

Catholic Tri-Parish Community

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
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St. Faustina; “Divine Mercy In My Soul”,

“All night long, I was preparing to receive Holy Communion, since I could not sleep because of physical suffering. My soul was flooded with love and repentance. #717

After Holy Communion, I heard these words:—**You see what you are of yourself, but do not be frightened at this. If I were to reveal to you the whole misery that you are, you would die of terror. However, be aware of what you are. Because you are such great misery, I have revealed to you the whole ocean of My mercy. I seek and desire souls like yours, but they are few. Your great trust in Me forces Me to continuously grant you graces. You have great and incomprehensible rights over My Heart, for you are a daughter of complete trust. You would not have been able to bear the magnitude of the love which I have for you if I had revealed it to you fully here on earth. I often give you a glimpse of it, but know that this is only an exceptional grace from Me. My love and mercy knows no bounds.** (#718)

Today, I heard these words: Know, my child, that for your sake I grant blessings to this whole vicinity. But you ought to thank Me on their behalf, as they do not thank Me for the kindnesses I extend to them. For the sake of your gratitude, I will continue to bless them.” (#719) (Divine Mercy in My Soul, St. Faustina)

We see in St. Faustina a human soul that has been given The Graces of a prophet, although, she partially sees through her human pride and perceives only some of her nothingness. Remember, God created us from nothing. At that time, St. Faustina suffered so much pain that she was unable to sleep, and she sees the battle in her soul to become indignant toward God and be angry because of her suffering.

When a prideful people read what Jesus said to St. Faustina, they will experience indignation and anger in their heart, because their disordered human pride does not allow them to perceive that they are unworthy, wretched and miserable. Rather, they think of themselves as worthy of Heaven and righteous before God, but this is only self-righteous, because True Righteousness is **NOT** about what people think, but about what God Thinks. Only The Words of Jesus can pierce the arrogance of our disordered human pride, and that is what conversion is. The Sacraments in and of themselves do not save us, but they are the means for us to receive The Infinite Love and Grace that come from Jesus Christ that will enable us to be converted and saved. In other words, These Graces enable us to “repent and believe”, as Jesus tells us in Mk 1:15.

To be saved, we must have conversion of heart, we must have a humble mind and heart that is willing to trust in Jesus Christ, stop sinning, do good for others, forgive others and not to be afraid, otherwise, we will continuously exalt ourselves in our minds and remain in pride of heart. If we will faithfully accept difficulties, hardship and suffering, then we begin to understand that it is **NOT** by our strength that we do things, but by God’s Strength that we are able to accomplish anything good in this life. It is then that we take up our cross and follow Jesus, as we humble ourselves and allow God to lift us up and exalt us.

If you are not sure what I mean, read the words that Jesus spoke to St. Faustina again, and if you find anger, resentment or indignation in your heart, then it reveals the arrogance of pride within you. If not, then it reveals that there are higher levels of Faith and humility in your mind and heart. Give thanks to Jesus for that Gift of Grace. It is a great gift and Blessing to be pure and humble because then you are able to obtain Great Graces for yourself and the many people whom you are praying for. Be sure to Thank Jesus for all the many Blessings that He gives to you and others, because as Jesus said, many people have no gratitude to God, but through your heartfelt gratitude and thankfulness to Jesus, that too, can obtain many Graces for yourself and others. As humble as St. Faustina was, she still had much to grow in Grace, as Jesus would not reveal all of her nothingness to her, but such is The Tender Compassion of God, Who does not give us more than we can handle. For those of us who are still yet more prideful, keeping on repenting and asking Jesus for His Grace and Mercy. Jesus is always with us, trying to give us more of His Grace and Mercy of His Infinite Life of Love to heal us, strengthen us and one day to save us into Heaven.

-Fr. Doug Binsfeld

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**4th Sunday of Easter
April 22, 2018**

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Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., April 23				
Tues., April 24	7:30 AM 9:00 AM	Mass Mass (Father Osborn)	Flandreau Colman	† Helen Dailey -----
Wed., April 25	9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Father Osborn)	Elkton Colman	† John Neill -----
Thur., April 26	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Colman	† Fr. Mardian
Fri., April 27	9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Father Osborn)	Flandreau Colman	ill & deceased members of ----- parish
Sat., April 28	5:00 PM	Mass	Elkton	† Augusta Krause
Sun., April 29	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Colman Flandreau	† Lawrence Mousel All Parishioners
CONFESSIONS ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ SATURDAY, APRIL 28

Lay Minister: Dave/Carol McMahon
Lect./Comm.: Lois Stuefen, Sharon Landsman
Altar Servers: Garrett/Ashton Neill
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Jerome/Jean Kirschenman
Ushers: Kevin Myers, Dan Knuth

COLMAN ~ SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Lay Minister: Alice Berg, Mary Beth Zwart
Maureen Baumberger
Lect/Comm: Jerry Hemmer
Altar Servers: Anna Zwart, Presley Luze
Gifts/Ushers/Greeters: David Voelker Family

FLANDREAU ~ SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Lay Minister: Charles Rosheim, Tom Stenger
Marilyn Schwebach
Lect./Comm.: Marty Parsley, Les Heinemann (C)
Altar Servers: Jayden Julson, Josie Hamilton
Madeline/Libby Hursey
Ushers/Greeters: Jerrelyn/Torry Cole, Mike/Jackie Skroch
Sacristan: Tammy Stenger



Mark Your Calendars!! June 7, 2018

The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is coming to our parish! The purpose of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue tours is to bring the graces of Fatima and Our Lady's message of hope, peace and salvation to those many millions of people who may never have an opportunity to make a pilgrimage to Fatima itself. Watch bulletin for more details.

Daily Mass Readings

Apr 23: Acts 11:1-8; Ps 42:2-3,43:3-4; John 10:1-10
Apr 24: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1-7; John 10:22-30
Apr 25: 1 Peter 5:5-14; Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17; Mark 16:15-20
Apr 26: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3,21-27; John 13:16-20
Apr 27: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11; John 14:1-6
Apr 28: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; John 14:7-14
Apr 29: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-32; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

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 (**NO bars**), 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 SS&J kitchen). Items for the banquet will be picked up on the 29th at 10:00 AM.

STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH AT HOME



Catholic Home Mission: Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. For more information go to: www.usccb.org/home-missions. Please drop attached envelope into the collection or mail to the parish office. Thank you!

STS. SIMON & JUDE

CCD: Wednesday at 5:45 PM & 7:15 PM.

Bible Study: Fridays at 10:00.

K of C Mtg: Mon., April 23 - 7:00 PM.

Mass of Remembrance: April 29 at our 10:30 am Mass to honor the lives and acknowledge the loss of children due to miscarriage, stillborn, SIDS, or other childhood ailments or incidents. 15 to 20 percent of known pregnancies end in miscarriage, according to the National Library of Medicine. The church is one place that affirms it was a baby lost, and provides an opportunity to celebrate our children in heaven.

The CDA invite those who have lost children at any point in their life to participate. Families will gather in the church basement to pick up a candle for each child they have lost. We will share a moment of silence and solidarity then light candles and process down the aisle. Candles will be placed on a table by the altar and will remain throughout the Mass.

Elevator Update:

Bids have been received for the construction of the new elevator; unfortunately, the bids were about \$50,000 above the projected estimates given to us by the architects. Both the Elevator Committee and the Finance Council have given their approval to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Clark Drew Construction from Brookings for \$430,200. The Diocesan Building Committee and Bishop have also given their approval to proceed.

Construction is scheduled to begin the week of April 23rd and should be completed early September. During this time there will no elevator access to the church. Those who have difficulty with stairs may use the east door to the church (by the driveway and mailbox) to enter the church or basement during this time as there are less steps to contend with.

Financial status of project:

Expense:	Conceptual Design	\$ 6,500
	Architect Fees	54,000
	Soil Sample/Survey	3,200
	Construction	430,200
	<u>Estimated Total Cost</u>	<u>\$493,900</u>

Revenue:	Elevator Fund	\$233,400
	Outstanding Pledges	12,000
	Parish Savings	100,000
	<u>Elevator Funds</u>	<u>\$345,400</u>

Funds Needed \$148,500

We are still seeking to raise funds for the elevator project, so any donations and memorials are sincerely appreciated. Please continue to pray that the elevator project is completed safely and without complications.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

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

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.

We Remember: Peggy Houselog, her funeral was at OLGC on Thursday. May the Lord grant her eternal peace and give her family and friends hope and comfort.

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TOTUS TUUS 2018!

- Totus Tuus (Totally Yours) is returning to St. Peter's **June 17th-22nd!**
- Grade school (1st-6th grade) program runs Monday-Friday 9am-2:30pm.
- Jr. High/High School runs Sunday-Thursday 7:30pm-9:30pm.
- COST-FREE. Registration forms will be sent home with kids on the last day of CCD (May 2nd). Contact Marcie at 530-2219 if you have any questions.

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First Communion Students Congratulations!

Avery Baumberger		Brianne Bowen
Cory Huntimer		Caleb Larson
Finley Luze		Harper Mousel
Zachary Pederson		Whitlie Shoenrock
Maci Voelker		

May they grow in their
Faith, Hope and Love of Jesus!

Apr. 15th

Our
Weekly Offering 

Elkton: \$0
Flandreau: \$2815
Colman: \$350

Join hundreds of single Catholics of all ages at the National Catholic Singles Conference, **June 8-10** 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! Visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com for information and to register. Use promo code NCSCMSP to receive a special discount! (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

Events at The Abbey of the Hills

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

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.

Broom Tree Retreats:

For more information and to register call (605) 263-1040, email broomtree@sfcatholic.org or www.broom-tree.org
Prayerful donations requested for retreats

Silent Retreats:

- **Women's:** May 3-6, June 21-24,
- **Men's:** May 17-20;

Days of Recollection: 10:00 AM thru mid-afternoon

- **May 15** – "The World's Greatest Treasure: Friendship with God" directed by Father Joe Vogel

Conference for Women: May 11-12 – Fr. Scott Traynor

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

www.parishesonline.com/find/sts-simon-and-jude-parish

Mother Teresa Fund: The Mother Teresa Endowment is a fund providing financial assistance to individuals or couples experiencing an unplanned pregnancy and who have considered abortion because of limited financial resources. Through Catholic Family Services, free pregnancy counseling is available and we work to determine available community resources. The Mother Teresa Endowment Fund assists with legitimate costs not covered elsewhere. Application forms are available from any CFS office, or call 800-700-7867.

April Intention of the Holy Father: That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

May/June Mass Schedule

Colman - Saturday at 7:00 PM

Elkton - Sunday at 8:30 AM

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! <http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth/>.

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.

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.

Living with Chronic Illness group.

This is a free educational supportive group that meets the first Tuesday of each month, for those living with chronic illness **and** their care givers. The next meeting date is **May 1.** Meets at Catholic Family Services- 523 N. Duluth Ave. SF. For more details please call 605-988-3775.

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 1-800-700-7867 for an appointment. www.sfcatholic.org/cfs.

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.