

Catholic Tri-Parish Community

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Colman, SD
c/o Sts. Simon & Jude



From the
Pastor

HOLY HUMOR

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means? The son replied, "I do know!" "Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?" "That's easy, Daddy..." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'" (This one is my favorite)

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments." answered the lady.

"Somebody has said there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord," and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning."

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter. Then he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. Forgive us our trespasses." When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket I'll lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."

Sunday after church, a Mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about. The daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt." Needless to say, the Mom was perplexed. Later in the day, the pastor stopped by for tea and the Mom asked him what that morning's Sunday school lesson was about. He said "Be not afraid, thy comforter is coming."

While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign... "Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust."

A Sunday School teacher began her lesson with a question, "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?" A hand shot up in the air. "He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy. "Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked. "You know - Our Father, who does art in Heaven..."

People want the front of the bus, the back of the church, and the center of attention.

Last, but not least, a great one:

The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play. "Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances." During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner." And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

Just sayin' - When you carry the Bible, Satan gets a headache..... When you open it, he collapses..... When he sees you reading it, he faints..... When he sees that you are living what you read, he flees.....

The Baptism of the Lord ~ January 10, 2016

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Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., Jan. 11	7:30 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Flandreau	-----
	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
Tues., Jan. 12	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
	9:00 AM	Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Colman	-----
Wed., Jan. 13	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Elkton	† A. Gebhart (healing)
	9:00 AM	Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Colman	-----
Thur., Jan. 14	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Colman	All Parishioners
Fri., Jan. 15	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	-----
	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Flandreau	† dec. CDA members
	9:00 AM	Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Colman	-----
Sat., Jan. 16	5:00 PM	Mass	Colman	† dec. J.P. Heinrichy Fmly
Sun., Jan. 17	8:30 AM	Mass	Elkton	† Richard Gebhart
	9:00 AM	Mass (retired priest)	Aurora	All Parishioners
	10:30 AM	Mass	Flandreau	† Francis Loiseau
Confessions are scheduled 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

COLMAN ~ SAT., JAN. 16

Lay Minister: Ann Voelker, Rose Shoenrock
Maureen Baumberber
Lect./Comm.: Carter Schmidt
Altar Servers: Josi Mousel, Ben Zwart
Gift Bearers/Usher/Greeters: David Voelker Family

ELKTON ~ SUN., JAN. 17

Lay Minister: Chris Myers, Sharon Landsman
Lect/Comm: Mary Remund, Kelly Neill
Altar Servers: William/Garrett Neill
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Craig/Jackie Otkin
Ushers: Dan Knuth, Corey Stuefen

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., JAN. 17

Lay Minister: Jim Redder, Charles Rosheim,
Pam Rorvik-Albers
Lect./Comm.: Reggie Gassman, Brenda Doyle
Altar Servers: John/Anna/Samuel Gassman
Collette KillsAHundred
Ushers/Greeters: Jesse Gaspar Family
Sacristan: LaVonne Headrick

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

Jan. 3rd
Our
Weekly Offering



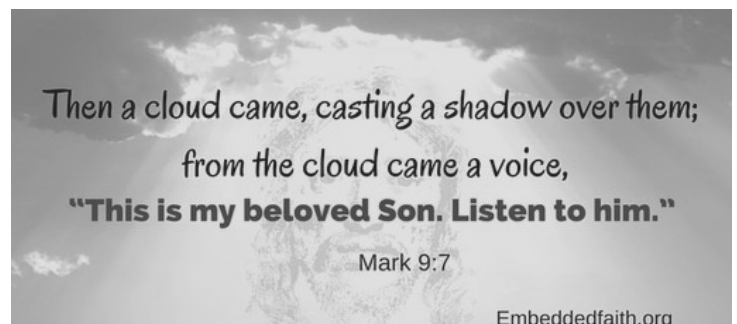
Flandreau: \$2729

Sol. Of Mary: \$255

Elkton: \$1957

Sol. Of Mary: \$730

Colman: \$4642; Sol. Of Mary: \$418



Daily Mass Readings:

Jan 11: 1 Samuel 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mark 1:14-20
Jan 12: 1 Samuel 1:9-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-8; Mark 1:21-28
Jan 13: 1 Samuel 3:1-10,19-20; Ps 40:2-10; Mark 1:29-39
Jan 14: 1 Samuel 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-15,24,25; Mark 1:40-45
Jan 15: 1 Samuel 8:4-22; Ps 89:16-19; Mark 2:1-12
Jan 16: 1 Samuel 9:1-4,17-19, 10:1; Ps 21:2-7; Mark 2:13-17
Jan 17: Isaiah 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3,7-10; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11;
John 2:1-11

Intention of the Holy Father for January: That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

Thank you to all of you who have so kindly shared God's Love with me over this Christmas with your thoughtfulness, prayers, cards and gifts. Thank you for your generosity, and may God Bless you with great gifts of His Infinite Love and Mercy to bring peace to your lives.

Fr. Doug Binsfeld

STS. SIMON & JUDE

Quilting: Thursdays at 8:30 AM

Bible Study: Mondays at 7:00 PM in church basement. Contact Amy.Weight@k12.sd.us or 605-651-0095 for more information.

Fridays at 10:30 AM. Contact Tonya at 864-1538.

Bell Choir: Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.

Preschool CCD Class begins January 27th.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

The Elkton Public School will be hosting a **benefit for Tammy Busselman** (a teacher) on January 31st 2016. The funds will help cover medical costs. Her children are part of the CCD program at Our Lady of Good Counsel. We would like to put together a basket or two for a raffle as part of this benefit. If you would like to donate money towards this basket, please contact Sharon Landsman at 542-4434.

Guild Meeting: Sunday, January 24th at 7:00 p.m. at Saint Mary's. The meeting will kick off the New Year and activities and events will be planned.



**Wedding
Banns**

Please pray for **Ashlyn Landsman** and **Bobby Punt** who will be married January 16th.



Reminder: Please turn in baby bottles if you have not already done so. Thank you!

ST. PETER

Council Meeting: Thur., Jan. 14 - 5:30 PM.

Wednesday Religious Education (CCD)

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

◆ Preschool class begins January 27th

ST. PETER: 6:00 PM for elementary; 7:00 PM for HS.

◆ Coordinator for the CCD program needed - Call Fr. Doug 997-2610

OLGC: 6:30 PM - all grades

Broom Tree Retreats

For more information or to register please call (605) 263-1040, email broomtree@sfcatholic.org or www.broom-tree.org

Day of Recollection: February 16 - 10:00 AM

Parables that Laugh and Weep - Father Al Krzyzopolski

Includes conferences, time for Adoration, Mass, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The day ends in mid-afternoon. *Because lunch is served, we ask that you please register.* A prayerful donation is requested.

Women's Silent Retreat: Feb. 18-21, Mar. 3-6, May 12-15; June 16-19

Men's Silent Retreat: Feb. 25-28, April 7-10; Aug. 18-21

For I know well the plans I
have in mind for you—
plans for your welfare and
not for woe, so as to give you
a future of hope.

Jeremiah 29:11

New Resources on Medical Decisions and End-of-Life

Care. Visit the Office of Marriage, Family & Respect Life website at www.sfcatholic.org/respectlife for various resources, including a diocesan booklet, a sample Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care, a planning guide, prayers, links, articles, and more. Perhaps a loved one is in the hospital after a tragic injury or a parent is in a nursing home with a terminal illness. Suffering and death affects us all. Preparing spiritually and practically for an unexpected illness or our end-of-life care can alleviate much anxiety—not only for ourselves, but our loved ones.

Help for the military and their families: The St. Raphael Fund is meant to assist the military and their families in meeting needs not supported in other ways. The goal is encourage healthy families and to provide care for those who serve. Applications for funds can be sent to St. Raphael Fund, 523 N. Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, or any diocesan Catholic Family Services Office, 1-800-700-7867. Donations to the fund can be sent to the same address.

TRI-PARISH

Baptismal Preparation Class: Required of all parents requesting to have their child baptized. 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in SS&J Parish Basement.

Contact Fr. Doug (997-2610) prior to the class to sign-up and give baptismal information. **No class on January 5th.**

“God’s Mercy, Our Mercy,” a Year of Mercy Parish Mission at St. Katharine Drexel in Sioux Falls on **Sunday, January 24th-Wednesday, January 27th.** Bill Wegner of Good News International will offer presentations each evening at 7 p.m., and after the 8 a.m. Mass on Mon.-Wed., Jan. 25th-27th. His presentations will be different each day. A freewill offering will be taken. Everyone is welcome to come. Please call the Parish Office with any questions: 275-6870.

RETROUVAILLE: A confidential weekend that offers hope and help **for couples to heal and renew their marriage relationship** is scheduled for **March 18-20** at Broom Tree Retreat Center. Retrouvaille is a peer to peer ministry and has helped couples experiencing chronic communication problems, as well as those who thought they were beyond hope, already separated, or even divorced. For more information visit www.retrouvaille.org or call 988-3755 to register.

Bishop Hoch Scholarship: \$1,000.00 scholarship for a student to attend either Mount Marty College or Presentation College. Contact Mary Andersen at mandersen@sfcatholic.org for more information.

Soup/Pie Supper: January 24th, 4:30-7:00 PM; St. Mary’s Hall, Dell Rapids. All you can eat.

March For Life: The Diocese of Sioux Falls will be participating in the March for Life on Friday, **January 22, 2016.** We invite youth and adults to come along with us. We will be traveling by bus, leaving Sioux Falls on January 20 and returning on January 24. The pilgrimage will include participation in the March, the Catholic youth rally, and some free time to visit sites at our Nation’s Capital. For more information, call Mary Andersen at 988-3766 or visit our website at: www.sfcatholic.org/youth.

The Catholic’s DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide- Winter Session begins **Wednesday, January 13** at St Mary School, 2001 S 5th Ave, Sioux Falls. Sessions are held on Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm. Cost of \$45 per person includes a “Personal Survival Guide”, refreshments and all materials for 6 weeks. For information or to register contact Margi at Catholic Family Services, 988-3775 mculhane@sfcatholic.org. Scholarships are available.

Make this Valentine's Day your most memorable yet! Do you feel as if you are living a "married singles" lifestyle? Do you and your spouse only communicate about schedules and logistics? Reclaim the love, romance, and excitement that God wants your marriage to be and attend a Marriage Encounter Weekend! The weekend involves 15-20 couples, but the focus of the weekend is on the **couple**, not group sessions. A series of presentations are given by a team of Catholic couples and a priest. Register today for the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter **February 12-14** Weekend at Broomtree Retreat Center in Irene. www.sdwwme.org or call 362-0924.

Grieving the Loss of a Loved One: A **One Day Retreat** on Saturday **January 16th**, 10:00 am-3:00 pm at **Sacred Heart Church-Aberdeen, SD.** Presented by Catholic Family Services for adults who have lost a loved one and are trying to understand and reconcile their grief. Non-denominational and is offered free of charge. To register, call the parish office at 605-225-7065 or Catholic Family Services at 800-700-7867.

2016 World Youth Day: The Office of Discipleship and Evangelization is sponsoring a pilgrimage to **Krakow, Poland for World Youth Day on July 23-Aug. 2, 2016.** All participants must be 18 years of age on the date of departure. For more info., call Mary 605-988-3766.

Father Flood

