

Catholic Tri-Parish Community

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
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ST. PETER
Colman, SD
c/o Sts. Simon & Jude



Thank you to all who showed kindness and generosity to me through prayers, cards and gifts this Christmas. May God Bless you and your families. *Fr. Doug*

Christmas is a good time for us to think of the reality of our own life and death because our lives will end in this world, so that we are reminded that this life is a very precious gift to prepare our soul to meet our Maker and Lord of all. Don't waste the time in this life that you have been given. It is God's Gift to you. Prepare that place in your soul for God so that we can do better than being a manger, and instead become Temples of the Holy Spirit.

God became one of us in order to teach and show us the way to Heaven which is through Holiness of Life by giving us every Spiritual Blessing in the Heavens by giving Himself to us as a self-gift. God will always come to you, but you must go to Him by asking Jesus to come into your life each and every day. God wants so much to be a part of each one of our lives, and especially, within our families so that we too, like Joseph and Mary allow Jesus to come into our lives so that we can be a Holy Family. By allowing God into our lives we can do the things that Jesus Himself did by loving God The Father and one another greatly. Jesus makes all things new, especially our souls, constantly recreating us as long as we are willing to repent of evil and do the Good things that God does. Ask and you will receive.

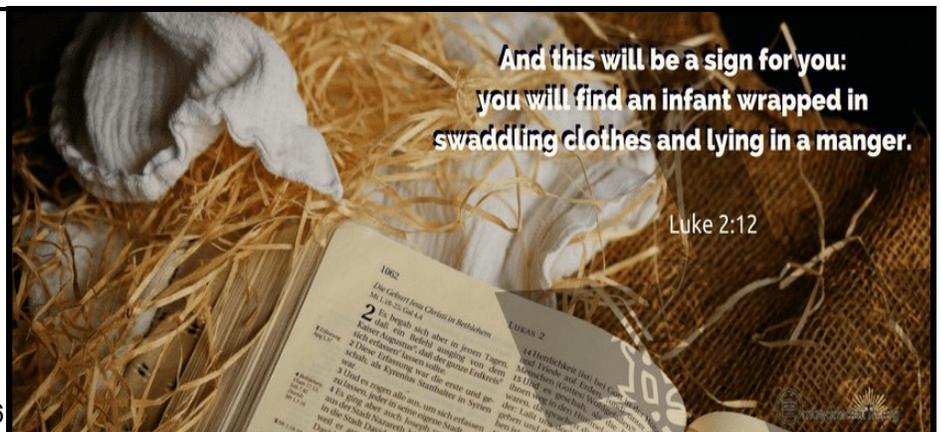
Fr. Doug Binsfeld



A Nativity Scene was erected in a church yard. During the night the folks came across this scene. An abandoned dog was looking for a comfortable, protected place to sleep. He chose baby Jesus as his comfort. No one had the heart to send him away so he was there all night. We should all have the good sense of this dog and curl up in Jesus' lap from time to time. This is too sweet not to share. Not one mentioned that the dog breed is "shepherd!"

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God January 1, 2017

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And this will be a sign for you:
you will find an infant wrapped in
swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.

Luke 2:12

| Liturgy Schedule | | | Location | Mass Intention |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| Mon., Jan. 2 | 7:45 AM | Prayer/Communion Service | Elkton | ----- |
| Tues., Jan. 3 | 7:30 AM 7:45 AM 9:00 AM | Mass Prayer/Communion Service Mass (Fr. Osborn) | Flandreau Elkton Colman | † Lawrence/Dorothy ----- Doyle ----- |
| Wed., Jan. 4 | 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn) Mass at Riverview Manor | Elkton Colman | † George Gebhart ----- † Dolores Burggraff |
| Thur., Jan. 5 | 7:45 AM 9:00 AM | Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Elkton Colman | ----- † Lucille Jensen |
| Fri., Jan. 6 | 7:45 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM | Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn) | Elkton Flandreau Colman | ----- † Steven Holloway ----- |
| Sat., Jan. 7 | 5:00 PM | Mass | Colman | † Lawrence Mousel |
| Sun., Jan. 8 | 8:30 AM 10:30 AM | Mass Mass | Elkton Flandreau | All Parishioners † LaVern/Minnie Schmidt |

Confessions are scheduled 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

COLMAN ~ SAT., JAN. 7

Lay Minister: Mary Gengler, Jerry Hemmer, Alice Berg
Lect./Comm: Paula Heinricy
Altar Servers: Sutton Bunde, Ben Zwart
Gift Bearers/Usher/Greeters: Bob Baumberger Family

ELKTON ~ SUN., JAN. 8

Lay Minister: Lisa Gebhart, Chris Myers
Lect./Comm.: Ervin Gebhart, Bill Fargen
Altar Servers: William/Garrett Neill
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Robert/Joyce Otkin
Ushers: Dan Knuth, Corey Stuefen

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., JAN. 8

Lay Minister: Betty Groos, Libby Heinemann, John Hess
Lect./Comm.: Paul/Jessica Lewis
Altar Servers: Madeline/Libby Hursey, Austin Kulm,
Cade LeBrun
Ushers/Greeters: Jesse Gaspar Family
Sacristan: LaVonne Headrick

Intention of the Holy Father for January: That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

Daily Mass Readings:

Jan 2: 1 John 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; John 1:19-28
Jan 3: 1 John 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1-6; John 1:29-34
Jan 4: 1 John 3:7-10; Ps 98:1,7-9; John 1:35-42
Jan 5: 1 John 3:11-21; Ps 100:1-5; John 1:43-51
Jan 6: 1 John 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-20; Mark 1:7-11
Jan 7: 1 John 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-9; John 2:1-11
Jan 8: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2,7-13; Ephesians 3:2-6;
Matthew 2:1-12

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

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

Wednesday Religious Education (CCD)

SS&J: 5:45 PM for K-6; 7:15 PM for 7-12.

Meal served at 6:15 PM.

ST. PETER: 6:00 PM for gr.1-6; 7:00 PM for 7-12.

OLGC: 6:30 PM; Meal served at 5:30.

Confirmation: Wednesday, April 5th
6:30 PM at SS&J, Flandreau

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.

Dec. 25th
Our
Weekly Offering 

Flandreau: \$3313

Elkton: \$2547

Colman: \$4340

STS. SIMON & JUDE

Quilting: Thursdays at 8:30 AM. Any questions, call LaVonne Headrick at 633-1739

CDA Gift Shoppe: We have a number of gift items including individual occasion cards.

Baptism Bibs: Do you enjoy sewing and would like to offer that talent towards making baptismal bibs? We do have a pattern. Contact the parish office at 997-2610.

CDA Meeting: Thur., Jan. 5 - 6:30 PM.

Do you desire to share your faith more openly, but don't know where to begin?

Join us for Discipleship Day March 31- April 1, 2017 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. Deacon Ralph Poyo and Bob Rice will be sharing their incredible insights on discipleship-focused ministry. For more information or to register go to <http://www.sfdiscipleship.org/discipleshipday/>.

Retrouvaille: Help for Troubled & Strained

Marriages: The next Retrouvaille weekend is March 31 – April 2. This is a confidential weekend that offers hope and help for couples to heal and renew their marriage relationship. Please contact 605-988-3755 to register. For general information visit: www.retrouvaille.org.

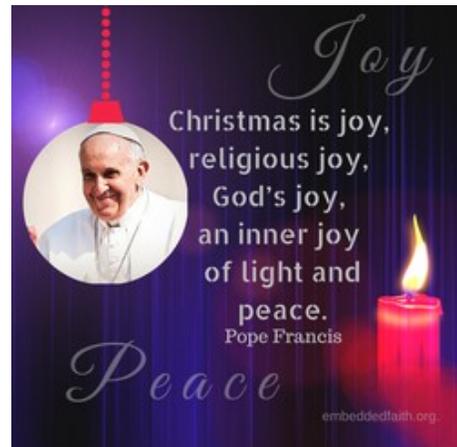
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Council Meeting: Thur., Jan. 5 - 5:30 PM.

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 988-3775.

“A child is loved because he is one’s child: not because he is beautiful, or because he is like this or like that... Not because he thinks as I do, or embodies my dreams. A child is a child: a life generated by us but intended for him, for his good, for the good of the family, of society, of mankind as a whole.”
—Pope Francis

The 44th Annual March for Life will take place on Friday, January 27, 2017. The Diocese of Sioux Falls will be participating in the March and invites you to come along. The pilgrimage will include participation in the March, the Catholic youth rally, some free time to visit sites at our Nation’s Capital, and time at the National Basilica. www.sfcatholic.org/youth/march-for-life-pilgrimage



Spiritual Adoption Month 4

Thank you for praying for me. I'm bigger and stronger now. I'm about 6 inches long and I weigh 4 ounces. When mommy goes to the doctor, she can even listen to my heartbeat. I hope that one day I will run and play with friends like you.

InterMISSION here in Sioux Falls!

Holy Spirit Parish invites you to InterMISSION, an evening of relevant Catholic teaching, Eucharistic Adoration, and Praise & Worship.

Join host Jon Konz, Fr. Kristopher Cowles, speaker Kory LaCroix and musicians Sonar at O'Gorman High School **January 6th from 7-10pm**. Tickets are \$10.

Tickets can be purchased at <http://www.partnershipforyouth.org/2017-intermission-siouxfalls-sd/>.

For more information contact Holy Spirit Parish, 605-371-2320.



Father Flood



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@sfatholic.org.

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

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

~ **The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide - Winter Session** begins **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.

St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Madison, SD will host a day workshop Saturday, **January 7th**, from 10:00am-3:00pm entitled "**Grieving The Loss of a Loved One**," presented by Dr. Marcie Moran, a leading expert on grief. This event is open to the public and free of charge. To register or for more information, please feel free to contact the parish office at (605) 256-2304 or Catholic Family Services.

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.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED?

**YOUNG ADULTS (GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL)
HAVE YOU REGISTERED SEPARATELY FROM YOUR PARENTS?**

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or new arrivals in the parish. If you have not registered or have had an address change, please fill in this form and put it into the collection or bring it to the parish office.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____ New Parishioner

Young Adult Address/Phone Change Moving, remove from list

Parish: St. Peter Sts. Simon & Jude Our Lady of Good Counsel

Comments: _____