

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



This Lenten Journey:

Our 40 days of Lenten journey with Jesus, Who fasted from food for 40 days in the desert while being tempted by the devil, is ultimately a testing of our Faith, Hope and Love in God. As we have been making sacrifices in denying our selfish self, have you noticed that things just don't seem to be going your way or working out as you would have hoped? This is the way that the devil tempts us to doubt God with thoughts that might go something like: 'I've been making all of these sacrifices, and now, even more difficulties and burdens are coming at me!' or 'Is this the way that God rewards my efforts and sacrifices?' or 'Does God even notice what I'm doing?' etc... Do you see the subtle temptations of doubt that come when God does not respond in the way that we want Him to respond?

Remember the Israelite people after God had freed them from slavery in Egypt. God manifested His Supernatural Power in the Ten Plagues upon the Egyptians, while the Israelites were protected from the Plagues. Then, God defended the Israelites by destroying the Egyptian army in the Red Sea as they sought to kill the Israelites. As the Israelites journeyed to the Promised Land, they didn't have everything that they wanted; they didn't know how hard the journey would be; they didn't understand how they would be tested in their Faith, Hope and Love of God through fatigue, hunger and thirst. The Israelites complained numerous times in the desert, "**Would that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would that we had died in this wilderness!**" (Exodus 14:11) They would have been content to live as slaves rather than face death. In contrast, Jesus put His Faith, Hope and Love in His Father and accepted all of the trials of testing, even to the point where Jesus was near death because of the malnutrition from His 40 day fast.

Many of the Israelites did not put their Faith in God enough to trust Him, so they never asked. They let their fear of not being provided for, turn into angry grumbling and complaining against God and his servant Moses because of the hunger and thirst that threatened their survival. How has our response to God been in the desert of our Lenten journey? As we recognize our poverty and need, have we practiced our Faith, Hope and Love enough to create trust in God; to humbly ask God for assistance and patiently wait on The Lord? Or, as we recognize our poverty and need, have we allowed fear to create resentment, anger and insolent pride; to angrily demand that God give us what we want? The Lenten journey will test all of us, but when our weaknesses are revealed, remember to ask The Lord for your needs and for strength. Do not yield to the devil's temptation to be insolent and demanding. Resist the temptations of fear, because fear can destroy faithful trust in God by giving us reasons to rebel against God. We have entered into this spiritual battle of the Lenten season, and we will be tested. So fight The Good Fight! Stand strong in your Faith, Hope and Love trusting in the Lord and do not be afraid.

The apostle James gives good counsel: "Submit yourselves to God. Resist the devil and he will take flee from you. (8) Draw near to God and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you men of double mind." ... (9) Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to dejection. *((accept the trials and hardships that God allows for us to practice greater levels of Faith, Hope and Love.))* (10) Humble yourselves before the LORD and he will exalt you." (James 4:7-10)

May God Bless you greatly on your Lenten journey, and may you more deeply find and experience The Love of God for you.

Fr. Doug Binsfeld

5th Sunday of Lent ~ March 13, 2016

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| Liturgy Schedule | | | Location | Mass Intention |
|------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Mon., March 14 | 7:30 AM | Prayer/Communion Service | Flandreau | ----- |
| | 7:45 AM | Prayer/Communion Service | Elkton | ----- |
| Tues., March 15 | 7:30 AM | Mass | Flandreau | † Rich Johnston |
| | 7:45 AM | Prayer/Communion Service | Elkton | ----- |
| | 1:30 PM | Mass (Fr. Osborn) | Colman | ----- |
| Wed., March 16 | 9:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Elkton | † Anastasia Gebhart |
| | 1:30 PM | Mass (Fr. Osborn) | Colman | ----- |
| Thur., March 17 | 9:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Colman | † Sherri Eich |
| Fri., March 18 | 1:30 PM | Mass (Fr. Osborn) | Colman | ----- |
| | 5:30 PM | Mass (Stations at 5:00 PM) | Flandreau | † Marcella Hoisington |
| Sat., March 19 | 7:00 PM | Mass | Elkton | † Jim/Patricia Fargen |
| Sun., March 20 | 8:30 AM | Mass | Colman | All Parishioners |
| | 10:30 AM | Mass | Flandreau | † Mabel Heinemann |

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

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ SAT., MARCH 19

Lay Minister: Sharon Landsman, Judy Kampmann
Lect/Comm: JoAnn Heesch, Lois Stuefen
Altar Servers: Garret/William Neill
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Cory/MaryAnn Stuefen
Ushers: Bill Stuefen, Steve Erickson

COLMAN ~ SUN., MARCH 20

Lay Minister: Ryan Zwart, Julie Entringer, Jerry Hemmer
Lect./Comm.: Ann Voelker, Mary Beth Zwart
Altar Servers: Kennedi Landis, Garrett Satterly
Gift Bearers/Usher/Greeters: David Voelker Family

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., MARCH 20

Lay Minister: Bev Minor, Rita Parsley, Jim Redder
Lect./Comm.: Reggie Gassman, John Evans (C)
Altar Servers: Xavier/Marianna/Isabella Pavlis,
 Jacob Weber
Ushers/Greeters: Bing Garcia Family
Sacristan: Bev Minor

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

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

Intention of the Holy Father for March:

That families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy
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COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

Sun., March 13 - 1:30 PM ~ SS&J, Flandreau

Fr. Doug/Fr. Al Krzyzopolski/Fr. Rodney Farke

Sun., Mar. 20 - 1:30 ~ St. Thomas More, Bkgs

HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULE

March 24 - Holy Thursday Mass

6:00 PM ~ Colman

7:00 PM ~ Elkton (Fr. Osborn)

8:00 PM ~ Flandreau

March 25 - Good Friday Liturgy

6:00 PM ~ Colman

7:00 PM ~ Elkton (Fr. Osborn)

8:00 PM ~ Flandreau

March 26 - Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

8:00 PM ~ Colman

March 27 - Easter Sunday Mass

8:30 AM - Elkton

10:30 AM - Flandreau

(Note date changes from the Lenten mailing**)**

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| <p>Mar 7th Our Weekly Offering</p> | <p>Flandreau: \$2653 Elkton: \$1651 Colman: \$946</p> |
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STS. SIMON & JUDE

Choir Practice: Sunday at 9:00 AM in Choir Loft.

Lenten Soup Supper: Wednesdays ~ 5:30 PM in the church basement. All are welcome!

Bell Choir: Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

◆ **Wednesdays at 7:15** led by CCD students

◆ **Fridays at 5:00** led by Fr. Doug, followed by Mass at 5:30

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 864-1538.

Lost & Found: Please check the table in the church entrance. There are a lot of items including a set of car keys.

Easter Flower Memorials

Donor

In Memory/Honor of:

JoAnne Schmidt.....Lillian/Joseph Blinstrup
Lenny/Karon Burlage...Len/Clara Burlage, Leo/Ida Traxinger
Jack Hegerfeld.....Tom/Mary Hurney, Fred/Anna Hegerfeld
G'Ann Hegerfeld

Their Children Bud/Marie Wiskur
Charles Lorden Richard/Anastasia Gebhart
Bill/Lois Stuefen Stuefen/Oberembt Family Members
Andy/Roxane Weber..... Weber/Possails Families
Mary Remund Frank Maxon, RosaLynne Remund
Dick/Darlene Heinricy Lawrence/Dorothy Doyle
Leo Heinricy

Roland/Paula LuzeJoe Luze/Mildred Beyer Families
Kim/Tom FrokeJeff/Harold Froke, Robert Belitz
Jaden Arnold

Arlene Schmidt Lewis/Paul Schmidt
Judy Miles..... Les Miles, Lyle/Bernice Croon
Carmen Keupp..... Fred/Dorothy Kapaun, Les Keupp
Gerald/Rita StaabMarvel Feest, Robert Staab
Jim/Betty Merges Merges/Groos Families

“The mercy of God is his loving concern for each one of us. ...he desires our wellbeing and he wants to see us happy, full of joy, and peaceful. ...Just as he is merciful, so we are called to be merciful to each other.” Pope Francis, Misericordiae Vultus, no. 9 © 2015 Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

ST. PETER

Lenten Soup Supper: Wednesday~5:00 PM.

Stations of the Cross: Wednesday~7:00 PM.
- led by CCD students

Father Bill Osborn will be celebrating 50th anniversary as a priest on March 6th in Huron at the 10:30 Mass. A luncheon will follow. On March 13th he will be celebrating the anniversary of his first Mass with a 11:00 Mass in Miller.

High School CCD Classes will be selling Eileen's Colossal Cookie Dough as a fundraiser for the roofing project matched funds before and after Mass through March 22nd. Seven flavors to choose from; 33 cookies per container for \$13.50

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Lenten Soup Supper: Wednesday~5:30 PM.

Stations of the Cross: led by CCD students -
Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

Portrayal of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ: Presented by Clowning Ministries on March 30 at 6:45 at OLGC. It is G rated so all can attend.

Daily Mass Readings:

Mar 14: Daniel 13:1-62; Ps 23:1-6; John 8:12-20

Mar 15: Numbers 21:4-9; Ps 102:2,3,16-21; John 8:21-30

Mar 16: Daniel 3:14-20,91-95; Daniel 3:52-56; John 8:31-42

Mar 17: Genesis 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; John 8:51-59

Mar 18: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; John 10:31-42

Mar 19: 2 Samuel 7:4-16; Ps 89:2-5,27,29; Romans 4:13-22;
Matthew 1:16-24

Mar 20: Isaiah 50:4-7; Ps 22:8,9,17-24; Philippians 2:6-11;
Luke 22:14-23:56

Wednesday Religious Education (CCD)

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

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

◆ Coordinator needed - Call Fr. Doug 997-2610

OLGC: 6:30 PM - all grades

Tri-Parish Confirmation

Wed., April 6th, ~ 6:30 PM at St. Peter, Colman

Help For Couples to Heal and Renew Their Marriage Relationship ~ RETROUVAILLE; March 18-20 at Broom Tree Retreat Center. For more information visit www.retrouvaille.org or call 988-3755 to register.

Rediscover Peace...and so much more at **The Abbey of the Hills Inn & Retreat Center.** A former monastery, The Abbey, is a non-profit retreat and event center located among the lakes and prairie hills of northeastern South Dakota. The Abbey offers lodging and interactive experiences that reflect the reverence and peace sustained by Benedictine monks for more than 60 years. If you like to write, hike, pray or play—regardless of your faith—there is a unique experience waiting for you! Find out more or plan your stay—as a guest or volunteer!
<http://www.abbeyofthehills.com/>

Annual Anniversary Mass: If you are celebrating 25, 50, 60, 65, or more than 65 years of marriage in 2016, please call the parish office (997-2610) to be included in this celebration.

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.

Father Flood



March Day of Recollection: March 15
Mercy in Action: *The Corporal & Spiritual Works*

Directed by Monsignor Richard Mahowald

Upon announcing the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis said, "It is my burning desire that, during this Jubilee, the Christian people may reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. It will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty." During this day of prayer, Monsignor Mahowald will help us reflect on these works and find ways we can put them into action during this special Year of Mercy so as to live more as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Beginning at 10 a.m. and running until 3 p.m., the schedule for the day includes Mass, talks, time for Confession, quiet time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, great food and wonderful conversation. Please bring your Bible. For more information or to register please email broomtree@sfcatholic.org, call 263-1040, or visit our website www.broom-tree.org

Up With People with their new show **The Journey.** **Sunday, March 13th at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**
O’Gorman Performing Arts Center: Tickets: 988-3765; order at cfsd.org; purchase at any SF Hy-Vee.

“All in God’s Plan”: **Thurs., April 14th ~ 6:15 PM at Holy Spirit Parish, SF.** A program for Mothers & Daughters and Fathers & Sons to come together in separate gender sessions to learn age appropriate information about human sexuality, human development, and chastity formation. To register visit: www.sfcatholic.org/RespectLife, or call 988-3755.

NEW!! Children's Grief Program directed by Mary Weber begins Thursday April 7 – April 28 from 5:30pm-7:30pm at Catholic Family Services, 523 N Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls SD. This four-week program is designed for children according to their age and specific loss. To register for this program or for more information contact Catholic Family Services [605-988-3775](tel:605-988-3775).

Pork Loin Dinner & Auction: Sunday, March 13; 11:00 AM in the St. Thomas School gym, Madison.

Crystal Theatre Breakfast: Sunday, March 13; 8:00 -1:00 PM; W.J. Janklow Community Center; scrambled eggs with ham, french toast, fruit cup and beverage.

Soup & Pie Dinner: Sun., Mar. 20, 11:00 - 1:00 PM; Trent Gym; Proceeds for Trent Area Scholarship Endowment

Pray for Life with Bishop Paul J. Swain
 by Planned Parenthood on 41st Street
12:00 Noon - March 15th