

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.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all mothers past & present, grandmothers, foster moms, step-mothers, moms to be and mother figures. May your day be filled with smiles, laughter, and sunshine; and may you feel the gentle touch of God's blessings on your heart today and always.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, MAY 12, 2024
This bulletin is for the parishes of: Church of the Epiphany, St. Ann, St. Patrick, & St. Mary

Congratulations to the Seniors of Church of the Epiphany, St. Patrick and St. Mary's. May your journey always be towards doing the will of the Father, loving graciously as His Son taught and asking for the graces of the Holy Spirit to go beyond living in this world.



Pictured top left: Church of the Epiphany Seniors:
L-R: Paige Endorf & Erica Endorf.

Pictured middle: St. Patrick Seniors:
L-R: Carly Katzer, Kailey Thompson, Carter Jandl, Ty Morrison, Kellen Kueter & Fr. Bob.

Pictured bottom left: St. Mary Seniors:
Back L-R: Paul Kaffar, Jase Heumiller, Andrew Zens, Middle L-R: Shea Klinkhammer-Cahoon, Andrew Jaeger, Front L-R: Abigail Wagner, Jasmine Krempges, & Vivian Koepsell.

Pictured bottom right: McCook Central graduate, Jase Heumiller was recognized for being an altar server from third grade through senior year of high school. Jase was recognized by St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council and is pictured with G/K Brian Krempges.



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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 ½ hour before wherever Saturday evening Mass is.

SUNDAY: Alexandria, Bridgewater, Emery, Montrose, Salem; confessions begin 40 minutes before Mass and go for ½ hour. Epiphany & Humboldt: confessions after Mass until all are heard.

HOLY DAYS: as announced

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

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maryofmercy@sfcatholic.org

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

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS: 605.239.4578
342 3rd 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

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

DISCIPLESHIP & EVANGELIZATION:
Maggan Krempges: 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
https://www.stpatrickmontrose.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.



GOD BLESS MOTHERS:

*The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God
 is the heart of a mother.
 St. Therese of Lisieux.*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Sunday, May 19

Rosary Klinkhammers
Servers Luke & Paige Endorf
Lector Erica Endorf
Euch. Min. Jean Klinkhammer
Offertory Lyle Miller Family
Music Kim Miller, Rene Koepsell
Ushers John Schmitt, Bob Wingen,
 Joe Zens, Cory Eich

ST. ANN'S

Sunday, May 19

ROSARY Elsie Baye
SERVERS Landon & Miles Even,
 Ella Harden
LECTOR Nicolle Shumaker
EUCH. MIN. Charles & Donna Beck
OFFERTORY A. Busser
MUSIC B
SACRISTAN Elsie Baye
USHERS Mark Harden, John Jarding
\$ COUNTERS Charles & Paula Jarding,
 Elsie Baye

ST. PATRICK'S

Saturday, May 18

SERVERS Jake & Nathan Merrill,
 Zaidee Huls
LECTOR Kathy Binder
OFFERTORY Ryan & Jennifer Roling
EUCH. MIN. Bill Grocott
USHERS Andrew Raap, Paul Klaudt

Sunday, May 19

SERVERS Claire & Caleb Vogel,
 Elliott Bartlett
LECTOR Denise Erickson
OFFERTORY Brian & Heidi Roshone
EUCH. MIN. Eric Grocott
USHERS Steve Zimmer, Bob Condon
SACRISTAN Barb Spicer
\$ COUNTERS Beth Odenbach,
 Sarah McAreevey

ST. MARY'S

Saturday, May 18

HOMEBOUND Laura Gottlob

Sunday, May 19

ROSARY Crystal Wilkinson
SERVERS Aliza & Maria Addy,
 Quenton Gessner
LECTOR Crystal Wilkinson
EUCH. MIN. Sharon Lauck,
 Geralyn Sherman
HOMEBOUND Dave & Barb Huiten
USHERS Kevin Ernster, Dave Fendrich,
 Jim Gottlob, Pat Gottlob
\$ COUNTERS Marlene Aden, Joann Koch

The family of Harley Zens would like to thank our church family, friends and relatives for the many kindnesses shown us these past few week-ends. Thank you for food brought to our home, to the wake and funeral. Thank you also for the hugs, comforting words and memories shared, Thank you Father Kuhn for your spiritual guidance. We appreciate all of you and are grateful for your thoughtfulness as we go through this difficult time. Ronda and family.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

For the weekend of 5/5:
 Adult: \$950.00, Loose: \$275.00,
 Total: \$1,225.00.

ST. ANN'S

Collected week ending 5/3:
 CFSA: \$1,100.00, Total: \$1,100.00.

For the weekend of 5/5:
 was not available at the time of printing.

ST. PATRICK'S

For the weekend of 5/5:
 was not available at the time of printing.

ST. MARY'S

Collected week ending 5/3:
 Candles: \$301.07, Poor Box: \$20.20,
 Masses: \$50.00, Donation: \$50.00,
 CFSA: \$500.00, Total: \$921.27.
 For the weekend of 5/5:
 Adult: \$2,080.00, Loose: \$209.00,
 Home Mission: \$100.00, Total: \$2,389.00.

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



For information on the Shrine call 425-3000
May 8-Brian & Barb Mentele,
May 15-Curtis & Christy Gessner,
May 22-Mike & Katie Heumiller.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY PARISHIONERS:
 Hearts & Hammers of SD is seeking volunteers to assist with minor house repairs for individuals in Miner County. The tentative weekend for these projects is set for May 18th and 19th. You can help both days or part of the time, and there are various tasks to help with (painting, meals for volunteers, etc.) For further details, please reach out via email at heartsandhammersofSD@gmail.com or contact Mary Leary at (605) 270-3877, Mark Struwe at (417) 434-1434, or Kelli Endorf at (605) 999-3305. Join us in lending a helping hand to those in need in our community!

Hartford/Humboldt Right To Life...Are sponsoring a **Pro-Life Baby Bottle Fund-raiser** from Mother's Day through Father's Day. We will be handing out baby bottles this Mother's Day weekend at St. Patrick's in Montrose and St. Ann's in Humboldt. We invite you to place your change, dollars or checks in these bottles and return on Father's Day weekend June 15th & 16th. **Thanks in advance and God bless you for your generosity. The money will be used to continue pro-life activities in our area.**

Humboldt/Montrose Court St. Thomas #1533
Catholic Daughters meeting
Monday, May 20, 7:15 pm
 at Humboldt, St. Ann Hall

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

14 DAY CANDLES AT ST. MARY'S
 MAY 13-MAY 26

THE MAIN ALTAR SANCTUARY CANDLE:
 Special intentions for Jackie Watkins.

ALTAR OF THE HOLY FAMILY-BLUE CANDLES:
 (LS) Special intentions for our deceased family members, may they rest in peace.

(RS) Special intentions for our family members with health concerns.

ALTAR OF ST. ALOYSIUS-RED CANDLES:
 (LS) For the happy repose of the souls of Lyle & Helene Eichacker.

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



PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord hear our prayers

For more information call St. Mary's Office.



ST. PATRICK'S

Lee Corbin, Duane Bartmann,
 Vince Bartmann, Chad Gordon,
 Paul Gordon, Larry Hohn,
 Bob Kerkhove, Jim & Kay Miles,
 Mary Ann (Healy) Tuschen,
 Sherry VanderZwaag.

ST. MARY'S

Pat Huls, Kay Koch, Lori Erikson,
 Dianne Kampshoff, Raya Koch,
 Jean Schneider, Jim Tuschen,
 MaryAnn Tuschen,
 Dan Westhoff, Merlin Ziegmann.

Thank You to Sheri Weber, quarterly chair, for getting bars for Gert Kayser's funeral lunch; and thank you to the ladies who donated the bars and helped work. The next group to furnish will be the January quarter, Beth Skaff is the quarterly chair.
Thanks again,
 St. Mary's Funeral Committee.

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

St. Ann will have **lunch** following Graduation Mass on **May 12**.

St. Ann will be **servicing the Banquet** on Tues., **May 14**. There are sign-up sheets in the front and back of the church.

May 4, 2024: A Memo from Fr. Bob

Bishop DeGroot has chosen to name me as a Senior Priest which will become effective July 2, 2024. Senior Priests no longer have direct involvement in "Parish" ministry with given parish communities. If a parish needs you to "fill in" for them, then you are welcome to do that.

If you know me, that wasn't my hope or desire to transition to Senior Priest. Yes, I am 81. When I moved 3 years ago, I was grateful I would still have the opportunity for celebrating daily Mass where the community could participate. I will not have that privilege now. Any time now for celebration of Mass in public, permission for use of the space in a church will be a reality. The only place where to feel "at home" will be a room in my living quarters for Mass.

Daily Mass has always been a big part of my life even as a lay person, my first 30 years including walking down for Mass while in college.

I have always appreciated celebrating Mass where the laity may be fed. Jesus wasn't alone at the Last Supper! There were times when no one showed up but still the invitation was there but I offered.

Thank you for the privileges these past years. You will be in my prayers wherever this reality leads me. I ask for yours.

Please keep the Eucharist so special in your life. It is the 'source and summit of our Lives' as Catholic Christians. Stay **STRONG** in your Catholic calling. In gratitude, God Bless You, Fr. Bob.

PASTORATE NAME BEING SUBMITTED FOR THE BISHOP'S APPROVAL: *I want to thank everyone who participated in the survey on selecting a sacred name for the pastorate. There were a number of excellent suggestions made, beyond those proposed. About 4 or 5 people suggested St. Mother of Teresa of Calcutta – a saint of our times. A couple of people suggested either St. Joseph or: Jesus, Mary, & Joseph: the Holy Family, as models and protectors of family life, which is very fitting for our times. There were also suggestions for patrons of agriculture, which, of course, would also fit this pastorate quite well. Divine Mercy, The 7 gifts of the Holy Spirit, St. Anthony of Padua, Immaculate Heart, Sacred Heart, St. Michael the Archangel, and St. Mary of Mercy were among the other excellent suggestions. All of these fine, well thought out, and judicious suggestions actually made selecting just one even more difficult! In the end, however, St. Mary Magdalene took a clear and decisive lead, accumulating 42% of all votes, with St. Peter the Apostle and St. Francis of Assisi equally split with 29% each. I'm hoping this reflects the will of our Lord. St. Mary Magdalene, then, will be the sacred name submitted to the bishop for this pastorate. Many people didn't get their first choice, all of which were excellent choices. Remember, though, that we can't go wrong with a sacred name. The saints, the mysteries of the faith, and our Lord (while distinct) form a single body, a single whole, there is no opposition amongst them. Our Holy Mother, the Apostles, the angels, and all the saints sit at table now (so to speak) with our Lord. In a certain sense, you can't pick one without picking them all. Thank you again and God Bless You, Fr. Kuhn.*

7 Week Women's Book Study

This study will be offered at 2 different times.

"Victory Over Vice & The Seven Virtues" by Fulton J. Sheen

Archbishop Fulton Sheen uses the seven last words spoken by Christ as a framework to propose answers to overcoming the seven deadly sins and by demonstrating how it is still possible to practice the 3 theological virtues of faith, hope and charity along with the four cardinal virtues of prudence, temperance, justice and fortitude.

Every Tuesday, starting May 21st at 7pm at St. Mary's in Salem.

Every Thursday, starting May 23rd at 9am at St. Patrick's in Montrose.

Please contact Maggan Krempges, 605-425-2600 or

mjkrempges@salem catholic.org, if you would like to join in this study

WITH PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY FROM PASTORATE 16:

**ST. PATRICK'S EXTENDS DEEPEST
SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY**

AND FRIENDS OF:

Larry Weber, 79, who passed away
Tuesday, April 23rd.

**ST. MARY'S EXTENDS DEEPEST
SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY**

AND FRIENDS OF:

Donald Stuby, 69, who passed away
Tuesday, April 30th.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O
Lord, and let perpetual light shine
upon them. May they rest in peace.
Amen.

CCFES Raffle Sales: In conjunction with the 29th Annual Bishop's Charity Fishing Tournaments, The Catholic Community Foundation of Eastern SD partnered with the Knights of Columbus to help with the sales of cash raffle tickets, which 100% of the revenue will help support the current 13 men from the Diocese as they pursue their education and discern their call to the priesthood. The total prize pot for the raffles will be \$5,000. The drawing will be on June 10, 2024 at the close of the Pierre Bishop's Fishing tournament. Need not be present to win! Tickets are \$20 per ticket or \$100 for six tickets. The six ways to win are: 1 @ 1st place-\$2500; 1 @ 2nd place-\$1000; 2 @ 3rd place-\$500; 2 @ 4th place-\$250. They are available from Brian Krempges, GK Salem Council at 605-421-9403, the Salem, St. Mary's Parish office, or check with your local KofC council for availability. At this time no men will be ordained this year and one man is scheduled to be ordained next year. Yet we see many of our priests retiring over the recent and upcoming years. We are all experiencing the effects of this through the "Set Ablaze" process now taking place in our diocese. We need to do everything possible to ensure men discerning their call can enter into this discernment process without the struggle associated with financial burdens. Tickets will only be available until the end of May.

Thank You!

To Pastors and Parish Administrators of the former Parishes that I served (*I realize that some of the following parishes listed are now closed*): These include:

St. Ann at Humboldt, St. Patrick at Montrose,
St. Joseph at Eureka, St. Thomas at Roscoe,
St. Augustine at Bowdle, Holy Trinity at Hosmer,
St. Thomas at Faulkton, St. Boniface at Seneca,
St. Liborius at Polo, St. Joseph at Orient,
St. Anthony at Hoven, St. John the Baptist at Onaka,
Sacred Heart at Aberdeen,
Holy Trinity at Huron.

Fr. Terry Anderson will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of his Priesthood Ordination at his home parish at St. Bernard in Redfield, SD. There will be an Open House held on Sunday, May 19th from 1:00pm until 3:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Thanks very much,

Fr. Terence R. Anderson, St. Agnes Catholic Church,
416 South Walker Street, Vermillion, SD 57069



Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day

Monday, May 13th

**St. Mary Parish, Alexandria will host a CELEBRATION
...at their Our Lady of Fatima Shrine
THAT EVENING**

****** Rosary will be prayed at 6:30pm**

******Mass will be celebrated at 7p.m. at the Shrine.**

Bring a lawn chair.

******Knights of Columbus**

will host refreshment following:

Sandwiches.... variety of ice cream delights.... etc.

**Opportunity for a reflection on the GIFT OF Mary (Fatima)
in our Catholic Life**

EVERYONE WELCOME.....SPREAD THE WORD!!!!

ROGATION DAYS SCHEDULE ... AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

Rogation Days observance has a long tradition: a time around Ascension Thursday when we gather to seek the Lord's blessing on our planting and growing season.

We will gather for Mass: 3 Wednesday evenings outside at the Shrine at St. Mary of Mercy in Alexandria at 6:30 pm each evening.

May 15th Feast of St. Isidore, patron saint of farmers.

+++Please bring seeds you plan to plant or represent seeds already planted. Plants you plan to plant, bring them to be blessed.

May 22nd Mass and Litany of St. Isidore will be prayed.

May 29th Mass and Litany of St. Isidore will be prayed.

The Week Ahead

5/12, Sunday, The Ascension of the Lord

Mother's Day

8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE

For †Don & †Violet Healy

9:00 AM MASS IN SALEM

For †Harlen Gross

10:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT

For Deceased Members of the Becker Family

11:00 AM MASS IN EPIPHANY

For the People of our Parishes (Pro Populo)

5/13 Monday, Our Lady of Fatima

***2:00 pm Bulletin Items due to mavhuls@triotel.net**

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

5:30 PM MASS IN SALEM

For Priest Personal Intention

6:30 pm Rosary for Our Lady of Fatima Celebration,

at the Alexandria Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

7:00 pm Mass for Our Lady of Fatima Celebration,

at the Alexandria Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

5/14, Tuesday, St. Matthias

8:30 AM MASS IN SALEM

For †John C. Gottlob

5:30 PM MASS IN HUMBOLDT

For †Rick Muth

5/15, Wednesday, St. Isidore

8:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT

For †Loren Even

8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE

For †Tony Armago & †Randy O'Laughlin

***9:00 am Bulletin Due & Sent to LPi**

6:30 pm Salem KC Mtg., QP Room

6:30 pm Rogation Mass Feast of St. Isidore

at the Alexandria Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

5/16, Thursday, Easter Weekday

8:30 AM MASS IN SALEM

For Special Intentions for John Eich

10:00 AM MASS IN EPIPHANY

For All Parishioners

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

5/17, Friday, Easter Weekday

8:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT

For †Edmund Baye Jr.

8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE

For †Louine Schaufler

5/18, Saturday, Vigil: Pentecost Sunday

5:00 PM MASS IN MONTROSE

For †Ralph & †Agatha Weber

5/19, Pentecost Sunday

8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE

For the People of our Parishes (Pro Populo)

9:00 AM MASS IN SALEM

For †Doug Heiberger

10:30 AM MASS IN HUMBOLDT

For †Katherine Schartz

11:00 AM MASS IN EPIPHANY

For Holy Souls in Purgatory

SAVE THE DATE

**Heart Warrior Benefit For Ed Wobig
Sunday, July 21~11 am-2 pm; Howard Armory, Howard, SD**