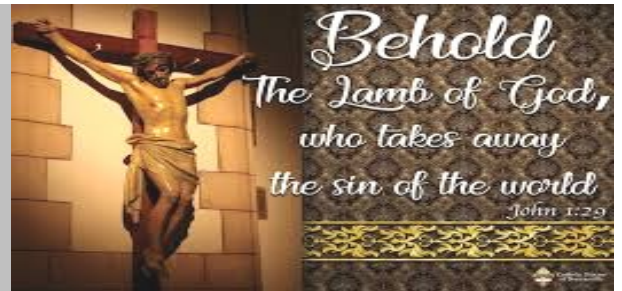


**January 18, 2026**  
**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**



***Pastorate of the Visitation***

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**Holy Cross Parish Office:**

**Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9am - Noon**

**Office Phone: 605-971-4556**

**Weekend Mass:**

Saturday: 5:00pm - St. Augustine, Bowdle  
 5:00pm - St. Thomas, Roscoe

Sunday: 9:00am - Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Leola  
 11:00am - Holy Cross, Ipswich

**Daily Mass:**

Tuesday: 5:30pm - Holy Cross, Ipswich

Wednesday: 9:00am - St. Thomas, Roscoe  
 9:00am - St. Augustine, Bowdle  
 (1st Wed. at 10am @ Nursing Home)

Thursday: 5:30pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Leola

Friday: 9:00am - Holy Cross, Ipswich  
 (1st Friday Holy Hour after Mass)

**Confessions:**

Confessions are available 30 minutes prior to all Masses  
 \*Confessions are 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, Contact Father to schedule your meeting.

**\*Must meet with father before scheduling wedding date\***

**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 are held Sept-May. Contact the parish office.

**Weekend Mass Times for the  
PASTORATE OF THE VISITATION**

**Saturdays:**

Selby—4:00 pm  
 Bowdle—5:00 pm  
 Roscoe—5:00 pm  
 Mobridge—6:00 pm

**Sundays:**

Herreid—8:30 am  
 Leola—9:00 am  
 Mobridge—10:00 am  
 Eureka—10:30 am  
 Ipswich—11:00 am

## **Father Michael's Musings**



On Saturday, January 17, the Church celebrated the Feast of St. Anthony of the Desert.

In the early 4th Century, Anthony began his spiritual quest by becoming a disciple of one of the hermits close by, but ultimately, he became the first to enter the desert itself to give himself totally to prayer, penance and spiritual growth in solitude.

He spent the majority of his life alone with the Lord. In the desert, with its quiet, solitude and struggles, he discovered himself, and then gave that gift fully to the Lord Jesus.

He is an example for us. Not so much a call to live as a desert hermit, but the call to recognize the value of time spent in quiet solitude with the Lord.

“Wait, Father,” I hear you and I say, “we’re busy, busy, busy. How can we do that?”

Being busy, like finding time to spend in solitude, is a choice; we choose to be busy, if even subconsciously. We choose to make sure our calendar is filled, we choose to make sure our kids are involved in everything. We choose to do these things because they meet some need within us.

But there is also a need in us for quiet time with the Lord. We will never discover who we really are in being busy. We will never truly know the gift of our life if we cannot pause for some time with the One who loves us best.

How can our Christian youth hear the Lord call them if we have not taught them to quietly listen? How can we listen unless we choose to finally be quiet enough, to set down our prayer book for a time and just “be” with Him? The Lord knows it isn’t easy, but it’s easier than being busy all the time.

“Be still,” Psalm 46 tells us, “and know I that I am God.” St. Anthony of the Desert, pray for us, that we might always choose wisely.

### **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: January 19-25**

**MON:** Day of Rest—NO Daily Mass

**TUES:** 5:30 PM Ipswich - National Catholic Society  
of Foresters

**WED:** 9 AM Bowdle - Thomas Family (Living & Deceased)  
9 AM Roscoe - + Sebastian Scherr

**THURS:** 5:30 PM Leola -

**FRI:** 9 AM Ipswich - + Bernard Thares

**SAT:** 5 PM Bowdle - + Vivian Malsam  
5 PM Roscoe - + Marco DeLange

**SUN:** 9 AM Leola - + Lucille Geffre  
11 AM Ipswich - +Frank & Marion Hammrich & family

## **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES**

**January 24 & 25**

### **BOWDLE — Saturday 5PM**

Lector: Pat Dewald  
Servers: Isaiah & Jeremiah Heilman  
Rosary: Stacy Preszler  
Sacristan: Norbert & Cathy Thomas  
EMHC: Norbert Thomas  
\$\$ Counters: Lori D & Carmen R

### **ROSCOE — Saturday 5PM**

Lector: Mary Jo Grismer  
Servers: Lindsey Hoerner & Bella Wesch  
Ushers: Kevin Hoerner & Loren Schmidt  
\$\$ Counters: Wendy Hoerner  
Rosary: Wendy Hoerner

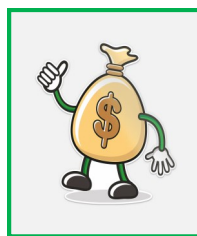
### **IPSWICH — Sunday 11AM**

Lector: Peter Franck  
EMHC: Suzanne Semmler  
Servers: Jalyssa Hutson, Isabella Galbraith, Bristol Holt  
Ushers: R Petersen, S Kulesa, T Pietz  
Rosary: Koinonia  
\$\$ Counters: E&D Gillick & D&L Heinz

### **LEOLA — Sunday 9AM**

Lector: Kelli Millard  
Servers: Ella Kallas  
Ushers: Jack Geffre & Troy Millard  
Sacristan: Mary Schaunaman  
Rosary: Arden Sieh  
\$\$ Counters: Kelli Millard & Kayla Daly

### **Sacrificial Giving: January 10 & 11, 2026**



**Holy Cross:** Collection: \$3300.00  
Restoration: \$5.00

**St. Thomas:** Collection: \$638.00

**St. Augustine:** Collection: \$718.00

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Collection: \$1724.00

**Thank you for your continued Church Support!**

### **WEEKLY MASS READINGS: January 19-25**

**Mon:** 1Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

**Tues:** 1Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

**Wed:** 1Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6

**Thurs:** 1Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

**Fri:** 1Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19

**Sat:** 2Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21

**Sun:** Is 8:23-9:3; 1Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23



### Last Collar Standing – Plan Your Watch Party

The 7th Annual Last Collar Standing game show airs on Sunday, Feb. 22 from 3-5 p.m. on our YouTube page. Mark your calendars and start planning your watch parties now!

Last Collar Standing is an opportunity to raise both awareness and funds for our diocesan



### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or you'd like to just learn more about our Catholic faith, please join us on Sundays at 6pm in the Parish Office.

For more information, please call the office at 605-971-4556.

**Gift of Hope**  
35th Annual Concert

FRIDAY  
**February 6**  
7:00 p.m.

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH  
SIOUX FALLS

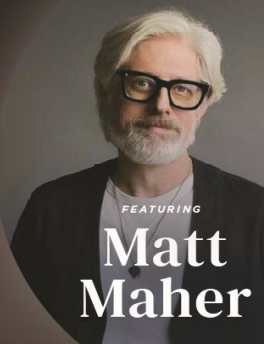
BENEFITING



Get Tickets:



605-988-3701  
ccfesd.org/events



FEATURING  
**Matt Maher**



### D-Camp Retreat

**High School—July 12-15**

**Jr High—July 16-19**

Every year Broomtree hosts Junior and Senior High camps where our young people gather for teaching, prayer, activities and team challenges. This hidden gem in our diocese is called Discipleship Camp (D-Camp). So, if you've ever been interested in spending a few days of your summer to grow closer to God, then this is your time! You can get the Registration info by calling the parish office 605-971-4556 or emailing Fr. Andy at [frandrewthuringer@sfcatholic.org](mailto:frandrewthuringer@sfcatholic.org)

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION ENDS JAN 31**

### TODAY—Pool Fundraiser

Please come support this fundraiser for the community pool after mass on January 18th. They are offering a free will donation Meal, Live & Silent Auctions & Raffles. Join in this great community fundraiser. Doors open at 11am.

### Saint Francis de Sales

*August 21, 1567 – December 28, 1622)*



Saint Francis de Sales was destined by his father to be a lawyer and take his place as a senator from the province of Savoy in France. After receiving his doctorate, he returned home and told his parents he wished to enter the priesthood.

His father strongly opposed Francis in this, and only after much patient persuasiveness on the part of the gentle Francis, did his father finally consent. Francis was ordained and elected provost of the Diocese of Geneva, who set out to convert them; by preaching and distributing the little pamphlets he wrote to explain true Catholic doctrine, he had remarkable success.

At 35, he became bishop of Geneva. While administering his diocese he continued to preach, hear confessions, and catechize the children. His gentle character was a great asset in winning souls. He practiced his own axiom, "A spoonful of honey attracts more flies than a barrelful of vinegar."

Besides his two well-known books, the *Introduction to the Devout Life* and *A Treatise on the Love of God*, he wrote many pamphlets and carried on a vast correspondence. For his writings, he has been named patron of the Catholic Press. His writings, filled with his characteristic gentle spirit, are addressed to lay people. He wants to make them understand that they too are called to be saints.

**Reflection:** Saint Francis de Sales took seriously the words of Christ, "Learn of me for I am meek and humble of Heart." As he said himself, it took him 20 years to conquer his quick temper, but no one ever suspected he had such a problem, so overflowing with good nature and kindness was his usual manner of acting. His perennial meekness & sunny disposition won him the title of "Gentleman Saint."



## Saint Augustine Parish—Bowdle

Mass times: Wednesday 9:00 AM & Saturday at 5:00 PM  
(1st Wed. Daily Mass is at 10AM at Nursing Home)

### Time Change!!!! Wednesday Night Prayer Hour:

An opportunity for silent prayer will be offered every Wednesday night at St Augustine from 6:30-7:30pm to pray for an increase in vocations and conversions.

All parishes are welcome.

### New Ministry Schedules Available

The new schedules are available for you to pick up at the back of the church.

### January Church Cleaning:

Pat & Lori Dewald  
Tammy Lunders & Family  
Carmen Rohrbach

## Saint Thomas the Apostle—Roscoe

Mass Times: Wednesday 9:00 AM & Saturday at 5:00 PM

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

Religious Education/CCD: Reach out to Wendy Hoerner if you have any questions at 605-281-9812

K-5th Grade—3:30-5:15      6th-12th—7-8:30

St. Thomas Altar Society: The Next meeting will be on Thursday, January 22nd at 6:30pm in the church hall. Also dues are at \$10, please use the envelope in their box. Thanks

### Catholic Daughters of America (CDA)

Next Meeting will be on January 19th.



## Our Lady of Perpetual Help—Leola

Mass times: Thursday 5:30 PM & Sunday 9:00AM

Mass Intentions: Please mail your intentions to PO Box 67, Ipswich, SD 57451 or put in the collection basket. There are many openings for Daily and Sunday Masses available.

### Religious Education/CCD:

Please join us Sundays after the 9am Mass (10:15-11:15). If you have any questions, please call Traci at 605-520-2969.

There are no classes this weekend, Jan. 18th, we will see you on Jan 25th.

## HOLY CROSS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Please contact Deidre Kadlec at 605-290-4593 if you have any questions about RE at Holy Cross.

**Elementary (K-5th) from 6-7pm**

**MS/HS (6th-12th) from 7:00-8:30pm**

**Next MS/HS Class is January 28th**

### PRAYER CORNER:

**Please remember in your prayers:**



Cecilia & Isaac Malsom, Mary Kay Geditz, Mary Habek Geditz, Lisa Rye, Nancy Hammrich, Jerron Justin Kappas, Tim Geier, 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](mailto:ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org).

Do you have an event or announcement for the Parish Bulletin? Please send to Tami by Wednesday 5PM to [ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org](mailto:ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org)