

Catholic Tri-Parish Community

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
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We are dealing with evil in our nation and in the upcoming election. We have people, who are supporting a moral relativism that justifies and promotes evil. We have people, who are supporting a pro-life, God given morality which opposes evil. The norm today in the moral relativist circles, says that abortion is a non-negotiable, as they believe that abortion is an absolute right for one human being to kill another human being. The norm today, in pro-life circles, says that the right to human life is a non-negotiable, keeping Faith in God's Fifth Commandment 'Thou shall not kill'. Jesus expanded the prohibition of killing in the 5th Commandment to include that we should not even being angry with another person. In Mt 5:21, Jesus said, "You have heard what was said to people long ago, do not murder, but I tell you that anyone who is angry is liable to judgement." Jesus makes anger equal to murder. This why the Church teaches about the 7 Deadly Sins or rather the 7 Capital Sins, and anger is the first.

As Pro-life people, we always need to respect every human life. We also need to avoid taking the position that if a candidate is not pro-life enough, then I will not vote for them. That kind of talk, generally, comes from a hostility that expresses anger. And what does it mean to not be "pro-life" enough? Does it mean that the candidate is not speaking strongly enough against abortion? Or is not using the right language? Or does the candidate not have a strong enough anti-abortion policy? Well, consider the fact that a candidate who is not strong against abortion is still far better than a candidate who defends, supports and wants to expand: killing of human beings through abortion, embryonic stem-cell research, human cloning and euthanasia, while continuing policies that deny our constitutional right to religious freedom, and is actively seeking ways to create division in the Catholic Faith by exploiting divisive issues and creating confusion among the Catholic faithful.

We need to avoid saying that someone is not pro-life enough because that kind of thinking will divide us. Jesus tells us "Every kingdom divided against itself will be ruined, and every city or household divided against itself will not stand." (Mt 12:25) At this time in our nation's history, we need to be united in order defeat the tactics of the devil, who wants to divide, conquer and destroy. If the pro-life cause is to prevail, we need to be united in Faith and vote pro-life, lest the enemy prevail and further expand the legalized killing of God's children through abortion, embryonic stem cell research, human cloning and euthanasia, while continuing to deny religious freedom and create division among Catholic faithful. We are in the unfortunate position of choosing from the lesser of two evils for the leader of our country. It comes down to who will do less evil based on what we know of their positions on Christian moral principles.

There is already a high price that must be paid for these terrible injustices against God's Love, God's Commands and God's children. Let us not personally add to offending God or add to the coming chastisements by voting for people who seek to increase religious oppression and the killing of innocent human beings. Pray, pray and pray some more in asking God for the conversion of the people of our nation to God's Ways of Love, and pray especially for our politicians. We also need to educate ourselves on the issues of our day in order to speak God's Truth in regards to such evils, so that we can enter into dialogue with people and express compelling and convincing reasons why evil words and actions bring harm to every human being.

Fr. Doug Binsfeld

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 30, 2016

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| Liturgy Schedule | | | Location | Mass Intention |
|--|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|
| Mon., Oct. 31 | 6:00 PM | Mass | Elkton | † Bill Nelson |
| Tues., Nov. 1 | 5:30 PM 7:30 PM | Mass Mass | Colman Flandreau | † Lawrence Mousel † Pete Powers |
| Wed., Nov. 2 | 9:00 AM 11:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass at Riverview Manor | Elkton | Doug Stein (healing) All the faithful departed |
| Thur., Nov. 3 | 9:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Colman | All Parishioners |
| Fri., Nov. 4 | 9:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Flandreau | † Ethel Mongold |
| Sat., Nov. 5 | 5:00 PM | Mass | Elkton | All Parishioners |
| Sun., Nov. 6 | 8:30 AM 10:30 AM | Mass Mass | Colman Flandreau | † Gary Hemmer † Steve/Drew Haman & Minnie/LaVern Schmidt |
| Confessions are scheduled 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass. | | | | |

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ MON., OCT. 31

Lay Minister: Rich Frederiksen, Lisa Gebhart
Lect./Comm.: Sharon Landsman, Beth Frederiksen
Altar Servers: Abby/Alex Landsman
Ushers: Kevin P. Myers, Dwight Gullickson

ELKTON ~ SAT., NOV. 5

Lay Minister: Shari Myers, Judy Kampmann
Lect./Comm.: Bill Fargen, Kelly Neill
Altar Servers: Aiden Erickson, Billy Stuefen
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Chuck Lorden Family
Ushers: Kevin P. Myers, Dwight Gullickson

COLMAN ~ TUES., NOV. 1

Lay Minister: Jerry Hemmer, Rose Shoenrock, Ann Voelker
Lect/Comm: Betty Merges
Altar Servers: Monte Berg, Walker Olivier
Gift Bearers/Usher/Greeters: Judy Miles, Bonnie Hemmer

COLMAN ~ SUN., NOV. 6

Lay Minister: Betty Merges, Doug Entringer, Mary Zwart
Lect/Comm: Dan Schmidt
Altar Servers: Austin Gullickson, Carson Voelker
Gift Bearers/Usher/Greeters: Dan Miles Family

FLANDREAU ~ TUES., NOV. 1

Lay Minister: Charles Rosheim, Tom Stenger, Deb Feske
Lect./Comm.: John Evans, Jerry Doyle (C)
Altar Servers: Jaelyn Gaspar, Austin Kulm,
 Anna/Samuel Gassman
Ushers/Greeters: Todd Dietrich Family
Sacristan: Donna Hendrickson

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., NOV. 6

Lay Minister: Dave Feske, Tony/Denise Firman
Lect./Comm.: Reggie Gassman, Les Heinemann (C)
Altar Servers: Madeline/Libby Hursey,
 Grace Johanson, Cade LeBrun
Ushers/Greeters: Todd Dietrich Family
Sacristan: Donna Hendrickson

Daily Mass Readings:

Oct 31: Philippians 2:1-4; Ps 131:1-3; Luke 14:12-14
 Nov 1: Revelation 7:2-4,9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 John 3:1-3; Matt 5:1-12
 Nov 2: Wisdom 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Romans 5:5-11; John 6:37-40
 Nov 3: Philippians 3:3-8; Ps 105:2-7; Luke 15:1-10
 Nov 4: Philippians 3:17-4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Luke 16:1-8
 Nov 5: Philippians 4:10-19; Ps 112:1-9; Luke 16:9-15
 Nov 6: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14; Ps 17:1,5-8,15;
 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5; Luke 20:27-38

MERCY 2016 WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
 CHANGES THE WORLD

Mission Sunday 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.

Intention of the Holy Father for November:
 That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

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

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

Living Rosary: CCD classes and the Catholic Daughters will be saying a Living Rosary on Wednesday night at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

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.

Bible Study: Friday - 10:30 AM at Tonya Pavlis home 864-1538 or Monday - 7:00 PM in church basement.

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.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

“Above all, the common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights – for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture – is false and illusory if the right to life, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination.”

~ *Saint John Paul II – Christifideles laici, no. 38*

“It is an illusion to think we can build a true culture of human life if we do not . . . accept and experience sexuality and love and the whole of life according to their true meaning and their close inter-connection.”

~ *Saint John Paul II – Evangelium vitae (1995), no. 97*

Oct. 23rd
Our
Weekly Offering



Flandreau: \$1938
Elkton: \$784
Colman: \$986

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 **Operation Christmas Child** 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.

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

Breakfast Benefit: Sunday, October 30; 9:00-1:00 at Elkton Community Center for Rose McMahon, daughter of Pete & Shayna. Pancake Breakfast, games, silent auction/raffle baskets.

Thank you for all the prayers and cards, they were much appreciated. Dwight Gullickson

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

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

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.

Necrology

Sts. Simon & Jude

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| Patricia M. Fargen | 11-19-2015 |
| Minnie V. Schmidt | 02-15-2016 |
| Frances A. Kittelson | 02-27-2016 |
| Charles Tufty | 03-14-2016 |
| Lucille B. Jensen | 04-13-2016 |
| Dolores M. Burggraff | 04-17-2016 |
| Dorothy Gust | 05-01-2016 |
| Ruth E. Quinn | 05-12-2016 |
| Urban A. Schwebach | 06-18-2016 |
| Dennis L. Rice | 08-08-2016 |
| Steven J. Evans | 10-07-2016 |

St. Peter

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| Sheri L. Eich | 01-03-2016 |
| Joseph Heim | 07-08-2016 |
| Gladys M. Heinricy | 08-26-2016 |

Our Lady of Good Counsel

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| Richard M. Gebhart | 11-30-2015 |
| Anastasia B. Gebhart | 01-13-2016 |
| Paul A. Erschens | 02-09-2016 |
| Charles F. Gageby | 02-10-2016 |
| William P. Nelson | 04-18-2016 |
| George Gebhart J. | 06-11-2016 |
| Donald F. Schmidt | 06-25-2016 |
| Edward J. Langin | 07-02-2016 |
| JoAnne M. Schmidt | 08-12-2016 |

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon
them; may they rest in peace. Amen**

Father Flood



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, Sioux Falls. 1-800-700-7867; 605-988-3775 or mculhane@sfcatholic.org.

~ **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; for parents who have lost an infant through miscarriage, stillborn birth, or another cause. To register, call the parish office at 605-886-4049 or Catholic Family Services.

~ **Grieving Loss During the Holidays:** Nov. 8-Dec. 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.

~ **Grieving a Loss during the Holidays: at St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Madison, SD will host a day workshop** Saturday, December 10, 10a.m.-3p.m.“ presented by Dr. Marcie Moran. Open to the public and free. To register or for more information, contact the parish office 256-2304 or Catholic Family Services.

"Helping Families with Incarcerated Loved Ones": Saturday, November 12, 2016 from 10:00am-3:00pm at Siouxland Library Main Branch - 200 N. Dakota Ave., Sioux Falls. Presented by Dr. Marcie Moran & staff. This is a day program for adult family members who have a loved one in jail or prison. This loss of freedom affects all members of the family. Ways to cope and manage this stress will be taught to participants. This program is offered free of charge. Pre-registration is encouraged. Lunch is provided. Call 1-800-700-7867 to register or for more information.

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

Soup Supper: Nov. 6; 4:30-7:00 PM; St. Mary, Dell Rapids
8th Annual 'Twas the Month before Christmas' Fair;
Sat., Nov. 12; 9AM-2PM; St. Mary's Gym, Dell Rapids;
Over 40 Vendors, Lunch available. Free childcare while you shop! Get a head start on that Christmas list!!

Baptismal Preparation Class: Required of all parents requesting to have their child baptized. Next class will be Thursday, November 3rd at 7:00 PM in SS&J Parish basement

Contact Fr. Doug (997-2610) prior to the class to register and give baptismal information.