

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 18, 2024



# ST JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER

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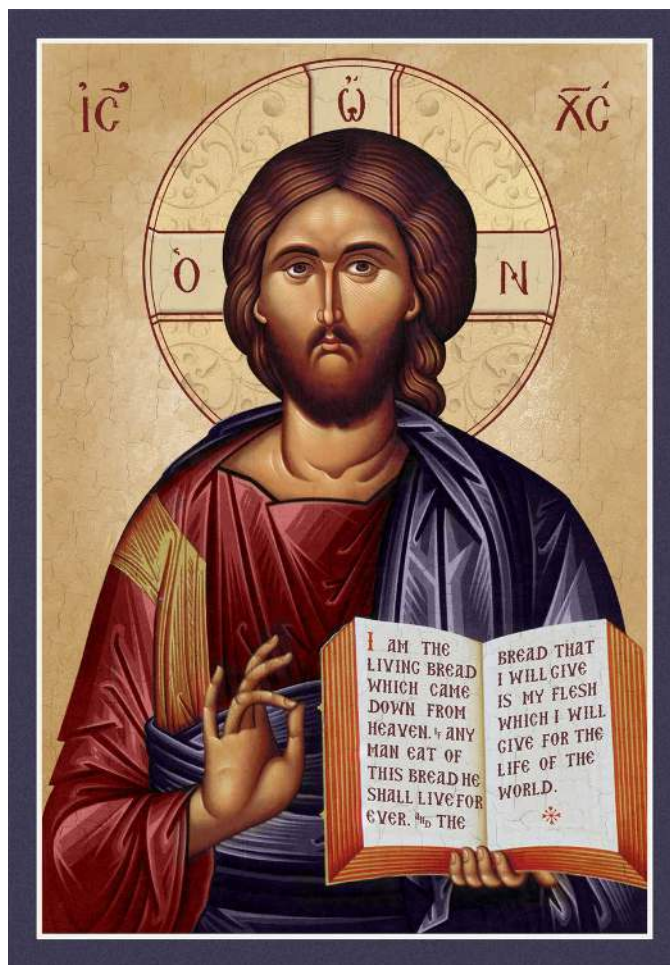
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## CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY MASS

Saturdays 4:00 pm  
Sundays 8:00am & 10:00 am

## CONFESSION

Saturdays: 2:30–3:30 pm  
Sundays: upon request  
before & after Masses

## ROSARY

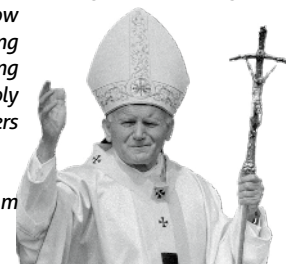
Saturdays: 3:25pm  
Sundays: 7:25am & 9:25am

**Location for Mass:**  
Frassati Catholic Academy  
3951 Cottonwood Lakes Blvd.  
Thornton, CO

**Mailing Address:**  
c/o Immaculate Heart of Mary  
11385 Grant Dr,  
Northglenn, CO 80233

"For the most holy Eucharist contains the Church's entire spiritual wealth: Christ himself, our passover and living bread. Through his own flesh, now made living and life-giving by the Holy Spirit, he offers life to men".

Presbyterorum  
Ordinis



## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat Aug. 17th 4pm † Doris Marintzer  
Sun Aug. 18th 10am Evan Kennedy

Sat Aug. 24th 4pm Troy Murfin  
Sun Aug. 25th 10am Anaka Geist

Sunday 8am Mass Intention is **Pro Populo**;  
for the parishioners of St. John Paul II

Intentions are not read aloud during Mass, but placed on the altar for the priest to offer up silently at Mass.

If you would like to arrange a mass for a loved one, please send request to [SmokeyM@StJP2.org](mailto:SmokeyM@StJP2.org)

**Parish Registration:** Are you interested in joining this parish community? Register as parishioners under "Connect" on our website.

## MISSION STATEMENT

*St. John Paul II Parish exists to transform the hearts and minds of our parish family and foster an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ through steadfast devotion to the Eucharist and sacraments, immersion in Sacred Scripture, robust prayer and teaching, and vibrant community.*

## SUNDAY READINGS

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

Rsp Psalm: Psalm 34

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

Gospel: John 6:51-58

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Rsp Psalm: Psalm 34

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

Gospel: John 6:60-69

Aug 18

Aug 25



## Update from Tanzania! With Photos!



Please also pray for the caregivers of those on our prayer list.

- ✪ Jim Garrus
- ✪ Jim Peters
- ✪ Jerry Cheseldine
- ✪ Donald Hartung
- ✪ Cal & Donna Brand
- ✪ Richard & Lisa Smith
- ✪ Wilbert Bostrom
- ✪ Paul Chatigny

Email names of those who are in need of prayers to [PrayerList@StJP2.org](mailto:PrayerList@StJP2.org). Names will remain on the list as space allows.



## John 6 Teaching Series Get More Out of Mass This Summer

[Download booklet here.](#)

### Among us. Inside us.

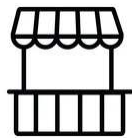
Wherefore this also Christ has done, to lead us to a closer friendship, and to show His love for us; He has given to those who desire Him not only to see Him, but even to touch, and eat Him, and fix their teeth in His flesh, and to embrace Him, and satisfy all their love. Let us then return from that table like lions breathing fire, having become terrible to the devil; thinking on our Head, and on the love which He has shown for us.

~ St. John Chrysostom



ST. JOHN VIANNEY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY LAY DIVISION

In a world of darkness, ONLY the Truth shines brightly. What light God has offered to the world persists in both Sacred Scripture and the teachings of Holy Mother Church. Are you ready to "set out into the deep?" Your opportunity to learn the Faith and the Sacred Scripture which explains our Catholic Faith is beginning soon in both the Denver Catholic Biblical and Catechetical Schools. We offer both in-Person & online classes. See our brochures at the parish entrance or visit [sjvlaydivision.org](http://sjvlaydivision.org) for more details and information. You may also call the Seminary's Lay Division at 303.715.3195.



## Parish Ministry Fair: Next Weekend August 24th & 25th

Come and see representation from the following ministries after all the masses.

- The Chosen**
- COLORADO CATHOLIC CONFERENCE**
- EUCCHARISTIC APOSTLES OF DIVINE MERCY**
- FAITH FORMATION & SACRAMENTAL PREP**
- FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FAITH**
- HOME-BOUND EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**
- HOSPITALITY**
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**
- LECTIO DIVINA BIBLE STUDY**
- LITURGY**
- MAGNIFICAT MOM'S**
- MEN ON A MISSION**
- MUSIC**
- PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM**
- PAX**
- ROSARY COORDINATOR**
- THEOLOGY ON TAP WITH FR. JAMES**
- WALKING WITH PURPOSE**
- YOUNG ADULTS**
- YOUTH MINISTRY**

Thank you Father Austin for taking care of us while our Pastor is traveling.



ST JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM

**New to the Lobby! A Pastoral Ministry Team.** The Pastoral Ministry Team is here for you. If you have any questions, seeking information on our Catholic Faith or need to know whom to speak to about anything, please come and ask one of our team members.

If you would like to join the Pastoral Ministry Team, the next training session will be Saturday September 14th at 10:30am



### Rachel's Vineyard Colorado - Hope and Healing After Abortion Catholic Healing Retreat.

Are you or someone you know suffering from the pain of an abortion? You are not alone. There is hope and healing after abortion. Please call to learn more about our confidential Rachel's Vineyard Colorado Catholic Retreat in Evergreen, Aug 23rd-25th. For more information: Call Lori (303) 904-7414 (no texts please) Email [lfrank.rvr@gmail.com](mailto:lfrank.rvr@gmail.com) or Visit: [rvcolorado.org](http://rvcolorado.org)



St. John Paul II Catholic Parish has a unique approach to Faith Formation for children in grades PK-5!

How it works:

**1** At the church: The entire family gathers for "Faith Formation Sunday" on the 2nd Sunday of the month from 11:30am-12:30pm (beginning September 8th). Parents attend a workshop, where they learn through teaching, discussion, and prayer. Children will be dismissed to review sessions according to their grade or sacrament they are preparing for (First Reconciliation and/or First Eucharist & Confirmation). Childcare for younger children is available.

**2** In the home: Parents teach their children with clearly designed lessons and activities that involve the whole family. If you have children preparing for First Reconciliation and/or First Eucharist & Confirmation you will utilize a specific curriculum for the sacraments. If you have children who are not preparing for a sacrament you will use a different curriculum.

**3** In small group communities: Families meet monthly with other families for food, discussion and fellowship.

**OTHER:** If you have a child who would like to be baptized or is older than 2nd/3rd grade and would like to prepare for Reconciliation, Confirmation or Eucharist please reach out to the Director of Faith Formation. We'd be happy to assist!

**Online registration opens soon! In person registration will be available during the Parish Ministry Fair, August 24th - 25th.**

### Questions:

Please reach out to the Director of Faith Formation, Kristina: [KristinaH@StJP2.org](mailto:KristinaH@StJP2.org).



### Explore the beauty of Catholicism with Bishop Robert Barron

#### What you will experience:

- \* From the timeless wisdom of saints and theologians to awe-inspiring works of art, every facet of the Faith is explored in depth.
- \* Travel to over 50 locations in 15 countries, capturing the beauty and depth of the Catholic faith.
- \* Explore magnificent shrines, cathedrals, and artwork that have inspired billions of believers.
- \* Discover how art, architecture, and music reflect the beauty of God and the richness of the Catholic Church.

<https://institute.wordonfire.org/catholicism-screening>

## Online Giving

St. John Paul II parish has our own online giving account through Vanco, with a link on our website. We have established a few shortcuts for you to use:

### Option 1.

Easily download the app "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" on your phone to set up "Saint John Paul II Catholic Parish"

### Option 2.

Go directly to our giving page at: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z6JA>

### Option 3.

Point your phone camera here at our QR Code:





For the first part of the mission trip, we were in the city of Geita. On Sunday (8/11/24) we had the Celebration of the Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Kassala who was celebrating his Jubilee. (25th Anniversary). The mass was outdoors due to the large crowd of roughly 13,000 faithful. The celebration of the mass lasted for over 5 hours. In attendance were 30 bishops and about 100 priest.

Then we went to bless a new Grotto / Shrine in the city of Geita dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima as well as a new adoration chapel.

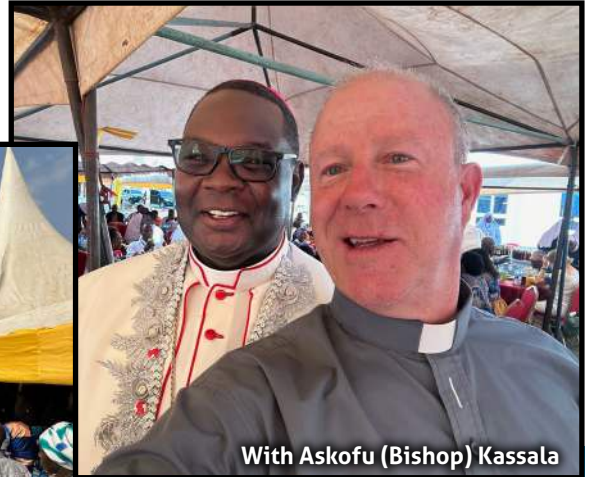
We attended a number of dinners and traditional dances in honor of Bishop Kassala's jubilee to the priesthood.

There are over 120 different tribes in the area and as with others, the tribe that Bishop Kassala belongs to involves various traditions and customs which we got to experience these last few nights with food, dances and music. The orphanage that our parish helps support is also close by the cathedral. During this time I was able to visit with a number of the priests that I have gotten to know over the last 12 years.

Monday Morning (8/12/2024), we drove with Fr. George Nkombolwa to the village of Nyantakubwa to spend time on this next phase of our mission journey to our sister Parish and school. We will also be visiting some of the outstations/mission parishes, 29 in total. We will also visit Salebani, which is the diocesan pilgrimage site along the shore of Lake Victoria. This place has historical significance because it is believed to be the site that John Hanning Speke and Richard Burton visited in 1858 when they were searching for the source of the Nile. Burton contracted malaria and had to stay at lake Tanganyika and so Speke traveled alone and thus was the first white man to set foot on that land and to see the great Lake Victoria. Also, that's where the first chapel was later built by a priest from Europe that brought Catholicism for the first time to the area.

We will be of course, celebrating mass with the school students each morning, which for me is one of the highlights every time I come here. The high school girls do such a wonderful job singing the mass parts. It's amazing. We will also see the latest construction projects that Fr. George has been working on in the area to provide for the needs of the village and the students.

Peace & Blessings, Fr. James



With Askofu (Bishop) Kassala



Archbishop Samuel Aquila



High School Girls



Primary School