

January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord



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



Well, the calendar is changed and it's a new year. With resolutions and planning, we tend to only think about the new year...what will 2026 bring us.

I have been thinking lately about how much has changed since I was a boy...sitting in front of a black and white TV, crawling over the floor to change the channel to another of the 3 channels we got.

Now, I can watch TV on my phone...wait, it's not a big clunky rotary dial either...it's a phone in my pocket. Wow.

In my lifetime we have walked on the moon. When I was a boy to see another planet in a telescope was huge, and seeing the earth from space was life changing. Now, we see deep into the heart of newly born stars and galaxies so far away it boggles the imagination.

What will the years ahead bring us?

What will the world be like in 20, 30, 100 years?

All I know is that it would be unrecognizable to me, as today would be unrecognizable to my grandparents.

But, minute by minute, and day by day, we enter into that future; and we enter into it with hope that the Lord will be forever forging a future where we keep learning how to love one another better, and care for one another, and care for the earth He has given us, and all that earth holds.

We are making that future today, and our faith, hope and love lays groundwork for all God has in store.

Enjoy the New Year!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: Jan 5-11, 2026

MON: Day of Rest—NO Daily Mass

TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - +Loel Penfield

WED: 10 AM Bowdle @ BNH - + Roger De Rouchey
9 AM Roscoe -

THURS: 5:30 PM Leola -

FRI: 9 AM Ipswich - + Andrew D & Marlene Schumacher

SAT: 5 PM Bowdle - + Vivian Malsam
5 PM Roscoe - + Anthony & Albert Heilman

SUN: 9 AM Leola - + Terry & Margaret Heider & Charlie Tesch
11 AM Ipswich - Marie "Diane" Hammrich & Family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

January 10th & 11th

BOWDLE — Saturday 5PM

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

ROSCOE — Saturday 5PM

Lector: Mary Jo Grismer
Servers: Caleb Scherr & Emma Wesch
Ushers: Loren Schmidt & William Grismer
Rosary: Marian Scherr
\$\$ Counters: Mary Jo Grismer & Rose Heyne

IPSWICH — Sunday 11AM

Lector: Gracyn Kadlec
EMHC: Lynn Thares
Servers: Natalie Pollock, Austin Sieh, Bentley Geditz
Ushers: P Franck, T Pietz, S Kulesa
Rosary: Koinonia
\$\$ Counters: D Petersen & M&M Peterson

LEOLA — Sunday 9AM

Lector: Mona Kallas
Servers: Zander & Parker Hoffman
Ushers: Jack Geffre & Troy Millard
Sacristan: Melissa Lapka
Rosary: Arden Sieh
\$\$ Counters: LeAnn Lux & Denise Brandner

Sacrificial Giving: December 27 & 28, 2025



Holy Cross: Collection: \$1919.00
Restoration: \$670.00
Christmas: \$5061.75

St. Thomas: Collection: \$1499.44
St. Augustine: Collection: \$1068.00
Christmas: 1466.00

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Collection: \$740.00
Christmas: \$1877.00

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: January 5-11

Mon: 1Jn 3:22-4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tues: 1Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44

Wed: 1Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52

Thurs: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22a

Fri: 1Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16

Sat: 1Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

Sun: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Act 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17



January 9 & 10, 2026
WINE: Catholic Women's Retreat
Wisdom from Women in Scripture
Speakers:
LeAnn Thieman
Alyssa Bormes
Kelly Wahlquist

Women in the New Evangelization (WINE)
would like to invite women to join them on Saturday, January 10th starting at 9am with Mass for this presentation at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Aberdeen.
Cost is \$45 for Saturday ONLY or
\$65 for Friday Social & Saturday
Call Brenda at 605-380-5177 for more information

Decoration Clean Up:

Please join us after Mass on January 11th to take down the Christmas Decorations. All Hands are welcomed.



Knights of Columbus

Football Raffle Winners:

Here are the winners this week:

Thursday—Shirley Ertz

Sunday—Ed Gillick

Monday—Mike & June Heinz

Men's Silent Retreat - January 15-18, 2026

Father Timothy Smith will be leading a Men's 3-Day Silent Retreat at Broomtree Retreat Center in Irene SD on January 15-18, 2026. This retreat, based on The Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, is intended to help you find God more deeply in the world in which you live by becoming completely aware of God's presence in your life through reflection, prayer, and contemplation. Call 605-263-1040 or visit the website www.broom-tree.org for more info or to register.

Gift of Hope Concert

FRIDAY

February 6

7:00 p.m.

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH
SIOUX FALLS

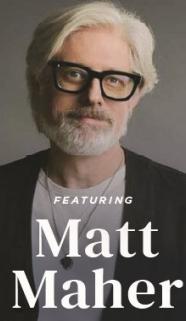
BENEFITING
THE LOURDES CENTER
GIFT OF HOPE FUND

Get Tickets:



605-988-3701

ccfesd.org/events



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 and the Early Access Code by calling the parish office 605-971-4556 or emailing Fr. Andy at frandrewthuringer@sfcatholic.org

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.



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.

January Church Cleaning:

Pat & Lori Dewald
Tammy Lunders & Family
Carmen 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 will resume on January 11th.

Have a great Christmas Vacation

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: Classes have begun, but it's not too late to join. Join us!!!
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 CCD December 17th thru Christmas Break.
Classes will resume on January 7th.

Catholic Daughters of America (CDA)

Next Meeting will be on January 19th.



HOLY CROSS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



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

No Classes till January 14th.

Have a great Christmas Vacation.

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

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

Next MS/HS Class is January 14th

PRAYER CORNER:

Please remember in your prayers:



Roger DeRouchey, 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.