



The Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2016

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. We recall the day that Jesus, descended into the river Jordan, and was baptized by John the Baptist. Not because he needed to be washed or repentant of sin; but to open for us the "gateway"

to all of the other sacraments. Baptism does indeed, wash away original sin, it makes us a son or daughter of God, and grafts us into the Body of Christ the Church, and fills us with sanctifying, life giving grace! So yes, Baptism is a very big deal! We should know our date of baptism as sure as we know our birthday. Do you know what day you were baptized?

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

Again, let me express my gratitude for all of your kindness to me at Christmas! Your cards, gifts, and all of the sweets, are a sign of your love, support and welcome here at Holy Family. To be sure, I was a bit overwhelmed, and humbled. Thank you again to all who worked so hard to decorate the Church! I was delighted by how beautiful everything looked, job well done!!

Letter from St. John Paul II School

All members of Holy Family Parish will be receiving a letter co-signed by both pastors, inviting you to consider expanded programing of the pre-school/daycare at John Paul II school. Your interest and feedback are very much welcome.

Parish Registration

With the upcoming Parish Photo Directory, it has been revealed that some folks are not registered at Holy Family Parish. I know this, because some of you did not get a letter inviting you to have your picture taken. So I invite you to register if you have not done so, or make sure your registration is updated if needed. We need your help in this; commit to Holy Family, and Holy Family will commit to you!

MN Vikings, SKOL!

Christmas cookies and sweets, don't normally include a big piece of "humble"pie! So the Vikings have won the conference title. To them and their supporters, I say Skol! We will see how they fair against the SeaChickens!

Have a blessed week,
Fr. Shane D. Stevens

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday from 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM

Volunteers are needed to help take down the Christmas decorations in the Church/Gathering space after the 11:30 Mass this weekend. Please come and help lighten our load! ALSO...you are welcome to take a poinsettia plant home this weekend if you would like. Please leave the plastic dish underneath.

We Welcome through the Living Waters of Baptism:

CHASE ISSAC, son of Nick & Hilary (Ormseth) Rockwell. May God shower you with an abundance of His grace and blessings.



Holy Family extends our deepest sympathy to LeRoy "Pete" Kayser and Lois Kayser on the death of their sister/sister-in-law Marcella Hollmann of Mitchell. May our Lord surround you with strength and comfort at this sad time.

PARISH COLLECTION



Envelopes:	\$11,169.00	(334 parishioners)
ACH:	\$ 3,020.67	(29 parishioners)
Loose:	\$ 1,183.00	
Children:	\$ 119.46	

Total collected last week: \$15,492.13 Thank You!

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Statements will be mailed out by the end of the month to those who have contributed to Holy Family Church in 2015.

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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 at www.holyfamilymitchell.com (under FORMS) that you can fill out and return to the parish office.

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ATTENTION Ladies of the Altar Society... Please note the blue envelope included in the January support envelopes to be used for your annual Altar Society dues of \$10.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are blessed to have you join us this weekend! If you are visiting and looking for a church home, please consider joining our Catholic Community. To register in the parish or if you regularly attend Holy Family, but have never registered, please call the parish office at 996-3639 for more information, or you can find registration forms online at Holy Family's website www.holyfamilymitchell.com.



School News from John Paul II

Robin Cahoy – Principal
1510 W Elm Ave, Mitchell, SD 57301
(605) 996-2365 – Website: www.johnpaul2.org

The John Paul II Show Choir, Joyful Noise, began practicing for the 2016 season on Tuesday, January 5 at 7:15AM in the Music Room. The Show Choir is open to any fifth or sixth grade student who wishes to participate and will consistently attend the practices which are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We are excited to see their show in the near future.

There will be a PTO meeting on Monday, January 11th at 7:00 in the Faculty Lounge. We hope to have many parents there to help prepare for Catholic School's Week and the school carnival.

Just a reminder... SCRIP sales resume in the gathering space after Masses this weekend.



SAVE THE DATE and plan to attend the John Paul II School Carnival on Sunday, January 31st! Chances for free tuition are available now in the school office for \$25 each. New this year - 2 winners will each be drawn at the carnival to win a 1/2 year free tuition! You can use it, donate it to a family, or to the Adopt a Student program! You do not have to be present to win, but there are only 100 chances, so get one before they're gone!

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The residents of Brady Assisted Living would like to thank Holy Family parishioners for the fruit baskets that were delivered over the Christmas holiday. They were very much appreciated!

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Holy Family wishes to Congratulate Jeff Müller & Tessa Mailoux who were united in marriage here last weekend. May the Lord bless them as they begin their sacramental life together.





Faith Formation News

Christine Lemmer, Faith Formation Director
996-3842 or email: clemmer@ffmitchell.com
Website: www.ffmitchell.com

Faith Formation News: Gr. K-12 classes as usual this Wed., Jan. 13th.
RCIA NEWS: Class as usual this Thursday, January 14th at 7:00 pm in the Holy Family Conference Room.



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Annual Fund Update: 4% of cards returned - 29 % of goal

Thank you to those who continue to support our Annual Fund Drive! The drive is an ongoing effort to support our MFCE office and its mission for Catholic Education. Each week we get a little closer to our goal! If you haven't returned your pledge card, please prayerfully consider doing so today!

Do you love Schwan's food? The MFCE has partnered with Schwan's in a fundraiser. Through February 19th, when you order through Schwans, tell them you want to support the Mitchell Foundation for Catholic Education. If you order online, our campaign # is 25619. With all orders, 20% of all product and 40% of e-gift card sales will go back to us. Thanks for your support!

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BISHOP HOCH SCHOLARSHIP 2016-2017

The Diocese awards a \$1,000.00 scholarship in each of the seven deaneries, to enable a student to attend either Mount Marty College in Yankton or Presentation College in Aberdeen. Applications are being accepted for the 2016-2017 school year. The scholarships are available to new students, students already in college and non-traditional students interested in attending or already attending Mount Marty and Presentation Colleges. Contact Mary Andersen at mandersen@sfcatholic.org for more information.

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TIME TO SCHEDULE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION!



Our first week of pictures is fast approaching! Click the sign up link on our webpage (www.holyfamilymitchell.com.) or stop by the sign up table before or after Mass this weekend. Holy Family receives \$5.00 for every portrait session scheduled and there is no cost to you or the church to have your photograph taken. You will also receive a complementary 8X10 portrait and directory for participating. Schedule your session soon! Sign up today and be part of our Holy Family history.

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January is Holy Family's month to help restock the Food Pantry. At this time, items most in need are Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Tuna, Hamburger Helper, Mac & Cheese, Chili Beans, Cereal and Snacks. Donations may be left in the bin located in the foyer of the main entrance to the Gathering Area or you may bring them directly to the Food Pantry (Please mark donations "Holy Family" so our church gets credit for them). If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail to: Mitchell Area Food Pantry, PO Box 815, Mitchell, SD 57301.

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WE WELCOME to Holy Family Parish, New

Members who have registered: The families of John

Welcome & Viola Fluegel, Jeff & Mary Lanning, Earl & Mary Lehrman, Darin Bartscher, Carol Kahler, Darcey Long, Melissa Maier, Shelby Sandmann, Emily Sutherland, Rebecca Woelfel and Kaydee VanOverschelde.

Mass Intentions

- 01/12 8:00am d. James Heying
- 01/13 8:00am d. Mike Olinger
- 01/14 8:00am d. Cecelia Rowe
- 01/15 8:00am d. Del and Corky Kirkus
- 01/16 5:00pm d. Lillian Jenks
- 01/17 8:30am d. Lorraine Horstman
- 10:00am For Holy Family Parish
- 11:30am For the living/deceased members of the Weber and Heiman families (Rescheduled from 3/1/16 as Fr. Stevens will be out)

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Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

- 01/16 5:00pm L-S Kirby; EM-Deacon Graves, K Rubendall, M VanderHeiden, T Kirby, V Weber
- 01/17 8:30am L-B McNeil; EM-B&E Sullivan, F&M Bruna, D Kirkus
- 10:00am L-D Nesheim; EM-P Essig, K Hohn, R&D Hohn, T Schumacher
- 11:30am L-C Hanks; EM-T&M Day, K Mohr, S Peschong, K Ewing

Mass Servers

- 01/16 5:00pm T Milliken-Auch, A&E Vermeulen
- 01/17 8:30am J&R VanDriel, Volunteer
- 10:00am B&B Sparks, K Thomas
- 11:30am A&C Weier, C Bartunek

Ministers of Hospitality

- 01/16 5:00pm M&M Pecenka, P Zweifel, M Bittner
- 01/17 8:30am T&V Zens, B,D&D Slaba, Volunteer
- 10:00am L&V Boehmer, J&J Heemstra, T&J Hohrman
- 11:30am H&L Andersen, T&M Day, Volunteer

BULLETIN BOARD



- 01/10 *Baptism of the Lord*
- 01/11 JPII PTO Mtg – 7pm – JPII School – Faculty Lounge
- KC Business Mtg – 7pm – KC Hall (Steaks at 6)
- 01/12 Eucharistic Adoration – 8:30am to 8:00pm
- Confessions – 7 to 8pm
- Altar Society Mtg – 7pm – Church Bsmt
- 01/13 Faith Formation Classes – ES 5:30pm/ LS 6:45pm – JPII School
- 01/14 RCIA – 7pm – Conference Rm
- CDA Mtg – 7pm – Holy Spirit Parish Hall
- 01/15 JPII School Mass – 9am – Holy Spirit Church
- 01/16 Confessions – 3:30 to 4:30pm



CATHOLIC DAUGHTER Meeting Reminder!

The January CDA meeting will be held on Thursday, January 14 at 7:00 PM in the **HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH GATHERING SPACE**. Hope to see lots of you there! Remember - \$25 dues are due by January 31. They can be paid at the meeting or mailed to Toyna Meaney - 948 Kippes Cove - Mitchell, SD 57301.

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The **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will hold their monthly meeting on **Monday, January 11th at 7:00 PM** in the KC Hall. If you will be joining them for steaks at 6:00 PM please let Vince Boddicker know at 770-9913 ASAP.

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ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS: Holy Family Altar Society will meet on **Tuesday, January 12 at 7:00 PM** in the church basement. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

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The **MITCHELL AREA RIGHT TO LIFE** will have a meeting on **Sunday, January 17, at 7:00 PM** at 1417 W Ash, Mitchell. This is the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Guadalupe home. Please join us to plan for events and have fun! Call 770-6463 with questions.