



Divine Mercy Sunday



April 23, 2017

Dear Parish Family,

"...Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." –John 14:25

There is a little Thomas in all of us. How often do we think, "I want to believe God, I really do, but what if...?" What if I become vulnerable and His promises are not true? For most of us, we know in our minds His promises are true, it just hasn't reached our hearts. Thomas knew the Lord was to rise on the third day, but there was doubt in his heart. And how does Jesus respond? With mercy.

"Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring you hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.'" –John 14:27

How beautifully and gently he responds to Thomas. The truth is, Jesus is mercy. We know this, but do we ask for it? Do we call upon this mercy? There is an ocean of mercy waiting for us, yet the doubt in our hearts remain. We make the mistake of holding our hearts hostage and convince ourselves that we can do things on our own and heal by our own accord.


"As a gift to humanity, which sometimes seems bewildered and overwhelmed by the power of evil, selfishness, and fear, the Risen Lord offers His love that pardons, reconciles, and reopens hearts to love. It is a love that converts hearts and gives peace. How much the world needs to understand and accept Divine Mercy!

Lord, who reveals the Father's love by Your death and Resurrection, we believe in You and confidently repeat to You today: Jesus, I trust in You, have mercy upon us and upon the whole world." ~Bl. Pope John Paul II, Regina Caeli message prepared for Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3, 2005

Lord, help us to believe in our hearts your promises and call upon the mercy of Jesus with a pounding of our chest, "My Lord and my God!"


Briana Fiegen – Director of Youth Discipleship and Ministry Gr. 7-12

PARISH COLLECTION

	Envelopes:	\$ 14,878.23	(358 parishioners)
	ACH:	\$ 6,925.00	(36 parishioners)
	Loose:	\$ 2,247.00	
	Children:	\$ 268.89	

Total collected last week: \$ 24,319.12 **Thank You!**

OTHER COLLECTIONS

	Holy Land:	\$ 1,268.00	
	Rice Bowl:	\$ 439.93	Thank You!

CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL: (CFSA)

Our 2017 Goal:	\$ 117,000	
Pledged thus far:	\$ 67,935	(59%)
Collected thus far:	\$ 59,890	(51%)
Parishioner response:	399	(37%)

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



We Welcome through the Living Waters of Baptism: ELIZA QUINN, daughter of Joe & Ashley (Finkenbiner) Graves. May God shower you with an abundance of His grace and blessings.



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

Catholic Home Missions Appeal: Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds programs—such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training—to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. Envelopes can be found at the church entrances. See www.usccb.org/home-missions for more information.

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....



OUR LADY ROSARY MAKERS will hold their monthly meeting this coming Monday, April 24 at 1:30 PM in the Nazareth Room.

S.C.R.I.P. WILL BE SOLD IN THE GATHERING SPACE AFTER MASS TODAY!

AREA HAPPENINGS


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 **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!

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The **Mitchell Area Right to Life** will be having a meeting on Monday, May 1st, 2017 at 7:00pm at Holy Family Church, Nazareth Room. Please contact Sonja with any questions at 770-6463.

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 The **New Mitchell Food Pantry** is now open at 212 W 1st Ave. Items most in need are Macaroni, Cereal, Canned Fruit and Juice. Donations may be left in the bin located in the foyer of the main entrance to the Gathering Space or you may bring them directly to the Food Pantry. The food pantry will take empty egg cartons but no grocery bags are needed. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail to: Mitchell Area Food Pantry, PO Box 815, Mitchell, SD 57301. Thank you!

NEWS FROM CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat -May 12-15- **Strictly Confidential.**

A safe, loving, non-judgmental environment. Open to *men, women, mothers, fathers, grandparents* who have been affected by abortion. Non-denominational. Sponsored by Catholic Family Services. For registration materials & more information, call Margi at 605-988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 or email mculhane@sfcatholic.org. Deadline for registration will be May 5.

Mother Teresa fund

The Mother Teresa Endowment is a fund providing financial assistance to individuals or couples experiencing an unplanned pregnancy and who have considered abortion because of limited financial resources. Through Catholic Family Services, free pregnancy counseling is available and we work to determine available community resources. The Mother Teresa Endowment Fund assists with legitimate costs not covered elsewhere. Application forms are available from any CFS office, or call 800-700-7867.

Help for the military and their families

The St. Raphael Fund is meant to assist the military and their families in meeting needs not supported in other ways. The goal is encourage healthy families and to provide care for those who serve. Applications for funds can be sent to St. Raphael Fund, 523 N. Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, or any Catholic Family Services Office around the diocese, 1-800-700-7867. Donations to the fund can be sent to the same address.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

- 04/25 8:00am d. Richard Frederick
- 04/26 8:00am d. Arnie Dagen
- 04/27 8:00am d. Estelle Bolgrea
- 04/28 8:00am For Maurice Bolgrea
- 04/29 5:00pm d. Les Miller
- 04/30 8:30am For Holy Family Parish
- 10:00am d. Rita Busasmus
- 11:30am For Fred Geisler

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers

- 04/29 5:00pm L-V Redder; EM-Deacon Graves, K Rubendall, D Petersen, M Bittner, S Moege,
- 04/30 8:30am L-C Harrell; EM-W&K Schoenfelder, D Nesheim, D Harrell, B Young
- 10:00am L-J Schumacher; EM-C&L Bannwarth, R&T Kriese, T Schumacher
- 11:30am L-R Grimsley; EM-K Mohr, J Paulson, S Peschong, J Hunt

Mass Servers

- 04/29 5:00pm G Rubendall, C Trisco, E Vermeulen
- 04/30 8:30am J Herrlein, (L LeBrun – Sub Request), Volunteer
- 10:00am K&M Bannwarth, C Miller
- 11:30am C Bartunek, B Jarding, J King

Ministers of Hospitality

- 04/29 5:00pm M Bittner, S Grosz, J&C Lynde
- 04/30 8:30am R&D Kelly, S Kirkus, J Miller, T Misiaszek
- 10:00am J&C Beatch, B&B Puetz, H Morgan
- 11:30am B&L Schleich, C Reimnitz, L VanDrongelen, C Weins

WEEKLY BULLETIN BOARD



- 04/23 **Divine Mercy Sunday** – Catholic Home Missions Appeal
- 04/24 **Parish Office Closed**
- 04/25 **Eucharistic Adoration** – 8:30am to 8:00pm
- Confessions** – 5:30pm
- 04/26 **John Paul II School Mass** – 9am – Holy Spirit Church
- Full Choir** – 6pm Music Office
- RCIA** –7:30pm – Nazareth Rm
- 04/29 **Confessions** – 3:30pm
- 04/30 **Knights of Columbus 5th Sunday Rosary** – 8:30am – HS Church
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The 21st Annual



“BISHOP’S CHARITY FISHING TOURNAMENT”

Benefiting Seminarian Education

The 21st Annual “*Bishop’s Charity Fishing Tournaments*” are scheduled for **Monday, June 5th** at Big Stone City Lakeside Park, Big Stone Lake and **Monday June 12th**, at West Whitlock Resort on Lake Oahe near Gettysburg.

Did you know that 31 seminarians are currently studying for the diocese of Sioux Falls? God willing, 6 will be ordained to the Priesthood in June and 2 will be ordained as Transitional Deacons.

You can also help by purchasing a raffle ticket, for one of two chances to win \$1,500. For more information contact the Catholic Communication Foundation at (605)-988-3765!

Your participation will go a long way to support our future priests! To register or for more information contact the Catholic Community Foundation at 605-988-3765, toll free at 1-888-246-3386 or on-line at www.ccfesd.org.