

March 16, 2025
2nd Sunday of Lent



Pastorate of the Visitation

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Holy Cross Parish Office:

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

St. Augustine Office:

No Office Hours
Please call 605-971-4556 to schedule appointments
or if you need assistance

Weekend Mass:

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

Masses at other Parishes in Pastorate:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help—Leola—Sunday 10:30am
St Joseph—Mobridge—Sat 6pm & Sunday 10am
St Joseph—Eureka—Sunday 8:30am
St Michael—Herreid—Saturdays 7:30pm
St Anthony—Selby—Saturday 4pm

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. Call 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



Today's Lenten gift in the Gospel is a reminder of the "uncreated Light of God," that light which existed before all things, the emanation of God Himself. From that "uncreated Light" came forth the lights of creation, when God said, "Let there be light."

Thus do we proclaim each Lord's Day that Christ is "Light from Light... Begotten, not made."

Today, the Lord Jesus showed his disciples, as he shows us again in the Transfiguration that his light is not created, but he shines forth in the "uncreated Light" of his divinity. It is unique and awesome.

As our days grow longer and the sun shines more and more, we remember that even the inspiring light of the sun is only a mere shadow of the uncreated Light of God. If that sun brings us daylight, brings forth growth and sustains the glory of life itself, how much more the Light of God?

Luxuriate in that light, the true hope of our Lenten journey, and let the lesser lights remind you to see the awesome uncreated Light of God within.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: March 17-23

MON: Day of Rest—NO Public Mass
TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Steven Geditz
WED: 9 AM Roscoe - + Patty Uhrich Fuegen
THURS: 9 AM Bowdle - + LaVern & Helen Bobby
FRI: 9 AM Ipswich - + Eugene Hammrich
SAT: 5 PM Bowdle - + Donald Thomas
SUN: 9 AM Roscoe - For the People
11 AM Ipswich - + Patricia Geditz

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

March 22 & 23

BOWDLE —

Lector: Carrie Beadle
Servers: Isaiah & Jeremiah Heilman
Rosary: Margy Bobby
Sacristan: Margy Bobby & Mary Zimmer
EMHC: Brooke Heilman
\$\$ Counters: Gloria S & Stacy P

ROSCOE—

Lector: Lori Hettick
Servers: Lindsey Hoerner & Adam Hettick
Ushers: Kevin Hoerner & Loren Schmidt
Rosary: Wendy Hoerner
\$\$ Counters: Wendy Hoerner & Cindy Heinz

IPSWICH —

Lector: Cheryl Vogel
EMHC: Lynn Thares
Servers: Anna Nierman, Riley Pietz, Edison Unser
Ushers: P Franck, G Gauer, R Braun, T Pietz
Rosary: Kathy Thooft
\$\$ Counters: P Petersen & M&M Petersen



Sacrificial Giving: March 8 & 9

Holy Cross: Collection: \$TBA
Restoration: \$TBA

St. Thomas: Collection: \$TBA
St. Augustine: Collection: \$TBA

Totals will be announced next week.
Thank you for your continued Church Support!

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: March 17-23

Mon: Dan 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
Tues: Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
Wed: Solemnity of St Joseph 2Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Thurs: Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
Fri: Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sat: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sun: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

Lenten Preparedness

- Challenge this week—Find time to be in silence with our Lord, let your heart and mind relax and open to hear his words this week. In this busy world, we need to take time to just “Be” with Him and pray/share with Him.
- End your day in Prayer with Him by sharing the Gratitude's that came your way each day, all that He blessed you with today. Start a Gratitude Journal, to remind yourself of the wonders our Lord has done for us.



*"And let the peace of Christ
control your hearts"
Colossians 3:15*

Defining Beauty
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
sponsored by **BLUEPRINT**
APRIL 26TH, 2025
8:30AM-4PM
ST. GEORGE PARISH
408 S Western Ave, Hartford, SD 57033
Lunch will be provided
Discover how to live out the christian
"feminine genius" key note speakers,
fellowship, and praise and worship
featuring Jamie Elizabeth.
go to mission-blueprint.org
to register

Gift of Hope Concert
TUESDAY
March 18
A SPECIAL
CANDLELIGHT
PERFORMANCE
FEATURING MUSICAL ARTIST
Seph Schlueter

**Gift of Hope Concert - 25th Annual
Tuesday, March, 18 at 7:00 pm**

Tickets can be purchased by going to
www.cfesd.org or calling 605-988-3701

Location of Event: Bishop O’Gorman Performing Arts Center
3100 W 41st St. (Kiwanis Ave.), Sioux Falls



Lenten Fish Fry's

@ Holy Cross from 5-6:30pm
with **Stations of the Cross**
following at 7pm



March 21

April 4th

**STEP AWAY
FROM THE NOISE
THIS LENT.**
Tune in to Real
Presence Radio and
let us guide you on
your Lenten journey.
RPR NETWORK
Real Presence Radio
Your Family of Faith and Hope
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Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

(followed by confessions)



March 21 - Holy Cross
March 28 - St Augustine
April 4 - Holy Cross
April 11 - St Thomas

Ministry Schedules Available

Ministry Schedules have been emailed out, please check your emails. Copies have been made and posted in the back of the church if you need a copy.

Rice Bowls

Please grab your empty Rice Bowls at the entrance of the parishes for you to use during Lent. Please return the filled bowls by April 27th.

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)

If you need anything, please call 605-971-4556.

Mass Intentions: Please feel free to submit your requests in the collection baskets or mail them, we will do our best to get close to the date requested.

Altar Society Meeting: Altar Society meeting will be on Tuesday March 18 at 5:15pm.

March Church Cleaning Crew:

Jeanne Bieber
Margy Bobby
Travis & Stacy Preszler

Saint Thomas the Apostle—Roscoe

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

Parish Hall Rental—Please contact Wendy Hoerner at 605-281-9812 to reserve the Parish Hall.

Coffee & Donuts Please join us for fellowship after mass for coffee & donuts on the 1st Sunday of every Month.

The next one will be this **Sunday, April 6th.**

Free Will Offering

Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) -

Remember to bring your care package items and kitchen basket items to the next meeting.

Next meeting will be **Monday, March 24th at 7:30pm**



Holy Week Schedule

Please take note of mass times, especially Sunday Masses since they are different than our regular weekend schedule.

There will be NO Confessions during Holy Week.

Holy Thursday—April 17th

7pm @ Holy Cross, Ipswich

Good Friday—April 18th

3pm @ Holy Cross, Ipswich

7pm @ St Thomas, Roscoe

Easter Vigil/Holy Saturday—April 19th

8pm @ Holy Cross, Ipswich

Easter Sunday—April 20th

8am @ Holy Cross, Ipswich

10am @ St Thomas, Roscoe

Noon @ St Augustine, Bowdle

Holy Cross Religious Education:



If questions about RE this year, please call the office at 605-971-4556 or email Deidre at holycross-re@sfcatholic.org

Classes for K-5 are at 6-7pm in Hall/Office
6-12th are at 7-8:30pm - Meets every other week starting in the Church (Next Class is Wed 3/19)

March 19th

Join us for the Solemnity of Joseph Pizza Party



PRAYER CORNER:

Please remember in your prayers:

Mary Kay Geditz, Megan H, Stacey Goetz,

Mayla Bengs, Sandy Jung, Bettie Ellwein, Tom Kitchell,

John Heinz, Helen Mae Hammrich, Nancy Hammrich,

Justin Donkin, Elaina Morales, Kimber Downes, Bowdle

Nursing Home Residents, Men & Women serving in the

military & peace on Earth.

To add or remove someone, please call Holy Cross Parish Office at 605-971-4556 or email ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org.



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.