

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



Feast of the Ascension occurs forty days after our Lord Jesus gave life back to His dead body at The Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The Ascension occurs every year on a Thursday, so it is called "Ascension Thursday", which was last Thursday. However, since many people were not attending this Holy Day of Obligation, all but 6 dioceses in the United States moved the obligation to the following Sunday so that more people would be in attendance and hear about it. Ascension Thursday is still a Holy Day, but now, the celebration and the obligation is transferred to Sunday.

During the Easter Season, we remember that Jesus did not leave His physical human body dead in the grave, as we know with The Resurrection, nor did He leave His human body here on earth. Jesus took His human body with Him into Heaven, where His human body remains fully united to His Divine Nature.

God The Father has made it possible for every human person who believes to approach Him through The Powers of Faith, Hope and Love in order to prepare us to meet God after our physical human death and enter into His Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus told us, "I am the way, the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father except through me." (Jn 14:16). Jesus opens for us The Only Path to Heaven, as Jesus opens His Divine Life to those who believe. Jesus did only what The Father was did (Jn 5:19-21; Jn 14:10-11, 31), by being obedient to The Will of God The Father because He Loved the Father more than Himself and more than all people or things. This Love enabled Him to serve The Father by relieving people of their spiritual sufferings through the teachings of Faith, Hope and Love by the forgiveness of their sins, and to relieve their bodily sufferings through miraculous healings.

Jesus Ascended into Heaven with His physical human body, and makes it possible for us to follow Him through faithful obedience to God our Father. The Feast of The Ascension is all about Jesus opening The Gates of Heaven to all Baptized human beings who turn away from evil and convert to God's Ways in the teachings of Faith, Hope and Love. Not only do we have access into Heaven, but we can become greater in Holiness than even the angels, as the apostle Paul tells us that "if we persevere we shall also reign with him." (2 Tim 2:12) Angels are all around God's Throne in Heaven, but Jesus, in His human nature sits on The Throne of God. This means that God The Father will allow human beings who believe to somehow and to some degree share in The Divine Glory and Honor of our Lord Jesus Christ in Heaven through all Eternity. St. Paul simply says: "What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him," (1 Cor 2:9). Paul is telling us that no human being has thought of or even imaged the Glory and Honor that God has prepared for those who love Him.

Satan and the other demons envy and hate human beings not only because we are created in The Image and Likeness of God, but we are allowed to share in The Divine Life of God to a greater degree than the angels. **IF!!!**, we are obedient to all of God's 10 Commandments. The initial Gifts of Faith, Hope and Love are given to us when we are Baptized into The Divine Life of our Lord Jesus Christ, The Only Begotten Son of God. As we practice the Gifts of Faith, Hope and Love by learning about God, **then** we realize the evil of sin and are able to repent, and trust enough in Jesus' Infinite Love to ask for Divine Mercy in The Sacrament of Confession to be forgiven and fully restored as brothers and sister in Jesus Christ, which at the same time, restores us to the full status of adopted sons and daughters of God The Father Almighty. These privileged Gifts come through our Baptism into Jesus Christ. Then through His Divine Mercy, we can receive the next privilege, honor and blessing of being nourished with The Divine Life of God in The Most Holy Communion by receiving The most precious Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is in and through these Sacramental Graces that God shares every Spiritual Blessing in Heaven of Divine Life with us, so that one day, we may be fully converted into The Image and Likeness of God, which is The Wedding Garment without stain(sin) or wrinkle (Mt 22:11-14; Rev. 19:8) that is required of everyone to enter God's Wedding Banquet in Heaven. We are to become like Jesus Christ in His obedience to God The Father's Will in all things. Jesus tells us "ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you." (Mt 7:7 or Lk 11:9) Practice your Faith, Hope and Love in Jesus Christ in order to know Him; to Love Him and become like Him so that you may be at peace by trusting The Infinite Love and Mercy that God has for each one of you and every human being. Then "you will know the Truth, and the Truth will set you free. (Jn 8:32)

	FATHER DOUG BINSFELD, PASTOR 605-997-2610 frdoughbinsfeld@sfcatholic.org	Ascension of the Lord May 28 2017
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Love in Jesus Christ in order to know Him; to Love Him and become like Him so that you may be at peace by trusting The Infinite Love and Mercy that God has for each one of you and every human being. Then "you will know the Truth, and the Truth will set you free. (Jn 8:32)

Fr. Doug Binsfeld

Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., May 29	9:00 AM	Mass (Memorial Day)	Flandreau	All deceased
Tues., May 30	9:00 AM	Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Colman	-----
Wed., May 31	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 7:30 PM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn) Mass (Fr. Matthew Quail)	Elkton Colman Flandreau	All Parishioners ----- -----
Thur., June 1	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Colman	All Parishioners
Fri., June 2	8:30 AM **Note time	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Flandreau	† Jaxon Boomsma
Sat., June 3	7:00 PM	Mass	Colman	All Parishioners
Sun., June 4	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Elkton Flandreau	† Patrick McMahon † Dolores Burggraff
CONFESSIONS ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

COLMAN ~ SAT., JUNE 3

Lay Minister: Mary Zwart, Mary Gengler, Alice Berg
Lect/Comm: Ann Voelker
Altar Servers: Austin/Chandler Gullickson
Gifts/Ushers/Greeters: Bill Miles Family

ELKTON ~ SUN., JUNE 4

Lay Minister: Chris Myers, Kelly Neill
Lect./Comm.: Lois Stuefen, Judy Kampmann
Altar Servers: William/Ashton Neill
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Derek Frerichs Family
Ushers: Jerome Kirschenman, Dwight Gullickson

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., JUNE 4

Lay Minister: Betty Groos, Libby Heinemann,
 Dave Johnson
Lect./Comm.: Reggie Gassman, Les Heinemann (C)
Altar Servers: Toby Taylor, Ethan Hoffman
 Makenzey Burggraff, Caleb Dietrich
Ushers/Greeters: Dave Gaspar, Dave/Deb Feske
Sacristan: Pam Rorvik-Albers

Intention of the Holy Father for June:

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

Daily Mass Readings:

May 29: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-7; John 16:29-33
 May 30: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11,20-21; John 17:1-11
 May 31: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Isaiah 12:2-6; Luke 1:39-56
 June 1: Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-11; John 17:20-26
 June 2: Acts 25:13-21; Ps 103:1-2,11-12,19-20; John 21:15-19
 June 3: Acts 28:16-20,30-31; Ps 11:4-7; John 21:20-25
 June 4: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1,24,29-31,34;
 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13; John 20:19-23

Memorial Day Mass:

Monday, May 29th
 9:00 AM at SS&J
 (Tuesday, May 30th
 Flandreau Mass cancelled)



Remember -
 our fallen heros.
 They are the reason
 that we are free.

June 1 Ordination to the Diaconate,
 Cathedral of Saint Joseph, 11:00 AM.

June 2 Ordination to the Priesthood,
 Cathedral of Saint Joseph, 11:00 AM

May 21st
 Our
 Weekly Offering

Flandreau: \$2242
Elkton: \$1248
Colman: \$1334

MEMORIAL DAY

Celebrate ~ Honor ~ Remember

*For you were called for freedom, brothers.
 But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for
 the flesh; rather, serve one another through love*

Galatians 5:13



STS. SIMON & JUDE

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.

Mother Daughter Brunch: Please join the Catholic Daughters in a morning of fellowship

Saturday June 10th at 10:00 am
Sts. Simon and Jude church basement
Ticket Price: \$8



Tickets will be sold after Mass the next two weekends or please feel free to call Erica Knippling at 695-9081.

**Wedding
Banns**

Please pray for
Jerrelyn Haman & Torry Cole
who will be married on June 3rd.

Bread Basket board member needed

to represent SS&J. Meetings are quarterly in the afternoon. Call the parish office (997-2610).

"If a woman plans to terminate her pregnancy, she commonly refers to the life within her as the 'fetus'. But if she intends to deliver and love and care for the little child, she affectionately calls him 'my baby'."
Dr. James C. Dobson

YOU ARE INVITED!

- ◆ Sunday, May 28 after Mass
- **Meet & Greet Sr. Gianna** (Melissa Heinemann) in SS&J Church basement, Bring salad or dessert to share, sandwiches provided.
- ◆ Wednesday, May 31
- **6:30 PM ~ Single ladies age 16-32.** Sr. Gianna will give a talk on Vocational discernment and the Call to Carmel at the CCD Center, Flandreau.
- **7:30 PM ~ Mass of Thanksgiving with Father Matthew Quail** (ordained for St. Paul Archdiocese on 05/27/2017). Refreshments following in SS&J Church basement.

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Tom Landsman (term expiring)
Arlo Jurrens or Lisa Gebhart

LORD JESUS, HEART OF GOD SUMMER FAITH CAMP (Bible School)

"I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds." Ps 9:1

Who? Preschool - 6th Grade;

When? July 5-8, 9:00-1:00 PM (Lunch provided)
Party on July 8th to celebrate the last day!

Where? St. Genevieve's Catholic Church,
Lake Benton ~ **Transportation Provided**

Register? Contact Sharon Landsman at
605-542-4434; \$10/ student

Harvest Festival: Signup sheets are at the back of the church for the Harvest Festival which is June 12 & 13. This is a group effort, we need everyone's help. Thanks

Guild meeting: Wed., May 31 - 6:45 PM at St. Mary's Hall. We will be working on work schedules for the Harvest Festival. All help is needed to make the Harvest Festival a success.

St. Mary's Cemetery Annual Meeting:

Sun., June 4 - 9:30 AM at St. Mary's Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

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

ST. PETER

Finance Council Member Needed

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

Three Altar Society Officers Needed:

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

BISHOP'S CHARITY FISHING TOURNAMENT
Benefiting Seminarian Education

Monday, June 5th - Big Stone City Lake
Monday June 12th - 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.

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/

Vocation Camps @Abbey of the Hills

- May 24-26, & May 28-30 www.sfvocations.com

Rocky Mountain Vocations Expedition

- July 30 – Aug. 5 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.

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

Walk with wise men and you will become wise,
but the companion of fools will fare badly.

-Proverbs 13:20

Grieving the Loss From Homicide:
Tuesdays June 6-July 18, 6:30 - 8:30PM
Catholic Family Services, 523 N. Duluth Ave., SF. To register or questions call 605-988-3775 or e-mail at cfs@sfcatholic.org

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

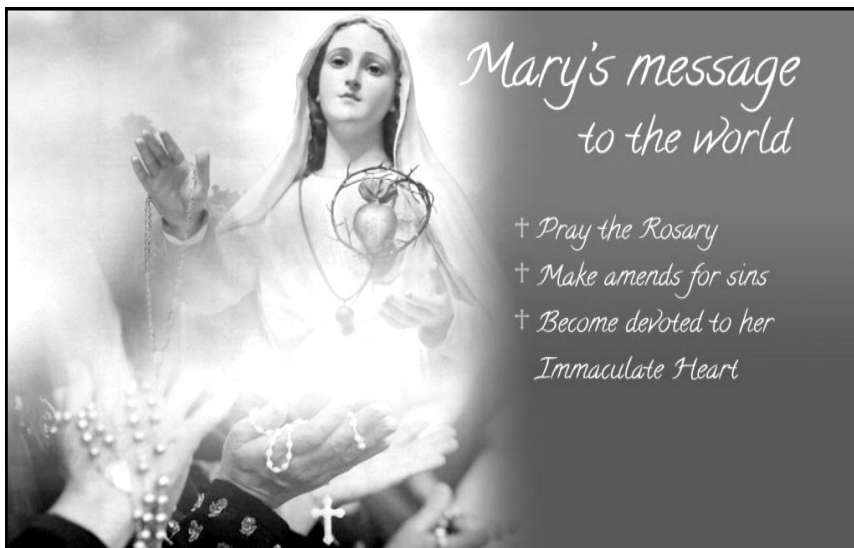
9. We want all people of good will to work with us so that together we can build a civilization of love...A person of good will knows that some behaviors are better than others and wants to work with all people not based on opinions about right and wrong but on truly discerning the best courses of action for individuals and communities. People of good will come in all shapes, sizes, colors and faiths. We love and respect you. Let's work together to know and do God's will.

To be continued in subsequent bulletins.

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

CDA Spring Luncheon: June 4 at 12:30 PM; St. Thomas More, Brookings; Tickets \$8.00 with children 8 and under free.

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.



Father Flood

