

**Liturgical Schedule for July 20-26, 2015**

Mon No Mass St. Margaret of Antioch  
 Tues AB 10am St. Lawrence of Brindisi  
 Wed SJ 7:15am St. Mary Magdalene  
 Intent: d. Magdalene (Mazie) Gales  
 Thurs SP 7:15am St. Bridget of Sweden  
 Intent: d. Alice Koch  
 Fri SJ 7:15am St. Sharbel Makhulf  
 Sat SP 6pm St. James the Greater  
 Intent: d. Danielle Price  
 Sun SM 8:30am Sts. Joachim and Anne  
 SJ 10:30am  
 Intent: d. Tom Scott

Unspecified mass intentions are *for the parish people* (pro populo).

**Liturgical Ministers for July 25-26, 2015**

**St. Peter's**

Greeter - Dale & Donna Beckmann  
 Lector - Arlene Koch  
 Servers - Jaxon C., Chase G.  
 Euch Min - David R., Karen P., Tammie M.  
 Gifts - Dale & Donna Beckmann

**St. Mary's**

Greeter - Leon Overweg Family  
 Lector - Tyler Gerlach  
 Servers - Dayna K., Kaden M.

Euch Min - Cheryl Peters, Tami Plamp  
 Gifts - Ronnie Prien Family

**St. John's**

Greeters - Ken Payne, Paul Payne  
 Lector - Rod Faulhaber  
 Servers - Kylee & Layne G., Haley P.  
 Euch Min - Tony E., Leanne P, Justin S.  
 Gifts - Matt & Jolene Baker Family  
 Rosary - Jan Kristensen

**St. Michael's**

Greeter - Dean Baker, Owen London  
 Lector - Larry Hostler  
 Servers - Rylee D., Matt K.  
 Euch Min - Helen Pollard  
 Gifts - Dan & Janis London Family

IN CASE YOU WERE WONDERING


Faith is man's response to God, who reveals himself and gives himself to man, at the same time bringing man a superabundant light as he searches for the ultimate meaning of his life. #26

The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God. (LS, 84)

The acceptance of our bodies as God's gift is vital for welcoming and accepting the entire world as a gift from the Father and our common home, whereas thinking that we enjoy absolute power over our own bodies turns, often subtly, into thinking that we enjoy absolute power over creation. (LS, 155)

[www.kofc.org/un/en/catechism](http://www.kofc.org/un/en/catechism) search CCC #

LS = Laudato Si: <http://tinyurl.com/o6sowft>

	
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	
<b>July 11-12, 2015</b>	
<b>St. Mary's</b>	
Envelopes	\$434.00
Youth	\$ 0.00
Loose	\$ 0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$434.00</b>
<b>St. John's</b>	
Envelopes	\$5810.00
Youth	\$ 1.00
Loose	\$ 95.01
Stipends	\$ 20.00
Other Donation	\$ 35.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5961.01</b>
<b>St. Peter's</b>	
Envelopes	\$1080.00
Youth	\$ 18.50
Loose	\$ 102.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1200.50</b>

**St. John**  
Plankinton, SD

**St. Mary**  
Stickney, SD



**St. Michael**  
Mt. Vernon, SD

**St. Peter**  
White Lake, SD

July 18 & 19, 2015

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Fr. Bob's Blotting's

Window gazing is one of my frequent pastimes. If you are driving by and see me sitting on the edge of the office table, I am likely just gazing, maybe even thinking or praying!

One sees a lot from the window - the man in the black SUV zipping by, quickly checking on someone or something in the back seat. The very focused girl in the dinged-up sedan. The animated lady on her cell phone, enjoying a friendship!

Far more often is the window gazing over the hood of the car. A raccoon smeared across the highway and a little cub nervous at the roadside. Gorgeous red, orange, and purple sunsets above our prairie towns - thanks to Canadian fires! Truckers thrown about by the prairie winds.

Rubber necking is by far my favorite window gazing - out the side - to admire, sorrow, rejoice, and pray for the lands and the people who tend the lands and animals. Straight and sloppy fences, tidy and dilapidated homes and farmyards, dugouts and waterways, sloughs and drain-tiles all form the landscape of human effort, aided by grace, to persevere in establishing a place to call home.

The next time you are window gazing, pause a moment to pray, just to soak in all the beauty of this wide, wide creation. Consider what a small, small part you have played; then realize that the impact and blessing you had may be far greater and of more eternal and lasting consequences than you can imagine!

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As part of our annual report, please find attached a statement of our financial activities over this past year. I am thankful, as your pastor, to see that the effect of the mergers and linkages has provided lower expenses for the parishes. The fairly steady gifts to the parishes also indicate to me that the parishes and parishioners are being neighborly with one another, even though, as a your spiritual father, I still hear of squabbles, complaints, and gossips.

Yet, this infighting is the life of a parish - we are walking toward Jesus. We are each in need of conversion. We are each called to pray for another so that Jesus may redeem all things - even our land and our souls! May he start a new fire of his Holy Spirit here on our Prairie!

## ST. JOHN'S NEWS



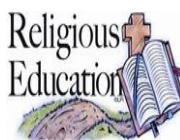
**ST. MICHAEL'S POTLUCK:** Sun., July 26th at 5:30pm, there will be mass at St. Michael's followed by a potluck, fellowship and a short meeting to further discuss and make a determination for CCD, future mass

times and etc. Hope to see you all there! Please spread the word! P.S. The potluck on the 12th was very yummy! Thank you to all those that provided!

**DESSERTS WANTED:** A dessert sign up sheet is in the back of the church for anyone wishing to furnish a dessert for the Pheasant Fest on Aug. 15th.



CHOCOLATE



**DRE NEEDED:** St. John's Parish is in need of a new Director of Religion Education (DRE) for the 2015/2016 school year. As parents, we have an important role in shaping our children's religious life. Our program would not be successful without all the many parents that have volunteered their time, talent and resources over the years to help out. Thank you all for saying "yes". We are now looking for someone to say "yes" to take over as the new director of religion education. Please contact Fr. Bob if interested.

### JULY CHURCH CLEANING:

Susan Urban, Mary P. Krell, Gayle VanGanderen, Kama Bruns, Mary Mayclin, Wendy Overweg.

At St. Michaels Church-Darcy Deinert, Rhonda Deinert, Suzanne Weber

### CHURCH CLEANING:



## ST. MARY'S NEWS



July-Becky Muck, Cheryl Dethlefsen;  
Aug.-Jean Moller, Kathy Schroeder

**HELP WANTED:** We are in need of someone to be on the

## ST. PETER'S NEWS

funeral committee. If you are interested, please contact Chairperson, Jeanie Schroeder.

**ANNUAL BUDGET SIGNING:** All council members



## PRAIRIE PEOPLE NEWS



from all parishes, please attend the Annual Report/Budget Signing meeting at 7pm on Thurs., July 23rd at St. Francis Hall in Plankinton.

### LEGACY 125 YEARS:

Aug. 14-16 in Sioux Falls. Diocesan-wide gathering with keynote speakers, multiple educational, spiritual and prayer opportunities, liturgical celebrations, banquet, youth component, priest, deacon and teacher continuing education components at the Sioux Falls Convention Center and Arena. Registration Info: [www.sfcatholic.org/legacy](http://www.sfcatholic.org/legacy) or 605-334-9861



### POPE FRANCIS COMING TO USA:

Sept. 22nd-28th in Philadelphia, PA. World



Meeting of Families Package Includes: Round-trip airfare from Sioux Falls Regional Airport; Hotel for 5 nights at the Holiday Inn Express in Lansdale, PA; breakfast daily at hotel; 2 dinners at restaurants in PA area; Luxury Motor Coach Transportation; Assistance of a Canterbury Pilgrimages & Tours Representative while in PA; Sight-seeing in Historic PA as well as visits to the various Shrines. If you would like to see the Pope, please call 800-653-0017 at Canterbury Pilgrimages & Tours, Inc. for further information. Per person cost \$1625.75 (double occupancy) not included in the cost are the following: WMF Conference Registration Fee, anything not listed above.

**CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation Mass has been scheduled for Oct. 4th at 2pm at St. John's Church. We will have 22 people getting confirmed from our parishes. 12 from St. John's; 3 from St. Mary's; 7 from St. Peter's.



### avera hospice care:

We are in need of volunteers to be a part of our hospice team in providing comfort, care and compassion for those in Hospice Care. Each volunteer is free to choose how much time they'd like to give. If interested call Monica Toth at 605-622-2815 or send email: [monica.toth@avera.org](mailto:monica.toth@avera.org)

### THERE'S STILL TIME TO SUBMIT YOUR CFSA PLEDGE CARDS:

Thank you to all who have already given so generously. Every gift, regardless of the size, is important to the success of CFSA and the many ministries of the diocese. If you have not turned in your pledge card, please fill it out and return it as soon as possible.



Everyone's participation supports the many works of our Church. Please participate by filling out our card and offer a prayer for the success of CFSA even if you can't join financially. Our goal is 100% participation offered through our time, talent or treasure. Again, any amount raised above the assessment will stay in the Parish.

**BULLETIN ARTICLES:** When sending bulletin articles, please send in email with Subject line: BULLETIN .... When possible, send as Microsoft Word document with relevant pictures. Deadline: Thursdays. Send to: [office@pfcatholics.org](mailto:office@pfcatholics.org)  
Thanks You!

