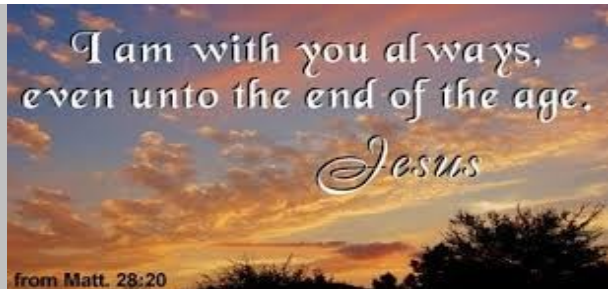


May 17, 2026
7th Sunday of Easter
The Ascension of the Lord



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: 4:00pm - St Joseph, Eureka
 6:00pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Leola
 Sunday: 10:00am - Holy Cross, Ipswich

Daily Mass:

Tuesday: 5:30pm - Holy Cross, Ipswich
 Wednesday: 9:00am - St. Augustine, Bowdle
 (1st Wed. at 10am @ Nursing Home)
 Thursday: 5:30pm - St. Thomas, Roscoe
 Friday: 9:00am - Holy Cross, Ipswich
 (1st Friday Holy Hour after Mass)

Daily Masses in Pastorate:

St Anthony-Selby—Thursday 5pm
 St. Michael, Herreid—Wednesday 5pm & Friday 5pm
 St. Joseph, Mobridge—Tues 5:30 pm; Wed 8:00 am & Fri 5:30 pm

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:

St Anthony, Selby—4:00 pm
 St Joseph, Eureka—4:00 pm
 OLPH, Leola—6:00 pm
 St Joseph, Mobridge—6:00 pm

Sundays:

Holy Cross, Ipswich — 10:00 am
 St Joseph, Mobridge—10:00 am

Father Michael's Musings



For many centuries, at least in the northern hemisphere, the days between May 12 and July 12 were, and are, poetically called: The Endless Day.

These are indeed the longest days of the year, and what everyone was hoping for six months ago in the darkness of winter.

These are the days of great growth as the hours of sunlight bring vegetation to glory.

These are the days for us to grow as well...I mean, why would we waste such beautiful sunlight?

Look gently at your life; where do you need to grow in your relationship with the Lord, with his people, with spouse, with children, with parents, with neighbors, with friends?

What a blessing these days bring us.

May the promised Spirit, filling us as sunlight fills the day, be our hope and guide as we are called and strengthened to grow.

Then, may we all rejoice in a bountiful harvest, the gifts of the earth, and the gifts of our hearts.

But first, we have an endless day in which to grow.

Have a joyful and peaceful week!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

May 23 & 24, 2026—Pentecost

IPSWICH — Sunday 10:00 AM

Lector: Donna Wagner
EMHC: Bryce Nash
Servers: Natalie Pollock, Adelyn Pollock, Rayna Pietz
Ushers: S Kulesa, R Braun, S Heinz, R Petersen
Rosary: Jessie Lacher
\$\$ Counters: M&M Petersen & E&D Gillick

LEOLA — Saturday 6:00 PM

Lector: Mona Kallas
Servers:
May Ushers: Mike Kallas & Lloyd Schaunaman
Sacristan: Melissa Lapka
Rosary: Melissa Lapka
\$\$ Counters: Sid Feickert & Candice Kappes



Sacrificial Giving: May 9 & 10, 2026



Holy Cross: Collection: \$2953.00
Restoration: \$30.00
St. Thomas: Collection: \$440.00
St. Augustine: Collection: \$275.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help:
Collection: \$1126.00

Thank you for your continued Church Support!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: May 18-24

MON: Day of Rest—NO Daily Mass
TUES: 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Dana Hammrich
WED: 10:00 AM Bowdle - + Paul & Florence Malsom
THURS: 5:30 PM Roscoe - + Alan Schmidt
FRI: 9:00 AM Ipswich - + Peter & Josephine Geditz
SAT: 6:00 PM Leola - + Mary Geffre
SUN: 10 AM Ipswich - + Ferdinand & MaryAnn Citterman

WEEKLY MASS READINGS: May 18-24

MON: Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
TUES: Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
WED: Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
THURS: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
FRI: Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
SAT: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25
SUN: Pentecost Acts 2:1-11; 1Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23



Catholic Family Sharing Appeal 2026

The Catholic Family Sharing Appeal - 2026 is a great act of generosity, it is our opportunity to participate in the Church beyond our parish limits. Thank you for your generosity and continued support. Every gift, regardless of the size, is important to the success of CFSA-2026 and the many ministries it supports.

We are so close to meeting our goals for the parishes. Thank you to all those contributed already. If you haven't yet contributed, please prayerfully consider contributing to CFSA for your parish so we can hit our set goals. Please call Tami in the Parish office at 605-971-4556 if you have any questions.

Parish:	CFSA Goal:	Pledge Amts:
Holy Cross—Ipswich:	\$39,000	HIT GOAL!!!
St Thomas—Roscoe:	\$13,000	HIT GOAL!!!
St Augustine—Bowdle:	\$12,500	\$10,420.00
OLPH—Leola:	\$12,000	\$8,975.00

Thank you for your generosity and pledges received to meet our Goals for 2026.



"Holy Face Chapel" Monastery of Our Mother of Mercy & St Joseph....Alexandria, SD

The Carmelite Nuns at the Monastery in Alexandria, SD feel called to honor the Holy Face of Jesus and to build this new Chapel. Please consider donating to help them or reading more about their mission. Visit www.holyfacechapel.org for more information and to donate.

****St Joseph, Eureka Mass Time Changed for Next Weekend—May 23/24****

Due to a scheduled use of the hall made before the recent Mass changes... On the weekend of May 23/24, Mass at St. Joseph, Eureka will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 24 at 8:30 am.** Sorry for any inconvenience this causes you. Thanks for understanding.



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Ministers for Weekend Masses

We want to invite anyone interested in serving in one of the many ministries during the weekend massas a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, Altar Server or Money Counters (and don't forget the choir/music ministry)....to call Tami in the Parish Office @ 605-971-4556, to get you signed up and scheduled to help in this great ministry to help our parish family. This goes for Holy Cross & OLPH for weekend masses.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas



Did you know the Pastorate of the Visitation has a CDA court named after St. Katharine Drexel, who ministered in South Dakota? Go to www.katharinedrexel.org to learn more about this saint and her work which we imitate. Join us for our next meeting on May 18th at St. Thomas in Roscoe.



Bulletins for Bowdle & Roscoe Reminder:

If you are from St Thomas or St Augustine (or going that way), please check the back of the church for the designated parish bulletins and take them to the parish. This allows for the bulletins to get there faster for the parishioners.

Saint Augustine Parish—Bowdle

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

Wednesday Night Prayer Hour:

An opportunity for silent prayer every Wednesday night from 6:30-7:30pm to pray for an increase in vocations and conversions. All parishes are welcome.

May Church Cleaning:

Mary Zimmer
Norbert & Cathy Thomas
Maria Aman

Saint Thomas the Apostle—Roscoe

Mass Times: Thursday 5:30pm

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

Catholic Daughters of America (CDA)

Next Meeting will be on May 18th

Our Lady of Perpetual Help—Leola

Mass times: Saturday at 6:00pm

Religious Education/CCD:

Please join us after the Saturday Evening Mass for Religious Education. If you have any questions, please call Traci at 605-520-2969.

Mass Intentions:

Please mail your intentions to Holy Cross PO Box 67, Ipswich, SD 57451 or put in the collection basket. Please note the Parish preference, Mass Intention Name (Deceased or Alive), your Name & your phone #.

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



Congratulations to our all the Roscoe/Bowdle Graduates!!

“The Lord goes before you; he will be with you and will never fail you or forsake you. So do not fear or be dismayed.” Deuteronomy 31:8

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

Please continue to pray for these students beginning their next journey in this wonderful life.



HOLY CROSS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please contact Deidre Kadlec at 605-290-4593 about RE at Holy Cross.

Classes have ended, but please watch the bulletin for upcoming summer activities.

PRAYER CORNER:

Please remember in your prayers:



Duane Schmidt, Nancy Lee, Jordan Mitzel, Ellie Heintzman, Dorothy Daly, Glen Geffre, Dolly Anderson, Lisa Rye, Mary Habek Geditz, 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.