COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

06/29 (Word of God—Solemnity) Holy Mass at 10am. Litany of the Sacred

Heart of Jesus. Coffee hour (fellowship hour) in the church hall. *Mass*

Intention: For + KRYSTYNA MICHALAK.

07/06 (XIV Ordinary Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. Coffee hour (fellowship

hour) in the church hall. Mass Intention: For + MAUREEN O. JOHNSON.

- Plan Ahead for Mass Intentions! To ensure your preferred date for Mass intentions, we encourage you to book them in advance. As of now, the first available Sunday is July 20. Please use the Mass cards from the back to reserve your date.
- **Support Our Church Leave a Review!** If you've ever rented or attended an event at St. John's Church Hall, we'd love to hear from you! Even a short review like "I like this place, it's nice and neat" makes a big difference when people search for a place to rent—and it helps support our parish. Scan this QR code to leave your review. Thank you for your support!



Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: N/A. Happy Anniversary! Happy Birthday!

If you have any information for the "Church News Column", please inform Fr. Adam by email or phone no later than Friday afternoon.

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June 29, 2025

BEHOLD

SOLEMNITY OF THE WORD OF GOD

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + KRYSTYNA MICHALAK (req. by the family)

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C: Indeed, the Word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discrn relections and thoughts of the heart.

R: O Lord, who shall abide in Your tent? Who may dwell on Your holy mountain? Whoever walks without blame doing what is right, speaking truth from the heart.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1 IS 55:6-11

A reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake their way, and sinners their thoughts; Let them turn to the LORD to find mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways—oracle of the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, my thoughts higher than your thoughts. Yet just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down And do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and

fruitful, Giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, So shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; It shall not return to me empty, but shall do what pleases me, achieving the end for which I sent it. Yes, in joy you shall go forth, in peace you shall be brought home; mountains and hills shall break out in song before you, all trees of the field shall clap their hands.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 19

"Lord, You have the words of everlasting life."

READING 2

1 THES 2:10-13

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

You are witnesses, and so is God, how devoutly and justly and blamelessly we behaved toward you believers. As you know, we treated each one of you as a father treats his children, exhorting and encouraging you and insisting that you conduct yourselves as worthy of the God who calls you into his kingdom and glory.

And for this reason we too give thanks to God unceasingly, that, in receiving the word of God from hearing us, you received not a human word but, as it truly is, the word of God, which is now at work in you who believe.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LK 8:4-15

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory be to You, Lord.

When a large crowd gathered, with people from one town after another journeying to him, he spoke in a parable. "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path and was trampled, and the birds of the sky ate it up. Some seed fell on rocky ground, and when it grew, it withered for lack of moisture. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew, it produced fruit a hundredfold." After saying this, he called out, "Whoever has ears to hear ought to hear."

Then his disciples asked him what the meaning of this parable might be. He answered, "Knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of God has been granted to you; but to the rest, they are made known through parables so that 'they may look but not see, and hear but not understand.'

"This is the meaning of the parable. The seed is the word of God. Those on the path are the ones who have heard, but the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. Those on rocky ground are the ones who, when they hear, receive the word with joy, but they have no root; they believe only for a time and fall away in time of trial. As for the seed that fell among thorns, they are the ones who have heard, but as they go along, they are choked by the anxieties and riches and pleasures of life, and they fail to produce mature fruit. But as for the seed that fell on rich soil, they are the ones who, when they have heard the word, embrace it with a generous and good heart, and bear fruit through perseverance.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.