

January 25, 2026

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Pastorate of the Visitation

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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

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.

Father Michael's Musings



As I write this, I have no idea who is playing in the Super Bowl....heck, I don't even know who is playing this weekend (I just know it's not the Vikings).

But these games have me thinking about what one hears during the NFL playoffs, and before them, and after them.

The expectations we have for football teams:

- * First, the goal is to make it to the playoffs, and if you don't then the season is a disaster (regardless of the record).
- * Or they make the playoffs, but if you lose in the wild card game, the season is a disaster.
- * Or they move ahead in the playoffs, but don't make it to the Super Bowl, so the season is a disaster.
 - * Or they make it to the Super Bowl, but lose, and the season is a disaster.

And it never ends. Dan Marino and Fran Tarkenton were great quarterbacks, but...they never won a Super Bowl and so....

That is fine, I suppose, for the NFL and its numberless commentators, pundits and vocal fans; but it is a danger if we begin to think this way about life.

As Christians looking at our lives, there are a multitude of ways we can measure success and victory. The small battles won, the moments of powerful grace, the rising up from falling, the failures and success, all are a part of the journey, and the journey is what matters.

St. Paul himself never says he won...he simply looks back and says: I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. (2 Tim. 4:7)

That's our Lombardi Trophy.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: Jan 26—Feb 1

MON: Day of Rest—NO Daily Mass

TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Deceased family members of Peter Jr & Josephine Geditz

WED: 9 AM Bowdle -

9 AM Roscoe - NO MASS

THURS: 5:30 PM Leola -

FRI: 9 AM Ipswich - + Jerry Markovetz

SAT: 5 PM Bowdle - + Donald Thomas
5 PM Roscoe - + Betty & Ralph Preszler

SUN: 9 AM Leola -
11 AM Ipswich - + Cecelia Goodman

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

January 31 / February 1

BOWDLE — Saturday 5PM

Lector: Norbert Thomas
Servers: Kaden Reuer
Rosary: Norbert Thomas
Sacristan: Doug & Mary Turner
EMHC: Doug Turner
\$\$ Counters: Stacy P & Gloria S

ROSCOE — Saturday 5PM

Lector: Melissa Sauer
Servers: Travis & Carter Ellwein
Ushers: Brad Heyne & William Grismer
\$\$ Counters: Janet Fuhrmann & Mary Jo Grismer
Rosary: Phyllis Guthmiller

IPSWICH — Sunday 11AM

Lector: Tom Hammrich
EMHC: Pam Holt
Servers: Emri Braun, Anna Nierman, Jaxon Holt
Ushers: G Braun, S Braun, T Braun, R Petersen
Rosary: Jessie Lacher
\$\$ Counters: D&K Bauer & G&K Braun

LEOLA — Sunday 9AM

Lector: Troy Millard
Servers: Ethan Petrich
February Ushers: Ron Kappes & Vince Brandner
Sacristan: Melissa Lapka
Rosary: Melissa Lapka
\$\$ Counters: Jodi Kallas & Lance Feickert

Sacrificial Giving: January 17 & 18, 2026



Holy Cross: Collection: \$2214.50
Restoration: \$100.00

St. Thomas: Collection: \$967.00

St. Augustine: Collection: \$2695.00

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Collection: \$519.00

Thank you for your continued Church Support!

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: Jan 26-Feb 1

Mon: 2Tim 1:1-8; Mk 3:22-30

Tues: 2Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35

Wed: 2Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20

Thurs: 2Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25

Fri: 2Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34

Sat: 2Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sun: Zep 2:; 3:12-13; 1Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a



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.

Did you know that Fr Andy will be one of the hosts this year?

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 Lumen Christi Missionary Program.



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.

25th Annual
Gift of Hope Concert
FRIDAY
February 6
7:00 p.m.
ST. MICHAEL CHURCH
SIOUX FALLS

BENEFITING
THE LOURDES CENTER
GIFT OF HOPE FUND

Get Tickets:

605-988-3701
ccfesd.org/events

FEATURING
Matt Maher



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

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION ENDS JAN 31

Contribution Statements

Contribution Statements have been mailed, please review and if there are any discrepancies, please call Tami in the Parish Office at 605-971-4556

Saint John Bosco

(August 16, 1815 – January 31, 1888)



Saint John Bosco's theory of education was a preventive system, rejecting corporal punishment and placing students in surroundings removed from the likelihood of committing sin. He advocated frequent reception of the sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion. He combined catechetical training and fatherly guidance, seeking to unite the spiritual life with one's work, study and play.

Encouraged during his youth in Turin to become a priest so he could work with young boys, Saint John Bosco was ordained in 1841. His service to young people started when he met a poor orphan in Turin, and instructed him in preparation for receiving Holy Communion. He then gathered young apprentices and taught them catechism.

By 1856, the Oratory of St. Francis de Sales for boys, had grown to 150 boys and had added a printing press for publication of religious and catechetical pamphlets. John's interest in vocational education and publishing justify him as patron of young apprentices and Catholic publishers.

With Pope Pius IX's encouragement, John gathered 17 men and founded the Salesians in 1859. Their activity concentrated on education and mission work. Later, he organized a group of Salesian Sisters to assist girls.

Reflection: John Bosco educated the whole person—body and soul united. He believed that Christ's love and our faith in that love should pervade everything we do—work, study, play. For John Bosco, being a Christian was a full-time effort, not a once-a-week, Mass-on-Sunday experience. It is searching and finding God and Jesus in everything we do, letting their love lead us. Yet, because John realized the importance of job-training and the self-worth and pride that come with talent and ability, he trained his students in the trade crafts, too.

Saint John Bosco is a Patron Saint of Boys, Editors, Educators/Teachers, and Youth

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.

February Church Cleaning:

Francia & Sandy Heilman
Lyle & Brooke Heilman & family
Rachel Rohrbach



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.

Classes resume as normal.

Please note there will be no classes on Feb 15th.

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

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
NO RE on Feb 18th—Due to Ash Wednesday

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 February 16th.



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 February 11th

NO Classes on Feb 18th—Ash Wednesday

PRAYER CORNER:

Please remember in your prayers:



Dolly Anderson, 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.