

Holy Name of Jesus Parish

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Thus begins Holy Week today. It ends with the sacred Triduum, the three days of our Salvation.



Pastor Comments: Today's Palms are blessed. Take one home and put it in a place of honor for this Holy Week. Some people even fashion a cross from it and put it in their bedroom or over an entry door. It is a sign of welcoming Christ to your home as it was a welcome sign for Jesus into Jerusalem. You can follow the path of Jesus to and through Jerusalem this Holy Week.

It is Holy Week and I must again recall the miracle that happened (Nov. 4) before the eyes of our pilgrim group at the place we honor Holy Thursday: the Agony in the Garden. On the rock in the garden where Jesus prayed this night, now housed under the roof of a modern church, at the end of our group Mass we beheld water and tiny pools of blood develop before our eyes. Many took pictures and we have more than 22 written witness accounts which have been entrusted to the Franciscans of the Holy Land. We recall the words of Luke 22:44 that Jesus prayed to his Father that this cup of destiny might pass, and so great was his distress that his drops of sweat became drops of blood which fell to the ground. We had just a few minutes earlier passed the cup of the Eucharist around the rock where people had their chairs and said: "Blood of Christ" to which each responded "Amen." Thus to us this miracle was also a Eucharistic miracle and it occurred to us only later that the first blood Jesus shed for us at his passion was not the scourging, nor the crown of thorns nor the cross, but these first drops of blood in the Garden of Gethsemane. The Franciscans who care for the Holy Land shrines for almost 800 years have no documentation of this phenomenon ever happening before. Only once or twice had pilgrims witnessed a sudden appearance of moisture on the rock but never blood. We were blessed and wonder what all this might mean for the world. For us it meant a great confirmation of our faith in Jesus' Passion, His Last Supper, and the shedding of his Blood to save us. But might it also mean Jesus again suffers a passion for his followers (Christians) being slaughtered in the mid-east by the likes of ISIS?

—Sunday's Scriptures—

Isaiah 50:4-7 The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced.

Psalm 22 My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Philippians 2:6-10 "...he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave ...becoming obedient to the point of death."

Luke 22:14-23:56 (The Passion of our Lord according to St. Luke) Jesus said: "For I tell you, this Scripture must be fulfilled in me.."



SUNDAY GIVING UPDATE: Thank you for your gifts of \$8,424.90. Our year to date average weekly giving is \$12,225.99. Have you considered monthly auto bank transfer giving? Bring a voided check to our bookkeeper and fill out the necessary form.

Have you sent in your CFSA Pledge Card yet? Please do so. We have to account for every member who got a mailing and their response, yea or nay, to our diocesan office. Our 2016 CFSA goal was given to us last month by the diocese: Holy Name is assessed \$94,300.00.

Boy Scout Troup 209 Pancake Breakfast this Sunday.

Extra Holy Week Confessions after the Holy Thursday and Good Friday services at 7 pm. No confessions on Holy Saturday. Holy Saturday this week has Mass at 7 pm, not the usual 4:30 pm Mass.

Holy Week Special Services:

Holy Thursday7pm

Good Friday: Stations at 12:10, Service at 7 pm

Holy Saturday (with Easter Mass) at 7 pm... known as the Easter Vigil Service; no 4:30 Mass.

Easter Sunday Masses at the usual times of 8:30am and 10:30am.

The Easter Vigil is one of the most beautiful liturgies of the year, running somewhat over an hour long, with the blessing of fire, the reception and confirmation of new Catholics, the blessing of Easter holy water and the new Paschal Candle. I highly encourage you to choose this as your Easter celebration. We have witnessed this service become fuller and fuller each year when people realize that it is shorter than it use to be and how beautiful it is.

Masses & Sacraments

Weekend Masses: Sat. 4:30 pm ; Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 am
 Nursery Service: 10:30 am Mass
 Daily Masses: Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 am
 Confessions: Friday: 8:00-8:20 a.m. Saturday 3:30 –4:00 pm
 Baptisms: First Sunday of the month following the 10:30 Mass and third Saturday of the month following the 4:30 Mass. Pre-baptismal classes required; held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Contact the Parish Office to register.
 Marriage: At least 6 months pre-notice is required
 Immaculate Conception Masses:
 Weekdays– Tues. & Wed. 5:15 pm Thurs. –8 am, Fri.- 9 am
 Weekends: Sat.-4:30 pm & Sun. 9:00 & 11:00 am



3/22	Tuesday	8:30 am	† Karla Gottsleben
3/23	Wednesday	8:30 am	† Mavis Block
3/24	Thursday	7:00 pm	† Cecelia Streich
3/25	Friday	NO Mass	
3/26	Saturday	7:00 pm	† Deacon Jeff Kowitz
3/27	Sunday	8:30 am	Holy Name Parishioners
		10:30 am	† Ralph Endres

Serving the Assembly **March 26-27**

Liturgical Ministers	7:00 pm	8:30 am	10:30 am
Altar Servers	Alex Gauer Nick Mahowald Brandon Lindner Danielle Gottsleben	Joe Dagle	Siri & Kohen Kranz
Eucharistic Ministers	Elaine Peterson Mike Jennings Ray/Anne Ries Katie Chida Bobbie Bach	Lee Syring Karla Dagle Keith/Cindy Mack Norm Stahl	Jeanne Flaherty Matti Kranz Stan/Jan Winkels
Ushers/ Greeters	D/S Reiffenberger Gary/Rose Steen	Jim/Betty Skroch	
Lectors*	Mary Triplet	Patty Hanson	
Gift Bearers			
Music Ministers	Choir	Choir	Shalom
Sacristan	Mary Reihe 881-3095	Judy 868-1020	

More Volunteers needed for Holy Week Liturgies. Please sign up at Sacristan Counter.

Holy Week Liturgies :

Holy Name of Jesus Parish:

Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm, Good Friday 12:10 pm & 7:00 pm
 Easter Vigil 7:00 pm

Immaculate Conception Parish:

Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm, Good Friday 12:10 pm & 7:00 pm
 Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

Religious Education News

No Religious Ed classes Wednesday, March 23; Sunday, March 20 and 27.

1st Communion Retreat, Wednesday, March 30, 7:00-8:15 pm in the Parish Center gym for all 2nd graders and their 9th grade Prayer Buddies.

11th & 12th grade meet with Fr. Mike, Wednesday, April 6th, 7:00-8:00 pm in the Angelus Center. This will be the last meeting for the 2015-2016 school year.

HOUSING NEEDED. A NET Team (National Evangelization Team) will be conducting a Confirmation retreat for our 10th graders on May 4. The team consists of 11 college age men and women. We need families who will host two of the young women or men for the night of May 4. Please contact Mary at 886-3368 if you would be willing to help.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Living Stations. A special thank you to the 2016 Cast!

Jesus-Mitch Tschakert
 Pontius Pilate-Alex Gauer
 Guards: Nick Mahowald, Andrew Crocker, Brandon Lindner, Sam Hulscher
 Mary-Regina Geier
 Simon of Cyrene-Nolan Bowers
 Servant Girl-Jocelyn Guenther
 Veronica-Macy Denzer
 Weeping Women-Hannah Bowers, Madigan Moore, Danielle Gottsleben, Jani Moran
 Joseph of Arimathea-Jackson Dagle
 Nicodemus-Alex Keller
 Narrators– Molly Walker & Rob Kowitz
 Soloist-Elise Schweer
 Pianist-Shelby Kluver
 Lights-Doug Mack
 Assistant-Maggie Triplet
 Assistant Director-Penny Mack
 Director-Mary Triplet

Immaculate Conception School News

International Heifer Project Results- Last week we did a loose change collection each morning in the gym. We collected \$476.95. Next week students select and vote which animals that they would like us to purchase for the families in third world countries.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Our Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday March 21st and Tuesday March 22nd from 4:00pm until 8:00pm. **We will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair on the stage during the conference times.**

Holy Week Schedule

NO SCHOOL ON GOOD FRIDAY, March 25th and EASTER MONDAY March 28th. **We will have school all day on Holy Thursday March 24th. There will not be a school mass on Holy Thursday.**

Spring Program : Our Spring Musical Program will be held at Holy Name Church on April 7th Students in K-2 will perform at 6:00pm. Students in 3rd through 6th grade will perform at 6:45pm. Mr. Moneke will be directing this event. Blessings, Mrs. Dagle Principal

- 3/20 Sunday
Troop 209 Pancake Feed - Parish Center: 9am -1 pm
- 3/21 Monday
Adult Choir 6:30 pm
- 3/23 Wednesday
Shalom rehearsal 6:15 pm
- 3/24 Holy Thursday
No 8:30 Mass
Mass at 7 pm
- 3/25 Good Friday
No 8:30 Mass
Parish Offices Closed
Good Friday Services: 12:10 pm & 7 pm
- 3/26 Saturday
No Confessions
No 4:30 Mass
- 3/28 Monday
Envelopes stuffers 6:30 pm St. Martin's Rm.

Listen to a radio interview with Fr. Mike regarding the Holy Land Miracle on Easter Sunday - March 27. In addition to these radio stations, listed below, the program can be found on the diocesan website - Sfcatholic.org and it will be listed as Catholic Views for March 27 (found on the front page, right side).

Broadcast Schedule Sunday Mornings:
8:00am CT - KELO (1320 AM - Sioux Falls)
9:30am CT - KSDN (930 AM - Aberdeen)
7:30am CT - KMSD (1510 AM - Milbank)
8:30am CT - KSTJ (91.3 FM - Sioux Falls)
8:30am CT - KSJP (88.9 FM - Aberdeen)

Please check out lost and found items (above coat rack) and bowls left from Funeral luncheons.

Pray the Divine Mercy Novena at Immaculate Conception Chapel: starting Good Friday following the evening liturgy and continues at 5:45 pm each day through April 2nd.

Spend a Day with Pope Francis

Saturday, April 2, 10:30 -3:30 pm- Angelus Center
Listening, reading, discussing & reflecting on his book, "The Name of God is Mercy". Lunch will be provided. We will follow along with an audible book if you would like to purchase a book please call Cindy Geier at 881-9678 by March 28. Cost of the hardcover book is \$17. Please RSVP to Cindy for lunch count

Divine Mercy Sunday Pilgrimage

You are invited to pilgrimage with us to Sioux Falls on April 3rd as we pass through the Holy Doors of St. Joseph Cathedral for Divine Mercy Sunday with holy hour from 2:30-3:30 pm. The bus will leave at 12:30 from the Knights of Columbus parking lot. To reserve a seat (\$15) please contact: Kevin VanWell: 237-1305 or Cindy Geier:

FREE MOVIE NIGHTS: Join us for one or all five movie nights starting on April 10, Sunday, at 6 pm and four more Sundays. The Christian movies were produced by the Kendrick Brothers Productions of Georgia: Flywheel; Facing the Giants; Fireproof; Courageous; War Room. This series has been organized by our own maintenance man: Kevin Van Well and his wife and others concerned. They will be shown at the Midwest Bible Camp on Hiway 20. Concessions and Daycare available. In a dramatic way they focus on family breakdown in society and solutions.

Easter Flowers 2016

Enclosed is my gift of _____
 To help purchase Easter flowers for Holy Name.
 In honor/memory of:

From: _____

Deadline: Tuesday, March 22nd.

KC \$100 Calendar Winners: Mike Pasek

Beginning Experience of Eastern South Dakota for Widowed, Separated, Divorced—April 15-17 at Broom Tree Retreat Center, Irene, SD, Call Jeanne: 605-361-9857
 See Applications on the Bulletin Board

Come and experience the Holy Spirit in your life and how He makes your ordinary life EXTRAORDINARY! Come Holy Spirit Retreat April 8&9 St Henry Catholic Church in Henry. Opening Mass @6:30pm April 8th with confessions, registrations and speakers to follow. This is a great way to prepare for Pentecost. A free will donation will be accepted. For more info contact Mavis Kemnitz @605-880-5996 or mavis.kemnitz@gmail.com

Easter Sharing- The Holy Name Social Concerns Committee has a basket on the Time/Talent/Treasure Counter with special envelopes for donations to purchase Scrip for Easter dinner groceries for needy families in our parish. Please return donations to the parish office or in the collection basket. God bless you for sharing.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can give you the tools you need to grow more deeply in intimacy and love for each other. Register today for the upcoming WWME weekend at Joy Ranch Retreat Center. April 8-10. www.sdwwme.org or 605-362-0924

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