

**September 13, 2026**  
**24th 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 Joseph, Eureka

Sunday: 8:00am - Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Leola  
 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:**

**Sundays:**

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| St Anthony, Selby—4:00 pm  | OLPH, Leola—8:00 am            |
| St Joseph, Eureka—5:00 pm  | Holy Cross, Ipswich — 10:00 am |
| St Joseph, Mobridge—6:00pm | St Joseph, Mobridge—10:00 am   |

### Father Michael's Musings



Each year, on September 14, the Church celebrates the Exaltation on the Holy Cross.

This great Solemnity took on special meaning 25 years ago, coming only three days after 9/11. I remember that day, and that Solemnity, to this very day.

In the beautiful Litany of the Holy Cross, the Cross is called "Savior of those without hope." On this special weekend between the 25th anniversary of 9/11, and the Solemnity of the Holy Cross, I think of those words as I did so many years ago.

It is easy to become hopeless, to feel like everything is falling apart; we may feel that about the world, or our nation, or even just our own lives. Yet, planted within the world, and in our lives, is the Cross of Jesus. In a time of division, anger and hopelessness, we find, shining in light, the Cross of the Lord.

This gift saves us from hopelessness. The Church honors the Cross, not as an instrument of death, but as the most profound and eternal expression of the unimaginable love of God for His people. He gives everything, everything, that we might live.

Even in the hopelessness of 25 years ago, there were expressions of love & sacrifice that moved us to tears, & that is the power of the Cross. Always, within the shadow of the Cross there is the bright light of resurrection and new life.

We all know someone whose heart is wounded by hopelessness, perhaps even our own heart, and we kneel before the Cross of the Lord, and cry out for them, for ourselves, "O Cross, Savior of those without hope, protect us."

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: September 14-20

**MON:** Day of Rest—NO Daily Mass  
**TUES:** 5:30 PM Ipswich - + Loel Penfield  
**WED:** 9:00 AM Bowdle - + Alan Schmidt  
**THURS:** 5:30 PM Roscoe - Andrew Mullaney  
**FRI:** 9:00 AM Ipswich - For All Married Couples  
**SUN:** 8:00 AM Leola - Jennifer Leichtnam  
**SUN:** 10:00 AM Ipswich - + Bernadine Henderson

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

September 13, 2026

### LEOLA — Sunday 8:00 AM

Lector: Pat Lapka  
September Ushers: Nick Kallas & Steven Kallas  
Sacristan: Melissa Lapka  
Rosary: Arden Sieh  
\$\$ Counters: LeAnn Lux & Denise Brandner

### IPSWICH — Sunday 10:00 AM

Lector: Sarah Sanborn  
EMHC: Lynn Thares  
Servers: Braelynn Holt, Anna Nierman, Emri Braun  
Ushers: S Kulesa, R Petersen, R Braun, S Braun  
Rosary: Suzanne Semmler  
\$\$ Counters: P Holt, L&P Franck, R Braun

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### LEOLA — Sunday 8:00 AM

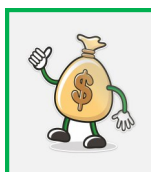
Lector: Deb Weiszhaar  
September Ushers: Nick Kallas & Steven Kallas  
Sacristan: Nancy Berreth  
Rosary: Mary Schaunaman  
\$\$ Counters: Melvin Kessler & Layne Lux

### IPSWICH — Sunday 10:00 AM

Lector: Donna Wagner  
EMHC: Suzanne Semmler  
Servers: Jalyssa Hutson, Olivia Kadlec, Mahlia Kadlec  
Ushers: D Petersen, P Franck, G Braun, T Braun  
Rosary: Kathy Thooft  
\$\$ Counters: R&L Ochsner, E&D Gillick



### Sacrificial Giving: Sept 5 & 6, 2026



**Holy Cross:** Collection: \$3547.00  
Restoration: \$50.00  
**St. Thomas:** Collection: \$260.00  
**St. Augustine:** Collection: \$105.00  
**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Collection: \$628.00

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

### WEEKLY MASS READINGS: September 14-20

**MON: Exaltation of the Holy Cross**  
Num 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
**TUES:** 1Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Jn 19:25-27  
**WED:** 1Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 7:31-35  
**THURS:** 1Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50  
**FRI:** 1Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3  
**SAT:** 1Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15  
**SUN:** Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

# Days of Reflection 2026



## ST. FRANCIS & THE OUR FATHER

Held the third Saturday of  
each month, September  
through May

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

St. Francis Retreat Center  
Hankinson, ND

Contact Sr. Mary Ruth:  
(701) 242-7195  
smaryruth@sfcere retreats.org



St. Anthony's Church Bazaar  
Sunday, October 4th, 2026

Caribbean Island Adventure

St. Anthony's Church Bazaar will be held in Hoven on Sunday, October 4th at the Hoven American Legion Hall. Serving is from Noon–1:30pm and includes: Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Bun, Pie & Coffee/Juice. Cost is \$15 Adults/ Children \$8 (Children under 5 Free). There will be Raffle items, Paddle Wheel, Cake Walk & Games for all ages!



**Experiencing A Deeper Confession**  
**September 22—Day of Recollection**  
**Broomtree Retreat & Conference Center**  
**10am-3pm**

This one-day retreat, led by Father James Mason, begins with a morning conference at 10 am, followed by Mass. Lunch is served at noon. After lunch, there is a Holy Hour with the opportunity for Confession, followed by a second and final conference concluding at 3 pm. The value of the retreat is \$50/person, we ask that you prayerfully consider making a donation in response to graces received.

Questions or to register, go to [www.broom-tree.org](http://www.broom-tree.org) or call 605-263-1040.

### MINISTRY DRIVE!

We are REALLY in need of **Eucharistic Ministers and Choir Members.** We would love for you to join us in these ministries to help provide beautiful music at the mass and the ability to distribute the blessed sacrament to our parishioners. Please join us in the choir loft before mass to join the voices of the choir or sign up at the entrance of the church to help us with any ministry. We joyfully welcome those from other parishes to join us in signing up for these and other ministries. If you have questions or want more info, please call the Parish Office at 605-971-4556.



### Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Since 1986, CDA has financially supported SOAR (Support Our Aging Religious), a nonprofit organization committed to assure financial stability of elderly members of our religious congregations. Join us for our next meeting on Monday, Sept 21 at 7pm at St. Thomas in Roscoe to learn more about the work we do.



**Friday mornings after Mass**  
**and after Benediction on 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays**  
**from September 11th thru November 27<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Gospel of Matthew 16:27 thru 24:51.**



### OCIA Sign Up

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), formerly known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), is for those adults and older children that are wanting to come fully into the Catholic Church or needing Baptism or Confirmation. OCIA is here to guide you through spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral formation so they can enter full communion with the Catholic Church. Please call the office the office at 605-971-4556 to sign up for Classes. Classes will be Sunday Evening starting in October from 6:30-8pm



### Saint Augustine Parish—Bowdle

Mass times: Wednesday 9:00 AM  
(1st Wed. Daily Mass -10AM at Nursing Home)  
(QR Code for Online Giving)

#### Wednesday Night Prayer Hour:

Silent prayer hour every Wednesday night at 6:30pm  
to pray for an increase in vocations & conversions.

Altar Society Meeting - Next meeting will be on  
Wednesday, Sept 16th at 5:30pm in the church basement.

#### September Church Cleaning:

Chad & Susan Holsworth  
Richard & Susan Mitzel  
Tyler Beadle



### Holy Cross

#### Online Contribution Giving

Please start using this QR Code for all  
Electronic Giving's, whether it's  
1-time or recurring.



### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

#### Join us TODAY for 1st Family Class

after 10:00 AM Mass till 1pm.

For Parents/Guardians and Youth.

Brunch will be provided for ALL parishioners

Teachers and substitutes are still NEEDED!

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer,  
please contact Deidre Kadlec at Parish Office.



### Saint Thomas the Apostle—Roscoe

Mass Times: Thursday 5:30pm  
(QR Code for Online Giving)

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.

#### Catholic Daughters of America (CDA)

Next Meeting will be on September 21 at 7pm at  
St Thomas. All are welcome to join us.

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

We will be having Atrium classes again  
this year for children ages 3-5  
(includes Jr. Kindergarten) on

**Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 am.**

There will be no Tuesday morning classes.

Please contact Suzanne at 605-380-7670 to sign up or to  
find out more information about the CGS program.

**First class will be on Wednesday, September 30.**



### Our Lady of Perpetual Help—Leola

Mass times: Sunday at 8:00am  
(QR Code for Online Giving)

#### Religious Education/CCD:

If you have any questions, please call  
Traci at 605-520-2969.

## **Try Online Giving!**

Tired of writing checks? Going to be out of town and visiting a different parish?  
Try our online giving platform where you can give a one-time or recurring  
donation to your parish.



Bowdle



Eureka



Herreid



Ipswich



Leola



Mobridge



Roscoe



Selby

God loves a cheerful giver.  
- 2 Corinthians 9:7



#### 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](mailto:ipswich.holycross@sfcatholic.org)

#### PRAYER CORNER:

Please remember in your prayers:



Art Thooft, Margaret Fought,  
Dorothy Daly, Dolly Anderson, Don Brintnall,  
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).