

**April 14, 2024**  
**3rd Sunday of Easter**



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**St. Augustine Office:**

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



As part of our planning process for the Pastorate of the Visitation, the planning committee was asked to put together a plan for when the pastorate will be served by one 2 full-time priests.

*This is obviously a difficult task, but it is necessary due to the simple reality that, with ordinations not keeping up with retirements, there are, and will be, fewer full-time priests in the diocese.*

*We have long been working to help produce vocations to the Priesthood in our parishes, praying the Vocations Prayer, offering rosaries, etc. These are important, and we must continue to grow in the intention of fostering vocations so that, at some future day, we have many priests to serve our beautiful diocese.*

*One way we can intentionally foster vocations to the Priesthood is by falling in love with the celebration of the Eucharist as the heart of our lives. I am not referring here to Eucharistic adoration, but of the celebration of the Mass, of listening to the Word, of offering ourselves, and of the absolute importance of receiving Communion.*

*The words are chosen carefully...to fall in love. That takes time and vulnerability, that takes giving and receiving, that brings life. Nothing takes its place in our lives.*

*As each of us pause and reflect on this gift where we are given the fullness of life, and the unimaginable joy of physical union with the Living God, we grow in love, in faith and in hope.*

*No young man begins his discernment of God's call to the Priesthood without being in love with the celebration of the Eucharist. This begins in his youth, in the family, and continues to grow. This is where every vocation begins, falling in love with the celebration of the Eucharist.*

*In this renewed love, we face the future together. We may find ourselves celebrating the Eucharist at different times or in different places, but a people in love with the celebration will sacrifice joyfully to have this gift enliven them.*

*Our future is being brought to life now, today, in us. May each of us, priests and people, fall in love again, that the future might be blessed, and the next generation more freely hear God's call to love in Marriage, love in the Priesthood, love how Christ calls us to love.*

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: April 15-21

**MON:** Day of Rest—NO Public Mass  
**TUES:** 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Angie Ehnes  
**WED:** 9 AM Roscoe - Sebastian & Marian Scherr  
**THURS:** 9 AM Bowdle - + Duane Karst  
**FRI:** 9 AM Ipswich - + Jayna & Kylee Sanborn  
**SAT:** 5 PM Bowdle - + George and Lucille Schmidt  
**SUN:** 9 AM Roscoe - For the People  
11 AM Ipswich - + Gertrude Gauer

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

April 20 & 21

#### BOWDLE —

Lector: Chad Holsworth  
Servers: Isaiah & Jeremiah Heilman  
Rosary: Norbert Thomas  
Sacristan: Doug & Mary Turner  
EMHC: Doug Turner  
\$\$ Counters: Susan H & Gloria S

#### ROSCOE—

Lector: Melissa Sauer  
Servers: Caleb Scherr & Emma Wesch  
Ushers: Kevin Hoerner & Loren Schmidt  
Rosary: Janet Fuhrmann  
\$\$ Counters: William Grismer & Rose Heyne

#### IPSWICH —

Lector: Gracy Kadlec  
EMHC: Pam Holt  
Servers: Jaxen Jager, Braelynn Holt, Bailey Heintzman  
Ushers: R Braun, S Braun, D Petersen, S Kulesa  
Rosary: Loretta Reinschmidt  
\$\$ Counters: D&K Bauer & M&J Heinz



#### Sacrificial Giving: April 6 & 7

Holy Cross: Collection: \$6550.00  
Renovation: \$0

St. Thomas: Collection: \$965.00

St. Augustine: Collection: \$1409.00

**Thank you for your Church Support!**

### WEEKLY MASS READINGS: April 15-21

**Mon:** Act 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29  
**Tues:** Act 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35  
**Wed:** Act 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40  
**Thurs:** Act 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51  
**Fri:** Act 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59  
**Sat:** Act 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69  
**Sun:** Act 4:8-12; 1Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18



**TAKE OFF MY NAME.....**Did you sign the abortion petition being circulated in South Dakota and now wish you hadn't signed it? A recently passed law now makes it possible for you to remove your name from this petition, which could keep it from getting onto the ballot this November. Keep South Dakota's babies safe by giving them the dignity and life they deserve as children of God. **Visit [www.takeoffmyname.com](http://www.takeoffmyname.com)** to learn more.



*With only a few weeks until show time, we are very excited to bring up-and-coming Christian music artists, **Consumed by Fire and Seph Schlueter** on Friday, April 19th @ 7pm for an inspiration night at St. Michael's in Sioux Falls. Fun for all ages to enjoy! The annual Gift of Hope Concert benefits The Lourdes Center who has seen extreme growth over the last year in thanksgiving to your financial support. When you support TLC, you are providing hope to individuals and families during their most challenging times.*

*Tickets are available, please call our office at 605-988-3765 or visit at [ccfesd.org](http://ccfesd.org)*



The Women Foresters of Holy Cross are sponsoring a **Towel & Toiletry Collection** to benefit Safe Harbor in Aberdeen. We are requesting new or gently used bath towels, washcloths and kitchen towels. We are also accepting new or slightly used toiletries including shampoo, conditioner and body wash. A large tote will be in the west entry of the Church through Mother's Day. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Mass Intentions till June 1st

**Holy Cross** will not be accepting any more Mass Intentions as we are currently fully scheduled out until June 1st.

**St Augustine & St Thomas** will still be taking Mass Intentions until June 1st (if space is available). This is to ensure that all intentions are handled appropriately. After June 1st we will begin taking intentions again.

#### Financial Donations/Contributions

Please reach out to the parish office by phone or email and let us know if you are having a contribution/donation sent to us from your financial institution. This ensures it is recorded properly for end of the year tax purposes.



#### Holy Cross Schedule of Events:



#### Religious Education— Wednesday

K-5 @ 6-7PM & 6-12 @ 7:30-8:30PM  
(Last Class is 4/24 at 6PM with Potluck)

**Sisters in Christ Group**— Mon, April 15 @ 7pm  
in the Library

**Knights of Columbus**— Tuesday, April 16 @ 7pm  
in the Multi Purpose Room

**Parish/Finance Council**— Thursday, April 18th  
@ 7pm in Multi Purpose Room

#### CFSA 2024 Goals

*Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Catholic Family Sharing Appeal for 2024! Your support is greatly appreciated, it enables our Diocesan Ministries to reach out to thousands of our brothers and sisters in need. Remember that any amount collected over the Goal will stay in the Parish. Our Goal is to meet our goals by Easter.*

	<u>Goal:</u>	<u>Pledged:</u>	<u>Balance:</u>
<b><u>Holy Cross:</u></b>	\$39,500	\$39,653	HIT GOAL!!!
<b><u>St Thomas:</u></b>	\$14,700	\$30,941	HIT GOAL!!!
<b><u>St Augustine:</u></b>	\$12,300	\$9,975	\$2,325

## 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)

**St. Augustine Altar Society News:** Very grateful and appreciative to Teresa Geier for taking over the treasury position and Lisa Geier for taking on the role of funeral contact person for the altar society. Both are things Amber Drake has helped us with in the past. We thank Amber for the generous giving of her time to help with altar society and wish her and her family our prayers and best wishes as they move on to their next adventure.

### April Church Cleaning Crew:

Rosemary Sandmeier, Maria Sandmeier,  
Gloria Sukut

## 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,  
**April 15th at 7:30pm** at St Thomas in Roscoe.

**Parish Hall Rental**—If you desire to use the parish hall,  
please contact Wendy Hoerner at 605-281-9812.



### **The 29th Annual "BISHOP'S CHARITY FISHING TOURNAMENT"** Benefiting Seminarian Education

There are 13 men currently attending seminary for the Diocese of Sioux Falls and here are a few ways that you can help support them this year:

1. Register to participate in the fishing tournaments in June!
2. Join us for an outdoor Mass and prime rib dinner celebrated by Bishop DeGrood in Big Stone or Pierre.
3. Purchase a raffle ticket from your Knights of Columbus Council for a chance to win \$2500 (need not be present to win).
4. Say a prayer for our seminarians.

Fishing tournaments will be held **June 3rd** in Big Stone at Douthitt Park and **June 10th** in Pierre at Oahe Downstream Rec Area. To become a sponsor, make a donation or register to participate contact the Catholic Community Foundation at 605-988-3765, or on-line at [www.ccfesd.org](http://www.ccfesd.org).



### Saint Bernadette Soubirous' Story

Bernadette Soubirous was born in 1844, the first child of an extremely poor miller in the town of Lourdes in southern France. The family was living in the basement of a dilapidated building when on February 11, 1858, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Bernadette in a cave above the banks of the Gave River near Lourdes. Bernadette, 14 years old, was known as a virtuous girl though a dull student who had not even made her first Holy Communion. In poor health, she had suffered from asthma from an early age.

There were 18 appearances in all, the final one occurring on the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, July 16. Although Bernadette's initial reports provoked skepticism, her daily visions of "the Lady" brought great crowds of the curious. The Lady, Bernadette explained, had instructed her to have a chapel built on the spot of the visions. There, the people were to come to wash in and drink of the water of the spring that had welled up from the very spot where Bernadette had been instructed to dig.

According to Bernadette, the Lady of her visions was a girl of 16 or 17 who wore a white robe with a blue sash. Yellow roses covered her feet, a large rosary was on her right arm. In the vision on March 25 she told Bernadette, "I am the Immaculate Conception." It was only when the words were explained to her that Bernadette came to realize who the Lady was.

During her life, Bernadette suffered much. She was hounded by the public as well as by civic officials until at last she was protected in a convent of nuns. Five years later, she petitioned to enter the Sisters of Notre Dame of Nevers. After a period of illness she was able to make the journey from Lourdes and enter the novitiate. But within four months of her arrival she was given the last rites of the Church and allowed to profess her vows. She recovered enough to become infirmarian and then sacristan, but chronic health problems persisted. She died on April 16, 1879, at the age of 35. Bernadette Soubirous was canonized in 1933.

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

**[Ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org](mailto:Ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org)**

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

### **PRAYER CORNER:**

**Please remember in your prayers:**

Robert 'Bob' Malsam, Logan Hoerner,

Cash Henderson, Diane Wilkinson, Bridget Nelson, 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](mailto:Ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org).