

**September 6, 2026**  
**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For where two or  
three are gathered  
together in my  
name, there am I  
in the midst of  
them.

**Pastorate of the Visitation**

**HOLY CROSS  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**ST AUGUSTINE  
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**OUR LADY OF  
PERPETUAL HELP**

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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:**

St Anthony, Selby—4:00 pm  
St Joseph, Eureka—5:00 pm  
St Joseph, Mobridge—6:00pm

**Sundays:**

OLPH, Leola—8:00 am  
Holy Cross, Ipswich — 10:00 am  
St Joseph, Mobridge—10:00 am

**Father Michael's Musings**



For centuries, the Church has taught about the value of human labor, the need for just wages, the need for time off and renewal, and the need for workers to be treated with dignity and not just as replaceable parts of a machine.

It is this dignity that is celebrated on Labor Day, a chance for us to be grateful for the satisfaction and reward we receive from our jobs, and a reminder that our jobs are not even close to the totality of our lives (although time-wise, it seems that way).

It is also a reminder to each of us to strive to show our Christian faith by the dignity we give to workers in our daily lives. We may be frustrated, we may be frustrated, but to treat each worker we encounter with Christian love and joy is a blessing to them and will lift us out of our frustration faster than anything.

We treat others the way we wish to be treated,  
a simple and golden rule.

Enjoy the weekend and the time off (if you have it) and prepare yourselves for the glories of Autumn.

**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

**September 20, 2026**

**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

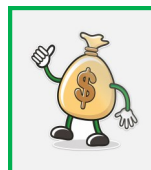
Ushers: D Petersen, P Franck, G Braun, T Braun

Rosary: Kathy Thooft

\$\$ Counters: R&L Ochsner, E&D Gillick



**Sacrificial Giving: Aug 23 & 30, 2026**



**Holy Cross:** Collection: \$7738.00

Restoration: \$835.00

**St. Thomas:** Collection: \$2659.00

**St. Augustine:** Collection: \$755.00

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Collection: \$2432.00

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

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: September 7-13**

**MON:** Day of Rest—NO Daily Mass

**TUES:** 5:30 PM Ipswich - For Youth of our Pastorate

**WED:** 9:00 AM Bowdle - + Paul & Florence Malsom

**THURS:** 5:30 PM Roscoe - + Janice Malsam

**FRI:** 9:00 AM Ipswich - + Andy & Cap Malsom

**SUN:** 8:00 AM Leola - + Marvin Geffre

**SUN:** 10:00 AM Ipswich - + Robert Dixon

**WEEKLY MASS READINGS: September 7-13**

**MON:** 1Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11

**TUES:** Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

**WED:** 1Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26

**THURS:** 1Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38

**FRI:** 1Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42

**SAT:** 1Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49

**SUN:** Sir 27:30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

# 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!

There are sign-up sheets at the back of the church for anyone that would like to be added to the regular Liturgical Minister rotation at Holy Cross. This includes anyone who would like to be: Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Money Counters, Rosary Leaders, as well as Gift Bearers.

Please prayerfully consider being a part of the Liturgy. We joyfully welcome those joining our rotation from other parishes within the Pastorate of the Visitation. If you have questions or want more info, please call the Parish Office at 605-971-4556. There will be a short training for all helping with these Ministries. Date and time to be determined.



### 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.






**STORIES OF FAITH.  
VOICES OF HOPE.**

**YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY BROUGHT  
TOGETHER BY A SHARED MISSION.**

## Sept

15-17

## 7AM - 7PM CT

EACH DAY

# 88.9 FM

This fall, tune in and be part of what makes Catholic radio possible during our **Fall Live Drive**. Call in and support Catholic radio! **877-795-0122**



### 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.

#### August Church Cleaning:

Makena Vocu & family  
Doug & Mary Turner  
Pauline Mertz



### 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

#### First Class is September 13 @ Holy Cross

after 10:00 AM Mass till 1pm.

For Parents/Guardians and Youth.

Brunch will be provided for ALL parishioners

Teachers are still NEEDED for 4th, 5th & 6th grades! 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,  
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).