

St. John's Announcements

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Statue of St. Francis



Feast of St. Francis

St. Francis is one of the most beloved saints in the church. You will notice that we have a number of St. Francis statues around the grounds. Francis was a talented preacher, he was a peacemaker, a church (re)builder, a mystic, a founder of religious orders, and a humble man of God. He loved nature where he famously preached to the birds. Sunday is supposed to be a beautiful day. I encourage you to spend some time outside. If you have the time after church, I encourage you to walk the grounds. Visit the Memorial Garden and meditation path. You can visit our fire pit or our organic garden. Take a seat on one of our many benches and breathe the air and enjoy God's creatures. While right after church is not the best time to see the many creatures who live here, we do have numerous squirrels, chipmunks, hawks, blue jays, northern flickers, chickadees, sparrows, goldfinches, an occasional turkey and turkey vulture, red fox, a bobcat, a woodchuck, numerous bunnies, an occasional deer, and many more to name. I hope you have a chance to find some peace today.

Blessings,

Marc

UPCOMING EVENTS:

10/9- Eucharist @
10:30am

10/9 - Bible Study @
12:30pm

Happy Birthday!

Betty Ellwood

Dwight Feenstra

Evelyn Clarke

Jessica Hernandez

Keith Morehouse

Roger Knickerbocker



Bible Study – Our Bible Study on the Acts of the Apostles continues on Wednesdays at 12:30pm in St. Mary's Hall. Every Wednesday Bible study is hybrid. If you would like a zoom link, please contact Father Marc.

St. Francis Day – Parishioners are invited to bring in their pets for a blessing at the 10:00am Eucharist. We will meet in St. Mary's Hall that morning. You may also bring a picture for your shy pet or your exotic snake. The 8:00 am Eucharist will be in the church and pet-free for our allergy sufferers.

Assorted Nut Sales – Nancy Simon will be collecting Assorted Nut Sale order forms. Due date for all sales is **Sunday, October 13th**. Order forms will be in the back of the church. Please contact Nancy Simon for any questions – 860-978-0198/nancycsimon@att.net

Tree of Light – Join us in making our Tree of Light shine bright this holiday season. Order forms will be in the back of the church. Due date for forms is **Sunday, November 17th**. Please contact Linda Borovicka with any questions.

Holiday Bazaar - This year's Bazaar will be held from **9 am to 2 pm on Saturday, November 23rd in St. Mary's Hall**. Are you interested in finding out how YOU can help make our 2024 St. John's Holiday Bazaar a success? I will hold an informational meeting at 9 am on Sunday, October 20th in St. Mary's Hall. I am looking for volunteers to help with setup the week of Nov. 23rd, during the Bazaar on the 23rd, and take down on the 24th. Hope to see you there! Any questions, please contact Nancy Simon @860-978-0198 or nancycsimon@att.net.

Hawkwing Outreach - Sept.29th- Oct 27th

The outreach will consist of collecting NEW TOYS for ages 1 month - 18yrs old. for The Great Give Away Event in Dec. Money Collection for the 2 food banks on the reservation will be on Sun. Oct.20th at both services. Collection boxes will be for clean, gently used or new WINTER COATS for children, women and men. TOYS AND GAMES -. Some ideas are art supplies, board games, trucks and cars, preschool play sets, building blocks, basketballs, footballs and dolls. (no stuffed toys, battery, electric, violent or religious themes.) The Rez purchases food from the South Dakota Food Bank for 18 cents a lb. Your dollar goes a long way. Let's stock their food bank for the winter coming. You can make out a check for toys and or food bank to St. John's. Please fill in the memo line where you want the donation to go to. You can either mail in your checks to St. John's or put them in the collection plate. Any questions please call Terri @ 860.644.5892 www.hawkwing.org
