SEPTEMBER 24. 2023 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Holy Cross Parish Office:

Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9am - Noon Office Phone: 605-971-4556

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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:

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



This coming Saturday is the Autumnal Equinox, the beginning of the Season of Autumn and a lovely chance for us to be renewed.

It is called an "equinox" because of the equality of the day, being equally divided between light and dark. Of course, it has to do with the rotation of the earth and its elliptical orbit, etc. etc, for the ancients, it was a special day, the ending of one time and start of another, with balance.

Ah, balance. That elusive and wonderful gift.

I hear it all the time, so do you, I say it, you say it, we are stressed and burning out and our schedules are too packed and there is so much we would love to do but we just do not have the time to do it.

We are out of balance in life. Pretty much all of us. We forget sometimes that we have to make a choice. We can allow our schedules to run our lives, or we can make choices, as individuals and as a family that bring more meaning into our lives and relationships.

How can we find the proper balance of work, play, rest and prayer? No one can do it for us. We have to choose. Sure, the kids could add one more activity to an already overbooked calendar, or a choice can be made to have some time to just be together as a family.

Or we can choose as individuals to make the time for quiet walks, time reading, time in prayer. May the beauty of the Equinox challenge each of us to choose a life of balance and joy.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: Sept 25-Oct 1

MON: Day of Rest—No Public Mass

TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Roy Hauck

WED: 9 AM Roscoe -

THURS: 9 AM Bowdle - + Ruth Yvonne Dalimata

FRI: 9 AM Ipswich - + Roy J Hauck

SAT: 5 PM Bowdle - For the People

SUN: 9 AM Roscoe - + Barbara Hoerner

11 AM Ipswich - + Marjorie Williams

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES September 30 & October 1

BOWDLE — Saturday at 5:00 PM

Lector: Chad Holsworth

Servers: Isaiah & Jeremiah Heilman

Rosary: Margy Bobby

Sacristan: Doug & Mary Turner

ROSCOE— Sunday at 9:00 AM

Lector: Lori Hettick

Servers: Seth Hettick & Adam Hettick

Ushers: Cliff Anderson & William Grismer

Money Counters: Wendy Hoerner & Kathy Goetz

Rosary: Rose Heyne

IPSWICH — Sunday at 11:00 AM

Lector: Gracyn Kadlec

EMHC: Tami Schumacher

Servers: Xavier Kadlec, Jaxen Jager & Weston

Weisser

Ushers: S Heinz, T Kitchell, S Kulesa & S Braun

Money Counters: J&C Bakken & R&L Ochsner

Rosary: Kathy Thooft



Sacrificial Giving: Sept 16 & 17

Holy Cross: Collection: \$2705.00

Renovation: \$50.00

St. Thomas: Collection: \$1244.00

St. Augustine: Collection: \$953.10

Thank you for your Church Support!

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: Sept 25-Oct 1

Mon: Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tues: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21

<u>Wed</u>: Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

Thurs: Hg 1:1-9; Lk 9:7-9

<u>Fri</u>: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51 **Sat:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

Sun: Ez 18:25-28, Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

The Heart of Gratitude Retreat

Take a day away this Fall to steep yourself in gratitude. Receive God's Gracious Gifts, Cultivate Grateful Hearts,& Share Generous Blessings in the beauty of God's Creation.



Saturday October 21, 2023 9 a.m.–3:30 p.m. (8:30 a.m. Check-In & Fellowship) Creighton University Retreat Center, in Griswold, IA (one hour east of Omaha)

Facilitated by Retreat Leaders & Spiritual Directors
Brenda Stalbaum Martin & Kathy Kemler.
\$60 includes lunch

To register email CURC@Creighton.edu or call 712-778-2466.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPT 2023

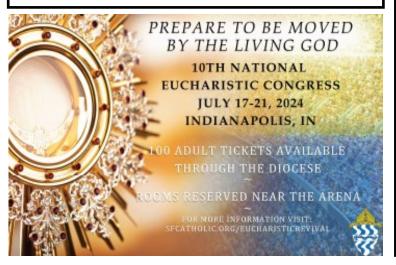
For people living on the margins.

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."

Sunday Rosary Leaders Needed:

We are in need of a few more individuals or groups, that would be interested in leading the Rosary before Sunday mass. This would be on a rotational basis.

Please reach out to Tami in the main office at 605-971-4556



Local Events

St Mary's Fall Festival & Dinner—October 15th

Noon-7pm at Roncalli Primary Gym & St Mary's Parish Hall Concessions, Silent Auction, Country Store, Games & Roast Beef Dinner starting at 4pm (\$15 Adults) 409 2nd Ave NE; Aberdeen

No Masses—Oct 2-6th—All Parishes, Clergy Days

Mass Intentions will be rescheduled. Sorry for the inconvenience.



Football Raffle Winners

Thursday—Walker Holsing
Sunday—Jeff Fossum
Monday—Ryan Denholm
Congratulations to this weeks winners.
Books are still available, if interested.

Holy Cross Religious Education

holycrossre@sfcatholic.org

RE Class Schedule:

9:30-11am—Preschool & Jr K 6:00-7:00pm—K-5th Grade 7:30-8:30pm—6th-12th Grade

Classes Began Wednesday September 20th

If you weren't able to register, Please come and register your child/children, on Wednesday at the start of class.

Looking forward to a great year with our youth!!!

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)

Altar Society met on Sept 12. Items discussed:

- Officers will remain the same for Sept '23-May '24: Stacy Preszler-Pres, Lisa Geier-Sec, Amber Drake-Treas.
- Altar Society bands/cleaning groups were updated, please see new lists posted in the church entry.
- \$100 donations will be given to Bowdle Youth Center, Senior Center, and the Aberdeen area SD Right to Life.
- Carpets in the main church and church basement have been cleaned and look great.
 - The annual bake sale is scheduled for Friday, Oct 20, more details to come after our next meeting.
 - Next meeting; Tues, Sept 26 at 5:15 in the church basement, all parish ladies are welcome!

FLOWER BEDS: On Saturday, Sept 30 at 9am several will be removed on the North side of the church. NEEDED: people to help load these greens after being dug out and trailers to transport the discarded greens to the dump. All help will be greatly appreciated!

September Church Cleaning Crew:

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

Saint Wenceslaus' Story



If saints have been falsely characterized as "other worldly," the life of Wenceslaus stands as an example to the contrary: He stood for Christian values in the midst of the political intrigues which characterized 10th-century Bohemia.

Wenceslaus was born in 907 near Prague, son of the Duke of Bohemia. His saintly grandmother, Ludmilla, raised him and sought to promote him as ruler of Bohemia in place of his mother, who favored the anti-Christian factions. Ludmilla was eventually murdered, but rival Christian forces enabled Wenceslaus to assume leadership of the government.

His rule was marked by efforts toward unification within Bohemia, support of the Church, and peace-making negotiations with Germany, a policy which caused him trouble with the anti-Christian opposition. His brother Boleslav joined in the plotting, and in September of 929 invited Wenceslaus to Alt Bunglou for the celebration of the feast of Saints Cosmas and Damian. On the way to Mass, Boleslav attacked his brother, and Wenceslaus was killed by supporters of Boleslav.

Although his death resulted primarily from political upheaval, Wenceslaus was hailed as a martyr for the faith, and his tomb became a pilgrimage shrine. He is hailed as the patron of the Bohemian people and of the former Czechoslovakia.

Reflection: "Good King Wenceslaus" was able to incarnate his Christianity in a world filled with political unrest. While we are often victims of violence of a different sort, we can easily identify with his struggle to bring harmony to society. The call to become involved in social change and in political activity is addressed to Christians; the values of the gospel are sorely needed today.

Saint Thomas the Apostle—Roscoe

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

CCD classes began 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, October 16th 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

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

Ipswich.holvcross@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:



Frank Kadlec, 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 lpswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org.

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