

# Catholic Tri-Parish Community

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

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## St. Faustina, (continued)

On April 30, 1926, at 20-years-old, she received her habit and took the religious name of Sister Maria Faustina of the Blessed Sacrament. In 1928, she took her first religious vows as a nun. In May 1930 she began to show the first signs of her illness.

On February 22, 1931, Faustina was visited by Jesus, who presented himself as the "King of Divine Mercy" wearing a white garment with red and pale rays coming from his heart. She was asked to become the apostle and secretary of God's mercy, a model of how to be merciful to others, and an instrument for reemphasizing God's plan of mercy for the world. In her diary, Faustina writes: "In the evening, when I was in my cell, I became aware of the Lord Jesus clothed in a white garment. One hand was raised in blessing, the other was touching the garment at the breast. From the opening of the garment at the breast there came forth two large rays, one red and the other pale. In silence I gazed intently at the Lord; my soul was overwhelmed with fear, but also with great joy. After a while Jesus said to me, 'paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the inscription: Jesus, I trust in You.'" Faustina also describes during that same message, Jesus explained he wanted the Divine Mercy image to be "solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter; that Sunday is to be the Feast of Mercy." Faustina, not knowing how to paint, asked around her convent in Plock for help but was denied. It wasn't until three years later, in 1934, that the first painting of the image was created by Eugene Kazimierowski.

On May 1, 1933 she took her final vows and became a perpetual sister of Our Lady of Mercy. Faustina met Father Michael Sopocko, the appointed confessor to the nuns. Faustina told him about her conversations with Jesus and his plan for her. Fr. Sopocko insisted she be evaluated by a psychiatrist to verify her credibility. Faustina passed all tests and was determined sane. Fr. Sopocko supported her religious efforts, and encouraged her to start keeping a diary and to record all of her conversations with Jesus.

According to Faustina's diary, on Good Friday, April 19, 1935, Jesus told her he wanted the Divine Mercy

image publicly honored. In September 1935, Faustina wrote about her vision of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, used to obtain mercy, trust in Christ's mercy and to show mercy to others. Jesus said to her, "My Daughter, do whatever is within your power to spread devotion to My Divine Mercy, I will make up for what you lack."

In 1936, Faustina fell ill again. She moved to the sanatorium in Krakow and continued to spend most of her time in prayer. In July 1937, the first holy cards with the Divine Mercy image were created and Faustina provided instructions for the Novena of Divine Mercy, which she reported was a message from Jesus. Throughout the rest of 1937, the Divine Mercy image continued to be promoted and grow in popularity. Faustina's health significantly deteriorated by the end of 1937. On October 5, 1938, Faustina passed away. She was buried on October 7 and currently rests at the Basilica of Divine Mercy in Krakow, Poland.

Her entire life, in imitation of Christ's, was to be a sacrifice - a life lived for others. At the Divine Lord's request, she willingly offered her personal sufferings in union with Him to atone for the sins of others. In her daily life she was to become a doer of mercy, bringing joy and peace to others, and by writing about God's mercy, she was to encourage others to trust in Him and thus prepare the world for His coming again. Her special devotion to Mary Immaculate and to the sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation gave her the strength to bear all sufferings as an offering to God on behalf of the Church and those in special need, especially great sinners and the dying.

The message of mercy that Sister Faustina received is now being spread throughout the world; her diary, Divine Mercy in my Soul, has become the handbook for devotion to the Divine Mercy. In 1965, Archbishop of Krakow, Karol Wojtyla, who later became Pope John Paul II, opened up the first investigations into Faustina's life and virtues. He submitted a number of documents on her life to the Vatican and requested the official beatification process to start. One of his documents noted the case of Maureen Digan of Massachusetts. In March 1981, Digan reported she was healed from Lymphedema after praying at Faustina's tomb. She explained, while there, she heard a voice saying "ask for my help and I will help you," and her pain stopped. In 1992, the Vatican declared Digan's case miraculous. St. Faustina Kowalska was beatified on April 18, 1993 and canonized on April 30, 2000, both by Pope St. John Paul II. Her feast day is celebrated on October 5 and she is the patron saint of Mercy." (Article shortened to fit the bulletin - full story is found at: [www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php? saint id=510](http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php? saint id=510))



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**4th  
Sunday  
of  
Easter  
May  
7  
2017**

| Liturgy Schedule  |                                |  | Location                      | Mass Intention   |
|---|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| <b>Mon., May 8</b>  | 7:45 AM                        | Prayer/Communion Service   | Elkton                        | -----  |
| <b>Tues., May 9</b>                                       | 7:30 AM<br>7:45 AM<br>9:00 AM  | Mass<br>Prayer/Communion Service<br>Mass (Fr. Osborn)                    | Flandreau<br>Elkton<br>Colman | † Dolores Burggraff<br>-----<br>-----                        |
| <b>Wed., May 10</b>                                       | 9:00 AM<br>9:00 AM<br>11:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration<br>Mass (Fr. Osborn)<br>Mass at Edgewood Vista | Elkton<br>Colman              | All Parishioners<br>-----<br>All Parishioners                |
| <b>Thur., May 11</b>                                      | 7:45 AM<br>9:00 AM             | Prayer/Communion Service<br>Mass/Exposition/Adoration                    | Elkton<br>Colman              | -----<br>All Parishioners                                    |
| <b>Fri., May 12</b>                                       | 7:45 AM<br>9:00 AM             | Prayer/Communion Service<br>Mass/Exposition/Adoration                    | Elkton<br>Flandreau           | -----<br>† Steve Evans                                       |
| <b>Sat., May 13</b>                                       | 7:00 PM                        | Mass   | Colman                        | All Parishioners   |
| <b>Sun., May 14</b>                                       | 8:30 AM<br>10:30 AM            | Mass<br>Mass   | Elkton<br>Flandreau           | † Lyle Heesch<br>† Steve/Drew Haman<br>LaVern/Minnie Schmidt |
| <b>CONFESSIONS</b> ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass. |                                |  |                               |  |

**MINISTERS OF SERVICE**

**COLMAN ~ SAT., MAY 13**

**Lay Minister:** Betty Merges, Ann Voelker  
Rose Shoenrock

**Lect/Comm:** Jerry Hemmer

**Altar Servers:** Chandler Gullickson, Monte Berg

**Gifts/Ushers/Greeters:** Bob Baumberger Family

**ELKTON ~ SUN., MAY 14**

**Lay Minister:** Rich Frederiksen, Judy Kampmann

**Lect./Comm.:** Mary Remund, Beth Frederiksen

**Altar Servers:** Aiden/Tevan Erickson

**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** Steve Erickson Family

**Ushers:** Arlo Jurrens, Cory Stuefen

**FLANDREAU ~ SUN., MAY 14**

**Lay Minister:** Bev Minor, Rita Parsley, Jim Redder

**Lect./Comm.:** Pat/Amy Weight

**Altar Servers:** Grace Johanson, Jaden Julson,  
Austin Kulm, Kelsey Sutton

**Ushers/Greeters:** Jerrelyn Haman, Ed Duncan,  
Jeannie Larson

**Sacristan:** Carol Parsley

**Intention of the Holy Father for May:**

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

**Daily Mass Readings:**

May 8: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3, 43:3-4; John 10:11-18

May 9: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1-7; John 10:22-30

May 10: Acts 12:24-13:5; Ps 67:2-8; John 12:44-50

May 11: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-27; John 13:16-20

May 12: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11; John 14:1-6

May 13: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; John 14:7-14

May 14: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-5, 18-19; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal** - Please return your donations by May 14th. Thank you.

**Special Collection** to help complete a beautiful mosaic that will adorn the **Trinity Dome** in Washington, DC.

**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. [www.trinitydome.org](http://www.trinitydome.org)

MAY

THE MONTH  
OF MARY



April 30<sup>th</sup>  
Our  
Weekly Offering

**Flandreau: \$1685**  
**Elkton: \$1083**  
**Colman: \$756**

Please return your **Rice Bowls**. Thank you.

## **STS. SIMON & JUDE**

**K of C First Sunday Meal:** May 7th after Mass, serving Pizza Delight. All are invited.

**Thank You** to LaVonne Headrick for making the beautiful First Communion quilt.

### **CDA's Little Shop of Blessings:**

First Communion gifts, Mother's Day gifts, etc. are available as well as cards in Spanish.

### **Finance Council Member Needed**

- ◆ Three year term - 5 meetings/year
- ◆ Contact: parish office (997-2610)  
Bruce Park (term expiring)  
Ben LeBrun  
or Ed Duncan

**Offering envelopes** for the coming year are in the back of church. Pick up your boxed set.

**Ministry Schedules** for June - Sept. are in the church entrance for those whom I do not have an email address.

Congratulations to those receiving their  
First Holy Communion today!

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|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Caidan Fletcher</b>       | <b>Hayden Garcia</b>    |
| <b>Matthew Heinemann</b>     | <b>Nora Hamilton</b>    |
| <b>Braxten Julson</b>        | <b>Jillian Knipping</b> |
| <b>Isabel Kulm</b>           | <b>Bryson LeBrun</b>    |
| <b>Olivia Lopez Jauregui</b> | <b>Amelia Pieper</b>    |
| <b>Miesha Pedraza Felix</b>  | <b>Terissa Taylor</b>   |
| <b>Sierra Thielsen</b>       | <b>Israel Trottier</b>  |



Welcome through  
the Sacrament of Baptism  
**Frida Pedraza,**  
child of Laura Pedraza.

We pray for God's blessings and grace that they continue to follow the way of Jesus Christ.

**Read our parish bulletins on-line:**

[www.parishesonline.com/find/sts-simon-and-jude-parish](http://www.parishesonline.com/find/sts-simon-and-jude-parish)

### **Workers needed at "The Banquet" on May 30th:**

Serving at 5:15; or preparation at 2:00  
Contact Jane DeLay at 997-2758 or  
[jane.delay@k12.sd.us](mailto:jane.delay@k12.sd.us). Thank You for your  
generosity and your help in feeding those less  
fortunate.

## **OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL**

### **Finance Council Member Needed**

- ◆ Three year term - 5 meetings/year
- ◆ Contact: parish office (997-2610)  
Tom Landsman (term expiring)  
Arlo Jurrens  
or Lisa Gebhart

Congratulations to our High School Graduates



**Dominick DeVries**  
**Rachel Hegerfeld**  
**Trevor Sik**  
**Peyton Spiering**  
**Autumn Stoltenburg**

All are invited to a breakfast this Sunday  
after Mass to honor our 2017 Graduates.

## **ST. PETER**

### **Finance Council Member Needed**

- ◆ Three year term - 5 meetings/year
- ◆ Contact: parish office (997-2610)  
Bob Hemmer (term expiring)  
Andy Groos  
or Roger Merges

### **Three Altar Society Officers Needed:**

- ◆ Two-year term
- ◆ Contact Carmen Keupp  
Val Luze  
or Marie Miles

**CDA Meeting:** Thur., May 11 - 6:30 PM.

### **Against The Tide**

The oarsman, trusting in Me, does not lean on his oars and drift with the tide, trusting to the current.

Nay, more often—once I have shown the way—it is against the tide you must direct all your effort. And even when difficulties come, it is by your effort that they will be surmounted. But always strength and the Joy in the doing you can have through Me.

My fishermen-disciples did not find the fishes ready on the shore in their nets. I take man's effort and bless that. I need man's effort—he needs My blessing. This partnership it is that means success.

*From God Calling by A.J. Russell*

**The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual  
"BISHOP'S CHARITY FISHING TOURNAMENT"  
Benefiting Seminarian Education**

**Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>** - Big Stone City Lake

**Monday June 12<sup>th</sup>** - Lake Oahe

**Even if you don't fish** - Join us for Mass celebrated by Bishop Swain (at 3:30 pm) followed by an outdoor social and prime rib dinner. 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](http://www.ccfesd.org).

**Holy Smoke Car Show  
Benefiting Seminarian Education  
July 22 - O'Gorman High School**

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](http://HOLYSMOKECARSHOW.ORG)

**Diocesan Youth Events**

**High School D-Camp** - June 19-22 & July 9-12

**Junior High D-Camp** - July 13-16

[www.sfcatholic.org/youth/events/d-camp/](http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth/events/d-camp/)

**Vocation Camps @Abbey of the Hills**

- May 24-26, & May 28-30 [www.sfvocations.com](http://www.sfvocations.com)

**Rocky Mountain Vocations Expedition**

- July 30 – Aug. 5 [www.sfvocations.com](http://www.sfvocations.com)

**Discipleship Camp:** The Knights of Columbus will provide financial assistance for those youth interested in attending Discipleship Camp. Please contact Reggie Gassman or Jason Heinemann.

**May Day of Recollection - Gossip: Destroyer of Mercy  
Directed by Father Andrew Dickinson, Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

10:00-3:00 PM; Mass, Talks, Confession, Quiet Time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, great food and wonderful conversation. Please bring your Bible. To register please call [\(605\) 263-1040](tel:6052631040), email [broomtree@sfcatholic.org](mailto:broomtree@sfcatholic.org) or visit our website.

Flandreau United Methodist Church invites all women to their **annual spring Salad Luncheon**. Thursday, May 11 - 12:00 Noon.

**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. Next class - May 2nd.

**Saturday, May 13** - On the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady's first appearance at Fatima:

- ◆ 1:30 PM Holy Hour (Rosary & Benediction) at Cathedral of St. Joseph
  - ◆ 5:00 PM Most Holy Rosary at Mother's Garden near the Cathedral
- Hosted by the Office of the Marian Apostolate

**Surviving Divorce Program** begins Tuesday, May 23, 6:30-8:30 pm at **St. Thomas More Parish Brookings, SD**. Cost of \$45 per person includes a "Personal Survival Guide", refreshments and all materials for 6 weeks. For information or to register call 605-692-4361 or email [info@stmbrookings.org](mailto:info@stmbrookings.org). Scholarships are available.

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

6. Our authority structure helps us offer clear and consistent teaching...  
Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would keep His Church free from error in her doctrinal and moral teaching. That's a tall order, but Jesus keeps His promises and calls the successors to the Apostles—our bishops throughout the world—to teach in His name with authority and love.

**To be continued in subsequent bulletins.**

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

**Father Flood**

