



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



April 16, 2017

Dear Parish Family,

The Easter Story is the most wonderful story ever told. And it happens to be true. Think about how fast good news spreads. If I really believe that Jesus died for me and for each person, don't I want to tell others? If I really believe that Jesus rose from the dead on Easter, don't I want to tell others? If I really believe that Jesus is alive, and that he wants to fill our lives with healing and freedom and joy, don't I want to tell others? Christianity spread because Christians told their story. In our own time, people will come to find their joy in Christ if we tell our own story about finding that joy. And today we're going to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. He wants to be our strength and our joy. Let's take a minute or two after communion to ask him: "What is my story?" And then let's remember one moment when I realized that my life was different because I know Jesus Christ. Can I share that with someone else? Someone else is waiting to hear that story. Someone else is waiting to experience the joy of Easter.

Thank you to all who helped make the Holy Week, and Easter liturgies so beautiful. Thank you to our friends and neighbors from St. Michael's, Mt. Vernon for the gift of two statues; the Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Therese of Lisieux. Another thank you to our friends and neighbors from Holy Trinity Ethan, for the gift of the crucifix that hung on their Church. We are delighted to have these precious items. It is always sad when a church building must close, for a whole variety of reasons. Buildings may close, but the Church never closes. Please know, if you have not found your new parish home, know you are very welcome at Holy Family, there is always room for one more!

I will be away from Holy Family April 18th to the 30th. Fr. Rod Farke will be our guest April 22/23rd, and Fr. Ed Pierce will be with us April 29/30th.

Peace to you and yours, Fr. Stevens

PARISH COLLECTION



Envelopes:	\$ 11,024.00	(328 parishioners)
Loose:	\$ 1,874.74	
Children:	\$ 127.00	

Total collected last week: \$ 13,025.74 Thank You!
An average of \$14,000 in weekly contributions is needed to offset the cost of living increase for parish expenses, etc. Thank you!

CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL: (CFSA)

Our 2017 Goal:	\$ 117,000	
Pledged thus far:	\$ 67,800	(58%)
Collected thus far:	\$ 59,890	(51%)
Parishioner response:	395	(37%)

CFSA 2017 – Thank you to those who have already responded to this year's Catholic Family Sharing Appeal. We still need to hear from many of you, so please fill out your pledge card and return it as soon as possible. If you have misplaced yours, please let the parish office staff know at 996-3639. Thank you.

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS (ACH): If you would like to have your church contributions automatically deducted from your bank account each month, call the parish office at 996-3639. Forms can also be found on our website, www.holyfamilymitchell.com (under FORMS) that you can fill out and return to the parish office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We welcome those who are new to our parish and ask them to call the parish office for registration information, or if you are moving, please also notify the parish office at 996-3639.

BAPTISM: Last Sunday of the month after the Saturday evening Mass (6:15pm) or Sunday after the 11:30am Mass (12:45pm). Please notify the parish office and a Baptism Information Form will be provided.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Tuesday – 8:30am – 8:00pm

† Open volunteer spot from 3 to 4pm. Please call the parish office.

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS: Tuesday–5:30pm and Saturday–3:30pm

† PARISH NEWS



Holy Family extends our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Orville Sell who went home to the Lord. May our Lord bless and comfort you during your time of grief.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal: Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Donation envelopes are stapled to this weekend's bulletin. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

HOLY FAMILY'S 2016 PARISH DIRECTORY IS IN...

If you had your photo taken by LifeTouch or had one submitted for the directory, you may pick up your **FREE** book in the parish office between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM TUESDAY – FRIDAY (The office is closed on Mondays). If you did not get your photo in the directory, you may still purchase a directory for a \$10 charge. Thank you!



† PARISH NEWS CONT....

We are having Totus Tuus at our parishes in June!

Information and registration forms are at the FF Office, parish offices or online at the Faith Formation website www.ffmitchell.com.

Registrations are due by May 25th (last day of school)

Day Session - For youth entering Grades 1-6 this fall

Monday-Thursday, June 12-15 - 9:00 am-2:30 pm

Evening Session - For youth entering Grades 7-12 this fall

Sunday-Wednesday, June 11-14 - 7:30-9:30 pm

Cost: \$20 per child, non-refundable.

The 4-member Totus Tuus team is comprised of 2 college-age women and 2 college-age men that will be trained by our diocesan staff and will come to the parishes to lead both the day and evening sessions.

Team MEALS: We are looking for families to host the 4-member team in their home for an evening meal **or** provide a noon meal for the team (deliver to JP II School at Noon as the team eats with the students).

HOST FAMILY: We are also looking for one more family to host the team in their home—either the young men or the young woman. (2 beds; does not need to be two separate bedrooms).

Questions? Contact Christine in the FF Office, 996-3842, clemmer@ffmitchell.com. or Briana at Holy Family, 996-3639 or briana.fiegen@ffmitchell.com.

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OUR LADY ROSARY MAKERS will not be meeting this coming Monday but will meet the following Monday, April 24 at 1:30 PM in the Nazareth Room.

BIDS FOR KIDS – Get Your Tickets NOW!

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2017 – 5:30 PM – Highland Conference Center

Make plans to attend this awesome event that supports John Paul II School, Faith Formation and the Foundation. Tickets can still be purchased in the Faith Formation office. –Thank you for your support!

AREA HAPPENINGS

Catholic Daughters meeting date CHANGE! Due to Holy Thursday falling on the second Thursday of April this year, the monthly meeting of Catholic Daughters will held be on April 20 at Holy Spirit Church. Nick and Laura Baus will present the program at 7PM. The meeting will follow.

The **Knights of Columbus** will be inducting new members on Sunday April 30, 2017 at 10:30 AM at John Paul II School. If you are a Catholic gentlemen, consider joining an organization that changes lives and saves lives!

The **Knights of Columbus** will be leading the Rosary at 8:30 AM at Holy Spirit Church on April 30. All Knights and their families are encourage to join us in celebrating this 5th Sunday Rosary event.

The Lamb Catholic Radio 91.3 KSJT

Lamb Catholic Radio will be having their Spring Share a thon "One" April 19th, 20th & 21st. Jerry Usher from EWTN will be back to help out, and local ministries will be participating in the Ministry Challenge for free advertising. Visit our website www.lambradio.com and tune in to 91.3 FM Mitchell, 88.9 FM Aberdeen, Yankton and 104.3 LP-FM Sioux Falls, or online.



Catholic Radio for South Dakota "Bringing people to Christ and Christ to his people"

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

04/18	8:00am	d. Victor Thelen
04/19	8:00am	d. Louise McNickle
04/20	8:00am	d. Harold Pecenka
04/21	8:00am	d. Norma Jean Hanten
04/22	5:00pm	d. Andrew & Tilly Fritschen
04/23	8:30am	d. Louis Nolz
	10:00am	For Holy Family Parish
	11:30am	d. John & Louise McCloud

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers

04/22	5:00pm	L-M Pecenka; EM-Deacon Graves, R Wuertzer, D Callies, V Weber, M Redder
04/23	8:30am	L-D Nesheim; EM-B&E Sullivan, F&M Bruna, A Deinert
	10:00am	L-J Shields; EM-P Essig, T&K Harrington, C Symes, (A Sparks - Sub Request)
	11:30am	L-P Paulson; EM-T&M Day, D&S Heesch

Mass Servers

04/22	5:00pm	A Kaus, B&T Sabers
04/23	8:30am	C Singrey, B Wilson, Volunteer
	10:00am	T DeJong, J Rients, (B Sparks – Sub Request)
	11:30am	J Heesch, M Mauszycki, J Wyatt

Ministers of Hospitality

04/22	5:00pm	C Janzing, M Novak, A Vermeulen, B&J Freeman
04/23	8:30am	J Miller, T Misiaszek, H Titze, B Young
	10:00am	C Bartscher, J Grosdidier, M Miiller, L Sparks, N Zimmerman
	11:30am	C Brewster, C Gehrke, M Kattner, S Podzimek, L VanDrongelen

WEEKLY BULLETIN BOARD



04/16	Happy Easter!
04/17	Easter Monday – Parish Office Closed – No JP II School
04/18	Eucharistic Adoration – 8:30am to 8:00pm
04/19	John Paul II School Mass – 9am – Holy Spirit Church
	Faith Formation Classes – K-6 5:30pm/7-12 6:45pm – JP II School
	Full Choir – 6pm Music Office
	RCIA –7:30pm – Nazareth Rm
04/20	Catholic Daughters Mtg – 7pm – Holy Spirit Church
04/21	Finance Mtg – 12 noon – Nazareth Rm
	Bids for Kids Event –5:30pm – Highland Conf. Ctr
04/22	Confessions – 3:30pm
04/23	Divine Mercy Sunday – Catholic Home Missions Appeal

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"The Easter Bunny must have a lot of chickens workin' for him."

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