

Catholic Tri-Parish Community

STS. SIMON & JUDE

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

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Colman, SD
ELKTON, SD 57026



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).

Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) #2447

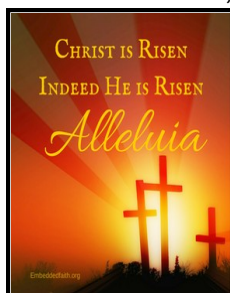
"The *works of mercy* are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities (Is 58:6-7; Heb 13:3). Instructing, advising, consoling, comforting are **spiritual works of mercy** as are forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently. The **corporal works of 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 and emotional needs of people by helping them to believe in God by trusting in His Tender Love and Mercy for us. **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. To be a Christian disciple of Jesus Christ is to do what Jesus did. Jesus was always obedient to God The Father by 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 how we respond and use those 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. Receive greater levels of Divine Mercy that come through faithfully praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy to soften our hearts that are hardened by disordered arrogance of self-righteous pride. As we seek God through the practice of our Faith and the repentance of sin, especially, in The Sacraments of Confession and The Most Holy Communion, we are enabled by God to know and more fully trust in God's Divine Love and Mercy for us. 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 reject the Truth and Power of God's Infinite Love and Mercy by our sinful unbelief, but if we repent of sin then we can receive Divine Mercy, for His Mercy endures forever. God's Love is

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 joyfully forgive ourselves and others.

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**2nd
Sunday
of
Easter
April
23
2017**

Liturgy Schedule		Location	Mass Intention
Mon., April 24			
Tues., April 25	7:30 AM 9:00 AM	Mass Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Flandreau Colman † Dolores Burggraff -----
Wed., April 26	9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Elkton Colman † G'Ann Hegerfeld -----
Thur., April 27	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Colman All Parishioners
Fri., April 28	9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Flandreau Colman † Steve Evans -----
Sat., Apr. 29	7:00 PM	Mass	Elkton † Lillian Heesch
Sun., April 30	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Colman Flandreau All Parishioners † Trevor Nussbaum
<u>CONFESSIONS</u> ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.			

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ SAT., APRIL 29

Lay Minister: David/Carol McMahon
Lect./Comm.: Lois Stuefen, Mary Remund
Altar Servers: William Neill, Jack Skordahl
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Larry/Judy DeZeeuw
Ushers: Kevin P. Myers, Bill Stuefen

COLMAN ~ SUN., APRIL 30

Lay Minister: Betty Merges, Ann Voelker,
Rose Shoenrock
Lect/Comm: Dan Schmidt
Altar Servers: Jack/Jase Mousel, Ann Zwart
Gifts/Ushers/Greeters: Ryan Zwart Family

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., APRIL 30

Lay Minister: Betty Groos, Susan Gross, John Hess
Lect./Comm.: Margie Powers, Lisa Rosheim (C)
Altar Servers: Jaelyn Gaspar,
Anna/Samuel/Matthew Gassman
Ushers/Greeters: Ben LeBrun Family
Sacristan: Bev Minor

Intention of the Holy Father for April:

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

	Flandreau: \$4015 Holy Land: \$957 Elkton: \$1190; Holy Land: \$493 Colman: \$1198; Holy Land: \$341 Rice Bowls donations may be returned to the parish anytime during April. Thank you.
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Read our parish bulletins on-line:

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

Daily Mass Readings:

Apr 24: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; John 3:1-8
Apr 25: 1 Peter 5:5-14; Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17; Mark 16:15-20
Apr 26: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; John 3:16-21
Apr 27: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2,9,17-20; John 3:31-36
Apr 28: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1,4,13,14; John 6:1-15
Apr 29: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-5,18-19; John 6:16-21
Apr 30: Acts 2:14,22-33; Ps 16:1-2,5-11; 1 Peter 1:17-21;
Luke 24:13-35



Catholic Home Missions Appeal - *Strengthening the Church at Home:*

Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. **Catholic Home Missions Appeal envelopes are available in the church entrance** or you may also use your own clearly marked envelope and place your donation into the weekly collection basket. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Booklets Now Available from the Knights of Columbus for all three parishes in the back of church. **Please take what interests you.**

May/June Mass Schedule

Colman - Saturday at 7:00 PM
Elkton - Sunday at 8:30 AM

STS. SIMON & JUDE

Council Meeting: Thur., April 27 - 6:30 PM.

Please pray for
our First Holy
Communion Students



Caiden Fletcher	Hayden Garcia
Matthew Heinemann	Nora Hamilton
Braxten Julson	Jillian Knippling
Isabel Kulm	Bryson LeBrun
Olivia Lopez Jauregui	Amelia Pieper
Miesha Pedraza Felix	Terissa Taylor
Sierra Thielsen	Israel Trottier
Angel Hernandez	

1st Holy Communion will be celebrated on
Sunday, May 7 at the 10:30 Mass.

K of C Meeting: Mon., April 24 - 7:00 PM.

Dear St. Simon & Jude Parish, We are so thankful for your faithful support and gift of \$150 to our ministry. We so appreciate our giving friends. The first quarter we gave food relief to 154 families, 328 children and a total of 655 served. You helped us! Blessings, The Breadbasket

CDA's Little Shop of Blessings: First Communion gifts, Mother's Day gifts, etc. are available as well as cards in Spanish.

The Moody County Ministerial Association will be serving "**The Banquet**" on **May 30**. We are serving the same meal as last year (BBQ's, potato salad, baked beans, and watermelon wedges) and will plan for 450 minimal. We are in need of hamburger, donations, and workers. If you can help out, contact Jane DeLay at 997-2758 or jane.delay@k12.sd.us. Thank You for your generosity and your help in feeding those less fortunate.

Ten Things We Want You to Know About the Catholic Faith (Cont.)

4. We don't always live up to our high calling... We're supposed to be friendly, welcoming and joyful. But we don't bat a thousand in those areas. If you've ever visited a Catholic parish and felt unwelcome, please come back. Through prayer and service of others we try to show the love of Christ in all we do.

To be continued in subsequent bulletins.

From the Archdiocese of Indianapolis
<http://www.archindy.org/yearoffaith/10things.html>

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Finance Council Member needed for a three year term; the term of Tom Landsman expires on June 30, 2017. **This would only entail five meetings per year.** To volunteer, please contact the parish office (997-2610) or a finance council member - Tom Landsman, Arlo Jurrens or Lisa Gebhart.

Guild Meeting: Sunday, April 30th, 7:00 PM at Saint Mary's.

ST. PETER

Altar Society Meeting: All ladies welcome. Tuesday, April 25 - 6:00 PM.



Congratulations to our
First Holy Communion Students.

Rhyder Behnke
Hudson Fouberg Rilyn Groos
Anya Hemmer Hailey Voelker

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Cemetery: The following diocesan policy will be in effect for all burials including cremains.

Explanation: Contrary to common opinion, civil laws do not usually mandate the use of liners or burial vaults. There are two purposes for the use of a liner or vault. The first is protection of the casket or urn from the ground itself or other types of disturbance. The second is easier cemetery maintenance. As wood caskets deteriorate, they gradually collapse under the weight of the ground, causing sinking and a need to refill a grave, level it, and replant grass. A severe collapse may cause upright monuments to fall into a grave. This could require reinstallation of foundations and repositioning of monuments. These situations significantly increase operating costs.

POLICY: **All Catholic cemeteries in the Diocese will require use of a burial vault or grave liner (cremation remains included) to increase safety, promote efficiency and lower operating costs.**

Living with Chronic Illness group: For those living with chronic illness **and** their care givers; meets the first Tuesday of each month 1:00-3:00 p.m. at St. Lambert Parish, Sioux Falls. For details call 605-988-3775.

The 21st Annual "BISHOP'S CHARITY FISHING TOURNAMENT" Benefiting Seminarian Education
Monday, June 5th at Big Stone City Lakeside Park, Big Stone Lake and **Monday June 12th**, at West Whitlock Resort on Lake Oahe near Gettysburg. Even if you are not a fisherman, you can support the events by joining us (following the fishing tournaments) for Mass celebrated by Bishop Swain (at 3:30 pm) followed by an outdoor social and prime rib dinner. Your participation will go a long way to support our future priests! For more information or to register, contact the Catholic Community Foundation at 605-988-3765, toll free at 1-888-246-3386 or on-line at www.ccfesd.org.

Holy Smoke Car Show - Benefiting Seminarian Education: July 22, O'Gorman High School, SF. Car Show, Poker Run, Pig Roast Dinner, Fun Zone for the Kids, Mass, Seminarian Trike Race, Raffle, Music, All-Day Concession. Full Schedule and registration at HOLYSMOKECARSHOW.ORG

Diocesan Youth Events
Sioux Falls SEARCH - May 5 – 7
<http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth/search-for-christian-maturity/>
High School D-Camp - June 19-22 & July 9-12
Junior High D-Camp - July 13-16
 Registration is available online <http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth/events/d-camp/>
Confirmation Retreats - June 17, June 24, July 29
Youth Conference - October 21
Vocation Camps @Abbey of the Hills
 - May 24 – 26, & May 28 – 30
Rocky Mountain Vocations Expedition
 - July 30 – Aug. 5 www.sfvocations.com

Consider being a deacon: A new class is beginning in Sept. 2017 for those men interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. If you feel called to the diaconate or know someone who may be interested, please contact Deacon Roger R Heidt, 605-988-3715 or rheidt@sfcatholic.org.



Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited at 5:30 PM on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23 in the Cathedral of St. Joseph, with Confessions to follow. All are invited. Jesus told Sister Maria Faustina that on the Feast of Divine Mercy, "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." [Diary, 699] For more information, contact msgmangan@sfcatholic.org or 521-0175.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat –May 12-15- **Strictly Confidential.** A safe, loving, non-judgmental environment. Open to *men, women, mothers, fathers, grandparents* who have been affected by abortion. Non-denominational. Sponsored by Catholic Family Services. For registration materials & more information, call Margi at 605-988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 or email mculhane@sfcatholic.org. Deadline for registration will be May 5.

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.

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.

Father Flood



Easter Flower Memorials	
Donor	In memory/Honor of
Bruce/Darlene Cramer.....	Ray/Ethel Heinricy
	Trisha Whaley, George/Sabra Cramer