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From the Pastor

Our Lady of Guadalupe:

Official Catholic accounts state that the Virgin Mary appeared four times to Juan Diego and once to Juan Diego's uncle. The first apparition occurred on the morning of December 9, 1531, when a 57 year old native Mexican peasant named Juan Diego saw a vision of a maiden at the Hill of Tepeyac, which would become a suburb of Mexico City years later. The maiden spoke to Juan Diego in his native Nahuatl language (the language of the Aztec empire), she identified herself as the Virgin Mary, "mother of the very true deity" [3] and asked for a church to be built at that site in her honor.

Juan Diego went to the archbishop of Mexico City, Fray Juan de Zumárraga, to tell him what had happened. As the bishop did not believe Diego, on the same day, the Virgin Mary appeared to Juan Diego a second time (the second apparition); she asked him to keep insisting.

On Sunday, December 10, Juan Diego spoke to the archbishop for a second time. The archbishop instructed him to return to Tepeyac Hill, and ask the lady for a miraculous sign to prove her identity. That same day the third apparition occurred when Diego returned to Tepeyac Hill and, encountering the Virgin Mary reported the bishop's request for a sign; she consented to provide one on the following day (December 11).[4]

But on Monday, December 11, Juan Diego's uncle Juan Bernardino became ill, who lived with him after Juan's wife died 2 years before, and Juan Diego was obliged to care for him. In the very early hours of Tuesday, December 12, Juan Bernardino's condition having deteriorated overnight, Juan Diego set out to Tlatelolco to get a priest to hear Juan Bernardino's confession and minister to him on his death-bed.

In order to avoid being delayed by the Virgin and ashamed at having failed to meet her on the Monday as agreed, Juan Diego chose another route around the hill, but the Virgin appeared him and asked where he was going (fourth apparition); Juan Diego explained what had happened and the Virgin gently chided him for not having had recourse to her. In the words which have become the most famous phrase of the Guadalupe event and are inscribed over the main entrance to the Basilica of Guadalupe, she asked: "No estoy yo aqui que soy tu madre?" (Am I not here, I who am your mother?). She assured him that Juan Bernardino had now recovered and she told him to cut the flowers from the top of Tepeyac Hill and bring them to her. Juan knew that it was normally barren, especially in December, but Juan followed her instructions and he found Castilian roses, not native to Mexico, blooming there. The Virgin arranged the flowers in Juan's tilma, or cloak, and when Juan Diego opened his cloak before archbishop Zumárraga on December 12, the flowers fell to the floor, and on the fabric was the image of the Virgin of Guadalupe.[5]

The next day, on December 13, Juan Diego found his uncle fully recovered, as the Virgin had assured him, and Juan Bernardino recounted that he too had seen her, at his bed-side (fifth apparition); that she had instructed him to inform the bishop of this apparition and of his miraculous cure; and that she had told him she desired to be known under the title of Guadalupe." (I edited this article to get it to fit the bulletin; for the full article go to the website: http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=456) We keep in mind that as this miraculous event occurred in Mexico in 1531. (Cont. on page 3)

3rd Sunday of Advent December 11, 2016

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Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., Dec. 12	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	
Tues., Dec. 13	7:30 AM 7:45 AM 9:00 AM	Mass Prayer/Communion Service Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Flandreau Elkton Colman	† Ethel Mongold
Wed., Dec. 14	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn) Mass at Riverview Manor	Elkton Colman	 † George Gebhart † Dennis Rhead
Thur., Dec. 15	7:45 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Elkton Colman	 † Lawrence Mousel
Fri., Dec. 16	7:45 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Elkton Flandreau Colman	 † Steven Holloway
Sat., Dec. 17	5:00 PM	Mass	Elkton	† Anastasia Gebhart
Sun., Dec. 18	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Colman Flandreau	All Parishioners † Les/Brad Bowen
Confessions are scheduled 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ SAT., DEC. 17

Lay Minister: Sharon Landsman, Kelly Neill Lect./Comm.: Bill Fargen, Mary Remund Altar Servers: Aiden Erickson, Billy Stuefen Greeters/Gift Bearers: Kevin/Chris Myers Ushers: Steve Erickson, Jerome Kirschenman

COLMAN ~ SUN., DEC. 18

Lay Minister: Betty Merges, Maureen Baumberger, Jerry hemmer Lect/Comm: Mary Beth Zwart Altar Servers: Austin Gullickson, Jack/Jase Mousel Gift Bearers/Usher/Greeters: David Voelker Family

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., DEC. 18

Lay Minister: Jean McGlone, Bev Minor, Jim Redder Lect./Comm.: Brenda Doyle, John Evans (C) Altar Servers: Ted/Toby Taylor, Luke Behrens, Makenzey Burggraff Ushers/Greeters: Joe Knippling & Vince Klein Families Sacristan: Bev Minor

Dec. 4th

Flandreau: \$2925 Elkton: \$1655 Colman: \$1329 11/27: \$882

Daily Mass Readings:

- Dec 12: Revelation 11:19,12:1-10; Judith 13:18-19; Luke 1:39-47
- Dec 13: Zephaniah 3:1-2,9-13; Ps 34:2-3,6-7,17-19,23; Matthew 21:28-32
- Dec 14: Isaiah 45:6-8,18,21-25; Ps 85:9-14; Luke 7:18-23
- Dec 15: Isaiah 54:1-10; Ps 30:2-6,11-13; Luke 7:24-30
- Dec 16: Isaiah 56:1-3,6-8; Ps 67:2-8; John 5:33-36
- Dec 17: Genesis 49:2,8-10; Ps 72:1-8,17; Matt 1:1-17

Dec 18: Isaiah 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

Intention of the Holy Father for December:

That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

"All that is required for evil to triumph is for good people to do nothing." *Edmund Burke*

Communal Penance Services

Sunday, December 11 - 1:30 PM ~ St. Thomas More, Brookings Sunday, December 18 - 1:30 PM ~ SS Simon &Jude, Flandreau *(Fr. Terry Anderson, Fr. Bill Osborn, Fr. Doug Binsfeld)*

Parish Christmas Programs

Sunday, December 18 - 4:00 PM ~ OLGC, Elkton Sunday, December 18 - 5:00 PM ~ SS&J, Flandreau Wednesday, December 21 - 6:30 PM ~ St. Peter, Colman

STS. SIMON & JUDE

Choir Practice: Sundays at 9:15 AM in the choir loft. New members welcome!

Quilting: Thursdays - 8:30 AM.

Bible Study: Friday - 10:30 AM at Tonya Pavlis home 864-1538 or Monday - 7:00 PM in church basement.

<u>CDA Gift Shoppe</u>: We have a number of items including individual occasion cards, gift items, etc. Newly arrived! - Advent wreathes, candles, and children's Advent calendars.

Open House 80th Birthday Party in honor of Mary Fleming at John's place. Sunday December 11th from 11:30-3:30 pm. Let your presence be your gift.

<u>Advent Reflection Booklets</u> are available in the church entrance. Take a copy home.

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8 million Aztec and other Mexican indians accepted the truths of Faith and entered the Catholic Faith, while during this same time period there were 8 million European Catholics rejecting the truths of the Catholic Faith in the Protestant Reformation. As with Juan Diego, God is teaching us that humility and obedience are necessary to our Faith and belief.

Fr. Doug Binsfeld

"It is not the will of your heavenly Father that one of these little ones be lost."

Matthew 18:14



Christmas Flower Memorials

Donor	Memory/Honor of:
John/Florence Evans	Monica/Adam Meier
	ans, David/Gertrude Evans
George/Jean Halter	Ernest/Ethel Halter
Dr. Leslie/Libby Heinemann.	Sr. Gianna
David/Glenda Halter	Darrell/Elaine Christenson
Mike/Dawn Uilk	
	Emmett/Marie/Natalie Kuehl
Virginia/Henry Haman Steve	
Jerrelyn Haman Steve/Dre	
	nie Schmidt, Bryan Langan
Glenn/Jackie Burggraff	Steve/Drew Haman
Nick Otto, Sr., Marcella H	loisington, Dolores Burggraff
Berdyene Bowen & Family	Les/Brad Bowen
Florence Mengenhauser	
Edward/Richard/Ga	arland/Ester Mengenhauser
Jeri Sabie	
Ed Duncan	
Craig Shea Eugene	
LaVonne Headrick Donald Duncan	
Dave/Deb/John/Cassie Fesk	
Jennifer McKenna	
Their Children	
Andy/Roxane Weber	
Ervin/Lisa Gebhart Anasta	
Rich/Beth Frederiksen	
	Gordon/Maxine McKeown
Kevin/Shari Myers	
Lenny/Karon Burlage. Len/Cla	ra Burlage, Leo/Ida Traxinger
Kim/Tom Froke	-
	Jeff Froke, Jaden Arnold
Jim/Pat BroghammerT	erry Broghammer, relatives
Darlene Cramer	
Jim/Betty Merges d	George/Sabra Cramer
Carmen Keupp Fred/D	
Judy MilesLes	
Roland/Paula Luze dec. Joe	
Teresa Telkamp F	
·	Álbert Telkamp
Gerald/Rita StaabMarvel	Feist, Dennis/Robert Staab
Dick/Darlene Heinricy	
	Lawrence/Dorothy Doyle
Jerry/Bonnie Hemmer Ga	
	Francis/Erma DeLay

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.

Advent Baby Shower: We invite you to participate in the 24th Annual Advent Baby Shower. Please bring <u>NEW</u> gifts, including clothing sized newborn to 12 months and drop off in the church entrance. These gifts will fill the needs of people in our parish, Catholic Family Services, foster homes, hospitals, domestic shelters and other ministries.

"The best gift we can give to any child is to make that child feel wanted, loved and cared for because that child is the greatest gift of God."

~ Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Father Flood



NFP CLASSES AVAILABLE: Did you know that couples from our diocese are teaching Natural Family Planning in person and through online courses that couples can take in the comfort of their own home? Visit the "Natural Family Planning" page of the OMFRL website and click on "Scheduled Classes" to see a listing of available classes.

Wednesday Religious Education (CCD) <u>SS&J</u>: 5:45 PM for K-6; 7:15 PM for 7-12. Meal served at 6:15 PM. <u>ST. PETER</u>: 6:00 PM for gr.1-6; 7:00 PM for 7-12. <u>OLGC</u>: 6:30 PM; Meal served at 5:30. Diocesan Programs: To register or for information, contact Catholic Family Services, 523 N Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls. 1-800-700-7867; 605-988-3775 or mculhane@sfcatholic.org.

<u>Rachel's Vineyard Retreat</u> –January 13-15 - <u>Strictly</u>
 <u>Confidential</u>. A safe, loving, non-judgmental environment.
 Open to <u>men, women, mothers, fathers, grandparents</u> who have been affected by abortion. Non-denominational.

<u>Grieving the Loss of a Spouse</u>: Tuesdays 6:30pm –
 8:30pm Jan. 10 – Feb. 14 at Catholic Family Services.
 Non-denominational- Cost –Donation.

~ <u>The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide - Winter</u> <u>Session</u> begins Wednesday, January 11 at St Mary School, 2001 S 5th Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57105. Sessions are held on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:30pm. Cost of \$45 per person includes a "Personal Survival Guide", refreshments and all materials for 6 weeks. Scholarships are available.

Christmas at the Cathedral - Start a new family tradition!

Prepare for the coming of Jesus by attending an inspiring performance at Christmas at the Cathedral. Choose from six performances on **December 15, 16, 17, & 18**.

We welcome back tenor, Scott Piper and soprano, Marni Raab, along with storyteller, Vickie Fuller. Dan Goeller and Kevin Humke will be conducting the Orchestra and Choir.

Proceeds will benefit the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House and the Cathedral of St. Joseph ongoing care and maintenance endowments.

Get your tickets early as performances sell out in advance! 1) any Sioux Falls HyVee store 2) on-line <u>www.ccfesd.org</u> 3) phone 605.988.3765 4) email <u>events@ccfesd.org</u> 5) at Catholic Community Foundation Office (523 N Duluth Ave).

Ski with the Seminarians

Who: Catholic men 12 years of age & older What: Mass, Skiing, Pizza, Prayer, Vocation stories

When: December 29th, 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM

- Where: Begin & End at St. Lamberts Church/Ski at Great Bear Sioux Falls
- How: \$40 Lift Ticket, Rentals (Ski/Board) & Supper <u>FREE</u> if you have own ticket & equipment

Sign up online at www.sfvocations.com or call Fr. Shaun Haggerty @ 605-988-3772

Looking for the Perfect Christmas Gift for Your Spouse? Nothing you can buy will compare with the spiritual gifts you will receive by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is February 10-12th at Broomtree Retreat Center in Irene SD. Perhaps you've seen this ad before and felt the Holy Spirit tug at your heart to sign up—make <u>today</u> the day you listen! Clear your calendar, sign-up, and make your spouse your top priority this Christmas! Other dates and locations are available. Go to <u>wwme.org</u> or call John and Dawn at 605-362-0924 to register.