



**St. Mary, Help of Christians
Catholic Church and School**

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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sunday Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun. 10:00 am
Weekdays 8:15 am
At Nursing Home Thursday 1:30 pm
1st Saturday of the Month 8:15 am
Holydays 7pm Vigil; 8:15 am & 7:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation

Every Wednesday 7:45-8:00 am
Every Saturday 3:45-4:45 pm
Thursday before 1st Friday 6:00-6:45 pm
By Appointment Anytime

Baptism: Instruction required, contact office

Marriage: Instruction required, contact parish priest at least six months in advance; NO weddings during Advent or Lent

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Please contact the parish priest to schedule a home visit (before you have surgery) and/or to arrange for the reception of the Sacraments

Holy Face Devotions: 1st Sunday of the Month at 7:00pm with Benediction

Eucharistic Adoration: 7:00pm Holy Hour on the Thursday before 1st Friday; on certain feasts & during the annual Forty Hours

Devotions in Honor of the Child Jesus: 25th of every month following Holy Mass

St. Mary's Church

Salem, South Dakota

O SHEPHERD OF ISRAEL
ROUSE YOUR POWER & COME TO SAVE US



**"Be watchful!
Be alert!"**

You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch.

Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you asleep.

What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

ST. MARK 13: 33 - 37

Saint Mary Parish was founded, under the patronage of Mary, Help of Christians, in the Year of Our Lord 1885. The cornerstone of the second and current church was laid on July 4, 1898, with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass celebrated in it for the first time the following year. It was solemnly Consecrated according to the Roman Pontifical on June 18, 1907 by the 2nd Bishop of Sioux Falls, the Most Reverend Thomas O'Gorman. It was placed on the National Registry of Historic Places in 1985, the Centennial of the founding of the parish. On July 4, 2010, the parish celebrated its Quasiquicentennial.

THIS WEEK'S BIBLICAL READINGS

Sunday, November 27:

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Violet)

Is 63:16; 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Monday, November 28:

Advent Feria (Violet)

Is 2:1-5/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday, November 29:

Advent Feria (Violet)

Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, November 30:

ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE (Red)

Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22

Thursday, December 1:

Advent Feria (Violet)

Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 2:

Advent Feria (Violet)

Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 3:

St. Francis Xavier, Priest/Confessor (White)

Is 30:19-26/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5-8

Sunday, December 4:

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Violet)

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

SAINT MARY PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

19th ANNUAL ADVENT BABY SHOWER: The diocesan-wide Advent Baby Shower begins this weekend and goes through Christmas. Please leave unwrapped new gifts for babies up to 12 months old in the baby crib located in the back of the church. The baby gifts go to mothers and babies in need, many to homes located in McCook County. Our parish Respect Life Committee will again coordinate this important work and will be assisted by the Knights of Columbus this year. Thank you in advance for your dedication to this work as we "shower Christ's little ones" with love.

CONFIRMATION CLASS resumes this Wednesday evening, November 30th at 7:00pm, and **SUNDAY SCHOOL OF RELIGION** resumes next Sunday, December 4th at 8:30am followed by the 10:00am Sunday Mass.

FIRST FRIDAY: Holy Hour this Thursday evening, December 1st, from 7:00-8:00pm, in preparation for the First Friday of the Month. Confessions will be heard from 6:00-6:45pm prior to the Holy Hour.

MONTHLY HOLY FACE DEVOTIONS: Next Sunday evening at 7:00pm, concluding with Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament. The devotions and Benediction last about 28 minutes: why not come out to honor Our Lord and make reparation for the sins of blasphemy and those against the Christian Sabbath?



ST. MARY'S/F.A.S.T. ANNUAL COOKIE WALK: Come out to the Cookie Walk on First Saturday, December 3rd at 9:00am in St. Mary's School. *St. Mary's is the home of the Original Cookie Walk!* Come out and have a good time and support our school.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT will take place next Sunday, December 4th at 2:00pm in St. Mary's Hall. Please come out to support our youngsters from our Parochial School.

APPROACHING HOLYDAY! FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Thursday, December 8th, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and a Holy Day of Obligation. Holy Masses for the Solemnity will be celebrated on the vigil, Wednesday evening, December 7th at 7:00pm and on Thursday, December 8th at 8:15am and again at 7:00pm. *(Please note: the 7:00pm Mass on Thursday, December 8th will be a Low Latin Mass in the Extraordinary Form).*

THE CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS (and JR. CHRISTIAN MOTHERS) will conduct its Installation of new members on the Vigil of the Immaculate Conception, Wednesday, December 7th, following the 7:00pm Holy Mass. Any ladies in the parish who have not joined the Christian Mothers are encouraged to contact Doris Cumbee so that you can be installed on December 7th. **THE CHRISTIAN MOTHERS** will also have their regular meeting on Thursday, December 8th at 1:30pm in the Queen of Peace Room.



HAVE YOU HEARD? OUR PARISH COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS has been re-established after being inactive for several years! Meetings are held on the third Wed. of each month at 7:30pm in the Queen of Peace Room. Fr. Lawrence would like the men of the parish to seriously consider joining the Knights, or renewing their membership. Interested? please contact Fr. Lawrence or Butch Meyer, Grand Knight. Thank you!



SCHEDULE and MASS INTENTIONS

SUN., NOVEMBER 27	ADVENT I
10:00 am Pro Populo	C
Mon., November 28	
8:15 am † John Stiefvater	C
Tues., November 29	
8:15 am † Floyd Forster	C
Wed., November 30	
7:45 am CONFESSIONS	C
8:15 am † Joseph "Curly" Feterl	C
7:00 pm CONFIRMATION CLASS	S
1st Thurs., December 1	
8:15 am † Msgr. Rodenbur (Birthday)	C
1:30 pm Liv & Dec Residents of NH	NH
6:00 pm CONFESSIONS	C
7:00 pm HOLY HOUR	C
1st Fri., December 2	
8:15 am Liv/Dec. of the Kayser Family	C
1st Sat., December 3	
8:15 am Holy Souls in Purgatory	C
9:00 am ORIGINAL COOKIE WALK	S
3:45 pm CONFESSIONS	C
5:00 pm Pro Populo	C
6:15 pm BAPTISM (Brynn Streff)	C
1st SUN., DECEMBER 4	ADVENT II
8:30 am SUNDAY SCHOOL	S
10:00 am † Larry Scholten	C
2:00 pm SCHOOL CONCERT	H
7:00 pm HOLY FACE DEVOTIONS	C

LET US PRAY FOR OUR HOLY FATHER, POPE BENEDICT XVI and for his PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2011:

GENERAL INTENTION: Peace among All Peoples. That all peoples may grow in harmony and peace through mutual understanding and respect.

MISSION INTENTION: Children and Youth. That children and young people may be messengers of the Gospel and that they may be respected and preserved from all violence and exploitation.

☞ PRAY "THE MORNING OFFERING" EVERY DAY ☜

O JESUS, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, reparation for sin, and the reunion of all Christians. I offer them for the intentions of our bishops and of all Apostles of Prayer, and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month. Amen.

For more information on the APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER write the National Office at 3211 S. Lake Dr., suite 216, Milwaukee, WI 53235, or go to: www.apostleshipofprayer.org

OTHER IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CANISTOTA PARADE OF LIGHTS will take place next Sunday, Dec. 4th at 5:30pm.

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIM STATUE SCHEDULE: Nov. 23: Virgene Herbst; and Nov. 30: Jean & Marilyn Burnham. For information on hosting the statue, please call 425-3000.

WHILE IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO PATRONIZE OUR LOCAL SALEM AREA BUSINESSES, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO ADVERTISE ON THE BACK OF OUR PARISH BULLETIN, AS THE HOLIDAYS APPROACH, PLEASE KEEP THE SCRIP PROGRAM AT ST. MARY'S SCHOOL IN MIND WHEN SHOPPING OR GIVING GIFTS/GIFT CARDS: Save time, use less gas, stay on budget; no hassles, and no returns. Just by making your gift purchases, or regular household purchases like groceries, gas, restaurants, clothing, entertainment, and home repairs you can save yourself all of the above, plus ease your Christmas worries, and make any gift special by purchasing SCRIP gift cards. Instead of paying with cash or credit, families use prepaid gift cards from America's favorite and most trusted retailers. St. Mary's School automatically earns a percentage of each purchase made with SCRIP without any cost to the customer! Please call Darlene Gross at St. Mary's School for questions or to order your Scrip. Scrip orders are filled within 7 days. ScripNow! saves you time all season long. Order Scrip-Now! for every holiday shopping occasion!

We will again have our "Scrip Giving Tree" outside the parish office in St. Mary School. For more information on the "Scrip Giving Tree" please stop by our parish school, or contact Darlene Gross or Laura Nelson, project coordinator. The "Scrip Giving Tree" is a fabulous way to help those in need while at the same time helping support of parochial school.



ADULT EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION: Interested in learning more about your Catholic Faith? Interested in joining the Catholic Church? Come to Mass with your Catholic spouse and now thinking about joining? Baptized Catholic and received 1st Holy Communion as a child but never Confirmed? Know of someone who would like to join the Church but needs a little encouragement or a friendly call from the Parish Priest? If you answered **YES** to any of these questions, please contact Fr. Lawrence or Darlene Gross, Parish Administrative Assistant, as soon as possible. **PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Adult Education/Faith Formation sessions will resume again after January 1st. Thank you.**

WORD, THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF MARY MOST HOLY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS FOR THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY WHO LABOR UNDER BODILY ILLNESS: Bonnie Skaff Stutsman, Ona Hope Mohlenhoff, Mary Ann Eich, Jerry Kerkvliet, Pam LeClair, Dave Lather, Sara McCormick, Tony Laetsch, Connie Weber, Monica Heitgen, Juliann Reif, John Feterl and Don Lobien.

"I BELIEVE AND PROFESS YOUR HOLY & IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, O MARY!"

As Catholics, we believe that the Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instance of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, was preserved exempt from all stain of original sin. Nine months from the Feast Mary's Immaculate Conception (December 8th), we celebrate her Nativity (September 8th).



14 DAY CANDLES ✕ INTENTIONS for Nov. 28 - Dec. 11, 2011

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BEFORE THE MOST HOLY SACRAMENT AT THE MAIN ALTAR:

- Happy repose of Harold & Henrietta Jensen by Randy & Bonnie Sabers

THE TWO LARGE BLUE VOTIVE CANDLES ON THE ALTAR OF THE HOLY FAMILY/B.V.M.:

- Candle 1: For the intentions and health of John Feterl;
- Candle 2: Happy repose of Carol Kolbeck (3rd Anniv.) by Elaine Eichacker

THE TWO LARGE RED VOTIVE CANDLES ON THE ALTAR OF ST. ALOYSIUS/SHRINE OF THE HOLY FACE:

- Candle 1: For the young people of our parish in honor of St. Aloysius;
- Candle 2: For the Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially the most forgotten souls

DECEMBER: Dedicated to



THE DIVINE INFANCY of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME
Church Cleaners for December 3rd:

Vicky Huls *
Phyllis Huls, Angie Horstman
and Karen Holzer

* = Leader: Calls ladies & coordinates cleaning



OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 5:00pm VIGIL MASS:

Servers Danielle Hansen
..... Kyle Leber & Haylee Ecklein
Lector Kurt Stiefvater
Extra. Min Mike & Kay McCormick
Homebound Comm Fr. Lawrence (1st Fri)
Ushers Allen Feterl, TJ Forster
..... Kurt Bies & Kevin Ernster

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 10:00am MASS:

Servers Hunter Schmeichel
..... Austin Stromberg & Natalie Gottlob
Lector Diane McGregor
Extra. Min Sharon Kinzley & Bill Roth
Homebound Comm Fr. Lawrence (1st Fri)
Ushers Marty Gessner, Terry Krempges
..... Ron Feterl & Kelvin Gessner

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7, 7:00pm VIGIL MASS:

Servers Jordan VanHout
..... Riley Klinkhammer & Sarah Krempges
Lector Randy Sabers
Extra. Min J. Gottlob & G. Sherman
Ushers Tom Kolbeck, T.J. Forster
..... Jim Tuschen & Chad Krempges