



*Palm Sunday of
the Passion of the Lord*

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April 9, 2017

Dear Parish Family,

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

So, we come at last to Holy Week. Our Lenten journey has brought us here to face the most solemn time of the Church's Year of Grace. Today, we are the crowd, waving palm branches and cheering on Jesus as he enters Jerusalem. On Maundy Thursday, we will be in the Upper Room with the Apostles, silently watching as Our Lord institutes the Eucharist and then goes out into the night to face his Agony in the Garden. We will fall asleep, and instead of keeping our word to him who made the seas and strands, we will run off into the night to deny him like Peter. As we creep into Church on Friday, shamefully aware of our deep sinfulness which has cost so great a price as Jesus's life's blood, we will become a very different crowd, calling for the crucifixion of Our Divine Savior, then weeping with Our Blessed Mother, as she stands by the Cross of her Divine Son. When Christ is laid in the tomb, a great silence will descend upon us, the silence of Holy Saturday, the silence of the grave. We will be aware of how much we depend on Christ, when in these hours his presence is symbolically removed from us, when the tabernacle is left empty and open. Undergoing all this, we will come to the moment symbolizing the Resurrection – the Blessing of the New Fire – as the Dawn from on High breaks upon us. Entering the darkened Church, our hearts, rekindled like that fire, will blaze as, beyond all we had hoped for, the Risen Christ bursts forth from the tomb and the power and glory of God shines in the newness of that eternal life he has won for us.

May your Holy Week deepen your relationship with Christ. Get the most out of it by fully entering into the ceremonies and allowing yourself to be present at and to witness those Great Mysteries of our glorious Catholic Faith.

May God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you this Holy Week.

Nigel McBain.

PARISH COLLECTION



Envelopes:	\$ 12,731.00	(315 parishioners)
ACH:	\$ 3,977.67	(32 parishioners)
Loose:	\$ 1,849.00	
Children:	\$ 99.25	

Total collected last week: \$ 18,656.92 Thank You!

CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL: (CFSA)		
Our 2017 Goal:	\$ 117,000	
Pledged thus far:	\$ 66,444	(57%)
Collected thus far:	\$ 57,089	(49%)
Parishioner response:	390	(35%)

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

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

CONFESSION SCHEDULE FOR THE REMAINDER OF LENT:

- Monday, April 10th: 12:00 PM
- Tuesday, April 11th: 12:00 PM, 5:30 PM
- Wednesday, April 12th: 12:00 PM

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES:

- April 13th – Holy Thursday Mass – 5:30 PM (Adoration to follow 'til 10 PM)
- April 14th – Good Friday Passion of the Lord – 12:15 PM
Living Stations – 5:30 PM
- April 15th – Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass – 7:30 PM
- April 16th – Easter Sunday Masses – 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 AM

REMINDERS:

NO MORNING MASS ON THURSDAY & FRIDAY OF HOLY WEEK.
THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER MONDAY.



EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY/HONOR

If you wish to make a donation toward the Easter lilies in memory or in honor of your loved one(s), please submit them to the parish office **by noon this Monday, April 10th**. Thank you!



*Congratulations to
Loyd & Maxine Oleson
as they celebrate their*



*70th Wedding Anniversary this Friday, April 14th.
Greetings may be sent to 1414 W. Cedar Ave. Rm T, Mitchell.
May God bless you both on this very special day!*

† PARISH NEWS CONT....

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!



Living Stations of the Cross: The youth of the parishes in Gr. 7-12 are invited to participate in the Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 14th at 5:30pm in Holy Family Church and at 7:00pm in Holy Spirit Church. There will be four practices (4/9, 10, 12, 14). **We are still looking for several young men!** Sign up at Faith Formation or contact Briana Fiegen at briana.fiegen@ffmitchell.com or 996-3639.

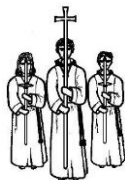


Outreach Ministry – Just a reminder...

If you have family members or friends in the parish who are unable to attend church, please call the parish office at 996-3639 so that they can be placed on our list to visit.

Attention Altar Servers – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

You are **INVITED** to the **FREE** Altar Server Appreciation movie and pizza party Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus!



DATE: Saturday, May 20th

PLACE: Logan Luxury Theaters – Mitchell

TIME: 10:00am (doors open at 9:30am)

Movie: *The Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul*

BIDS FOR KIDS – Tickets NOW on Sale!



Make plans to attend this awesome event that supports John Paul II School, Faith Formation and the Foundation. Purchase your tickets after Mass or in either parish or JP II School office. Due to the sellout of

last year's event, all seats will be assigned this year. So, get some friends together and purchase a reserved table of eight! –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 **New Mitchell Food Pantry** is now open at 212 W 1st Ave. Items most in need are Juice, Cereal, and Fruit, especially Apple Sauce and Oranges, canned or fresh. **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. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail to: Mitchell Area Food Pantry, PO Box 815, Mitchell, SD 57301.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

04/11	8:00am	d. Josephine Vitek
04/12	8:00am	d. Richard Frederick
04/13	5:30pm	For Holy Family Parish
04/14	12:15pm	Liturgy Service
04/15	7:30pm	For Holy Family Parish
04/16	8:30am	For Holy Family Parish
	10:00am	For Holy Family Parish
	11:30am	For Holy Family Parish

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

Holy Thursday:

04/13 5:30pm L-C Harrell; EM-W&K Schoenfelder, T&J Schumacher, R&E Sullivan, D Harrell

Good Friday:

04/14 12:15pm L-Deacon Graves, J Shields; EM-Deacon Graves, C&L Bannwarth, M Bittner, R Wuertzer

Holy Saturday – Easter Sunday:

04/15 7:30pm L-Deacon Graves, V Redder; EM-Deacon Graves, D Callies, T&S Kirby, S Moege, W Schoenfelder, M Redder

04/16 8:30am L-J Feiner; EM-D Kirkus, M&M Ommen, J Schlimgen, J Schroeder

10:00am L-T Sabers; EM-T&J Schumacher, J Heemstra, J Thury, R&D Hohn

11:30am L-R Grimsley; EM-J Hunt, H&B Kelly, K Mohr

Mass Servers

Holy Thursday:

04/13 5:30pm C&J Mentele, J Herrlein

Good Friday:

04/14 12:15pm B Jarding, E&C McCardle

Holy Saturday – Easter Sunday:

04/15 7:30pm D&E Easton, R Rients

04/16 8:30am C&J Mentele, Volunteer

10:00am H,J&J Bartscher

11:30am A,K&T Mika

Ministers of Hospitality

Holy Thursday:

04/13 5:30pm M Alexander, T&J Hohrman, H Morgan

Good Friday:

04/14 12:15pm T&J Schumacher

Holy Saturday – Easter Sunday

04/15 7:30pm B&J Freeman, C Bartscher, J Grosdidier, M Miiller

04/16 8:30am B Young, T Zens, S Grosz, S Kirkus, H Titze

10:00am J&J Heemstra, J&N Puetz, D Sabers

11:30am H&L Andersen, G&C Docter

WEEKLY BULLETIN BOARD



4/10	K of C Meeting – 7pm – KC Hall (Steaks at 6pm)
4/11	Eucharistic Adoration – 8:30am to 8:00pm
4/12	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
04/13	Holy Thursday – 5:30pm Mass (No Morning Mass)
04/14	Good Friday – 12:15pm Liturgy – (No Morning Mass)
	Parish Office Closed / No JP II School or School Mass
	Living Stations of the Cross – 5:30pm (HF) 7pm (HS)
04/15	Holy Saturday – 7:30pm Vigil Mass (No 5pm Mass)
04/16	Easter Sunday – Masses Times: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30am (SEE CONFESSION SCHEDULE FOR LENT UNDER FR. STEVENS' COLUMN)

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