessions **Monday** and **Tuesday 5pm CT Mass in St John Church each day**
 both days 5:30-8:30pm Session 1: Feeding the Shepherds Session 4: Mary and Joseph
 in Padre Hall Session 2: Family Basics Session 5: Habits of Holiness
 Session 3: What is Love Session 6: Where do we go from here?

Register online at terrasancta.org/events and click the box with 'bill my home parish'. Then call Josie 280-9428

Good Charities for your almsgiving

Pierre Area Referral Services **PARS** has a fund raiser through April: the Townsend Challenge. Donations will be matched, up to \$50,000, by local banks. 110 W Missouri Ave, Pierre

Rapid City Catholic Diocese has not met the needed goal from last fall's Annual Appeal. PO Box 678, Rapid City 57709

Our neighbors to the south, on the Rosebud Reservation, operate the **Sapa Un School** and many good ministries, info at sfmission.org St. Francis Mission, PO Box 499, St. Francis, SD 57572

All the donations in the parish basket on **Good Friday** will go to the Franciscan Missions in the Holy Land, info at ffhl.org Franciscan Foundation For The Holy Land, PO Box 29086 Washington, D.C. 20017



Diocese of Rapid City

Information on Dispensations from the Sunday Obligation Effective March 27, 2021

The general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (including the anticipatory Mass at 4:00 p.m. or later on the previous day) is to be reinstated in the Diocese of Rapid City effective Saturday, March 27, 2021.

Considering the grave obligation we have of being physically present with our brothers and sisters at Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation for the Eucharist, each of us is asked to make a good and sincere judgement as to whether these circumstances apply or not. Where doubt or confusion persists, consult any priest for clarity.

While the general dispensation is removed, there are specific instances where the dispensation will continue, as well as those circumstances where there is no obligation in the first place. One does not have an obligation to attend Mass on Sunday in the following circumstances:

1. You are ill or your health condition would be significantly compromised if you were to contract a communicable illness (i.e., you have underlying conditions or are in a high-risk category). *Please use the dispensation and do not attend Mass.*
2. You exhibit flu-like symptoms. *Please use the dispensation and do not attend Mass.*
3. You have good reason to think you might be asymptomatic of a contagious illness (e.g., you were in recent contact with someone who tested positive for a contagious illness such as COVID or influenza). *Please use the dispensation and do not attend Mass.*
4. You care for the sick, homebound, or infirmed.
5. You are pregnant.
6. Those 65 years of age or older (per the CDC's recommendation of high-risk individuals).
7. You cannot attend Mass *through no fault of your own* (e.g., no Mass is offered, you are infirm, or, while wanting to go, you are prevented for some reason you cannot control (e.g., your ride did not show up, the church was at capacity).
8. If you have *significant* fear or anxiety of becoming ill by being at Mass.

For questions about the application of any of these, please contact your pastor.

These categories will be reviewed in due course and revised as needed.

Those within categories #1-8 above must still observe the Lord's Day and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday, meditating on the Lord's passion, death and resurrection; an excellent way to do this is through participating in a broadcast of the Sunday Mass.