

Parish Activities – August 9 - 16

SUNDAY ~ 7:15am Confessions

8:00am Mass (Faith Family)

9:30am Mass (Ralph & Nancy Schmidt)

MONDAY ~ No 7:30am Mass

Noon-5pm Adoration at St. William

TUESDAY ~ 7:30am Mass (+Chuck Karels)

WEDNESDAY ~ 7:30am Mass (+Betty Dornbusch)

10am Mass on ITC

2:15pm Mass at Golden Living Center

7pm Mass on ITC

THURSDAY ~ 7:30am Mass (+Bernard Pillatzki)

10am Mass at St. William

Noon Brown Baggin'

FRIDAY ~ NO 8:30am Mass

NO Adoration

NO Mass at St. William

NO Confessions

SATURDAY ~ 10am Mass at St. William

4pm Confessions

5pm Mass (+Jim & +Aggie Thomas)

7:30pm Mass at St. Mary (+Fr. Lawrence Jonas)

SUNDAY ~ 7:15am Confessions

8:00am Mass (+Dorene Rethke)

9:30am Mass (Faith Family)

Daily Readings - August 10 - 16

Monday - *St. Lawrence* - 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26

Tuesday – *St. Clare* - Deuteronomy 31:1-8; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday – *St. Jane Frances de Chantal* - Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday - *St. Pontian* - Joshua 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday – *St. Maximilian Kolbe* - Joshua 24:1-13; Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday - *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary* - Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56

Sunday - Proverbs 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

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Sunday, August 9, 2015

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



DeRouchey's Delight...

Dear Faith Family,

Recently, I talked with a group of men who were lawyers, doctors, engineers, and businessmen. Part of the conversation was concerning the generation gap. Is there such a thing? If so, what is its cause? Though issues such as economics and technology were their focus, God seemed not to be part of the discussion. The foundation or source of the “truth” was in the individual; however, how can an individual be the foundation of

“truth?”

Though differences are understandable between generations, I believe the “gap” is in where God is in our daily lives and how our faith is practiced. For generations, God was the center focus of individual lives, as well as, communities. For examples, Eucharistic or Marian processions through the streets of communities were expected and greatly attended; but we are seeing fewer people attending the Sunday liturgies across the country as “other” activities become more important. Yet, there is a call to redirect our attention. With the expectation of the coming visit of Pope Francis to the United States in September, there is a movement in Washington, DC to take the pledge and “walk with Francis.” People are making pledges to attend daily Mass or participate in charitable activities. Should we join in pledging of ourselves to help build God’s kingdom here on earth.

For five weeks we hear in the gospel Jesus’ discourse on the Holy Eucharist from the Gospel of John, chapter 6, from the feeding of the 5,000 to Jesus letting His followers walk away when He said they were to “eat of his body and drink of his blood.” Jesus never said anything about eating bread or drinking wine; yet, we are called to work towards unity and the one body of Christ. We, the children of God, are called to work together to build God’s kingdom here on earth. Though separated at the altar here on earth, we work towards unity at the heavenly banquet. It is this unity that the Holy Father, Pope Francis, is calling us to and it is this unity that Bishop Swain is inviting the entire diocese to work towards as we celebrate our 125 years as a diocese serving the people of the territory and later State of South Dakota.

At our recent Liturgy Committee, the Mass time at St. Mary in Wilmot was discussed. After reviewing the calendar, it was recommended that we would change from Saturday night to Sunday morning at 11:30am on October 4th. Also was recommended that we do a potluck or KC breakfast that weekend. We will inquire with the KCs if they are available. Another item discussed was concerns about the ministry lists and those who do not respond. It was recommended that if anyone that is currently on a ministry list who does not feel they can continue in that ministry be invited to call the office to have their name removed. This would allow those who are available to minister to properly plan for the liturgy.

Coming events:

Registration for Saint Lawrence School will be Tuesday, August 11th. With all the challenges in the world today and the business of our lives, I invite you to consider enrolling your students at Saint Lawrence School where your children will have the opportunity to join with their peers in prayer and to seek a deeper relationship with God. An education founded on the principles of our faith. We have openings in ALL classes.

Friday thru Sunday, August 14th – 16th – 125th Legacy Celebration, Sioux Falls. The Diocese has asked every parish to encourage participation in as much as you can.

Outdoor Mass – Saturday, August 22nd at 5pm at Farley Park. This Mass is a celebration of our faith family as we take this opportunity for ALL members to unite in prayer at one time in one location. With four masses being celebrated each weekend, we may not take the opportunity to fellowship with those who attend different services. Please plan on joining in this beautiful celebration of our family. A meal will be served following the Mass. The parish will provide pork sandwiches, refreshments and utensils. We are asking parishioners to bring dessert (A-M) or salads (N-Z). Please bring a chair for your comfort.



Happy Feast Day!
August 10th is the feast of
St. Lawrence.
St. Lawrence, pray for us!

Outdoor Mass and Potluck

Saturday, August 22 ~ 5pm
Lake Farley Park
Bring lawn chairs, bug spray & a
dish to pass Based on last name ~
A-M dessert/fruit N-Z salad/veggies



St. Lawrence Holiday Craft Show

Saturday, November 21
Contact Terri at SLHolidayShow@gmail.com
Show is open to hand crafted items only

YouCat Corner

questions & answers about our faith

What We Believe

160. Can we help the departed who are in the condition of purgatory? **Yes, since all those who are baptized into Christ form one communion and are united with one another, the living can also help the souls of the faithful departed in purgatory.** When a man is dead, he can do nothing more for himself. The time of active probation is past. But we can do something for the faithful departed in purgatory. Our love extends into the afterlife. Through our fasting, prayers, and good works, but especially through the celebration of Holy Eucharist, we can obtain grace for the departed.

161. What is hell? **Hell is the condition of everlasting separation from God, the absolute absence of love.** Someone who consciously and with full consent dies in serious sin, without repenting, and refuses God's merciful, forgiving love forever, excludes himself from communion with God and the saints. We do not know whether anyone at the moment of death can look absolute Love in the face and still say No. But our freedom makes that decision possible. Jesus warns us again and again not to separate ourselves definitively from him by shutting our hearts against the need of his brothers and sisters: "Depart from me, you cursed.... As you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me" (Mt 25:41, 45).



SCHOOL NEWS...

Time for Registration and Fall Pictures! We hope to see all of you on Tuesday between 8am and 5:30pm for registration. Remember you can print off the form at stlawrence.k12.sd.us/ or you can fill out the forms at the school. Pictures will be taken on the stage. Open House will be August 22nd after the outdoor Mass at Lake Farley until 7:30pm. Please join us at the school when you get done eating. We hope to see lots of excited faces that are ready to start a new school year. See you at registration!



Notes from our Parish Nurse...

Teach Healthy Lifestyle

Teaching kids at a young age about healthy activities and eating right will help them to maintain a healthy lifestyle throughout their life.

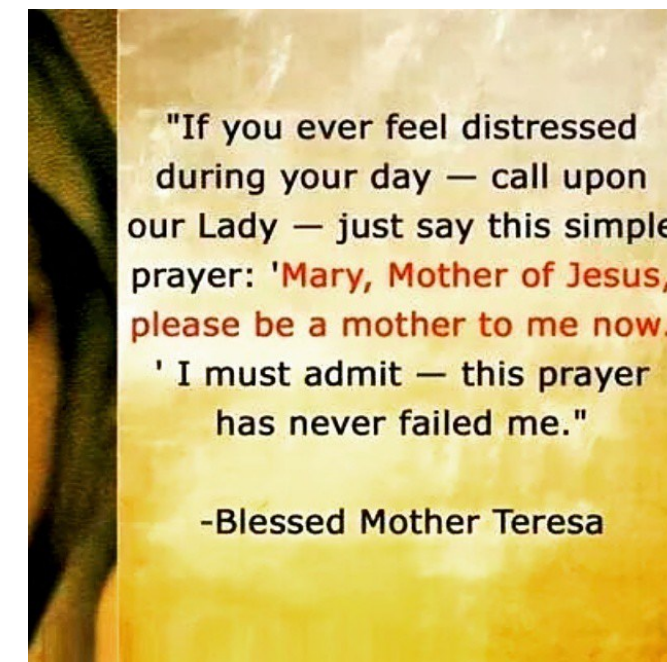
- ***Identify activity**—pick two 30 minute time slots for your family activity
- ***Make time to plan a weekly menu**—learn healthy preparation methods, fix healthy snacks, and eat fewer processed fast foods.
- ***Simplify your family's schedule**—Prioritize activities and see what you can do without so you have time for the things that matter most.
- ***Take baby steps**—Getting healthy is a journey.
- ***Ask everyone in the family to do their part**—Children can help wash fruits and vegetables & toss salads.
- ***Live by example**—If we want our kids to eat healthy and make smart choices.

1st Annual Faith & Business Conference

this Friday, August 14th from 11am to 5:30pm at the Arena & Convention Center. Join us as we look to take Sunday into Monday by integrating faith principles into business practices! The conference will be at the Sioux Falls Falls Arena & Convention center. The conference is open to all men and women of faith. Everyone is welcome! Contact Joe Rutten at 336-7390 for more information. Pre-registration is recommended. Cost=\$50. Register today at: <http://www.sfcatholic.org/Legacy/faith-and-business-conference>

"All in God's Plan" to be held in Sioux Falls on Thursday, September 17 at 6:15 p.m. at St. Michael Parish. "All in God's Plan" is a program for Mothers & Daughters and Fathers & Sons to come together in separate sessions to learn age appropriate information about human sexuality, human development, and chastity formation. To register visit www.sfcatholic.org/RespectLife or call 605-988-3755.

All St. Lawrence parishioners who love to sing are invited to join the Joyful Noise Choir at Saturday night 5pm Masses. All ages are welcome and there is never practice—sing with YouTube instead at home. Please contact Deb Rausch for more information - tdrausch@wat.midco.net



Fall Grief Retreat

Weekend Non-Denominational Retreat for adults who have lost a loved one and are trying to understand and reconcile their grief. **September 18, 7 p.m. - September 20, noon** at Broom Tree Retreat Center, Irene, SD. Directed by Dr. Marcie Moran and guests. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 or email cfs@sfcatholic.org for more information or to register. Registrations limited.

March For Life

The Diocese of Sioux Falls will be participating in the March for Life on Friday, January 22, 2016. We invite youth and adults to come along with us. We will be traveling by bus, leaving Sioux Falls on January 20 and returning on January 24, 2016. The pilgrimage will include participation in the March, the Catholic youth rally, and some free time to visit sites at our Nation's Capital. For more information, call Mary Andersen at 605-988-3766 or visit our website at: www.sfcatholic.org/youth.

Bulletin announcements are due by noon on Wednesday this week - thank you!

Parish & School Offices will be closed on Friday as all staff will be attending in-service in Sioux Falls.

NO Mass at St. William on August 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18 or 19.
Thank you!

Please remember Steve Karels, who has passed away, and his family in your prayers.



Family Faith Based Summer Activity Ideas

Try one of these one night this week...

***Incomplete Puzzle** ~ Read Proverbs 3:5 ~ As you work on a puzzle, discuss how you can't see the whole picture until every piece is in place. Then explain how our lives are like an incomplete puzzle. Though it's hard to understand how certain events fit into God's plan, we can trust that He sees the whole picture and knows how all the pieces fit together.

***Going Against the Flow** ~ Read Romans 12:2 ~ Fill a bucket with water, and churn with one hand. Take turns dipping hands into the resulting whirlpool, noting how it's easier to move "with the flow" than to go the other way. Explain that it's often easier to follow others, but obeying God sometimes means we must go against the flow.

JH Game Night

Monday, August 10th

7-9:30pm

all 6-7-8 grade students are invited
please wear clothes that may get wet &/or ruined!

St Lawrence ~ Last Week's Collection ~ \$9,308.17

Weekly Need ~ \$8,300.00

St. Mary ~ Last Week's Collection ~ \$492.00

Weekly Need ~ \$725.00