

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE
ARE GATHERED IN
MY NAME,
THERE AM I AMONG THEM.
-MATTHEW 18:20**

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Weekend Mass:

Saturday: 5:00pm - St. Augustine, Bowdle
Sunday: 9:00am - St. Thomas, Roscoe
11:00am - Holy Cross, Ipswich

Daily Mass:

Tuesday: 5:30pm - Holy Cross, Ipswich
Wednesday: 9:00am - St. Thomas, Roscoe
Thursday: 9:00am - St. Augustine, Bowdle
(1st Thursday at 10am @ Nursing Home)
Friday: 9:00am - Holy Cross, Ipswich
(1st Friday Holy Hour after Mass)

Confessions:

Tuesday: 5:00pm - Holy Cross, Ipswich
Saturday: 4:30pm - St. Augustine, Bowdle
Sunday: 8:30am - St. Thomas, Roscoe
10:30am - Holy Cross, Ipswich

*Confessions also available by appointment *

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism: A pre-baptism meeting with Father must be completed before the baptism of a child. Contact Father to schedule.

Marriage Preparation: Must begin at least 6 months before the wedding. ***Must meet with father before scheduling wedding date*** Contact Father to schedule meeting.

Anointing of the Sick & Last Rites: Contact Father to make arrangements: 605-971-4556 option 3.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults: Want to join the Church? Classes held Sept-May. Contact the parish office.

Father Michael's Musings

Many of us remember that Tuesday morning 22 years ago, that morning which simply became known as 9/11

Many of us remember the feelings we had and the commitment we made to one another, to remember what really matters in our lives, and to "never forget."

But, we did forget, didn't we. I know I have. I have easily forgotten to focus on the priorities in my life and to tell the people close to me how much I love them. Maybe you need to remember as well.

And we certainly have forgotten what it felt like in those days when we were united in heart and purpose. We have allowed others to lead us astray until now there seems to be nothing but division and hatred everywhere. How did we let that happen? How did we forget so easily?

Those who seek our destruction knew they only had to tear us apart to win, and we have let them do just that; they have led us to the point where we use the word "enemy" against one another. How did we forget so easily?

On this anniversary, may we remember again the strength we felt, regardless of party, when we were one. Please, let's remember.



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: Sept 11-17

MON: Day of Rest—No Public Mass

TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Dick, +Ken & +Tom Weber

WED: 9 AM Roscoe - + Erma Meier

THURS: 9 AM Bowdle - All Students and Teachers

FRI: 9 AM Ipswich - + Eva Schumacher

SAT: 5 PM Bowdle - + Betty Nowatzki

SUN: 9 AM Roscoe - + Lenny Uhrich
11 AM Ipswich - For the People

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

September 16 & 17

BOWDLE — Saturday at 5:00 PM

Lector: Pat Dewald

Servers: Isaiah & Jeremiah Heilman

Rosary: Norbert Thomas

Sacristan: Margy Bobby & Mary Zimmer

ROSCOE— Sunday at 9:00 AM

Lector: Mary Jo Grismer

Servers: Krist Sauer & Caleb Scherr

Ushers: Cliff Anderson & Brad Heyne

Money Counters: W Hoerner & J Fuhrmann

Rosary: Janet Fuhrmann

IPSWICH — Sunday at 11:00 AM

Lector: Cheryl Vogel

EMHC: Bryce Nash

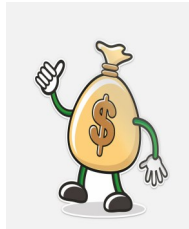
Servers: Chole Geditz, Emri Braun, Gracyn Kadlec

Ushers: S Heinz, R Braun, G Gauer & P Franck

Money Counters: G&K Braun & J Markovetz

Rosary: St Gerard Study Club

Sacrificial Giving: Sept 2 & 3



Holy Cross: Collection: \$2843.89
Renovation: \$70.00

St. Thomas: Collection: \$992.00

St. Augustine: Collection: \$484.10

Thank you for your Church Support!

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: Sept 11-17

Mon: Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11

Tues: Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

Wed: Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26

Thurs: Num 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Fri: 1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14; Jn 19:25-27

Sat: 1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49

Sun: Sir 27:30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

To our Brothers and Sisters of Holy Cross in Ipswich.

When I pray the Litany of the Holy Cross, one of the things which strikes me is the acclamation that the Cross of Christ is "clothing for the naked."

Now this means our care of the poor, to be sure, but it is also a wonderful reminder that we each come to the Church naked, and then are clothed with the dignity of Christian life, expressed in our baptismal garment and in our funeral pall.

For us, this is to be clothed in the Cross, the ultimate gift of self-giving love. Throughout our lives we rejoice in this gift.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross this Thursday, and your Patronal Feast Day, please know of my prayers for each of you, and my gratitude to God that I am called to be your pastor, and that you are a part of Pastorate 1, blessing us with your witness to the power of the Cross.

You're awesome and you make us better! Happy Feast Day!
Fr. Michael Griffin

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS
FOR SEPT 2023

For people living on the margins.

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance."

Diocesan Events

Notre Dame Football Experience
Saturday, October 14, 2023



Have you always dreamed of attending a Notre Dame Football game in person? Here is your chance to win a trip of a lifetime. An amazing raffle package is now available. To see what this package includes or to purchase a raffle ticket, visit Catholic Community Foundation at www.ccfesd.org or call 605-988-3765.

October 14th—Univ of Southern California vs Notre Dame

Drawing will be held on September 14th

Women Forester's

Women Forester's will meet Monday, September 11 at 1PM in the Multi-Purpose room at Holy Cross.



Football Raffle Books Available

Knights of Columbus are selling their football raffle books again. Purchase from any Knights of Columbus Member or Bob Geditz.

Books are available for \$20 each
3 Sets; Monday, Thursday & Sunday Nights

Holy Cross Religious Education

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Kick-Off to Religious Education POTLUCK

Wednesday, Sept 13th @ 6PM

Parents, students & families, please bring a dish to pass for our potluck according to last name...

A-F—Main Dish/Meat

G-L—Side Dish/Salad

M-Z—Dessert

and to register for Religious Education for this year.

RE Class Schedule:

9:30-11am—Preschool & Jr K Catechesis of Good Shepherd

6:00-7:00pm—K-5th Grade

7:30-8:30pm—6th-12th Grade

Classes Begin Wednesday September 20th

Refocus | Reconnect | Recommit

Tighten the Knot

COUPLE'S CONFERENCE

sponsored by MISSION BLUEPRINT

September 22-23, 2023

Old Sanctuary | Brookings, SD

Register at MISSION-BLUEPRINT.ORG



KEYNOTES: Jonathan & Amanda Teixeira

Jonathan and Amanda Teixeira served as FOCUS missionaries for almost 9 years. After retiring from staff, they launched WalletWin in 2017 to help Catholics live intentionally with their finances. They are authors of the book *How To Attack Debt, Build Savings, and Change the World Through Generosity: A Catholic Guide to Managing Money* as well as hosts of The Catholic Money Show podcast. They enjoy RV adventures, dancing, and cooking. The Teixeiras have been married almost 12 years and reside in Omaha, NE with their three daughters.

Keep up with us! @missionblueprint

Saint Augustine Parish—Bowdle

Mass times: Thursday 9:00 AM & Saturday at 5:00 PM
(1st Thursday Daily Mass is at 10AM at Nursing Home)

Next Altar Society Meeting: Tues. Sept 12 at 5:15pm

At the end of September some landscaping changes will be made. Please watch for details as it's a big project and all help will be greatly appreciated

CCD/Youth Group classes have started, please reach out to Stacey for more information.

September Church Cleaning Crew:

Travis & Stacy Preszler and family, Richard and Susan Mitzel and Ryan & Amber Drake and family

Saint Thomas the Apostle—Roscoe

Mass Times: Wednesday 9:00 AM & Sunday at 9:00 AM

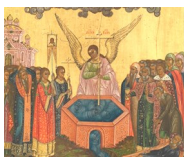
CCD classes will begin Wednesday, September 6th. Grades Kindergarten - 5th grade are 3:30-5:15pm.
Grades 6th -12th grade is 7-8:30pm.

Anyone who would like to register, please contact Wendy Hoerner at stthomasre@sfcatholic.org or 605-281-9812

CDA (Catholic Daughters of the Americas) is meeting Monday, September 18th at 7:30pm at St Thomas in Roscoe.

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND & NORTHERN IRELAND:

Come along April 15-25, 2024, to some of the most enjoyable places in all of Europe! We'll visit Belfast, Knock, Galway, Dublin and so much more. Mass each day in great Churches. Cost is \$4,399 with departure from Omaha. For more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther at 712-899-6870 or email frdanguenther@gmail.com



The Story of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Early in the 4th century, Saint Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem in search of the holy places of Christ's life. She razed the second-century Temple of Aphrodite, which tradition held was built over the Savior's tomb, and her son built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher on that spot. During the excavation, workers found three crosses. Legend has it that the one on which Jesus died was identified when its touch healed a dying woman.

The cross immediately became an object of veneration. At a Good Friday celebration in Jerusalem toward the end of the 4th century, the wood was taken out of its silver container and placed on a table together with the inscription Pilate ordered placed above Jesus' head: Then "all the people pass through one by one; all of them bow down, touching the cross and the inscription, first with their foreheads, then with their eyes; and, after kissing the cross, they move on."

To this day, the Eastern Churches, Catholic and Orthodox alike, celebrate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on the September anniversary of the basilica's dedication. The feast entered the Western calendar in the seventh century after Emperor Heraclius recovered the cross from the Persians, who had carried it off in 614, 15 years earlier. According to the story, the emperor intended to carry the cross back into Jerusalem himself, but was unable to move forward until he took off his imperial garb and became a barefoot pilgrim.

52nd Annual SD Right to Life Convention

September 22 & 23, 2023 in Aberdeen

This is a two-day event aimed at further educating the public on the sanctity of human life, from conception to natural death. We have four wonderful keynote speakers to share information with us on the state of the pro-life movement, both locally and nationally. There are free and registration-only options and a youth session.

You can view more convention information and registration at www.sdrightrighttolife.org/sdrtl-convention-2023

Ways for you to support the convention: Attend convention, be a volunteer, donate a raffle basket, advertise on the program or be an exhibitor.

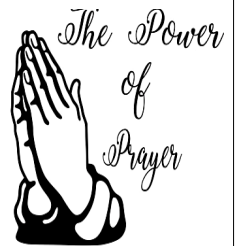
Do you have an event or announcement for the Parish Bulletin? Please send it to

ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org

The deadline for bulletin items is 5:00 PM on Wednesdays to Tami in the Office.

**PRAYER CORNER: Please remember
in your prayers:**

Leota Goetz, Bowdle Nursing Home
Residents, Duane Karst, Bernice Dewald,
Elaine Geier, Rose Schmaltz,
Men and Women serving in the military & peace on Earth.



Names will remain in Prayer Corner for 30 days...
to add or remove someone, please call Holy Cross Parish Office
at 605-971-4556 or email ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org.

**REMEMBER TO NEVER GIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION OR
MONEY TO ANYONE THROUGH COMPUTER OR TEXT. IT IS BEST
TO TALK IN PERSON TO REQUEST PRAYERS.**