

February 11, 2024
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 9am - Noon
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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

Three Things:

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, so we are in the wonderful time of "carnival" (goodbye to meat). These are meant to be days of joyful feasting and celebration in preparation for the more austere desert experience of Lent.

*The Church has always had a strong sense of feasting/fasting/feasting. We feast in preparation for a fast, we fast in preparation for a feast. What a gift! Rejoice in these days and, as they say in New Orleans at Mardi Gras:
Laissez les bons temps rouler!*

Congratulations to Fr. Tim Cone, parochial vicar of the Pastorate of the Visitation, for this well-played win during Last Collar Standing last weekend. He IS the last collar standing!

CFSA: I could go on and on...but let me simply say...IT MATTERS! What we can do together outweighs the good we can do alone. In this simple act, we touch the lives of thousands across the state and we help ensure future generations of priests and believers. So, please, make your offering. Do it as soon as the envelope arrives, do it quickly before you forget. It is my hope that all 8 parishes of the Pastorate make their goal before Easter!

LET'S DO THIS!!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: Feb 12-18

MON: Day of Rest—NO Public Mass

TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Bob & + Lillian Geditz

WED: 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Francis & Janice Heinz
7:30 PM Roscoe - + Dominic & + Theresa Sitter

THURS: 9 AM Bowdle - + Delores Bieber

FRI: 9 AM Ipswich - + John & + Pauline Draskovic

SAT: 5 PM Bowdle - + Jim and Helen Imberi

SUN: 9 AM Roscoe - For the People
11 AM Ipswich - + Bernard Thares

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES **February 17 & 18 & Ash Wednesday**

BOWDLE — Saturday at 5:00 PM

Lector: Pat Dewald
Servers: Isaiah & Jeremiah Heilman
Rosary: Norbert Thomas
EMHC: Brooke Heilman
Sacristan: Margy Bobby & Mary Zimmer
NO Ash Wednesday Mass/Service

ROSCOE— Sunday at 9:00 AM

Lector: Melissa Sauer
Servers: Krist Sauer & Carter Ellwein
Ushers: Brad Heyne & Michael Guthmiller
\$\$ Counters: Wendy Hoerner & Rose Heyne
Rosary: Janet Fuhrmann

Ash Wednesday—7:30pm

Lector: Mary Jo Grismer
Servers: Caleb Scherr & Seth Hettick
Ushers: Brad Heyne & Krist Sauer
\$\$ Counters: William Grismer & Janet Fuhrmann
Rosary: Marian Scherr

IPSWICH — Sunday at 11:00 AM

Lector: Cheryl Vogel
EMHC: Bryce Nash
Servers: Brianna Geditz, Bentley Geditz, Lane Braun
Ushers: P Franck, G Gauer, S Heinz, T Kitchell
\$\$ Counters: E&D Gillick & D&L Heinz
Rosary: Kathy Thooft

Ash Wednesday—5:30pm

Lector: Tom Hammrich
EMHC: Lynn Thares
Servers: Kady, Karlie & Weston Weisser
Ushers: T Braun, S Kulesa, D Petersen, R Petersen
Rosary: Loretta Reinschmidt



Sacrificial Giving: Feb 3 & 4

Holy Cross: Collection: \$2961.00
Renovation: \$70.00

St. Thomas: Collection: \$1509.00

St. Augustine: Collection: \$715.00

Thank you for your Church Support!

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: Feb 12-18

Mon: Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13

Tues: Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21

Wed: Ash Wednesday

Jl 3:12-18; 2Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

Fri: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

Sat: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

Sun: Gen 9:8-15; 1Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

SOUTH DAKOTA'S EXTREME ABORTION AMENDMENT

"The South Dakota Catholic Conference has set up a special webpage with resources to help you educate your neighbors about this proposed amendment: www.sdcatholicconference.org/abortion-amendment

"As we work to share the truth about the abortion amendment, there will no doubt be some critics who complain that the Catholic Church should 'stay out of politics.' But the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us, 'It is a part of the Church's mission to pass moral judgments even in matters related to politics, whenever the fundamental rights of man or the salvation of souls requires it' (CCC 2246). Abortion is clearly an issue that implicates both human rights and the salvation of souls.

"Don't allow your voice to be silenced by those who mistakenly believe that 'religious' values have no place in shaping laws. In truth, all laws involve an imposition of some type of moral belief—whether informed by Christianity or some other ideological system."

(Excerpt from *Life Hangs in the Balance*, by Michael Pauley, Executive Director of the South Dakota Catholic Conference).

Stay tuned for further information about the abortion amendment.

DECLINE TO SIGN SOUTH DAKOTA'S RADICAL ABORTION PETITION.



Learn more by visiting the
South Dakota Catholic Conference:
sdcatholicconference.org/abortion-amendment/

Lenten Journey Help

For those struggling to figure out what to do for your Lenten Journey, here are a few suggestions that may help you find your path this Lenten Season.

Give up.....Specifically ask the Lord in prayer "what is something that I could give up to grow closer to You!" ie: candy, coffee, alcohol, bad language, gossiping, TV, social media, spending \$\$, procrastinating.....

Adding/Doing.....

- * Adding an additional practice of Prayer to enrich your spiritual journey.
- * Spend 5 minutes before bed meditating on how God loves you....start a "Gratitude" Journal
- * Say a Rosary by yourself or with family daily or on Sundays
- * Read the Scriptures/Bible Daily (with family/alone)
- * Attend Daily Mass at least once a week
- * Spend time with the Blessed Sacrament
- * Pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday
- * Do a bible study (Personally or with others), go onto an app/website with Lenten bible studies/series (Formed.org/You Version app/AMEN app/St Paul Center with Scott Hahn or Dynamic Catholic Lenten programs)
- * Do an Extra Chore around the House/Community
- * Place 1 item Daily into a basket to donate to charity during Holy Week.....

Hope some of these ideas help you during your Lenten Journey.



Holy Cross Schedule of Events:



Koinonia Retreat—Feb 9-11th

Sisters in Christ Group—Monday, Feb 12, 7pm Library

Religious Education— NO CLASS Feb 14th due to
Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Mass—5:30pm Holy Cross
7:30pm St Thomas

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry—Friday, Feb 16 5-6:30pm

Stations of the Cross—Friday, Feb 16th 7pm
with confessions following

Knights of Columbus Mtg—Tuesday Feb 20th @ 7pm

CAN YOU HELP US????

HOLY CROSS PARISH LIVE AUCTION—JUNE 2024

Our parish is in need of several remodel/repair projects. We are considering having a live auction sale at the end of June 2024 to raise funds. Some of these projects include:

- * Handicap bathroom in the parish center/hall
- * Motorized handicap entry door systems
- * New concrete for the outside west entry of the church.

We are looking for good new/used usable items to be donated. Please contact Monica Petersen (605-216-7559) or Russell Braun (605-216-3448) or email (otispete@valleytel.net) if you have something to donate by April 1st. This would give us time to see if we have enough items for an auction sale.

Be creative – we need everyone's support to make this auction sale a successful event!

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)

An adult Bible Study from Ascension Press "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion" will be offered Thursday evenings at 6:30pm in the St. Aug rectory basement during Lent beginning Feb 22 and ending Mar 21. This DVD/workbook style Bible study led by Dr. Edward Sri is filmed on location in the Holy Land and is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. If interested in participating please contact Stacy at the parish office (285-6466) to ensure enough workbooks can be available. The cost of the workbook is \$15.

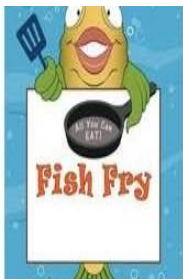
February Church Cleaning Crew:

Francis and Sandy Heilman;
Lyle and Brooke Heilman and family;
Rachel Rohrbach

"Jesus & the Eucharist" Lenten Study

During the year of the parish, the USCCB is encouraging small groups, families or individuals to use their new seven-week study, Jesus and the Eucharist. They have made it so easy! There is an online guide, with the curriculum, videos, slide show presentations, handouts and more.

If you are interested, check out the webpage <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/formation-resources> for more information.



Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry

The dates for our Lenten Fish Fry at Holy Cross will be:

Feb. 16th, Mar. 1st, Mar. 15th.

Serving times from 5:00 pm-6:30 pm,
with Stations of the Cross at 7 pm.

Free will offering.

Menu includes: Fish, Cheesy Potatoes, Corn,
Buns, Bars and Coffee/Punch.



Saint Thomas the Apostle—Roscoe

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

CDA (Catholic Daughters of the Americas) Court St.
Katharine Drexel #2516 will be meeting Monday,
February 12th at 7:30pm at St Thomas in Roscoe.

Parish Hall Rental—If you desire to use the parish hall,
please contact Fr. Tim or Tami Schumacher at the
parish office in Ipswich: 605-971-4556
or Ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org.

Ash Wednesday Mass Times

Holy Cross—5:30pm

St Thomas—7:30pm (No morning Mass at 9AM)

St Augustine—No Mass/Service

Other Masses/Services in our area:

St Anthony of Padua, Hoven -- 5:15PM

St Anthony's, Selby -- 5:30PM

St. Joseph, Eureka—5:30PM

St Michael's, Herreid 7:30 AM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Leola 7:30 PM

St Joseph's, Mobridge -- Prayer (Ash) service 12:15

Mass at 7PM

Stations of the Cross at 7pm

(Confessions following Stations)

Holy Cross, Ipswich—2/16; 3/1; 3/15

(with Fish Fry prior to Stations)

St Augustine, Bowdle—2/23; 3/22

St Thomas, Roscoe—3/8



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

Ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org

by 5:00 PM on Wednesdays to Tami in the Office.

PRAYER CORNER:

Please remember in your prayers:

Diane Wilkinson, Inez Hatley, Bridget Nelson,
Rosie Hoerner, Lori (Williams) Miller, Bill

Mower, Elaina Morales, Leota Goetz,

Bowdle Nursing Home Residents, Bernice Dewald,
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.