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Welcome to Pastorate 16 and the 7 parishes of St. Mary of Mercy, St. Stephen, St. Martin of Tours, Church of the Epiphany, St. Ann, St. Patrick, & St. Mary Help of Christians.

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 21, 2024**

This bulletin is for the parishes of: Church of the Epiphany, St. Ann, St. Patrick, & St. Mary

**MASS TIMES:**

**ALEXANDRIA, ST. MARY OF MERCY**

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm — only in even months  
SUNDAY: 10:00 am — only in odd months  
MONDAY: 8:30 am & WEDNESDAY: 6:30 pm

**BRIDGEWATER, ST. STEPHEN**

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm — 1st Saturday only  
in odd months  
SUNDAY: 10:00 am — 1st Sunday only  
in even months

WEDNESDAY: 9:00 am & FRIDAY: 8:30 am

**EMERY, ST. MARTIN OF TOURS**

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm — 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th  
weekends only in odd months  
SUNDAY: 10:00 am — 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th  
weekends only in even months  
TUESDAY & THURSDAY: 8:30 am

**EPIPHANY, CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY**

SUNDAY: 11:00 am  
THURSDAY: 10:00 am

**HUMBOLDT, ST. ANN**

SUNDAY: 10:30 am  
TUESDAY: 5:30 pm; WED. & FRI: 8:30 am

**MONTROSE, ST. PATRICK**

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm only in odd months  
SUNDAY: 8:30 am  
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY: 8:30 am

**SALEM, ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS**

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm only in even months  
SUNDAY: 9:00 am

MONDAY: 5:30 pm; TUES. & THURS: 8:30 am

**CONFESSIONS:** SATURDAY: 4:20 pm for 1/2 hour  
before wherever Saturday evening Mass is.

SUNDAY: Alexandria, Bridgewater, Emery, Montrose, Salem; confessions begin 40 minutes before Mass and go for 1/2 hour. Epiphany & Humboldt: confessions after Mass until all are heard.

**HOLY DAYS:** as announced

**BAPTISM/CARE OF THE SICK/  
MARRIAGE/RCIA:** Contact parish priest



**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

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106 Jackson St., Epiphany, SD 57349

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Humboldt, SD 57035

**ST. PATRICK:** 605.425.2600  
211 S. Church Ave.,  
Montrose, SD 57048

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Maggan Kremppes: 605.425.2600  
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**BULLETIN:**

Vicky Huls: mavhuls@triotel.net  
bulletin items due Mondays at 2:00 pm,  
(deadline changes during holidays)

**TO ACCESS THE BULLETIN ONLINE GO TO:**  
https://www.salem catholic.org



There is a **Rosary on Mondays**, 5pm at St. Mary's Church for an end to abortion and  
 a **Rosary on Thursdays**, 7pm at St. Mary's Church or Grotto (determined by weather), for the sake of this great nation.



## LITURGICAL SCHEDULES

### CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY—Sunday, Jan. 28

**ROSARY** Eichs  
**SERVERS** Erica & Kendra Endorf  
**LECTOR** Lisa Brown  
**EUCH. MIN.** Jean Klinkhammer  
**OFFERTORY** Ben Endorf Family  
**MUSIC** Pat Koepsell, Rene Koepsell  
**USHERS** Dave Esser, Mike Gassman, Ted Gosmire, Terry Kampshoff

### St. ANN'S—Sunday, January 28

**ROSARY** Darrin Kremppes  
**SERVERS** Maelee Kremppes, Zachary & Nicholas Lorang  
**LECTOR** Nicolle Shumaker  
**EUCH. MIN.** Rebecca Kaffar, Susan Shumaker  
**OFFERTORY** J & J Jarding  
**MUSIC** B  
**SACRISTAN** Susan Shumaker  
**USHERS** Steve Bannwarth, Lee Decker  
**\$ COUNTERS** A Schartz, T & C Puthoff

### St. Patrick's

Saturday, January 27

**SERVERS** Anna, Ambur & Joseph Haag  
**LECTOR** Thomas Tott  
**OFFERTORY** Charles & Cathy Gordon Family  
**EUCH. MIN.** Volunteer  
**USHERS** Andrew Raap, Paul Klautd  
**SACRISTAN** Barb Spicer

Sunday, January 28

**SERVERS** Jake, & Nathan Merrill, Zaidee Huls  
**LECTOR** Denny Vogel  
**OFFERTORY** Jacob & Tisha Sechser Family  
**EUCH. MIN.** Nick Vogel  
**USHERS** Steve Zimmer, Bob Condon  
**SACRISTAN** Denny Vogel  
**\$ COUNTERS** Sarah McAreavey, Beth Odenbach

### St. Mary's

Saturday, January 27

**HOMEBOUND** Laura Gottlob

Sunday, January 28

**ROSARY** Geralyn Sherman  
**SERVERS** Luke & Levi Horstman, Isaac Muth  
**LECTOR** Andrew Streff  
**EUCH. MIN.** Dave Hoiten, Todd Snyders  
**HOMEBOUND** Dave & Barb Hoiten  
**USHERS** Jason Jaeger, Wayne Kremppes, Chad Kremppes, Tom Kolbeck  
**\$ COUNTERS** Marlene Aden, Barb Gottlob

### ST. MARY'S VISITS FOR THE LEGION OF MARY PILGRIM SHRINE



✠ For information on the Shrine call 425-3000.

**Jan. 10-**John & Hannah Streff,  
**Jan. 17-**Chad & Val Kremppes,  
**Jan. 24-**Frances Streff.



## CHURCH SUPPORT

### CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

For the weekend of 12/31:  
 Adult: \$320.00, Loose: \$189.00,  
 Candles: \$13.00, Burial: \$150.00,  
 Total: \$672.00.

For the weekend of 1/7:  
 Adult: \$1,220.00, Loose: \$248.00,  
 Masses: \$60.00, Total: \$1,528.00.

### St. ANN'S

For the weekend of 12/31:  
 Adult: \$3,728.00, Loose: \$140.00,  
 Solemnity of Mary: \$205.00,  
 Building: \$20.00, Total: \$4,093.00.

For the weekend of 1/7:  
 Adult: \$2,395.00, Loose: \$150.00,  
 Building: \$45.00, Burial: \$150.00,  
 Candles: \$53.90, Total: \$2,793.90.

### St. PATRICK'S

For the weekend of 12/31:  
 Adult: \$5,350.00, Loose: \$23.00,  
 Holy Days: \$65.00, Building: \$25.00,  
 CFSA: \$30.00, Memorials: \$10.00,  
 Hall Rent: \$50.00, CFC Donation: \$1,000.00,  
 Total: \$6,553.00.

For the weekend of 1/7:  
 Adult: \$1,865.00, Loose: \$199.00,  
 Building: \$45.00, Holy Days: \$46.00,  
 Total: \$2,155.00.

### St. MARY'S

For the weekend of 12/31:  
 Adult: \$5,800.00, Loose: \$363.00,  
 Holy Days: \$80.00,  
 Church Cleaning: \$210.00,  
 Christmas: \$130.00, Initial Offering: \$1.00,  
 Total: \$6,584.00.

For the weekend of 1/7:  
 Adult: \$1,835.00, Loose: \$2,104.00,  
 Church Cleaning: \$185.00,  
 Holy Days: \$5.00, Initial Offering: \$1.00,  
 Total: \$4,130.00.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord hear our prayers



✠ Church of the Epiphany, St. Ann, St. Patrick, St. Mary Parishes  
 for more information call St. Mary's Office.

### St. PATRICK'S

Donna Jorgensen, Sherry VanderZwaag,  
 Duane Bartmann, Vince Bartmann,  
 Jarad Deters, Chad Gordon, Paul Gordon,  
 Larry Hohn, Bob Kerkhove,  
 Jim & Kay Miles, Dianne Struck,  
 Mary Ann (Healy) Tuschen.

### St. MARY'S

Dan Westhoff, Raya Koch, Jim Tuschen,  
 Jarad Deters, Lori Erikson, Pat Huls,  
 Jean Schneider, MaryAnn Tuschen,  
 Merlin Ziegmann.

14 day candles are available (\$10.00).  
 Call or see Emily at St. Mary's Office.

### 14 DAY CANDLES AT ST. MARY'S JANUARY 22-FEBRUARY 4

#### THE MAIN ALTAR SANCTUARY CANDLE:

For the happy repose of the soul  
 of Allen Wegener.

#### ALTAR OF THE HOLY FAMILY-BLUE CANDLES:

(LS) For the happy repose of the soul  
 of John C. Gottlob.

(RS) Special intentions for Mary Moore.

#### ALTAR OF St. ALOYSIUS-RED CANDLES:

(LS) Special intentions for St. Mary's  
 Parishioners with health concerns.

(RS) Open

### Salem Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Breakfast and fellowship will be held  
 on **Sunday, Feb. 4th, from 9:30 to 11  
 am at the Salem, St. Mary's Hall.**  
 Serving pancakes, sausage, scrambled  
 eggs, cheesy hashbrowns, fruit cup,  
 coffee, and orange juice. Free will of-  
 fering will be taken to help support our  
 sponsored seminarian, Brady Martinez.

## CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY SAUSAGE SALE

We are starting plans for the annual  
 Sausage Sale. We will sell March 9,  
 2024 starting at 1:00 pm until it's  
 gone. More info to come. Rene  
 Koepsell (Pres.) 605-480-1641; Deb  
 Loundenburg (V. Pres.) 605-770-  
 4366; Stacy Kampshoff (Treas.) 605-  
 480-3596; Phyllis Jacobsen (Sec.)  
 605-579-0324.

### St. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY

check your e-mails for the 2024 Altar Soci-  
 ety lists. We have found some  
 church messages could be in your  
 spam mail under "Saint Mary Help of  
 Christians Parish of McCook Coun-  
 ty". Printed lists are in the entry way  
 of the church for those who do not  
 have e-mail. "Many Hands Make  
 Light Work", Nehemiah Chapter 3.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** St. Mary's: Monica Anderson-cell 421-1655; Sandy Bies-425-2306. St. Patrick's: Donna Jorgensen-605-941-3068.

**Confirmation is February 11th at 1:30 at St. Mary's Church in Salem  
for St. Ann, St. Patrick and St. Mary Churches.**

Nicholas Black Elk: **21+**  
A South Dakota Saint?  
**February 6, 2024**  
Featured Speaker  
Fr. Christopher Cowles

Social Time: 6:30-7:00  
Speaker: 7:00-7:30  
Q&A/Social Time: 7:30-8:00

Buffalo Ridge Brewery 102 N Main Ave, Hartford, SD

**MONTROSE-HUMBOLDT KC  
RIGHT TO LIFE BREAKFAST**



The Montrose-Humboldt Knights of Columbus are serving a free-will donation breakfast on Sunday, January 21st, from 8 to 10:30 am in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. Proceeds go towards pro-life work and causes.

**S**alem, St. Mary's Church Breakfast on Sunday, January 21st at 9:45 until gone at St. Mary's Hall. Menu: Scrambled eggs with ham, donuts, fruit, juice, coffee & water. To-go containers will be available. Free will donation accepted. Everyone Welcome!

SCAM TEXT MESSAGES

**SCAM ALERT!**

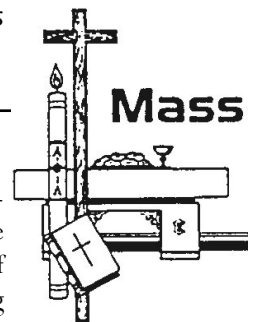
The scammers have been at it once again. On Thursday, Jan. 11, we must have gotten 20 or 30 calls or emails asking if Fr. Kuhn had texted them. I had not. I am not much of a texter or even cell phone person. I rarely send text messages from my cell phone at all. I do sometimes use email to text but I can only do that if I know both your cell phone number *and* provider, which includes very few people. Furthermore, that should show up as coming from my email address. **So if you get a text message saying that it is me (Fr. Kuhn) asking for 'favors' or a 'gift card' please ignore it.** It's not from me. I have asked someone who works in the area of cyber-security about this and they said there's nothing you can do except warn people. Please pray for the scammers that they might enter into conversion. Thank you, Fr. Kuhn.

CANCELLATION OF WEEKDAY MASSES

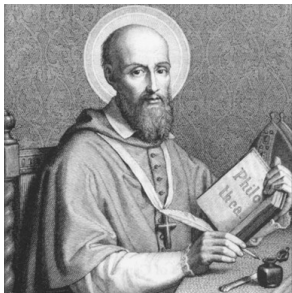
In the past, some of the parishes in the pastorate have had a policy that if school was canceled on a weekday due to weather, then the weekday Mass would be canceled that day. That will no longer be the case. If we need to cancel a weekday Mass for any reason -- funeral, illness, bad weather, etc -- we will notify people with an email as soon as possible, and ask people to help let others know who might not have email. This applies only to cancellation of weekday Masses -- not to religious education. It is still a policy at each parish that if school is canceled due to weather, CCD is canceled for that night. God Bless You, Fr. Kuhn.

APPROACH TO CANCELLING WEEKEND MASSES

Although this was sent out as an email, I wanted to put it in the bulletin as well. If weekend Masses need to be cancelled because the priest is unable to get to a parish where he is scheduled because of weather/road conditions, a message will be sent out by email noting the cancellation. It is my preference to wait until a few hours before Mass to announce cancellations. For Sunday, Jan 14th, I think I decided too quickly because I think I could have made it to Epiphany on Sunday, although it looked bleak on Saturday night. So when there is bad weather / travel conditions, check your email before you leave for Mass. If Mass is cancelled, please help spread the word to others who might not use the internet or email. If you don't have email, see if you can find someone to call and check with who does. If you have email and didn't receive the ones I sent, contact the office and let us know if you'd like to receive them; it probably means we either don't have an email address for you at all or the one we have is incorrect. God Bless You, Fr. Kuhn.



Have patience with all things but chiefly have patience with yourself. Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections, but instantly set about remedying them. Every day begin the task anew.



Saint Francis de Sales, 1567-1622  
Bishop of Geneva, influential  
Roman Catholic Preacher and Writer,  
Saint Francis de Sales dedicated his life to serve God. He graduated as a doctor of law and theology and worked tirelessly to convert Protestants back to Catholicism after the Protestant Reformation of 1517. He was a friend of the poor, a sympathetic and accomplished preacher, and a great communicator. Saint Francis de Sales is known for his writings on the topic of spiritual direction and spiritual formation, particularly his Introduction to the Devout Life. He developed a sign language in order to teach a deaf man about God, and for this he became known as the patron saint of the deaf. He is also known as the patron saint of writers and journalists.

**MARIAN PILGRIMAGE: Make plans now!**

With enough interest, this spring, we'll spend 3 days and 2 nights on pilgrimage to the 3 Wisconsin Shrines.

Call to reserve your spot or for more information:

Elsie Baye: 605-359-3450 or Lisa Ulmer: 605-351-8778.

*Did you know that the only approved apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the United States is in Champion, Wisconsin?*

In 1859 Adele Joseph Brise, an emigrant from Belgium, was visited by the Blessed Virgin and instructed by her to "Gather the children in this wild country and teach them what they should know for salvation." Adele later built a school, chapel, and convent near the site of the apparition.

## Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

January 22



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## The Week Ahead

**1/21, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00-10:30 am Montrose-Humboldt KC Right to Life Breakfast,  
St. Patrick's Hall

**8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE**

For †Ralph & †Agatha Weber

**9:00 AM MASS IN SALEM**

For Special Intentions of Jerry & Lori Heumiller

**10:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT**

For †Marcene Redenius

**11:00 AM MASS IN EPIPHANY**

For the People of our Parishes (Pro Populo)

**1/22, Monday, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

**\*2:00 pm Bulletin Information Due to [mavhuls@triotel.net](mailto:mavhuls@triotel.net)**

5:00 pm Rosary to end abortion, St. Mary's Church

**5:30 PM MASS IN SALEM**

For Priest's Personal Intension

**1/23, Tuesday, St. Vincent**

**8:30 AM MASS IN SALEM**

For †Gerald Hanisch

**5:30 PM MASS IN HUMBOLDT**

For Armed Forces

**1/24, Wednesday, St. Francis de Sales**

**8:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT**

For †Lori Puthoff

**8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE**

For Priest's Personal Intension

**\*9:00 am Bulletin Sent to LPI**

**1/25, Thursday, The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle**

**8:30 am Mass in Salem**

For †Bud Gottlob

**10:00 am Mass in Epiphany**

For Holy Souls in Purgatory

7:00 pm Rosary for our Nation, St. Mary's Church

**1/26, Friday, Sts. Timothy & Titus**

**8:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT**

For Deceased Members of the Lofswold Family

**8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE**

For Holy Souls in Purgatory

**1/27, Saturday, Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**5:00 PM MASS IN MONTROSE**

For All Parishioners

**1/28, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE**

For the People of our Parishes (Pro Populo)

**9:00 AM MASS IN SALEM**

For †Harlan Gross

**10:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT**

For †Kathleen Petri

**11:00 am Mass in Epiphany**

For †Arnold Scheuren

**Let go and trust God, start over  
with hope, and move forward in faith.**