



All Saints Day

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November 1, 2015

Dear Parish Family,

Well if you are reading this, it means you remembered to set your clock and made it to Sunday Mass! As you might recall, every fifth Sunday Deacon Joe Graves preaches at all of the Sunday Masses. I am grateful for him doing

this. I have chosen on that weekend to then take Holy Communion to the Choir Loft, or over to the Gathering Space. A couple of observations shared in charity are in order. **First**, it is a sad sight to see people leave the Mass early. A handful of folks received communion and then left. Also, as I went down the stairs to return to the Altar, I witnessed people leaving early. I always suspected it to be the case, for when I process out, miraculously there are empty pews! Come on folks! We know better! **We ought to stay until the final blessing and the recessional of the Priest and servers.** **Second**: what I witnessed in the Church was true of the Gathering Space as well. People coming forward for communion, then leaving. Further, let us be very clear: the Gathering Space is for **needed**, overflow seating, and **should not** be used for regular seating, or for those with legitimate mobility issues. Though even this is difficult to understand, when we have an elevator. There is almost always room in the Church. Yes, the Church is full, what a wonderful problem to have! The Gathering Space should be where we go, to visit and greet each other after Mass. Again, I encourage you to come a few minutes early to Mass, to settle yourself and prepare to receive and participate in the great gift that is Sunday Mass. I share these observations with you in love, and I ask for your cooperation.

Peace to you and yours,
Fr. Stevens

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

We are currently in need of a 2nd Adorer for the 7-8 PM hour.
Please call the parish office at 996-3639 to volunteer.



THERE WILL BE A MASS FOR ALL SOULS DAY ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd AT 8:00 AM



We Welcome through the Living Waters of Baptism: STELLA ANNE, daughter of Frank & Jodi (Wright) Kobold. May God shower you with an abundance of His grace and blessings.



Holy Family extends our deepest sympathy to Tara Tollefson and family on the passing of her brother Benjamin of Parkston and Sharon Nagel and family on the death of her mother Lorraine Croucher of Mitchell. May our Lord comfort you with His overwhelming peace and hope at this sad time.

PARISH COLLECTION



Envelopes: \$ 9,598.00 (290 parishioners)
Loose: \$ 1,258.80
Children: \$ 98.72

Total collected last week: \$10,955.52 Thank You!
An average of \$13,000 in weekly contributions is needed to offset the cost of living increase for parish expenses, etc. Thank you!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: (Restoration/Development)

Our Goal: \$1,300,000
Collected thus far: \$1,096,208 (84%)
Parishioner response: 268 (26%)

CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL: (CFSA)

Our 2015 Goal: \$ 106,500
Pledged thus far: \$ 76,289 (71%)
Collected thus far: \$ 73,207 (68%)
Parishioner response: 407 (38%)

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.

NEW TO THE AREA? MOVING? Please contact the parish office at 996-3639.



School News from John Paul II

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

I would like to give a huge thank you to the Parent Group for planning the October Family Dance that was held last Saturday evening! There was food, music, and dancing that was enjoyed by all!

Thank you to all the families and friends that have ordered from our latest fundraiser, the Classic Cookie Dough. We appreciate your support of John Paul II School. The cookie dough will be sold until November 6th.

The Girls on the Run program has been a great way for the girls from 3rd – 5th grade who are registered to learn how to be healthy both physically and mentally. We thank all the coaches for the Girls on the Run Program. It is quite a time commitment for all involved. The final day for Girls on the Run is November 12.

Our 5th grade class has been working hard to develop an understanding of how to handle difficult peer situations dealing with drugs and alcohol. I would like to give a special thank you to Officer Pat Oleson, our DARE instructor, for helping our children understand how to avoid these pitfalls. Our DARE graduation will take place on Tuesday, November 3rd at 6:30 in the gym. Thank you also to Mrs. Janelle McMahan and Mr. Gary Thury, our fifth grade teachers, for helping their students prepare for this special occasion.

A special thanks to the many families and individuals who have remembered John Paul II School in the past few months with monetary donations. We are very appreciative of these generous gifts that you give our school to support our budget and to be able to enjoy some of the "extras" that we do during the school year.

The students will be learning about the lives of saints during the month of November. The saints set a wonderful example of how we should remember to pray and strive to live a holy life.

SCRIP will be sold EVERY weekend at BOTH parishes beginning the weekend of November 7-8 with the exception of holidays and summer months.

Holy Family Altar Society will meet on Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00 PM in the church basement. Final plans will be made for the Baked Potato Social. Ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.



Faith Formation News

Christine Lemmer, Faith Formation Director
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Website: www.ffmitchell.com

Faith Formation News: Classes as usual this Wed., November 4th for Gr. K-12. *Gr. 10 Confirmation: Papers are due this week.*

RCIA NEWS: RCIA class will be Thursday, Nov. 5th at 7:00 pm in the Holy Family Nazareth Room.



Youth Conference: Calling all Gr. 6-12 youth from the parishes. The "I Thirst" Youth Conference will be Saturday, November 14 at the Swiftel Center in Brookings. We are taking a bus—leaving at 7:30am and returning around 11:00pm. Cost: \$30/youth, non-refundable. The registration form & payment are due in the Faith Formation Office this week.



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Ladies, please attend the Catholic Daughters Fall Fashion Show and Luncheon next Saturday, November 7th at the John Paul II School gym. It is a fundraiser to support the many local, state and national projects they donate to annually. Thank you to the local Catholic United Financial Council for their \$1500 donations to both John Paul II School and the Faith Formation programs this week. The donations were the result of the Spaghetti Supper and two additional matching grants they received.



St. Joseph's Guild - Men's Father/Son Group meets the first Wednesday of each month from 5:15 to 6:30 PM in the Holy Spirit Parish Hall. Next meeting will be on November 4th. Come hungry. We will have supper and then feed the soul.

Contact Deacon Nick Baus at 996-9636 for more information.



FALL FASHION SHOW & LUNCHEON

Court Margaret Mary #2453 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas invites you to their annual Fall Fashion Show & Luncheon. To be held on **Saturday, November 7, 2015 at 11:30 AM** at the John Paul II School Gym, 1510 West Elm, Mitchell. Tickets \$10 – General Admission, MFCE office at 999-9127, or email: mfce@mit.midco.net.

The next CDA meeting will be on November 12 at Holy Family Church – 7 PM. For more information call Barb Young at 996-6839.

Mitchell Barbershop Harmony Chorus Presents:



"Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow"
Sunday, November 8th at 2:00 PM
Mitchell Senior High Auditorium.

Featuring...Vocality
Tickets available from: Chorus Members,
Campbells Supply and County Fair

SAVE THE DATE... November 15th, 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM

Holy Family Altar Society's Baked Potato Social



Menu: Baked potato/toppings/dessert bars/drink
Place: Holy Family Church Gathering Area
Cost: Free-Will Offering

Mass Intentions

- 11/02 8:00am For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
- 11/03 8:00am d. Larry Hauser
- 11/04 8:00am d. Daryl Roetzel
- 11/05 8:00am d. Rev. Leonard Kayser
- 11/06 8:00am d. Jean Horstman
- 11/07 5:00pm Anniv. of d. of Gene Bartscher
- 11/08 8:30am d. Lawrence Kinney
- 10:00am For Holy Family Parish
- 11:30am Anniv. of d. of Norb Eich

Fr. Stevens will need 5 Eucharistic Ministers at each Mass.

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

- 11/07 5:00pm L-M Pecenka; EM-Deacon Graves, R Wuertzer, S Moege, S Loecker, M VanderHeiden
- 11/08 8:30am L-J Feiner; EM-D&C Harrell, W&K Schoenfelder, D Kirkus
- 10:00am L-W Puetz; EM-M Puetz, T&K Harrington, C Symes, J Traupel
- 11:30am L-J Van Oort; EM-D&S Heesch, K Mohr, M Wilson, J Hunt

Mass Servers

- 11/07 5:00pm T Milliken-Auch, E&A Vermeulen
- 11/08 8:30am K Nash, P Phinney, Volunteer
- 10:00am N McCormick, C Miller, E Moody
- 11:30am C&E McCardle, A Moller

Ministers of Hospitality

- 11/07 5:00pm L Dorale, J&N Fradet, B&J Freeman
- 11/08 8:30am T&V Zens, B&D Everson, Volunteer
- 10:00am T&C Riddle, T&D Sabers, T&J Schumacher
- 11:30am D&S Heesch, R&B Morgan, Volunteer

BULLETIN BOARD

- 11/01 **All Saints Day/Vocations Awareness Sunday**
- 11/02 **All Souls Day – Mass at 8am**
- 11/03 **Eucharistic Adoration – 8:30am to 8:00pm (Confessions at 7)**
- 11/04 **Faith Formation Classes – ES 5:30pm/ LS 6:45pm – JP II School**
- 11/05 **RCIA – 7pm – Nazareth Rm**
- 11/06 **JP II School Mass – 9am – Holy Spirit Church**
- 11/07 **CDA Luncheon and Style Show – 11:30am – JP II School Gym**
Confessions – 3:30 to 4:30pm
- 11/08 **Stewardship Sunday**



Holy Family Parish is seeking a Music Director/Coordinator

Applications are still being accepted for the Music Director position at Holy Family. Interested applicants may submit resumes and references to Holy Family Church, 222 N Kimball St, Mitchell.



You know God is calling you to serve Him. But where? How? **Come to Exploring Religious Life, November 20-22, 2015, to explore your vocation possibilities and listen for God's voice at this discernment retreat, held at Sacred Heart Monastery in Yankton. For Catholic Women, ages 20-50. Go to <http://tinyurl.com/oa5j3yj> for more information and registration details for this retreat with the Benedictine Sisters. For information on other upcoming vocation opportunities, call S. Clarice at 605-668-6092 or go to <http://yanktonbenedictines.org/vocation-events/>.**

The LAMB CATHOLIC RADIO Network is seeking a Director of Development. This is a full time position with a competitive salary, and benefits. If interested please mail your resume to Lamb Catholic Radio, 6300 S. Old Village Place Suite 203 Sioux Falls, SD 57108 ATT: Jeff Jones or e-mail your resume to jeff@lambradio.com. Lamb Catholic Radio is an EOE.