

St. John the Evangelist Church

1 August 2021 18th Ordinary 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: main.stjohns@midconetwork.com

206 W. Main Ave, Ft. Pierre SD 57532

Eucharistic Adoration Sunday 1pm

Fr. Ron gone to Priest-Seminarian Day

and KC Convention Monday through Wednesday

Thursday and Friday 7:00amCT

First Sat 8:00am

Weekend Mass schedule from now on.

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 10:00am CT

(Fr. Ron is at early Sunday mass in Draper 8:00am)

Sat 7/31 + Clayton Mick

Sun 8/1 Jerry and Patty Lihs 40th wedding anniversary

No mass Mon - Wed

Thu 8/5 Pro Life ministries

Fri 8/6 Reparation for clergy sexual abuse

Sat 8/7 +Ray Rathbun

Those in 7th grade preparing for Confirmation, if you didn't come last week, come this week to Padre Hall Wed 4 August, 7-8pm, with your Bibles. Read Luke's gospel we'll discuss the life of Jesus and disciples, then and today.

The US House of Representatives passed a budget bill without **the Hyde Amendment**, which prevented government-funded abortion. notaxpayerabortion.com

Parish alignment with area priests changing August 1:

There have been 3 Jesuit priests serving the Rosebud reservation, ministering in a school and 6 parishes. Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ is being reassigned, and there will not be another to take the position. So the Jesuit community has returned Mellette County to ministry by Diocesan priests. as of August 1. Fr. John Heying will remain the pastor of churches in Presho and Murdo, along with the new responsibility of the parish of White River.

Fr. Ron Garry will remain the pastor of Ft. Pierre St. John, along with the ministry in Draper St. Anthony.

Fr. Kevin Achbach will remain the pastor of Winner and Colome, and serve the Catholics in the area of Wood.

Our Catholic Diocese will begin a process of discernment of mission & alignment of parishes and priests in the coming year. Our Diocesan renewal in Stewardship begun 4 years ago continues to guide us as we love Jesus and be active missionary disciples.

St John will be celebrating only 2 masses a weekend, and will no longer have a Sunday 7:30am Mass.

The weekend of August 7/8, Imad Qumsieh (402) 671-1958 of Omaha, will be here, to offer for sale a **beautiful collection of hand carved olive wood religious articles from the Holy Land**. The profit goes to support 27 Catholic Families who made these articles in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. I encourage you to stop by Padre Hall, & support our suffering Catholic Families in the Holy Land.

The Knights of Columbus local council are raising funds again this fall for college scholarships, through results of the fall NFL football scores. To support the good work, contact a local Knight.



Religious Education

Imagine . . . A classroom of kids actively engaged in learning about their faith. They work diligently on assignments. They listen to your presentations. They ask questions and are able to go home and articulate what they learned in class to their parents and friends.

Imagine. . . . You as the teacher in this classroom setting. You are the one bringing joy and excitement to these young children.

Imagine . . . The joy and excitement you are feeling knowing that these children are learning about their faith because of you.

St John's needs your help. We are looking for men and women to help educate our children about faith. Can you give a weekly hour of preparation and an hour of instruction on Sunday morning or Wednesday night for this vital church mission? Think about it. . . Classes start in late September. Training for teachers in early September.

Think about it... Pray about it... Then give me a call...

Do not say yes to me, say yes to the Holy Spirit guiding their future faith formation. We are all called to teach the faith. Come, share your faith with our children...

I am looking for volunteers for the Good Shepherd Room, elementary grades, Confirmation and high school. Josie Huck ~ Director of Faith Formation

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Tuesday evening, Deacon Jim Black from Oklahoma City called me: "What time is mass tomorrow? And will you be praying with the memorial of Blessed Stanley Rother? I could talk about him."

The man who was to become **Fr. Stanley Rother**, a diocesan priest, and a martyr for the faith in Guatemala in 1981, was born into a farming family. He discerned in high school to go study for the priesthood. In the 1950's, Latin was essential, and Stanley couldn't learn the language well enough, and was sent home. His bishop saw goodness in him, sent him to a Maryland seminary, he thrived. Ordained in 1963, he served in Oklahoma parishes for five years. He then heard another call from God, and with the Bishop's assignment, went to the Oklahoma City Diocese's mission in Santiago Atitlan, Guatemala, a rural mountainous area. His parishioners included the native tribe of the Tzutuhil, decedents of the Mayans, whom "Padre Francisco" made every effort to connect with — learning both Spanish and the native language, eating with them, visiting the sick, and aiding them with medical problems. His previous weakness in languages was overcome. His skills repairing ag equipment & cultivating crops added to his bonding with the people.

This was also the era of civil war, and the central government was eliminating those who helped the poor. Eighteen months before he was killed, Fr. Stanley learned he was on a death list. He came home, and wanted to return to his village, saying, "The reality is that we are in danger. This is one of the reasons I have for staying in the face of physical harm. The shepherd cannot run away at the first sign of danger. Pray for us..." He returned for Easter.

There is a shrine being built in Oklahoma City, to praise God, and to inspire us to serve as did Jesus, as a grain of wheat that falls to the earth and dies, and produces much fruit.

Last year, a tornado tore through Madill, Oklahoma destroying church and rectory, except for a stained glass window of Fr. Rother, left standing while all else was torn up.

Deacon Jim Black said, "He was a regular guy, who did what God called him to do. And now he's being considered for sainthood. The message to us is to do what God calls us to do, and allow God to do the rest." archokc.org/stanleyrother

St John Church account balance 30-June2021

General \$85,471.96
 Memorial 3,420.00
 Building 6,715.23
 Altar Society 2,284.33
 Total in Checking Account 97,892
 (Minus amount held for others 5,801)
Operating funds available \$92,091

Contingency Savings \$112,947

Loan Principal Due \$8,660

	<u>Budget FY22</u>	<u>FY21</u>	<u>FY20</u>	<u>FY19</u>	<u>FY18</u>	<u>FY17</u>
Contributions	256,725	233,172.50	240,806.86	268,071.58	317,085.85	261,750.96
Parish Income	11,280	5,252.91	6,634.37	10,692.96	17,188.34	10,271.71
Investment Income	2,220	1,863.04	2,041.71	1,564.15	1,622.70	2,148.65
Miscellaneous Income	2,520	24,000.00	2,575.00	200	419	0
From Draper	3,000					
Total Income	275,745	264,288.45	252,057.94	280,528.69	336,315.89	274,171.32
Salary And Benefits	119,180	82,710.73	117,364.54	111,793.70	108,896.29	111,115.37
Office Expenses	4,550	4,172.00	3,174.77	3,304.49	2,731.61	2,732.09
Liturgy Expenses	10,300	7,514.27	8,479.96	9,504.90	14,214.94	9,064.96
Service To Parishioners	5,120	3,372.43	3,906.53	5,603.73	4,266.19	4,210.91
Household Expense	5,900	2,907.11	4,470.83	4,090.00	4,075.34	4,544.29
Travel Expenses	6,500	3,828.62	3,406.17	5,130.97	4,105.76	4,492.53
Equipment And Buildings	43,780	34,257.88	39,903.60	40,557.76	51,455.31	43,974.26
Assessments/Donations	16,000	13,360.34	10,589.11	10,870.82	6,688.72	4,077.96
Faith Formation Programs	22,000	10,930.06	11,244.11	13,551.58	16,948.30	19,346.98
Parish Activities	3,500	989	3,720.27	3,340.04	1,763.93	3,643.32
Fund Raising Expense	0	0	0	1,939.24	2,155.76	1,763.46
Professional And Legal	8,000	4,081.96	2,806.00	2,410.00	2,420.00	2,460.00
Interest On Loans	50	579.22	2,056.96	3,077.19	3,149.52	235.76
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	42.19	0	909.75	0	0
Capital Purchases	30,000	0	30,881.63	0	0	0
Total Expenses	274,880	168,745.81	242,004.48	216,084.17	222,871.67	211,661.89
Income over Expense		95,542.64	10,053.46	64,444.52	113,444.22	62,509.43