

St. Mary Magdalene Pastorate

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TO USE ANY OF THE 7 PARISH HALLS:

contact St. Mary Magdalene Pastorate Office in Salem

ALEXANDRIA, ST. MARY OF MERCY

220 5th St., Alexandria, SD

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm only in even months

SUNDAY: 8:30 am only in odd months

MON.-FRI.: 8:30 am; TUESDAYS: 5:30 pm

ALEXANDRIA, CARMELITE MONASTERY

DAILY: 7:30 am Mass (Extraordinary Form)

Fr. Lance Oser

Rosary & Benediction

Sunday at 3:15 pm Adoration

First Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm

BRIDGEWATER, ST. STEPHEN

351 N. Juniper, Bridgewater, SD

No Weekend Mass

WEDNESDAYS: 9:00 am; THURSDAYS: 5:30 pm

**(First Thursday of the month 10:00 am Mass at the Bridgewater Nursing Home)*

**(First Thursday of the month NO 5:30 pm Mass)*

EMERY, ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

342 3rd Ave., Emery, SD

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm only in odd months

SUNDAY: 8:30 am only in even months

WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS: 9:00 am

EPIPHANY, CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

106 Jackson St., Epiphany, SD

No Weekend Mass

THURSDAYS: 5:30 pm

HUMBOLDT, ST. ANN

409 W. 4th Ave., Humboldt, SD

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm only in odd months

SUNDAY: 8:30 am only in even months

TUESDAYS: 5:30 pm

MONTROSE, ST. PATRICK

211 S. Church Ave., Montrose, SD

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm only in even months

SUNDAY: 8:30 am only in odd months

WEDNESDAYS: 9:00 am

SALEM, ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

240 W. Vermont Ave., Salem, SD

SUNDAY: 10:30 am

Extraordinary Form Mass: 1:00 pm

MONDAYS: 5:30 pm; FRIDAYS: 9:00 am



CONFESSIONS:

SATURDAY: 4:15-4:50 pm as well as after Mass, at all parishes with Saturday evening Mass.

SUNDAY: for all the parishes with 8:30 am Mass, confessions will be 7:50-8:20 am before Mass.

Emery and Alexandria will also have confessions available after their 8:30 am Masses.

For Salem, when possible, confessions will be offered before and after the 10:30 am Mass;

confessions before and after the 1:00 pm Extraordinary Form Mass.



HOLY DAYS: as announced



BAPTISM/CARE OF THE SICK/

MARRIAGE/OCIA: Contact parish priest



DISCIPLESHIP & EVANGELIZATION:

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Congratulations to the 17 First Communicants, last weekend, of St. Mary's in Salem, St. Martin's in Emery and St. Ann's in Humboldt! These children have been preparing for this moment all year!! Thank you to their teachers, Christy Gessner for St. Mary's, Sandra Bartscher for St. Martin's and Sue Graff for St. Patrick Montrose. Please keep all of our youth in your prayers as they keep venturing into the journey towards our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!



St. Mary's in Salem:

Back Row: Tobias Addy, Edward Hodne, Fr. Kuhn, Lane Osterberg, Evan Durfée and Jackson Havard.

Front Row: Beatrice Bergeson, Quinn Feterl, Eleanor Hodne & Elowen Randall



St. Ann's in Humboldt:

Lucas Feist, Fr. Bob Kranz & Daniel Kaffar



St. Martin's in Emery:

Fr. Kuhn

Back Row: Owen Eckerman, Conalin Kayser, Robert Nelson, Teacher Sandra Bartscher,

Front Row: Kylie Olinger, Logan Glover & Oakley VanLeur



Salem, St. Mary's: *Monica Anderson*-cell 605.421.1655
and *Sandy Bies*-605.425.2306.

St. Patrick's: *Donna Hetland*-605.480.2650.

St. Mary of Mercy: *Camille Davies*-cell 605.933.0574.

BULLETIN: *Vicky Huls*: **Items** for the bulletin due Mondays at 2:00 pm to mavhuls@triotel.net
Finished bulletin due to LPi Wednesdays at 9:00 am (deadlines change during holidays)

BULLETIN ONLINE: <https://www.salem catholic.org>

Heavenly Father, As farmers, we rely on Your provision of our safety and good weather conditions for the success of our crops. We ask for Your blessings on the rains, the sunshine, the winds, and for the ability to work safely with the conditions You provide. **We thank you for Your protection and care. Amen.**

Let your *Faith*
be bigger than your fear.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES

**ALEXANDRIA-ST. MARY OF MERCY
Sunday, May 10**

ROSARY Chris & Emily Ruden
SERVERS Carter Ruden, Madalynn Ruden, Allie Ruden
LECTOR Kenny Kayser
E. MIN. Dave & Cindy Beyer
MUSIC Sandy Kayser
USHERS Chris Ruden, Duane Letcher
MONEY Heidi Jarding, Peggy Weber

**EMERY-ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
Saturday, May 9**

ROSARY Janice Heiberger
SERVERS Emma Schleich, Olivia, Schleich, Grace Eckerman
LECTOR Landon Berg
E. MIN. Kellie Weber
MUSIC Rosalie Weber
USHERS Ryan Budahl, Bob Berg
MONEY B/L Schleich, Jen Eckerman

**HUMBOLDT-ST. ANN
Saturday, May 9**

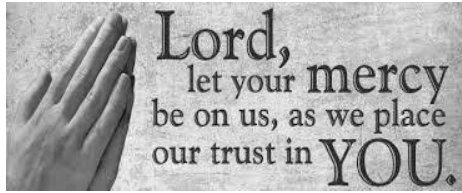
ROSARY Darin Kremppges
SERVERS Kane Grace, Weston Grace, August Stofferahn
LECTOR Jackie Lofswold
OFFER. Marty & Lori Ketcham
E. MIN. Charles & Donna Beck
SACRISTAN Susan Shumaker
USHERS Mark Harden, John Jarding
MONEY Tom & Colleen Puthoff, Ann Schartz

**MONTROSE-ST. PATRICK
Sunday, May 10**

SERVERS Ayla Struck, Kennedy Struck, Ambur Haag
LECTOR Barb Spicer
OFFER. Jason & Sarah McAreavey
E. MIN. Jeremy Wiebersick
SACRISTAN Denny Vogel
USHERS Andrew Raap, Steve Zimmer
MONEY Robert Hoiten, Jeremy & Charlotte Thompson

**SALEM-ST. MARY
Sunday, May 10**

ROSARY Brian Kremppges
SERVERS Chase & Leah Feterl, Aliza Addy
LECTOR Kurt Stiefvater
E. MIN. Bill Roth, Randy Sabers
H. BD. Geralyn Sherman
USHERS Jason Jaeger, Tom Kolbeck, Chad Kremppges, Wayne Kremppges
MONEY Joann Koch, Joyce Meyer



To purchase 14-day candles, (\$10.00) at Salem, St. Mary's, call the pastorate office

APRIL 27 – MAY 10
THE MAIN ALTAR SANCTUARY CANDLE
For St. Mary Magdalene Pastorate.
ALTAR OF THE HOLY FAMILY-BLUE CANDLES
(LS) For Sherry Stoffel.
(RS) For the happy repose of the soul of Roberta Kinzley.
ALTAR OF ST. ALOYSIUS-RED CANDLES
(LS) For Joey (Joanna) Matthies.
(RS) For the happy repose of the soul of Bill Reif.

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

*For information on the Shrine call Luann McKillop 605-530-4041.



April 29-Brian & Barb Mentele,
May 6-Curt & Christy Gessner,
May 13-Mike & Katie Heumiller.

Salem, St. Mary's for pick up/drop off of the Legion of Mary's Pilgrim Shrine. If the exchange cannot be made in person, return the statue near the baptismal font on the table beneath the Our Lady of Guadalupe wall hanging in the back of the church by 10 am on Wednesdays, so the next person can pick her up. If you have any questions, call Luann McKillop at 605-530-4041.

PASTORATE COLLECTIONS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING OF 4/26
ALEXANDRIA-ST. MARY OF MERCY
\$1,699.00; CFSA: \$5,250.00
CFSA goal met
BRIDGEWATER-ST. STEPHEN
\$200.00; CFSA: \$200.00
CFSA remaining balance: \$365.00
EMERY-ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
\$791.00; CFSA goal met
EPIPHANY-CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
\$45.00; CFSA: \$250.00
CFSA remaining balance: \$2,871.50
HUMBOLDT-ST. ANN
\$1,830.00; CFSA: \$200.00
CFSA remaining balance: \$968.60
MONTROSE-ST. PATRICK
\$1,532.00; CFSA: \$100.00
CFSA remaining balance: \$12,965.00
SALEM-ST. MARY
\$3,118.00; CFSA: \$450.00
CFSA remaining balance: \$15,536

THANK YOU
to all who participated in any way with **St. Ann's First Communion breakfast.** You are all greatly appreciated!

We can bearly wait

Join us for a baby shower honoring Baby Weber & mom-to-be

Emily Weber

Saturday, May 16th, 2026
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

St. Stephen's Catholic Church
Bridgewater, SD

Please RSVP by May 1st, 2026 to Beth (605) 366-3436

Baby Weber is registered at Target & Amazon

PASTORATE PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord hear our prayers

*For information call the pastorate office.

SALEM, ST. MARY'S
Joey (Joanna) Matthies,
Lori Erikson, Pat Grady,
Dianne Kampshoff, Kay Koch,
Joanne Schneider, Jean Schnider,
Carla Snyders, Jim Tuschen,
Rosalie Weber, Merlin & Sandy Ziegmann

ST. PATRICK'S
Vince Bartmann, Chad Gordon,
Paul Gordon, Larry Hohn, Bob Kerkhove,
Lisa Lund, Jim Miles,
Lainey Raap, Sherry VanderZwaag

ALEXANDRIA, ST. MARY OF MERCY
Don Wenande,
Peggy Kayser, John Schroeder

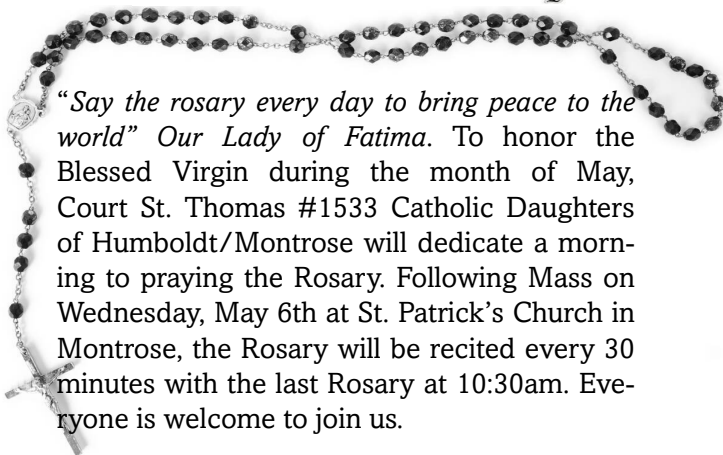
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2026 Catholic Family Sharing Appeal

Alexandria	\$28,000
Bridgewater	\$8,500
Emery	\$17,500
Epiphany	\$9,500
Humboldt	\$26,000
Montrose	\$30,500
Salem	\$47,500



Let us Pray



“Say the rosary every day to bring peace to the world” Our Lady of Fatima. To honor the Blessed Virgin during the month of May, Court St. Thomas #1533 Catholic Daughters of Humboldt/Montrose will dedicate a morning to praying the Rosary. Following Mass on Wednesday, May 6th at St. Patrick’s Church in Montrose, the Rosary will be recited every 30 minutes with the last Rosary at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Let us pray for our Holy Father and for his prayer intentions for **May 2026: That everyone might have food.** Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

WITH PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY SALEM, ST. MARY’S EXTENDS CONDOLENCES

to the family and friends of:
Mary Feterl, 92,

who passed away Saturday, April 25; and **CONDOLENCES** to the family & friends of: **Charlie Eich, 91,** who passed away Thursday, April 23.



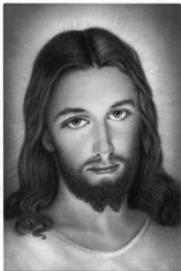
ST. ANN’S EXTENDS CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of:

Belinda Hanisch, 78, who passed away Friday, April 24.

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

I Wait for You The Light is On

Each church is now open all the time, and with a light on so you can stop by any time and pay a visit to our Lord. It’s why He sits there day after day, night after night, He waits for His sons and daughters to come to Him, to pay Him a visit, to spend time with Him, to speak to them.

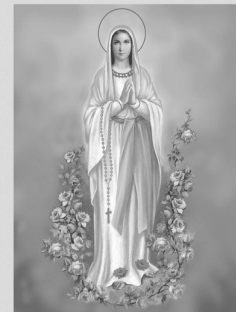


PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Blessing of Peace: Dear Lord, You have said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled.” Bless me with Your peace. Fill my heart with trust in You, and hope in Your promises. Be my rock in times of distress, my light in times of darkness, and my rest in the storm. Amen.

Mini-reflection: There are lots of different routes to Heaven. But there’s only one Way. **THE WAY:** Someone once said there were as many different routes to Heaven as there were to the grocery store. It’s not an untrue analogy — there are a lot of different routes to the grocery store. An infinite number, in fact. There is actually no “right” way to get to the grocery store, because it all depends on where you’re starting from and what other errands you have along the way. And there are a lot of different routes to Heaven — likewise, an infinite number. It all depends on where you’re starting from. It all depends on what you have to do along the way. There it is: the part that matters. The way. Whether we’re talking about Heaven or the grocery store as our destination, all routes are not created equal. Some take too long. Some are impassable. Some are hard to navigate. Some are just plain made-up — the glitch of a GPS, the promise of a false prophet. And inevitably, if you take a less-than-ideal route, you will find yourself flagging down a pedestrian, asking, “I’m lost. Which way do I go?” You can meander all you want. But in the end, you have to find The Way. And there’s only one. Don’t worry, though. You’ll know him when you see him.

Virtues, Explained! Diligence is the opposite of negligence; the diligent man pursues his goal with the same faithfulness with which God has pursued us, wayward as we are through the long course of salvation history. It is the virtue by which man can secure for himself true happiness.



May the month of Mary

There is a **Rosary on Mondays**, 5pm at Salem, St. Mary’s Church; a **Rosary on Tuesdays**, 9am at St. Stephen’s Church; and a **Rosary on Thursdays**, 7pm at Salem, St. Mary’s Church or Grotto.



2026 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

May 3rd at Alexandria and Montrose

St. Patrick’s First Communion is Sunday, May 3rd. Please join and celebrate the First Communicants with breakfast following Mass in the parish hall.

St. Mary of Mercy, Alexandria First Communion Mass on Sunday, May 3, 8:30 with a reception to follow at the parish hall.

2026 BACCALAUREATE MASS

May 9th at Emery and Humboldt

St. Ann’s Baccalaureate Mass to celebrate our Graduating Seniors Saturday, May 9. Cake and ice cream to follow after Mass in the Parish Hall.

May 10th at Alexandria, Montrose and Salem

Join **Salem, St. Mary’s** Altar Society for a Baccalaureate reception on May 10th following Mass.

Alexandria, St. Mary of Mercy Baccalaureate Mass Sunday, May 10 at 8:30 with a reception to follow at the parish hall. Everyone welcome.

There will be coffee and rolls after 8:30 Mass on Sunday, May 10th, at **St. Patrick’s**, to honor our seniors

The Carmelite Nuns in Alexandria, SD live to pray. Tell them how they can pray for YOU.



Scan here to send a prayer need or go to <https://holyfacechapel.org/prayer-requests>.

St. Patrick's Altar Society meeting will be Monday, May 4th at 7:00 p.m. at the church hall.

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Mass with Bishop DeGrood
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Outdoor Prime Rib Dinner
Silent Auction & Cash Raffles
Knights of Columbus Challenge

Benefiting Seminarian Education & Formation

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605.988.3701



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS



5/3, Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA

For †Darlene Peterson, †Jim Peterson, †Theresa Culver

8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE

For †Donna Jorgensen

10:30 AM MASS IN SALEM

For †Gerald & †Rebecca Hanisch

1:00 PM EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASS IN SALEM

For All Parishioners

5/4, Monday, Easter Weekday

8:30 AM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA (Fr. Bob)

For Priest Personal Intention

***2:00 pm ITEMS for the Bulletin Due to mavhuls@triotel.net**

5:00 pm Rosary at Salem, St. Mary's Church

5:30 PM MASS IN SALEM

For Priest Personal Intention

5/5, Tuesday, Easter Weekday

8:30 AM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA (Fr. Bob)

For Priest Personal Intention

9:00 am Rosary at St. Stephan's Church

5:30 PM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA

For Favorable Weather

5:30 PM MASS IN HUMBOLDT

For †Jean Skaff

5/6, Wednesday, Easter Weekday

8:30 AM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA (Fr. Bob)

For Priest Personal Intention

***9:00 AM FINISHED Bulletin Due & Sent to LPI**

9:00 AM MASS IN BRIDGEWATER (Fr. Rader)

For †Theresa Graff

9:00 AM MASS IN EMERY

For †Harold Leitheiser

9:00 AM MASS IN MONTROSE

For †Don, †Rose, †Tom †Wheeler

5/7, Thursday, National Day of Prayer

8:30 AM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA (Fr. Bob)

For Priest Personal Intention

****NO 5:30 PM MASS IN BRIDGEWATER TODAY**

10:00 AM MASS AT BRIDGEWATER NURSING HOME

For All Residents

5:30 PM MASS IN EPIPHANY

For Holy Souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them

7:00 pm, Rosary at Salem, St. Mary's Church or Grotto

5/8, Friday, Easter Weekday

8:30 AM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA (Fr. Bob)

For Priest Personal Intention

9:00 AM MASS IN EMERY

For Deceased members of the Sacred Heart

9:00 AM MASS IN SALEM

For †Joy Grapes

5/9, Saturday, Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM MASS IN EMERY

For †Dan Olinger

5:00 PM MASS IN HUMBOLDT

For L & D Catholic Daughters

5/10, Sixth Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day

8:30 AM MASS IN ALEXANDRIA

For †Bud & †Janice Schoenfelder

8:30 AM MASS IN MONTROSE

For Pro Populo (the People of our Parishes)

10:30 AM MASS IN SALEM

For †Joan Mae Stiefvater

1:00 PM EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASS IN SALEM

For †Dale Weber