

March 9, 2025
1st 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

On Ash Wednesday, we heard again the thrilling call of the prophet Joel to "return to the Lord you God." Inspired by these words, we listen to the Lenten invitation from our Holy Father, Pope Francis:



The exhortation which the Lord addresses to us through the prophet Joel is strong and clear: "Return to me with all your heart" (Joel 2:12). Why must we return to God?

Because something is not right in us, not right in society, in the Church, and we need to change, to give it a new direction.

And this is called needing to convert!

Once again Lent comes to make its prophetic appeal, to remind us that it is possible to create something new within ourselves and around us, simply because God is faithful, always faithful, for he cannot deny himself.

He continues to be rich in goodness and mercy, and he is always ready to forgive and start afresh.

With this filial confidence, let us set out on the journey!

(Homily, March 2, 2014)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: March 10-16

MON: Day of Rest—NO Public Mass
TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - NCSF Women Foresters
WED: 9 AM Roscoe - + Mathew & Marion Malsom
THURS: 9 AM Bowdle - + Erv & LaVerne Gross
FRI: 9 AM Ipswich - + Dee Pfeiffer
SAT: 5 PM Bowdle - + Donald Thomas
SUN: 9 AM Roscoe - For the People
11 AM Ipswich - + Bill Reinschmidt

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

March 15 & 16

BOWDLE —

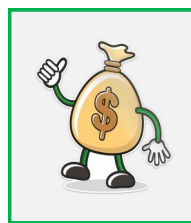
Lector: Chad Holsworth
Servers: Kaden Reuer
Rosary: Norbert Thomas
Sacristan: Norbert & Cathy Thomas
EMHC: Norbert Thomas
\$\$ Counters: Susan H & Stacy P

ROSCOE—

Lector: Melissa Sauer
Servers: Emma Wesch & Carter Ellwein
Ushers: William Grismer & Michael Guthmiller
Rosary: Janet Fuhrmann
\$\$ Counters: Janet Fuhrmann & Rose Heyne

IPSWICH —

Lector: Tom Hammrich
EMHC: Bryce Nash
Servers: Kaden Weig, Jaxon Holt, Jalyssa Hutson
Ushers: S Heinz, S Kulesa, T Pietz, T Braun
Rosary: Suzanne Semmler
\$\$ Counters: P Holt & R&L Ochsner



Sacrificial Giving: March 1 & 2

Holy Cross: Collection: \$4,187.00
Restoration: \$1,170.00

St. Thomas: Collection: \$1,234.00

St. Augustine: Collection: \$1,062.00

Thank you for your Church Support!

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: March 10-16

Mon: Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Tues: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Wed: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
Thurs: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
Fri: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
Sat: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48
Sun: Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1;
Lk 9:28b-36

Lenten Preparation

Have you started thinking of things to give up or add to your daily life for Lent? Here are some ideas...

- **Give up something:** Specifically ask the Lord in prayer "What is something that I could give up to grow closer to You!" ie: TV, Games on Phone, Social Media, Coffee, Candy, Alcohol, Swearing, Gossip, Spending \$, procrastinating.
- **Add/Do Something:** Add an additional practice to your prayer life—attend a weekly mass, read scripture, attend/pray Stations of the Cross, etc; Spend 5 minutes before bed with a gratitude journal to the Lord; Say a rosary daily or on Sundays with your family or by yourself; Donate to Charity



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

This year, we're thrilled to welcome back emerging Christian artist Seph Schlueter, who will join us for a special candlelight event. This unique candlelit performance will combine beautiful live music, the warm glow of candles and a peaceful atmosphere to create an experience both intimate and immersive. All proceeds benefit the important and ever-expanding healing work of The Lourdes Center.

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

Event takes place at:
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

Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

(followed by confessions)



March 14 - St Thomas

March 21 - Holy Cross

March 28 - St Augustine

April 4 - Holy Cross

April 11 - St Thomas

Bowls & Dishes

Please stop by this week and grab your bowls and dishes that have been leftover from funerals.

Doors will be open till 7pm every night this week.

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

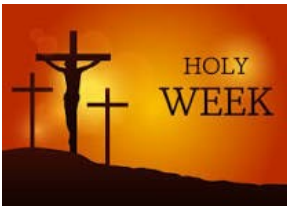
Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) -

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...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.