OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

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People struggle with how to vote in this year's presidential elections, because neither candidate is a noble Christian person. I can not tell you who to vote for, but there are 'realities" and there are "fears" that can keep us from voting for one candidate or the other. The quickest way to get to the truth is to address what you know with certainty/ certitude. If a candidate is committed to carrying out intrinsically evil actions:

embryonic stem cell research which includes "therapeutic cloning", homosexuality, transgender issues, as well as, attempting to cause open rebellion in the Catholic church by intentionally misleading Catholics into errors in reasoning that support intrinsically evil actions. Then a person can not vote for such a candidate without supporting these intrinsically evil actions.

The question is asked whether the evil of the sexual perversion of molesting women and adultery is this equal to evil of murder? The answer is: No. Both are evil and neither should ever be done! However, weighing these evils, the lesser of the evils is the sexual perversion. In Mt. 19:3-8 Jesus is asked about divorce (vs.3) and why Moses wrote a bill of divorce (vs.7). Jesus said divorce was allowed only because of your hardness of hearts. Hardness of hearts refers to disordered pride that believes we can do evil things. In the case of sexual perversion/adultery, if it were not for the bill of divorce, people would have murdered their spouse, hence, sexual perversion/adultery is a serious and terrible evil. but murder is worse.

Another dilemma comes from the question of: "what will the candidates do given a crisis situation in the world?" "Will the candidate enter into armed conflict in a rash manner without fully considering the serious nature of war?" This question is legitimate; however, it falls into the area of speculation and carries with it a spirit of fear that creates fear toward either candidate depending upon what you believe about the candidate. We can not know with certainty how either candidate will respond, because both candidates are arrogant. Arrogance refers to an extreme level of disordered human pride, that thinks we are always right and does not listen to God. This is the thinking of the devil, who refuses to be obedient to God's Commands and accuses God of being evil because "God is not doing what I want to do". If you are going to be Catholic, you follow The Way of Jesus Christ, not, just some of His Ways. That is why we need to know scripture in order to know what God would do by looking at what God has done on earth. If you are humble, and being humble is the key to the whole thing; 2 Chron 7:14 "If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." A Christian is to live life without sin/evil, and that is what makes you different than an atheist, if a Christian lives like an atheist what good are you? Is salt good, if it has no flavor? What good is a light, if you hide it under a bushel basket? In other words, what good is your Christian Faith, if you do not live and speak the Truth's that God has given to us.

The space is the bulletin is very limited as is my intellect, so I am certainly not addressing all of the dynamics of these issues, but I'm trying to give brief answers to some of the questions that people have asked me. My hope is to inform your consciences so that you can make a good decision, keeping in mind, that a well formed conscience accepts and does God's Will, while a malformed conscience rebels against God's Commandments and does the devil's will.

Fr. Doug Binsfeld

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 23, 2016

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Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., Oct. 24	7:30 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Flandreau	
Tues., Oct. 25	7:30 AM	Mass	Flandreau	† James Dubbelde
Wed., Oct. 26	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Elkton	† George Gebhart
Thur., Oct. 27	7:45 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Elkton Colman	 All Parishioners
Fri., Oct. 28	7:45 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Elkton Flandreau Colman	 † Steve Evans
Sat., Oct. 29	7:00 PM	Mass	Colman	All Parishioners
Sun., Oct. 30	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Elkton Flandreau	† Joanne Schmidt † Brad Bowen
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MINISTERS OF SERVICE

COLMAN ~ SAT., OCT. 29

Lay Minister: Ryan Zwart, Mary Gengler, Alice Berg

Lect/Comm: Jerry Hemmer

Altar Servers: Monte Berg, Jack/Jase Mousel **Gift Bearers/Usher/Greeters:** Ryan Zwart Family

ELKTON ~ SUN., OCT. 30

Lay Minister: Judy Kampmann, Sharon Landsman

Lect./Comm.: Kelly Neill, Lois Stuefen
Altar Servers: Billy Stuefen, Aiden Erickson
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Tom/Sharon Landsman
Ushers: Rich Frederiksen, Dwight Gullickson

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., OCT. 30

Lay Minister: Rita Parsley, Jim Redder, Pam Rorvik-Albers

Lect./Comm.: Denise Wiese, Brenda Doyle (C)
Altar Servers: Erin/James/Matthew Drietz,
Makenzey Burggraff

Ushers/Greeters: Jim/Jan Lahr, Don Duncan

Sacristan: Carol Parsley

October is Respect Life Month

"Unfortunately, what is thrown away is not only food and dispensable objects, but often human beings themselves, who are discarded as 'unnecessary.' For example, it is frightful even to think there are children, victims of abortion, who will never see the light of day; children being used as soldiers, abused and killed in armed conflicts; and children being bought and sold in that terrible form of modern slavery which is human trafficking, which is a crime against humanity."

"Pope Francis"

- Speech to Diplomats, January 13, 2014

Daily Mass Readings:

Oct 24: Ephesians 4:32-5:8; Ps 1:1-6; Luke 13:10-17 Oct 25: Ephesians 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5; Luke 13:18-21 Oct 26: Ephesians 6:1-9;Ps 145:10-14; Luke 13:22-30 Oct 27: Ephesians 6:10-20; Ps 144:1-2,9-10; Luke 13:31-35 Oct 28: Ephesians 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Luke 6:12-16 Oct 29: Philippians 1:18-26; Ps 42:2-5; Luke 14:1,7-11

Oct 30: Wisdom 11:22-12:2; Ps 145:1-2,8-14; 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2; Luke 19:1-10



One Eucharistic Celebration for the Entire World!

Today we are invited to unite with Catholics around the world to "celebrate the hope that saves" through prayer, participation in the Eucharist and by giving generously. In this way, we stand in solidarity with the young and developing churches in over 120 countries through our support for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith through this special collection. Please be generous in your prayer and support for the Church in mission around the world. Envelopes are in the pews for your convenience. Please prayerfully consider your contribution, then drop envelope into the weekly collection within the next few weeks or mail to parish office.

November/December Mass Schedule

Elkton - Saturday at 5:00 PM Colman - Sunday at 8:30 AM

STS. SIMON & JUDE

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

Bell Choir Practice every Wednesday

6:00-6:30 PM ~ 7th/8th grade bell choir practice 6:30-7:00 PM ~ High school bell choir practice

40 Days of Prayer for our Country & Election

Began on September 30th. Sign up sheets are in the back of church. Please participate by signing up for a few or all of the 40 days. Thank you. Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters.

Knights of Columbus 1st Sunday Meal: Nov. 6th, serving French Toast, Sausage, Fruit. Proceeds will benefit the Steve Evans Family.

K of C Meeting: Mon., Oct. 24 - 7:00 PM.

Council Meeting: Thur., Oct. 27 - 6:30 PM.



Welcome into the parish family: Ezra Jase Azariah Trottier, son of Conrad & Jade.

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



Welcome into our parish family Sergio Enriquez & Mariana Rodriquez, children Dana and Kevin

Bible Study: Fridays at 10:30 AM at Tonya Pavlis home 864-1538.

Knights of Columbus will host their annual Father/ Son/ Daughter Pheasant Hunt on Sunday, November 6 at 1:00pm at the farm of Leslie Heinemann, 3 miles NW of Flandreau. Any questions, call 997-2654. Refreshments will be served about 5pm for those who would like to come but not hunt.

CDA Court Lady of Peace #1708 local education contest for youth 4th-12th grade and adult CDA members. Winning entries are forwarded on to state and potentially to the national competition. Entry Divisions include: Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, and Photography. See a CDA member or go to http://www.catholicdaughters.org/ for forms and details. Entries are due in by February 15th, 2017.

ST. PETER

Fall 40 Days of Life: Sept. 28 – Nov. 6. Betty Merges will be praying at the abortion clinic on Fridays and would welcome anyone who wishes to ride along (534-3634).

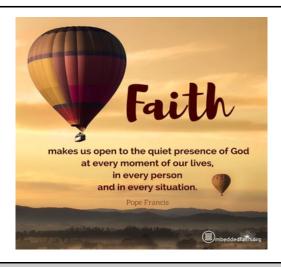
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Our Lady of Good Counsel will be participating in <u>Operation Christmas Child</u> again this year. Last year we were able to send 20 shoe boxes, full of items, to children around the world who would not otherwise receive anything for Christmas. If you would like to donate money or items, please contact Sharon Landsman at 592-0627 or 542-4434. We need to send the boxes by November 14th.

Youth Rally is November 12th at the Swiftel Center in Brookings for students in grades 6-12. If you would like your child to attend, please contact Sharon Landsman. Transportation is provided and the cost is \$20.

<u>Thanks</u> to all who helped with the Fall Dinner. Many helping hands made it a success. Raffle Winners were: Quilt-Marlene Pottratz; 50# meat bundle-Angela Deiterman Cash: \$100-Les Burlage; \$75-Karon Burlage \$50-Connie Nelson

Guild Meeting: Sunday, October 30th - 7:00 PM.



All Saints Day - Tuesday November 1st Holy Day of Obligation Masses

Monday, October 31 - 6:00 PM - Elkton Tuesday, November 1 - 5:30 PM - Colman - 7:30 PM - Flandreau **Baptismal Preparation Class:** Required of all parents requesting to have their child baptized. Classes will be 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.

Intention of the Holy Father for October:

That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics.

Oct. 16th
Our
Weekly Offering

Flandreau: \$2851 Elkton: \$1256 Colman: \$516

Dear Jesus help me to spread Thy fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Thy spirit and love. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Thine. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus. Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as you shine, so to shine as to be a light to others.

- Prayer of Mother Teresa

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.







Fall 2016 Seminary Visits

 Immaculate Heart of Mary, Winona, MN; Oct. 28-30

♦ St. John Vianney, St. Paul, MN; Nov. 17-19

Vocations Director, Fr. Shaun Haggerty will be taking
16 years of age or older to visit different seminaries.
is a great time to consider God's call for you, along
having a lot of fun and fellowship. There will be prayer,
college classes, great food, sports, hanging out with priest,
etc. Cost is free. Go to www.sfvocations.com to sign up.

One-Day Silent Retreat: Saturday, October 29-Directed by Father Joe Vogel; Lunch will be served as well. The cost of the retreat is by donation. We ask that you prayerfully consider your gift. To register or for more information 605-263-1040, email broomtree@sfcatholic.org or visit www.broom-tree.org

<u>Living with Chronic Illness group</u>: For those living with chronic illness <u>and</u> their care givers; meets the first Tuesday of each month from 1:00- 3:00 p.m. at St. Lambert Parish, Sioux Falls. For details call 605-988-3775.

Angel Tree Program helps families in need and elderly members of Moody County have a merry Christmas. Through local donations, they fulfill a Christmas wish list for qualifying individuals and deliver gifts in time for the holidays. If you are eligible or think you may be, contact the ICAP office Wed-Fri at 997-2824 or egeary@interlakescap.com to receive an application. Donations may be dropped off or mailed to 112 E. Pipestone, Flandreau.

Grief Programs: To register or for more information, contact Catholic Family Services, 523 N Duluth Ave, SF. 1-800-700-7867; 605-988-3775 or mculhane@sfcatholic.org.

- ~ One Day Grief Retreat for 11-17 year olds Sunday, October 23, 4:00-7:00 pm at Catholic Family Services. There will be activities, discussion, projects, and pizza. Pre-registration required.
- ~ One Day Retreat for Grieving the Loss of an infant Saturday, November 5 from 9:00am-12:00pm at *Immaculate Conception Parish, Watertown, SD.* Directed by Dr. Marcie Moran. This retreat is a program for parents who have lost an infant through miscarriage, stillborn birth, or another cause. This program is open to the public and offered free of charge. To register, call the parish office at 605-886-4049 or Catholic Family Services.
- ~ Grieving the Loss During the Holidays: November 8 December 13, Tuesdays 6:30 8:30 p.m. at Catholic Family Services; For adults who have lost loved ones and are grieving during the holiday season. Cost –Donation.

Turkey Dinner: Oct. 30; 11:00-1:30; St. George, Hartford. **Turkey Dinner**: Nov. 6; serving at 11:00, 12:00, 1:00; St. Thomas More, Brookings.