



Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, 2015

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Dear Parish Family,

Thank you for the many positive emails concerning some of the "town-hall" concerns that I shared with you last week. Thank you as well to those who have stepped forward to inquire about the parish council. Please continue to pray about serving as one of the four Mass Times representative. Also continue to encourage each other to step up, and step out and serve. No you don't have to be a "perfect" Catholic!

Thank you also for the emails concerning Youth Ministry outreach. I don't pretend to have all the answers, but I know together we can find fair, workable and successful solutions!

Get on the Bus! Ever year the Diocese of Sioux Falls hosts a youth rally. I can honestly say that it is a really great time. Holy Family is sponsoring a bus! So we need young people who want to go, and we need adults who will chaperone. So if you want to go, call the parish office at 996-3639 to sign up, or Chris Lemmer at 996-3842.

COME VISIT ST. JOHN VIANNEY SEMINARY, TO DISCERN YOUR VOCATION, BE THE MAN GOD HAS CALLED YOU TO BE

What? Fr. Shaun Haggerty, the director of vocations, will be taking men 16 years of age or older to visit St. John Vianney Seminary this Fall. This is a great time of considering God's call for you, along with having a lot of fun and fellowship. There will be prayer, attending college classes, great food, sports, hanging out with priests, etc. These seminaries are full and vibrant! Come meet some young men who are serious about living their Catholic faith and God's call. You just might find your call too! **There is no cost**, but you might want to bring some spending money. Bring a sleeping bag and pillow, rosary, Bible. Dress is casual, but bring collar shirt and dress pants. Sports will be available for those who wish to play; bring shorts and sneakers.

Peace to you and yours!!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

We are currently in need of a 2nd Adorer for the following hours: 3-4 PM and 7-8 PM. Please call the parish office at 996-3639 to volunteer.



*Holy Family wishes to Congratulate
Mike Becker and Mallory Meyers
who were united in marriage at
Holy Family last weekend.
May the Lord bless them as they begin
their vocation of married life.*

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*Holy Family extends our deepest sympathy to
the family and friends of Gary Schoenfelder who
went home to the Lord. May you know that God
is near in your time of grief.*

PARISH COLLECTION



Envelopes: \$ 9,589.00 (279 parishioners)
Loose: \$ 1,477.91
Children: \$ 106.95

Total collected last week: \$11,173.86 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!

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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: (Restoration/Development)

Our Goal: \$1,300,000
Collected thus far: \$1,081,570 (83%)
Parishioner response: 268 (26%)

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CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL: (CFSA)

Our 2015 Goal: \$ 106,500
Pledged thus far: \$ 76,289 (71%)
Collected thus far: \$ 72,367 (67%)
Parishioner response: 407 (38%)

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AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS: If you would like to have your church contributions automatically deducted from your bank account each month, please call the Parish Office at 996-3639.

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

Oh my goodness! Where did the time go? It hardly seems possible, but the first quarter mid-term grades will go home on Wednesday, September 23rd. Please check those school bags and call the school if you have any questions.

Happy last full week of September! As our weather begins to change, we thank God for the lovely colors that he has painted for us during the Fall of the year. It is amazing to look at the leaves on the trees and we thank God for the beauty of this season.

The John Paul II fifth grade classes will learn more about South Dakota government on Friday, September 25th as they will travel to Pierre to tour our State Capitol, go to the Discovery Museum, and see the Capitol grounds. Thank you so much to our PTO for sponsoring the bus to take us on this trip.

This week marks another week that Officer Pat Oleson is sharing his expertise with the fifth grade students as they continue with the DARE training and learning and our 3 – 5th grade girls that participate in Girls on the Run every Tuesday and Thursday evening are beginning to grow quite fit as they exercise and eat in healthy ways.

I am so excited to announce that we have not only raised enough money for the 25 iPads, cases, and iPad charging cart that we have been raising funds for since the beginning of school, but we succeeded our goal enough to purchase an iPad with a case for all K – 6 classroom teachers! We are so blessed! A special thanks to the Tessier Family Foundation for their matching contribution of \$8,000. We also thank all the parents, grandparents, John Paul II friends, and parishioners who made contributions, and for those who prayed for its success. You are the BEST! Have a great week!

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Holy Family Parish is seeking a Music Director/Coordinator



Applications are still being accepted for the Music Director position at Holy Family. Responsibilities include coordinating music for 4 weekend Masses, holidays and special events, as well as availability for weddings and funerals. The director will work with the pastor to oversee the planning and coordination of the parish music program, adult choirs and volunteer cantors. Compensation commensurate with experience. Interested applicants may submit resumes and references to Holy Family Church, 222 N Kimball St, Mitchell.



Faith Formation News

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

Catechetical Sunday: We thank the 70+ volunteers who make our Faith Formation Program possible!! Please see today's bulletin insert.

Pope Francis' Apostolic Visit to the United States: You will also find on today's bulletin insert information on Pope Francis' visit to the United States this week and the canonization of Fr. Junipero Serra.

Faith Formation News: Gr. K-12 FF classes as usual this week. The early session is 5:30-6:30pm and late session is 6:45-8:00pm.

Youth Conference: Registrations & payment are due at the FF Office on or before Sept. 30th for youth in Gr. 6-12 who plan to attend youth conference in November.

Snack Pack Food Drive: We thank those who have contributed to the FF Service Project of collecting peanut butter, grape jelly (no glass jars), boxes of macaroni & cheese, and fruit snacks. Both parishes have added a drop off box for these items-thanks.

St. John's Bible-Heritage Edition: Two volumes of the St. John's Bible-Heritage Edition will be on display for the public on Wednesday, September 30th from 3:45-4:45pm in the John Paul II School Multipurpose Room. No charge. St. John's Abbey & University in Minnesota commissioned the hand-written, illuminated Bible... believed to be the first in about 500 years.




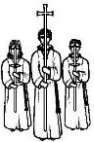
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You may or not be aware, the John Paul II School PTO "Autumn Classic" is not being held this year. Although the need to fundraise to meet budgetary commitments is a necessary evil, the PTO and the MFCE also realize that everyone is being "fundraised to death". It is our hope that by combining our auction benefits into one grand event, we can begin to move forward as a unified front. We have begun planning a new and improved event to be held on Friday, May 6, 2016. Please save the date and make plans to attend! We are having a brainstorming meeting this coming Thursday night at Blarneys at 6:30pm for anyone who is interested in aiding in its success. On behalf of the Foundation and the PTO we thank you for your amazing support of both our endeavors. We share a common goal of continuing to provide financially for Catholic Education in Mitchell, both through John Paul II School and our Faith Formation programs. Please continue to pray for our mission and for our success!

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 Beginning September 23rd and running through November 1st there will be prayer vigils held outside the Planned Parenthood facility at 6511 W. 41st St. in Sioux Falls. This will be a peaceful time of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion and increased respect for human life from the time of conception. To sign up for prayer times, please call/text Cathy Crisp at 605 940-4650. Or email Cathy at fortydaysforlifef@outlook.com.

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 The training date for **NEW ALTAR SERVERS** has been changed to **Saturday, October 3rd**. Please meet with Fr. Stevens in the Church at 9:00 AM. After the training join Father for juice and donuts in the Church basement. * The Altar Server schedule will not be made up until mid-October. Servers are asked to please volunteer for the first two weekends in October.

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 **BINGO – HOLY SPIRIT PARISH HALL**
Sunday, September 20th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM
Cards 2 for a quarter!! Free-will Supper to follow.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Mass Intentions

- 9/22 8:00am For the living & deceased members of the Arthur & Bertha Bowar family
- 9/23 8:00am d. Richard Kirby
- 9/24 8:00am d. Eugene Gebel
- 9/25 8:00am For Fred and Lucille Geisler
- 9/26 5:00pm Richard "Rocky" Kirby
- 9/27 8:30am d. Leonard & Hildagarde Herman
- 10:00am For the deceased members of the Bannwarth family
- 11:30am For Holy Family Parish

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The following Eucharistic Ministers are listed on the current schedule, although, Fr. Stevens will now only need a total of 4 Eucharistic Ministers at each Mass. The new schedule beginning October 3rd will reflect this change. Thank you for your patience with this change.

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

- 09/26 5:00pm L-B Robinson; EM-Deacon Graves, K Rubendall, D Petersen, V Weber, R&C Scheich, M Redder
- 09/27 8:30am L-C Harrell; EM-D&B Young, F&M Bruna, D Harrell, D Nesheim
- 10:00am L-T Kriese; EM-J Heemstra, R Hempel, R&D Hohn, Sr. G Volz, R Kriese, K Hohn
- 11:30am L-J Van Oort; EM-K Mohr, D&S Heesch, T&M Day,

Mass Servers

- 09/26 5:00pm C&E Delehant, J Johnson
- 09/27 8:30am G&P Phinney, Volunteer
- 10:00am K Thomas A Uher, N McCormick
- 11:30am C Bartunek, A Driscoll, J Heesch

Ministers of Hospitality

- 09/26 5:00pm J&C Lynde, M&J McMahon, M&P Pecenka
- 09/27 8:30am R&D Kelly, D&S Kirkus, G&M Paradeis
- 10:00am B&B Puetz, J&N Puetz, J&C Beach
- 11:30am D&S Heesch, R&B Morgan, Volunteer


BULLETIN BOARD

- 09/21 **Our Lady Rosary Makers** – 1pm – Nazareth Rm
- 09/22 **Eucharistic Adoration** – 8:30am to 8:00pm
Confessions – 7 to 8pm
- 09/23 **Education Mtg** – 12 noon – Holy Spirit Conf. Rm
Faith Formation Classes – ES 5:30pm/ LS 6:45pm – JP II School
- 09/25 **JP II School Mass** – 9am – Holy Spirit Church
- 09/26 **Confessions** – 3:30 – 4:30pm
- 9/26-27 **SCRIP sold after all Masses this weekend** – GA Kitchenette



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Spaghetti Sauce, Meat, Hamburger & Tuna Helper, Mac & Cheese, Tuna, Pasta, Cereal and Fruit. Please place food donations in the container in the main entrance of the

Gathering Area or bring to the Food Pantry at 724 N Sanborn Blvd. Monetary donations may be mailed to: Mitchell Area Food Pantry, PO Box 815, Mitchell, SD 57301.

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 Parishioners are invited to join the Faith Formation Program with their annual 2015-16 Service Project of collecting peanut butter, grape jelly (no glass jars), boxes of macaroni & cheese, and fruit snacks for the Snack Pack Program. A Drop Box for these items has been placed at the Gathering Area doors if you wish to donate. To learn more about this program, visit www.mitchellsnackpack.org/about-us.html.

AREA FALL DINNERS AND BAZAARS:

- TODAY, Sunday, Sept. 20th:** Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Parkston, SD – CCD Breakfast Fundraiser – 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM – Free Will Donation – Parish Hall
- Sunday, Sept. 27th:** St. Liborus Catholic Church, Polo, SD – Annual Bazaar – serving 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM – Adults: \$9, K-6: \$5, Preschool: Free – Menu: Roast Beef/Turkey and Dressing and Pie. Kid's games and Bingo.
- Sunday, Oct. 3rd:** St Mary of Mercy Parish, Alexandria, SD – Fall Harvest Craft/Bake Sale and Turkey Dinner – Outdoor Mass at 5:00 PM – Serving begins at 6:00 PM – Proceeds to Fatima Family Shrine landscaping – Free Will Donation.