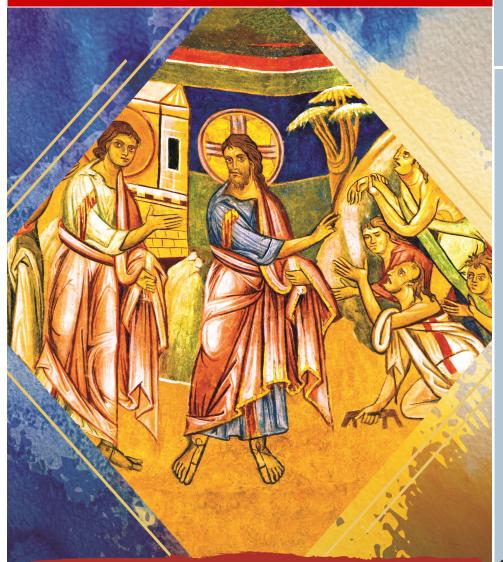
Welcome to Pastorate 16 and the 7 parishes of St. Mary of Mercy, St. Stephen, St. Martin of Tours, Church of the Epiphany, St. Ann, St. Patrick, & St. Mary Help of Christians.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 11, 2024 This bulletin is for the parishes of: Church of the Epiphany, St. Ann, St. Patrick, & St. Mary



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." - Mk 1:40

ST. MARY OF MERCY: 605.239.4578 220 5th St., PO Box 158, Alexandria, SD 57311 maryofmercy@sfcatholic.org

ST. STEPHEN: 605.239.4578 351 N. Juniper, Bridgewater, SD 57319

St. MARTIN OF TOURS: 605.239.4578 342 34rd Ave., Emery, SD 57332

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY: 605.425.2600 106 Jackson St., Epiphany, SD 57349 **ST. ANN:** 605.425.2600 409 W. 4th Ave., Humboldt, SD 57035

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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 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Epiphany & Humboldt: confessions after Mass until all are heard. HOLY DAYS: as announced

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

St. Mary Help of Christians: 605.425.2600

240 W. Vermont Ave., PO Box 308, Salem, SD 57058 salem.stmary@sfcatholic.org https://www.salemcatholic.org Pastorate 16 Admin. Assist: Emily Ruden

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.salemcatholic.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, Feb. 18

Rosary	Eichs
Servers	Brooke & Carter Endorf
Lector	Brooke Endorf
Euch. Min.	Jean Klinkhammer
Offertory	Mike Gassman Family
Music	Pat Koepsell, Pat Zens
Ushers	Ben & Kelly Endorf,
	Dave Esser, Mike Gassman

ST. ANN'S-Sunday, February 18

Rosary	Mary Garry
Servers	Alex, Chloe, & Wyatt Siemonsma
Lector	Emily Berg
Euch. Min.	Colleen Puthoff, Susan Shumaker
Offertory	M & L Ketcham
Music	Н
Sacristan	Jackie Lofswold
USHERS	Tom Kaffar, Billy Kapperman
\$ Counters	A Busser, J Hoekman, D Struck

St. Patrick's

Sunday, February 18		
Servers	Jake & Nathan Merrill,	
	Zaidee Huls	
Lector	Denise Erickson	
Offertory	Jeremy & Charlotte Thompson Famil	
Euch. Min.	Kathy Binder	
Ushers	Andrew Raap, Paul Klaudt	
Sacristan	Barb Spicer	
\$ Counters	Beth Odenbach, Sarah McAreavey	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord hear our prayers ₽For more information call St. Mary's Office.

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

ST. MARY'S Dianne Kampshoff, Jarad Deters, Lori Erikson, Pat Huls, Raya Koch, Jean Schnider, Jim Tuschen, MaryAnn Tuschen, Dan Westhoff, Merlin Ziegmann.

CHURCH SUPPORT

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY For the weekend of 2/4: was not available at the time of printing.

ST. ANN'S For the weekend of 1/28: Adult: \$1,425.00, Loose: \$75.00, Energy: \$285.00, Building: \$25.00, Solemnity of Mary: \$420.00, Total: \$2,230.00.

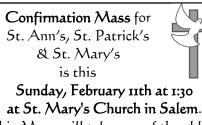
ST. PATRICK'S For the weekend of 1/28: Adult: \$3,040.00, Loose: \$305.00, Rel Ed: \$100.00, Total: \$3,445.00.

ST. MARY'S For the weekend of 2/4: Adult: \$4,355.00, Loose: \$264.00, Maintenance: \$50.00, Church Cleaning: \$125.00, Total: \$4,794.00.

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

14 DAY CANDLES AT ST. MARY'S FEBRUARY 5-FEBRUARY 18 THE MAIN ALTAR SANCTUARY CANDLE: For special intensions for Jerry & Lori Heumiller. ALTAR OF THE HOLY FAMILY-BLUE CANDLES: (LS) Open (RS) Open ALTAR OF ST. ALOYSIUS-RED CANDLES: (LS) Special intensions for St. Mary's Parishioners with health concerns. (RS) Open





This Mass will take care of the obligatory weekend Mass. You will be able to put your parish envelope in the usher's basket that day to make your weekly contribution to your own parish. Since we have 60 candidates, this special mass will be for invited guests only.

Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return. Genesis 3:19

Youth opportunity

St. George in Hartford has invited all the youth from churches in Pastorate 16 to join them on their trip to Steubenville Youth Conference in Rochester MN- July 12-14, 2024.

This is a trip for any teen going into 9th grade in the fall of 2024 to graduating seniors.

The cost of the trip is \$600-\$675 if we fill the bus! Cost includes everything- Transportation, Hotel, all food, Conference ticket and a conference t-shirt. We have 45 tickets available. First come first serve! It will be \$100.00 down and can make monthly payments.

We stay at the Hilton Garden Inn and make a short walk to the Convention Center in Downtown Rochester. You are able to request specific roommates for your hotel stay.

This year the theme is Illuminati- John 1:5 The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.

The speakers are Dan Harms, Chika Anyawu, Father Rick Martignetti and Michael Gormley- along with Sonar Worship as the band! Registration has started. Join others on a trip that just may change your life!

Contact Maggan Krempges for more information:

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

St. Mary's Saturday, February 17

Lori Heumiller

Servers	Karlie Stiefvater, Jorja Weber,	
	Khloie Klinkhammer	
Lector	Kurt Stiefvater	
Euch. Min.	Carol McCormick, Anita Feterl	
Homebound	Brian & Barb Mentele	
Ushers	Terry Krempges, Ken Lauck,	
	Two Parish Volunteers	
Sunday, February 18		
Rosary	Crystal Wilkinson	
Servers	Alyssa Roling, Earl Heumiller,	
	Allison Leber	
Lector	Crystal Wilkinson	
Euch. Min.	Randy sabers, Dave Hoiten	
Homebound	Dan & Luann McKillop	
Ushers	Jason Jaeger, Chad Krempges,	
	Tom Kolbeck, Wayne Krempge	
\$ Counters	Jean Skaff, Luann McKillop	

ST. MARY'S VISITS FOR THE LEGION OF MARY PILORIM SHRINE ₽ For information on the Shrine call 425-3000. Jan. 31-Brian & Maggan Krempges, Feb. 7-Dave & Charlotte Roesler, Feb. 14-Travis & Lisa Muth.

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Rosary

A Confirmation lunch will be held at St. Ann's Parish Hall celebrating St. Ann's Confirmands; Sunday, February 18 after the 10:30 am Mass.

ASS TIMES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH. Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation but we will still offer Mass at each parish, especially since many people have the good and holy custom of starting Lent with Mass and ashes on Ash Wednesday. The Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday is as follows:

- St. Stephen, Bridgewater: 9 am
- St. Patrick, Montrose: 5:30 pm
- St. Mary, Salem: 5:30 pm •
- . St. Mary, Alexandria: 6:15 pm
- Epiphany: 7:30 pm
- St. Ann, Humboldt: 7:30 pm •
- St. Martin, Emery: 7:35 pm

These will be the only Masses on Ash Wednesday, February 14 -- we will not have the regularly scheduled Masses for that weekday. God bless you, Fr. Kuhn.

CTATIONS OF THE CROSS. The Stations of the Cross are an ancient devotional practice in the Church. It is believed that the Stations go all the way back to our Holy Mother



herself, who would walk the path her Divine Son took to His crucifixion every day. Meditation on our Lord's sacrifice is one of the most fruitful prayers we can make and one that He Himself has frequently exhorted to the Mystics of the Church. Nothing says love like sacrifice of one's self for the sake of the other.

It is my hope that we can rebuild the practice of families making/ praying the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings during Lent, Friday of

course being the day our Lord was crucified, died, and was buried. Is going on a Friday evening an extra sacrifice? Of course it is. But if we never make any extra effort for our Lord, or if kids grow up with families never making an extra sacrifice for our Lord, the message is: it's just not that important. Maybe you could make it at least once or twice. The love of God alone does not save us, we have to respond with acts of love (self-sacrifice) as well. This is how love is unitive -- it has to be reciprocal, it can't be one -sided. That's just the way it is. The priests also have to be willing to sacrifice for (i.e., love) our Lord. To that end, each of us will offer Stations twice each Friday evening during Lent.

The SALEM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be collecting nonperishable food items during the Lenten season. The baskets CANS can be found in the Church entrance. The program works when you commit to donating 40 cans of food (one for each day) FOR during Lent and it is most certainly in keeping with the spirit LENT of Lenten sacrifice. Our council set 1000 pounds for our fraternal yearly goal. Please note that expired food items cannot be accepted. Thank you for your donation(s). Every CAN, CAN Help!



LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO FOR LENT?

St. Mary's Ignite Lenten Challenge: "Come Sit with Jesus on Thursdays"



In order to promote Eucharistic Adoration and a personal relationship with our Lord, Salem St. Mary's Ignite Group is encouraging parishioners to participate in a 12hour adoration day on all the Thursdays of Lent. It will begin with adoration of Jesus in the tabernacle before daily Mass and conclude with the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chap-

let at 7pm. A sign up sheet will be in the back of the church beginning Feb. 10th. Come lay all your cares on Him. He is waiting to see you.



80TH BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER

for Pat Kaufman. her Birthday is February 14. Greetings can be sent to 42793 247th St. Spencer, SD 57374.



I would like to thank the Epiphany I Ladies Altar Society | and the individual parish members

from the Church of Epiphany that I gave donations for my trip to the SEEK conference held in St. Louis, MO at the beginning of January. My experience was amazing and so I inspiring, joining together with over 20,000 other college students to grow in the Catholic Faith. I truly appreciate the support from my I hometown parish! Thank you all from the bottom of my heart! Chloe Schmittj

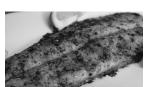


CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY has

started 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 IGNITE FISH BAKE March 15th 5:30-7:00 Gluten free

meal served 6:00-6:30.



St. Ann's CCD students will be praying the Stations every Wednesday during lent, February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27 at 7:40pm, everyone is welcome to attend.

EXPECTANT MOM'S AND YOUNG MOTHERS:

You are invited to attend the "Under Mary's Mantle" meetings on topics of mothering during the early years beginning **Thursday, February 22, at 9:30 am** in the St. Mary's School beside St. Mary's Church in Salem.



The series of five bi-weekly meetings are based on writings of renowned Catholic authors such as Lisa Hendey, founder of CatholicMom.org, Sarah A. Reinhard & other well-known authors, and cover topics on pregnancy, nutrition, the first three years, Scripture verses, & other topics.

First Meeting Topic: Pregnancy and the Role of Good Nutrition. Refreshments & snacks served and young children are welcome!

Come for encouragement, inspiration, fellowship and sharing in the important role of motherhood! For more information call Sandy at 605-421-1104 or Lisa at 605-480-3031.



WISCONSIN SHRINES PILGRIMAGE April 17-19, 2024

Fr. Bill Hamak will accompany us as we journey in faith to the Shrines of Wisconsin: Our Lady of Champion in Champion Holy Hill Shrine in Hubertus Our Lady of Guadalupe in Lacrosse

Call now for more information: Elsie Baye: 605-359-3450 Lisa Ulmer: 605-351-8778

According to legend, St. Valentine signed a letter "from your Valentine" to his jailer's

GRINT VALENTINE The Patron Saint of Love



daughter, whom he had befriended and healed from blindness. Another common legend states that he defied the emperor's orders and secretly married couples to spare the hus-

bands from war. He is also the patron saint of epileptics, and beekeepers.

The Week Ahead

2/II, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE For †Linus & †Ellen Hurley 9:00 AM MASS IN SALEM For intentions of John & Hannah Streff 10:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT For †Francis Sieverding 11:00 am Mass in Epiphany For the People of our Parishes (Pro Populo) 1:30 pm St. Ann, St. Patrick, St. Mary Confirmation, St. Mary's Church, Salem

2/12, Monday, Weekday in Ordinary Time

*2:00 pm Bulletin Information Due to 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

> 2/13, Tuesday, Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM MASS IN SALEM For †Bill Reif 5:30 PM MASS IN HUMBOLDT For †Phyllis Sieverding

2/14, Ash Wednesday, St. Valentine's Day *9:00 am Bulletin Sent to LPi 9:00 AM MASS IN BRIDGEWATER 5:30 PM MASS IN MONTROSE For †Eleanor Kueter 5:30 PM MASS IN SALEM For †Herb & †Pat Heumiller 6:15 PM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA 7:30 PM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA 7:30 PM MASS IN EPIPHANY For †Orville Barringer 7:30 PM MASS IN HUMBOLDT For †Neal Even 7:35 PM MASS IN EMERY

2/15, Thursday, Lenten Weekday 8:30 am Mass in Salem For †Anthony Lunders 10:00 am Mass in Epiphany For Holy Souls in Purgatory 7:00 pm Rosary for our Nation, St. Mary's Church

> 2/16, Friday, Lenten Weekday 8:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT For †Loren Even 8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE For †George Redenius

2/17, Saturday, Vigil: First Sunday of Lent 5:00 PM MASS IN SALEM For †Bud Gottlob

2/18, First Sunday of Lent 8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE For the People of our Parishes (Pro Populo) 9:00 AM MASS IN SALEM For †Gerald Hanisch 10:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT For †Ken Struck 11:30 am St. Ann's Confirmation Lunch, St. Ann's Hall 11:00 AM MASS IN EPIPHANY For †Elta Zens