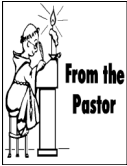


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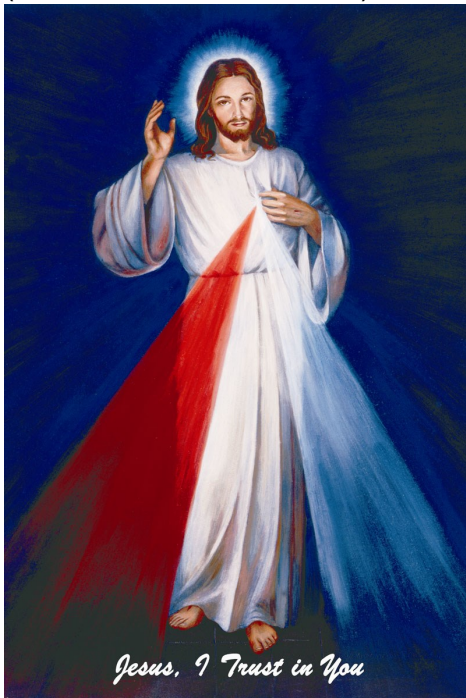


Divine Mercy Sunday:

Divine Mercy Sunday is the second Sunday of Easter. It came about at the request of our Lord Jesus Christ, when He appeared to St. Faustina in a vision Feb 22, 1931. Jesus also requested that His Image be painted in the way He appeared to St. Faustina in that vision, along with the words "Jesus, I trust in You" to be on the picture. The painted Image is called "The Divine Mercy Image." Pope John Paul II approved "Divine Mercy Sunday" on May 23, 2000, stating: "In the Universal Church, the second Sunday of Easter will be called Divine Mercy Sunday!" Pope John Paul II reiterated the words that Jesus spoke to St. Faustina in the vision: **"The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy."** (Diary, 699) **"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to your neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to absolve yourself from it"** (Diary of St. Faustina, p.742).

These words that Jesus speaks to us through St. Faustina are challenging words telling us not to excuse ourselves or limit the charitable action that is placed before us. The Catholic Church explains the two different ways of showing Mercy in the Catechism paragraph #2447:

"The *works of mercy* are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities (Is 58:6-7; Heb 13:3). Instructing, advising, consoling, comforting are **spiritual works of mercy** as are forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently. The **corporal works of mercy** consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead (Mt 25:31-46). Among all these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God (Tob 4:5-11; Sir 17:22; Mt 6:2-4): He who has two coats, let him share with him who has none; and he who has food must do likewise (Lk 3:11). But give for alms those things which are within; and behold, everything is clean for you (Lk 11:41). If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace, be warmed and filled,' without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit? (James 2:15-16; 1 Jn 3:17)."



Spiritual Works of Mercy take care of the spiritual, emotional and intellectual needs of people by instructing them in the Faith and helping them to believe in God by trusting in His Tender Love and Mercy for us as we carry our crosses in life. **Corporal Works of Mercy** take care of the physical bodily needs of people, which also cares for their spiritual and emotional needs as your act of charity may be God's answer to their prayers giving relief to their hardship and burden. To be a disciple of Jesus Christ is to say what Jesus says and to do what Jesus did. Jesus was always obedient to God The Father, by saying only what The Father said and doing only what The Father did in serving the needs of others and not serving Himself. Jesus gave us every Spiritual Blessing in the Heavens and made it possible that we might be saved. Our salvation depends on what Jesus Christ did for us and on how we respond and use the Graces that Jesus purchased for each of us to be saved. We can use The Divine Grace and be converted into The Image and Likeness of God, or we can ignore The Divine Grace and never be changed from our state of fallen selfish human nature. The beauty of Divine Mercy Sunday is that even the most hardened sinner can receive God's Love and Mercy, **IF!!!**, he/she will ask Jesus for it. We can receive greater levels of Divine Mercy that come through faithfully praying the Chaplet of Divine (Cont. on page 4)

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2nd Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday
April 8, 2018

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Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., April 9	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
Tues., April 10	7:30 AM	Mass	Flandreau	Joseph & Kim Trask
	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
	9:00 AM	Mass (Father Osborn)	Colman	-----
Wed., April 11	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Elkton	† George Gebhart
	9:00 AM	Mass (Father Osborn)	Colman	-----
	11:00 AM	Mass at Edgewood Vista		† Helen Dailey
Thur., April 12	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Colman	All parishioners
Fri., April 13	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Flandreau	† Lucille Jensen
	9:00 AM	Mass (Father Osborn)	Colman	----- -
Sat., April 14	5:00 PM	Mass	Elkton	† JoAnne Schmidt
Sun., April 15	8:30 AM	Mass	Colman	† Aaron Scofield
	9:00 AM	Mass (Retired Priest)	Aurora	All Parishioners
	10:30 AM	Mass	Flandreau	Clare Hubert (health)
CONFESSIONS ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ SATURDAY, APRIL 14

Lay Minister: Judy Kampmann, Lisa Gebhart
Lect./Comm.: Kelly Neill, Ervin Gebhart
Altar Servers: Andrew Landsman, Aidan Owens
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Chuck Hegerfeld
Ushers: Kevin Myers, Dan Knuth

COLMAN ~ SUNDAY, APRIL 15

Lay Minister: Jerry Hemmer, Ann Voelker,
 Betty Merges
Lect/Comm: Ann Voelker
Altar Servers: Chandler/Austin Gullickson
Gifts/Ushers/Greeters: Judy Miles

FLANDREAU ~ SUNDAY, APRIL 15

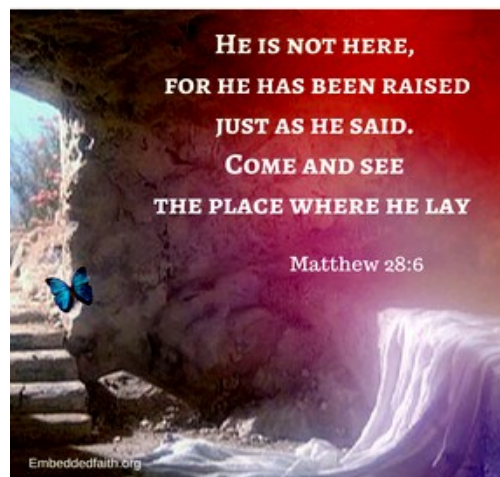
Lay Minister: Gail Keating, Marty/Rita Parsley
Lect./Comm.: John Evans, Reggie Gassman (C)
Altar Servers: Caleb Dietrich,
 Erin/James/Matthew Drietz
Ushers/Greeters: Jerrelyn/Torry Cole, Mike/Jackie Skroch
Sacristan: LaVonne Headrick


Daily Mass Readings

Apr 9: Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Hebrews 10:4-10;
 Luke 1:26-38
 Apr 10: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2,5; John 3:7-15;
 Apr 11: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; John 3:16-21
 Apr 12: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2,9,17-20; John 3:31-36
 Apr 13: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1,4,13-14; John 6:1-15
 Apr 14: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-5,18-19; John 6:16-21
 Apr 15: Acts 3:13-19; Ps 4:2-9; 1 John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48

Intention of the Holy Father for April:

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



Apr. 1 st Our Weekly Offering		Elkton: \$2394;
		Holy Land: \$633
		Flandreau: \$4437;
		Holy Land: \$800
		Colman: \$3066; Holy Land: \$274

STS. SIMON & JUDE

CCD: Wednesday at 5:45 PM ~ pre-6;
7:15 PM ~ gr. 7-12.

KC Monthly Meal: Sunday, **April 8th** - after the 10:30 Mass (2nd Sunday due to Easter). Serving BBQ, chips, beans & drink. Everyone is invited! The May meal will be on May 13th, due to 1st Communion on May 6th.

Quilting: Summer break - will resume in the fall.

Bible Study: Fridays at 10:00 - call Libby at 997-2654 if interested.



Congratulations to **Joseph & Kim (Heinemann) Trask** who were married this weekend.

May God's love grow stronger in their lives.

New Elevator Construction: Please keep this project in your prayers. Donations and memorials are sincerely appreciated.

ST. PETER

CCD: Wednesday at 6:30 PM, gr. 1-12.

Parish Council Mtg: Thur., April 12 - 5:30 PM.

CDA Meeting: Thur., April 12 - 6:30 PM.

Banquet: The Moody County Ministerial Assoc. will be serving the Banquet in Sioux Falls on May 29th. We will need 125# of ground beef and 50 dozen cookies, 6-8 workers at 2:00 PM and 40-45 workers at 5:15 PM. Please call Jane DeLay to volunteer (997-2758). They also need clean containers with lids and plastic bags (mark items for "The Banquet" and leave in kitchen).

Rice Bowls: Please drop your rice bowl collections in the designated spot in the church entrance. Thank you for your generosity!

Anniversary Mass: If you will be celebrating one of the milestone 25, 50, 60, 65, or more than 65 years of marriage in the calendar year of 2018, please call the parish office (997-2610) to be included in this annual diocesan Mass celebrating married life.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

CCD: Wednesday at 6:30 PM, gr. 1-12.

Spaghetti Feed: April 7th from 5:30 to 7:30 at St. Mary's Center for Abby Landsman and Samantha Schindler to help raise funds for their mission trip to Belize. All are welcome.

Finance Council Member Needed for a three year term beginning in June - five meetings per year. Please call the parish office (997-2610) or visit with Lisa Gebhart, Bill Fargen or Arlo Jurrens to volunteer or for more information.

JPII Vocations Camp: May 29-31 & June 1-3
For men 12-16 years old; Cost \$200
www.sfvocations.com

JPII Rocky Mountain Vocation Expedition
July 29-August 4; For men 16 and older
Cost is only \$500; www.sfvocations.com

Register now for Discipleship Camp 2018, a four-day Diocesan summer camp where Junior High and High School youth have the opportunity to meet other teens, compete in epic all-camp games, pray, frequent the Sacraments, and more! Register online: <http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth/>.

Join hundreds of single Catholics of all ages at the National Catholic Singles Conference, **June 8-10** held at the Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul-Airport Mall of America. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, fellowship and more! For information and to register visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com. Use promo code NCSCMSP to receive a special discount! (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

Beautifully Made: A Women's Conference - April 14 - Sioux Falls Convention Center:
Check for the latest updates and Register at www.sfcatholic.org/WomensConference

Rachel's Vineyard One Day Retreat for those affected by abortion: May 5 - Strictly Confidential. A safe, loving, non-judgmental environment. Open to *men, women, mothers, fathers, grandparents* who have been affected by abortion. Non-denominational. For registration materials & more information, call 605-988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 or email cfs@sfcatholic.org.

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Mercy to soften our hearts that are hardened by disordered arrogance of self-righteous pride. As we seek God through the practicing our Faith and the repenting of our sins, especially, in The Sacraments of Confession and The Most Holy Communion, we can know and experience God's Divine Love and Mercy for us so that we may more fully trust in God's Divine Mercy. God's Love for each and every human being is Infinite, which means that there is no limit to God's Love for us and there is nothing we can do to stop God from Loving us. However, there are things we can do that can cause us to stop loving God and reject His Infinite Love and Mercy by our sinful unbelief, but if we repent of sin(*which means: ask for Mercy and stop doing evil*) then we can receive Divine Mercy, for His Mercy endures forever. God's Love is Infinitely More Powerful than the evil of our sins. As we practice our Faith, Hope and Love, then we will receive and experience The Divine Mercy of God that enables us to Trust even more in God's Infinite Love and Tender Compassion, so that we may completely and joyfully forgive ourselves and others just as Jesus forgives, so that we may become a more perfect Image and Likeness of God.

-Fr. Doug Binsfeld

Events at The Abbey of the Hills

www.abbeyofthehills.org or call 605-398-9200.

April 10: Day of Rest and Recollection - A Faithful Life: 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. Join Fr. Michael Peterson, former monk of Blue Cloud Abbey as he presents, "Faithful to the People I Love in My Life" and "Faithful to a Broader Sense of Community in My Life".

April 27-29: Weekend Retreat: Meditating with the Saints. Praying with the Heroes of the Church - St. Francis de Sales, St. Mother Theresa, St. John Vianney, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and many others. Fr. John Helmueller facilitating.

All is Well: Remember My Words to My disciples, "This kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." Can you tread the way I trod? Can you drink of My cup? "All is well." Say always, "All is well."

Long though the way may seem, there is not one inch too much. I, your Lord, am not only with you on the journey—I planned, and am planning, the journey.

There are Joys unspeakable in the way you go. Courage—Courage—Courage.

From "God Calling" by A.J. Russell

Baptismal Preparation Class: Required of all parents requesting to have their child baptized. Classes are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month in SS&J Parish Basement. Contact Fr. Doug (997-2610) prior to the class to register and give baptismal information.

Grieving Loss from Suicide: 6 week program **April 17-May 22**, 6:30–8:30pm at Catholic Family Services, 523 N. Duluth Ave., SF. For families who have lost a loved one from suicide. Cost-Donation. Call 988-3775 or email cfs@sfcatholic.org with questions or to register.

Youth Grief Camp-for Youth and their Families at Broom Tree Retreat Center, **June 16-17**. This 2 day camp will include fun activities, discussion and support. The Grief Camp is non-denominational and is offered free of charge. Call Catholic Family Services at 1-800-700-7867 or 605-988-3775 for more information.

One Day Retreat for Grieving the Loss of a Loved One on Saturday **April 21** from 10:30 am -3:30pm at St. Lawrence Parish in Milbank, SD. For adults who have lost a loved one and are trying to understand and reconcile their grief. This program is non-denominational and offered free of charge. Register at 605-432-9122.

Catholic Family Services offers a full range of counseling services at many locations around the diocese. If you or someone in your family is in need of some assistance, call 800-700-7867 for an appointment. www.sfcatholic.org/cfs.

Music Recital-Makenzey Burggraff's Senior Project: Sunday, April 8, 2:00 PM at Crystal Theatre. Featuring: Makenzey on piano & marimba, Josh Henderson on Saxophone, SS&J Bell Choir, Percussion Ensemble. Free will donation benefiting Alzheimer's Disease.

Floyd "Bud" Heinemann, formerly of Dell Rapids will celebrate his 90th Birthday on Sunday April 15th, 1-4 PM at St. Michaels Catholic Parish Hall, 1600 S. Marion Rd, Sioux Falls, SD. Cards can be sent to: 1409 Dow Rummel St., Apt. 220, Sioux Falls, SD. 57104

Crystal Theatre Breakfast: April 15, 8:00-1:00 PM at the W.J. Janklow Community Center.

