

Calendar

Monday

DECEMBER 17

Advent Weekday

Gn 49:2, 8-10

Mt 1:1-17

Tuesday

DECEMBER 18

Advent Weekday

Jer 23:5-8

Mt 1:18-25

Wednesday

DECEMBER 19

Advent Weekday

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a

Lk 1:5-25

Thursday

DECEMBER 20

Advent Weekday

Is 7:10-14

Lk 1:26-38

Friday

DECEMBER 21

Advent Weekday

Sg 2:8-14 or

Zep 3:14-18a

Lk 1:39-45

Saturday

DECEMBER 22

Advent Weekday

1 Sm 1:24-28

Lk 1:46-56

Sunday

DECEMBER 23

Fourth Sunday
of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a

Heb 10:5-10

Lk 1:39-45

Dear Padre,

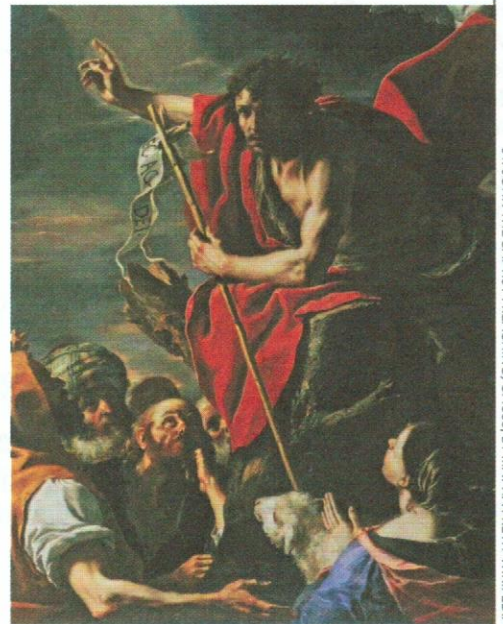
What do we really know about John the Baptist and how do we know it?

What we know about John the Baptist comes from a combination of Scripture and Church traditions that evolved during and after the writing of the Scriptures of the New Testament.

John's parents were Zechariah, a priest in the Jerusalem Temple, and Elizabeth, who was related to Mary. The angel Gabriel told Zechariah that his wife would bear a son, even though she was quite old. It is believed that John was born in the region of Ain Karim, southwest of Jerusalem. During his early twenties, he was a member of the Qumran community, and later was a desert hermit. In his late twenties John began his public ministry in the Jordan River Valley. He followed a long line of Jewish prophets who preached against evils of the day, demanding inner repentance and outer baptism as a sign of that repentance.

John continued to preach in the Jordan Valley even after encountering Jesus. Eventually John was arrested by Herod Antipas and imprisoned at Machaerus Fortress by the Dead Sea. He was beheaded at the request of Salome, daughter of Herodias. After John's death, many of his disciples followed Jesus, including Andrew and John.

John, whose name means "God is gracious," is usually represented in pictures holding a long slender cross with a small lamb partially hidden behind him. He is the patron of monastic life, people with epilepsy and other compulsive disorders, lambs, printers, blacksmiths, and tailors.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PREACHING, C. 1645, BY MATTIA PRETI / WIKIPEDIA

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSSR

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A Word From Pope Francis

Let us implore from on high the gift of commitment to the cause of peace. Peace in our homes, our families, our schools and our communities. Peace in all those places where war never seems to end. Peace for those faces which have known nothing but pain. Peace throughout this world...Simply PEACE.

—Address at Ground Zero Memorial, New York City, September 25, 2015



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CHURCH OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

MASS - Saturday at 6:00 pm, Sunday at 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION - Saturday at 5:00 pm

Office Hours: Mon. thru Fri., 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Office email: parishsec@gwtc.net

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 22nd

Sacristan: Toni Donovan

Lector: Tom Covey

EME: Amy Covey, Sara Chytka, Cindy Bennett

Servers: Faith Covey, Gabby & Browdy Kocer

Ushers: John Kocer, Francis Bolander, John Janecke, Tom Sharkey

Sunday, December 23rd

Sacristan: Vicki Covey

Lector: Jack Williams

EME: Jack & Dee Williams, Luanne Hammerbeck

Servers: Rowdy & Roper Moore, Sadie Tegethoff

Ushers: Phil DeMers, Mitch DeMers, Jay Mayes, Brad Assman

Monday, December 24th - Christmas Eve Day - 4:00pm

Sacristan: Maxine Fisher

Lector: Leslie Schramm

EME: Mike Hausmann, Kristen Hausmann, Denice Novotny

Servers: Phillip, Emma & William Jorgensen

Ushers: Steve Meyer, Francis Bolander
Barry Grossenburg, Tane Pravecek

Tuesday, December 25th - Midnight Mass - 12:00am

Sacristan: Vicki Covey

Lector: Judy Wagner

EME: Joyce Heath, Keith Moser, Valora Eddie

Servers: Oscar, Charley & Maree Pravecek

Ushers: Tom Sharkey, Rich O'Bryan, Jay Mayes, Brad Assman

Tuesday, December 25th - Christmas Day - 8:30am

Sacristan: Toni Donovan

Lector: Andy Tegethoff

EME: Tom & Irene Giessinger, Andy Tegethoff

Servers: Sadie Tegethoff, Gus Bartels, Khiara Evans

Ushers: Jason & Finn Bartels, Phil DeMers, Mitch DeMers

ICC COLLECTION REPORT

Dec. 7, 8 & 9, 2018: Envelopes \$2,108.00, Loose \$165.00, Christmas Flowers \$80.00, Immaculate Conception \$620.00. **Total \$2,973.00**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: Priest Retirement \$ 10.00

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHRISTMAS DECORATING!

The Liturgy Committee will be decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, **Dec. 16th**, following Mass. Your help with this event will be **Greatly Appreciated**.

Soup will be served and if you would like to share your Christmas treats, we are sure they will get eaten.

Thank you!



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Mon., Dec. 17th @ 6:30 pm at Immaculate Conception

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday - Dec. 15 - 6:00 pm **Winner**

Mary Jorgensen⁺ by Richard & Tammy Laber

Sunday - Dec. 16 - 8:30 am **Colome**

Robert Mizera⁺ by Bruce & Patty DeMers Family

Sunday - Dec. 16 - 10:30 am **Winner**

For the Parish

Monday - Dec. 17 - NO MASS

Tuesday - Dec. 18 - 4:30 pm **Colome**

Eric Greenfield⁺ by Kathy Jensen

Wednesday - Dec. 19 - 9:15 am **Elder Inn**

Communion Service

Wednesday - Dec. 19 - 9:30 am **Nursing Home**

Pro Life - for Unborn Children

Thursday - Dec. 20 - 9:00 am **Golden Prairie Manor**

Mary Jorgensen⁺ by Richard & Theresa Kulbel

Friday - Dec. 21 - 7:15 am **Winner**

James F. (Shoey) Shoemaker, Jr.⁺ by Al & Sharon Kulbel

Saturday - Dec. 22 - 6:00 pm **Winner**

MaryAnn Polasky⁺ by Louis & Kathleen Polasky

Sunday - Dec. 23 - 8:30 am **Colome**

For the Parish

Sunday - Dec. 23 - 10:30 am **Winner**

Elaine & Milfred Arthur⁺ by Sandra Costanza



**Pray
the
Divine
Mercy
Chaplet**
Thur.
10:00am
@ ICC

ADVENT GIVING BOXES

Please drop your donations in the church on Dec. 15th & 16th.

Your donations will be taken and distributed by the
Department of Social Services.

Remember: Giving is more rewarding than receiving!



Winner & Colome Knights of Columbus

Tuesday, Dec. 18th - 7:00 pm @ St. Mary's Hall

No Holy Hour

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession
Wednesday, December 19th at ICC

Flowers in Memory of a Loved One at ICC

Envelopes are available at the entrance to the church if you'd like to donate to the Christmas Flowers in your loved one's name.



'Saint Juliana's Prayer List'

Wendy Smith	Brittney Hansen	Annette Bowman
Larry Zeigler	Dorothy Hejl	Marianne Thompson
Reid Malnati	Doug Stiehl	Jerry Schroeder
Gary Elder	Shirley Turgeon	Marian Schroeder
Fr. Bill Zandri	Jolene Hagen	Christine Wood
Jackie McKenzie	Bromley Heath	Inez Dockendorf
Kate DeMers	Lenna Thieman	JoAnn Brown
Janet DeMers	Julie Stafford-son	Ruthie Storms Joachim
Florence Fisher	Mike Rohde	Connie Vaughn
Michael Pravecek	Mary Marso	Jane Moser

Prayers for our Family Members in the Military

Gene Fisher	Jacob Debus	Dylan Doering
Daysha DeMers	Jeff Butler	Jacque Miller
Spencer Hughes	Kris Schwartz	
Christian Hamilton		

St. Juliana's (Patron Saint of sickness) is a list of the people we are currently praying for because of illness or in the military. The military list will remain until we are notified. Please call the office (842-3520) to request continued prayers. To preserve the dignity and privacy of individuals, we ask that only an immediate family member call to request publication of names. We will presume they have permission from the individual to do so.

Thank you for your understanding.

ST. ISIDORE CHURCH

301 Carr St. Colome, SD 57528
842-3520

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Sunday at 8:00 am
MASS SCHEDULE - Sunday at 8:30 am

ST. ISIDORE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 23rd

Gifts: Mr. & Mrs. Todd Hauf
Lector: Ryan
EME: Marilyn/Shirley/Carol M
Music: Kathy/Janette
Servers: Rystan/Allan/Aspyn
Ushers: Dennis/Lyle
Sacristan: Carol M

St. Isidore December Church Cleaning

Renee Bolie (Chr.)
Anna LaDeaux
Janet DeMers
Lori Kalenda

Monday, December 24th - 6:00pm

Gifts: Mr. & Mrs. Marlin Haukaas
Lector: Sarah
EME: Glenn/Lynn/Jody
Music: Kathy/Janette
Servers: Abby/Kaden/Carleen
Ushers: Greg/RJ
Sacristan: Jody

ST. ISIDORE COLLECTION REPORT

December 7 & 9, 2018: \$2,054.00

COLLECTION: December 16, 2018 ~ Ryan & Craig
December 23, 2018 ~ Carol & Holly
December 24, 2018 ~ Jody & Greg

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Mon., Dec. 17th @ 6:30 pm at Immaculate Conception, Winner
Tues., Dec. 18th @ 6:30 pm at St. Joseph, Gregory
Thur., Dec. 20th @ 6:30 pm at St. John the Evangelist, Ft. Pierre

NO Holy Hour

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession
Tuesday, December 18th - St. Isidore, Colome

CHRISTMAS MASSES



Immaculate Conception ~ Children's Mass
Monday, December 24th at 4:00pm

St. Isidore ~ Christmas Mass
Monday, December 24th at 6:00pm

Immaculate Conception ~ Midnight Mass
Tuesday, December 25th at 12:00 Midnight

Immaculate Conception ~ Christmas Day Mass
Tuesday, December 25th at 8:30am

St. Isidore and Immaculate Conception Faith Formation Class Schedule

Wednesday, December 19th

ICC - 5:45 - 6:15pm ~ grades 6 - 12 meal & Caroling
6:15 - 7:00pm ~ grades 1 - 5 regular classes

St. I - 5:30 - 6:00pm Meal for K-5
6:00 - 7:00pm Regular Class for K-5
In the church basement

6 - 12 St. I students meet at the church
5:30 - 5:45pm to carpool to ICC, Winner.
Meal at St. Mary's Hall followed by
Christmas Caroling.

THAT MAN IS YOU

Thursday, December 20th ~ 6:30 - 7:30am @ ICC Rectory

REFUEL 2019

Register Soon. The last conference sold out.

For all who serve the Church – join us January 25-26 at Terra Sancta Retreat Center for Refuel 2019: Source & Summit: Encountering Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We have a dynamic speaker lined up — Fr. Scott Traynor, author of “The Parish as a School of Prayer” and priest of the Diocese of Sioux Falls. He will inspire and help us to grow in our love and encounter with our Lord in the Eucharist. We'll begin with Mass & dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Friday evening, and end at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. Cost is \$70, with an Early Bird rate of \$55 if you register by January 1. This fee includes the conference, dinner Friday, and lunch on Saturday. If you would like to stay at Terra Sancta overnight, there are lodging options available at a reduced rate as well. The optional breakfast on Saturday is also available for an additional small fee. Register online at: www.Refuel19.com



SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS

December 19th - 7:00 PM

Immaculate Conception Church

December 16, 2018
3rd Sunday in Advent

Solidarity "Our neighbor's spiritual need transcends every commandment. Everything else we do is a means to an end. But love is an end already, since God is love." -Edith Stein, St. Teresa Benedict of the Cross

Edith Stein was born a Jew in what is now Wroclaw, Poland, in 1891 but converted to Roman Catholicism and was baptized on January 1, 1922. She became a Carmelite nun, and took the name Sister Teresia Benedicta of the Cross. During World War II, the Nazis declared that all Jews, even those who had converted to Catholicism would be put into concentration camps. Since Edith would not renounce her Jewish background, she was sent to Auschwitz with other Jews. Because of her solidarity with the oppressed Jewish people, she too was killed in the gas chambers at Auschwitz. Edith Stein is now recognized as a martyr and saint of the Roman Catholic Church.

Catholic Social Teaching tells us that to live in solidarity is to believe and live in the world as members of one human family - a family in which we must all take care of one another and recognize the worth, rights and responsibilities of ourselves and others.

Fear and Intimacy

This bronze shows the young John pointing as if responding to a question or pointing the way. There was anxious anticipation amongst the Jews about the coming Messiah. Yet, we have no reason for anxiety.

Anxiety comes from fear of the unknown. When we're unsure of how things will turn out, we get anxious. When we lack control or can't plan for our security, we get anxious.

Fear and anxiety are the enemies of intimacy and love. Fear makes us run far enough away so we feel removed from danger, safe from the aggressor. Or it drives us to hold someone, seeking strength in attachment. But fear doesn't create space for true intimacy. It either creates excessive distance or suffocating closeness.

John didn't want to create fear or caution of God. Rather, he wanted to open hearts to receive God in love. Ours is not a God of fear, but of love.

In Jesus' Incarnation, he shows just how much he wants to be with us. He comes to make his home among us, while waiting for us to accept him and make room for him. He doesn't force, but comes with patience and love.

Knowing that he loves and wants the best for us, we merely need to make ourselves known to him by revealing our deepest needs to him with prayer.

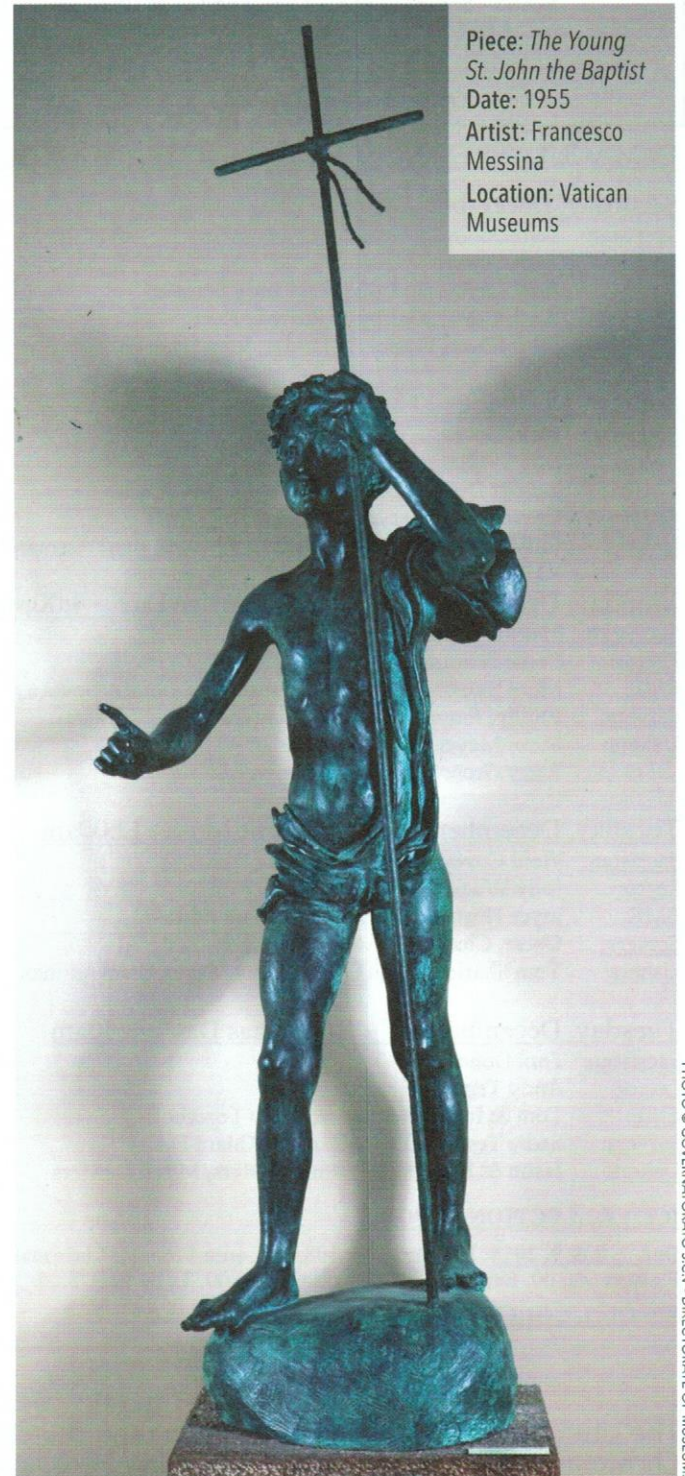
John the Baptist came to prepare the path for the Messiah, and many responded by asking, "What should we do to prepare?" Put aside anxiety and fear, simply prepare a home for him, and then let him in.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

What causes me fear or anxiety?

Can I give my anxiety to Jesus and ask him to bring me a greater sense of peace this Christmas?



Piece: *The Young St. John the Baptist*
Date: 1955
Artist: Francesco Messina
Location: Vatican Museums

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Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

Philippians 4:6