



# Pentecost Sunday

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June 4, 2017

Dear Parish Family,

For the past seven weeks we have kept the Easter Candle here in the sanctuary, lighting it every time we have celebrated Mass. The living flame of the Easter Candle reminded us that Christ is alive, that he rose from the dead just as the sun rises each morning to put an end to the darkness of the night. The tall, white candle with a burning flame on top reminded us of God's faithfulness throughout all of history. It symbolized the two miraculous pillars - smoke by day and fire by night - that had guided the ancient Israelites out of Egypt, through the desert, and to the Promised Land. Now it is Christ, the Risen Lord, who is our pillar of smoke and pillar of fire, our sure guide out of slavery to sin, through this world of trials and temptations, and into the Promised Land of Heaven. Until next Easter, we will only use it during baptism, or funeral liturgies. Today is Pentecost, the day when Christ's risen life was entrusted to the Church by the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, who descended like tongues of fire on the Apostles nine days after Christ has ascended into heaven. The Holy Spirit dwells with in each of you; what will you do with the help of such a Divine Friend. Come Holy Spirit and renew the face of the earth!

Peace to you and yours,  
Fr. Stevens


## PARISH COLLECTION

	Envelopes:	\$ 6,668.00	(232 parishioners)
	Loose:	\$ 1,003.00	
	Children:	\$ 50.05	
	<b>Total collected last week:</b>	<b>\$ 7,721.05</b>	<b>Thank You!</b>

An average of \$14,000 in weekly contributions is needed to offset the cost of living increase for parish expenses, etc. Thank you!

### IT'S SAFE. IT'S SIMPLE. IT'S CONVENIENT.

#### AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS (ACH):

 With the introduction of We Share online, please prayerfully consider this option for your automatic contributions. You can access this on the parish website ([www.holyfamilymitchell.com](http://www.holyfamilymitchell.com)). If you presently have your ACH through the parish and wish to consider WeShare, please let us know in writing, allowing you the option to manage your giving through WeShare. If you do not have access to a computer or need assistance setting up your WeShare please stop in the office or call us at 996-3639.

#### CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL: (CFSA)

Our 2017 Goal:	\$ 117,000	
Pledged thus far:	\$ 73,920	(63%)
Collected thus far:	\$ 67,076	(57%)
Parishioner response:	422	(39%)

**THANK YOU** to all who have so generously responded to this year's Catholic Family Sharing Appeal. **We need \$43,080 yet to reach our goal. The remaining balance is due to the diocese in June regardless if we make our parish goal, so any shortfall will be paid out of the general fund.** If you have misplaced your card, please call the parish office at 996-3639. Thank you.

**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

## † PARISH NEWS

**There will be no 8:00 AM Mass on Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> due to the CDA Mass at 5:30 PM that day. All are welcome!**



We Welcome through the Living Waters of Baptism: JAX MARTIN, son of Marcus & Tabitha (Hoffmann) Degen, JAMESON THEO son of Danny & Kelli (Bussmus) Mashek and HARVEY STANLEY son of Nathan & Sarah (Haynes) Timmer. May God shower you with an abundance of His grace and blessings.



**Holy Family extends our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Jim Willems who went home to the Lord. May God's peace and consolation be with you in your time of sorrow.**



**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of the AMERICAS** Court Margaret Mary will be honoring our Priests - Fr. Stevens, Fr. Short and Fr. Venner on Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at our annual **Clergy Appreciation and New Member Welcome Mass** to be held at Holy Family Church - all are welcome! Mass will begin at 5:30PM followed by a potluck dinner for CDA members. Members A-L are asked to bring salads; M-Z a hotdish. Officers will bring desserts. We will say goodbye to Father Stevens and thank him for his leadership as our court Chaplain for the past two years and we will officially welcome our new members from this past year: Barb Feilmeier, Vinoly Sermony and Barb Healy. - Barb Young, Regent



**World Apostolate of Fatima's Centennial U.S. Tour for Peace is underway and coming to Alexandria and Mitchell.** This historic tour, marking the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima, will feature the world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue, traveling worldwide for nearly 70 years. On Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, the tour will be at the Chapel of the Monastery of Our Mother of Mercy and Saint Joseph in Alexandria from 8:00am - 12 noon, and at Holy Family Church in Mitchell from 3:30-7:30pm. All are welcome.

## JOHN PAUL II SCHOOL NEWS



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

It is that time of year when contracts are signed. Our staff is almost in place for the 2017-18 school year. Our teachers will be as follows: Mrs. Lisa Hagerty – Daycare; Mrs. Megan Rokusek – Preschool; Mrs. Rebecca Driedger and Mrs. Mindy Mentele – Kindergarten; Mrs. Katie Olson – First Grade; Mrs. Lynn Yahne and Miss Mandy Lewis– Second Grade; Mrs. Dawn Morgan – Third Grade; Mrs. Denise Heisinger – Fourth Grade; Mrs. Janelle McMahon – Fifth Grade; Mrs. Jennifer Herrmann – Sixth Grade; Mrs. Elizabeth Morrison – Music; Mr. Ross Kortan – PE; Mrs. Lisa Larson – Computers and Mrs. JoAnn Honermann – Support Services. We have returning Head Cook and Director of Food Service – Laura Baus; and Assistant Cook – Mrs. Lisa Vermeulen. We welcome our office staff: Mrs. Jill Bannwarth – Bookkeeper, Mrs. Rosanne Muth – Secretary, Mrs. Jackie Rezac – receptionist/librarian and Mrs. Robin Cahoy – Principal. The custodial staff will be announced in the near future. We will also be searching for two part time aides for preschool and daycare a little later this summer.

Have a wonderful fun-filled, faith-filled summer vacation.

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS



### Holy Family & Holy Spirit Catholic Churches

K-6: Christine Lemmer – [clemmer@ffmitchell.com](mailto:clemmer@ffmitchell.com)  
7-12: Briana Fiegen – [briana.fiegen@ffmitchell.com](mailto:briana.fiegen@ffmitchell.com)

There are changes coming for Faith Formation in 2017-2018. We are excited to offer formation that involves the whole parish. Adult involvement is critical in being able to offer opportunities for our young people. We invite you to pray about your involvement in our faith formation programs.

*“God has **not** called me to be successful. He has called me to be faithful.”*

—Mother Teresa

**WHO:** ALL PARISHIONERS

**WHAT:** Family Formation (K-Adult)

**WHEN:** Wednesdays September-May (Times TBA)

**WHERE:** Holy Spirit, Holy Family, and John Paul II School

**WHY:** Returning to our roots where parents are the irreplaceable teachers of the faith to their children and evangelizing/catechizing grades 7-12 and adults in discipleship group format, a model used in the early Church. Building up faith-filled families is essential to confronting the grim statistics of 25% Mass attendance among the faithful, and the 52% of baptized Catholics who leave the Church.

**HOW:** PRAYER, PRAYER, PRAYER and MANY, MANY, MANY, faith-filled volunteers to assist in this endeavor for Holy Family and Holy Spirit Parishes. *Please share your time & talents!*

**COST:** K-12 fees will remain the same as last year: \$50 per child or \$100 family limit. *NOTE: Price break of \$50 per family for those who volunteer as “substitute” catechists in K-12.*

**REGISTRATION:** ONLINE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT through WeShare website. Details can be found on the updated Family Formation website: [www.ffmitchell.com](http://www.ffmitchell.com)

**REGISTRATION OPEN/CLOSE--FIRM DATES!** *Registration opens June 1 and ends June 30.* If you plan to volunteer, please let Christine or Briana know and a discount code will appear when you register.

The K-6 Family Formation Office is closed May 26-June 12, with the exception of June 6. If you need immediate assistance, please call Holy Family or Holy Spirit Parish Offices. Totus Tuus Registration has closed.

## AREA HAPPENINGS



**THE 54<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TROOP 72 BOY SCOUT** Ham & Egg Breakfast will be held **TODAY, Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**

from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM in the John Paul II School Gym. Serving all you can eat ham & eggs, toast and hash browns. Tickets available at the door. Adults: \$5.00, Children under 12: \$3.00. Come, enjoy breakfast and support your local Boy Scouts!

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

06/06	8:00am	d. Harold Pecenka
06/07	8:00am	d. Estelle Bolgrea
06/08	5:30pm	d. Robert Fitzgerald (CDA Mass/No Morning Mass)
06/09	8:00am	d. Richard “Rocky” Kirby
06/10	5:00pm	d. William & Ann Walsh
06/11	8:30am	d. Steven Miiller
	10:00am	d. Members of the Frank Ebersdorfer family
	11:30am	For Holy Family Church

## MINISTRY SCHEDULES

### Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers

06/10	5:00pm	L-M Pecenka; EM-Deacon Graves, D Petersen, T&S Kirby, C Symes
06/11	8:30am	L-J Feiner; EM-D&C Harrell, B&E Sullivan, J Schroeder
	10:00am	L-A Novak; EM-K Harrington, K Hohn, W&M Puetz, J Traupel
	11:30am	L-A Sankara; EM-D Heesch, P&J Paulson, (S Heesch – Sub Request)

### Mass Servers

06/10	5:00pm	C&E Delehant, C Grimsley
06/11	8:30am	L LeBrun, C Singrey, Volunteer
	10:00am	E,M&S Novak
	11:30am	C Bartunek, J Heesch, (B Jarding – Sub Request)

### Ministers of Hospitality

06/10	5:00pm	D Callies, B Freeman, S Grosz, M Novak
06/11	8:30am	B&D Everson, R&D Kelly, H Titze
	10:00am	C Bartscher, J Grosdidier, M Miiller
	11:30am	M Kattner, E Mauer, S Podzimek, L VanDrongelen, C Weins

## WEEKLY BULLETIN BOARD



06/04	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b> <b>Boy Scout Ham &amp; Egg Breakfast</b> – 9am to 12:30pm – JP II Gym
06/05	<b>Historic Fatima Tour</b> – 3:30 to 7:30pm – Church
	<b>Right to Life Mtg</b> – 7:00pm – Nazareth Rm
06/06	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b> – 8:30am to 8:00pm
	<b>Confessions</b> – 5:30pm
06/08	CDA Mass – 5:30pm – Church (No Morning Mass)
06/10	<b>Confessions</b> – 3:30pm

The **MITCHELL AREA RIGHT TO LIFE** will be meeting on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm in the Holy Family Church Nazareth room. Please join us as we plan for the upcoming year. Contact Sonja at 770-6463 with questions.

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**Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish** is the Knights strategic plan for a renewed closeness between families and parishes. Through the initiative’s programs and activities, the Knights of Columbus offers tools and materials which may help families grow and find the encouragement they need. By building upon long-established programs and developing new ones, the Knights of Columbus hopes to strengthen our parishes and establish our councils as revitalized centers of lay leadership for the Church. See our display near the entrance of the gathering space for booklets that are available for you to take home, free of charge.

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**Job Opportunity:** Immaculate Conception Parish in Watertown, SD has a full time Liturgist /Music position available. For a complete job description or to submit a resume please email [office@icpariwhwatertown.org](mailto:office@icpariwhwatertown.org).