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**MASS SCHEDULE:**  
St. Margaret: (Jan/Mar/May/Jul/Sep/Nov)  
Saturday 5 PM Sunday 8:00 AM  
St. James: (Feb/Apr/Jun/Aug/Oct/Dec)  
Saturday 5 PM - Sunday 10:30 AM  
Confessions: Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 PM or by appointment  
Sundays (SM) 7:10 - 7:45 AM  
For scheduling Baptism or Weddings please call 778-6420  
(SM) St. Margaret, Kimball (PV) Prairie View Assisted Living, Kimball (SJ) St. James, Chamberlain

**Mass Schedule for: March 16, 2020 – March 22, 2020**  
Mon. Mar. 16: (SJ) 12 Noon Mass +Shirley Hickey  
Communion Service Regency 1:30PM  
Tues. Mar. 17: NO Scheduled Mass  
Wed. Mar. 18: (PV) 9 AM Mass Members of the Parishes  
Thurs. Mar. 19: (SJ) 6 PM Mass Joe Bubulka  
Friday Mar. 20: (SM) 6 PM Mass +Catholic Daughters  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent - March 22, 2020**  
Sat. Mar. 21: (SM) Confessions 4:15 – 4:45 PM  
Sat. Mar. 21: (SM) 5 PM Mass +Earnest & +Jen Leiferman  
+Zach Leighton  
Sun. Mar. 22: (SM) Confessions 7:15 – 7:45 AM  
(SM) 8AM Mass +  
Sun. Mar.22: (SJ) 10:30 AM Mass +Cole Hickey

**St. Margaret Church Collection – March 7,& 8 2020**  
Envelopes: \$ 2,732.00  
Loose: \$ 265.00  
**St. James Church Collection – March 8, 2020**  
Envelopes: \$ 2,419.74  
Loose: \$ 106.00 Building Fund: \$ 508.65

\*\*\*NOTE \*\*\* St. James – Mass for **Thursday only** in March:  
Will be held at **6 PM St. Margaret- Fri. Mass** will be @ **6PM**


**Communal Penance:**  
**St. Peter’s- White Lake** March 15<sup>th</sup> 3pm till 5PM  
**St. Peter’s – Platte:** March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2PM till 4PM  
**St. James – Chamberlain:** March 29<sup>th</sup> 3PM till 4 PM  
**St. Margaret – Kimball:** March 29<sup>th</sup> 6 PM till 7 PM

**St. James CFSA:** Total collected \$ 22,305.00  
Goal \$ 31, 200.00 71% to goal  
**St. Margaret CFSA:** Total collected \$ 22, 685.00  
Goal \$ 37,600.00 60 % to goal

**Empty Bowls-** a soup benefit for the **St. James Food Pantry HAS BEEN CANCELLED** But Monetary donations are still needed. Please drop off at the Office.  
**St. Margaret – CDA meeting:** Will be held on March 18<sup>th</sup>


**Kimball - Knights of Columbus meeting** will be held on March 23<sup>rd</sup>

To place a name on the prayer list, please call the parish offices 778-6420 or 734-6122 ext. 3. Please contact the office to request continued prayers. Thank You. *Please pray for the following people and all who need our prayers:* Rollin Smith, Andy Steckelberg, isMsgr. Ed Burian, Emma Bohon, Russ Engler, Becky Rybak, Jan DeSloover, Aubrey Koch, Edward Swietochowski, Kamil Swietochowski, Tessa Pazour, Donna Knopick , Charles Houska., Tracy Rogers, Holly Gusso, Judy Kuntz, Jameson Rancour, Boyd Thiel, Agnes Piskule, Shelly Janish, Arlene Thyberg, Greg Miller, Oliver Bruck, Geralda Tramp, David Leheska, Mary Stanek, Karla (Leiferman) Grosz, James Shea, Gary Thayer, Cathy Borah, Ann Thiel, Dawn Gross-Rix, Tom Eimers, Charmaign Aronson, Paul Willrodt, Pat Clemens, Mike Maser, Bill Martin, Bo Donald and Verla Hoing  
**Please pray for our military personnel:** Philip Lenz, Philip Soulek, Emily Soulek, Aaron Toupal, Will Race, Anthony Hanzlik. Bryce Jensen, Spencer Kirkpatrick, & Cody Westendorf Shane Thomas.  
To place someone on St. James Prayer chain please call Peggy Hanzlik at 234-4137 or [hanzlikp@midstatesd.net](mailto:hanzlikp@midstatesd.net)

 **The Secret of the Rosary** by St. Louis De Montfort: **NINTH DECADE:** We offer You, O Lord Jesus, this ninth decade in honor of Your carrying Your Cross and we ask of You, through this mystery and through the intercession of Your Blessed Mother, to give us great patience in carrying our cross in Your footsteps every day of our life. One Our Father, ten Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father... (and Fatima Prayer: Oh, my Jesus...) Grace of the mystery of the carrying of the Cross, come down into my soul and make me truly patient.

**St. James Religious Ed News:** \*\*\*\*Parent hall monitor for **March 18<sup>th</sup>**, are **Ron Hopkins** and **Casey Hutmacher** Families.  
**Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> year Confirmation students** service trip to the Banquet in Sioux Falls. **Requirement for confirmation**

 **St James Altar Society** We are in need of, **88** more recipes for the new cookbook. Please email to Bonnie H. at [missouritrader@hotmail.com](mailto:missouritrader@hotmail.com) or Penni at [ps\\_copper@yahoo.com](mailto:ps_copper@yahoo.com) or place typed recipes in the collection plate. Please include name and phone number.  
**Deadline April 15<sup>th</sup> Thank-you!**

 **St. James Ladies Bible Study: “Courageous Women”,** will meet Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 and 6:30 PM, later group will meet after the Mass and Stations. **Thank-you!**

**St. James Parish:** Is accepting nominations for **new council members.** Please contact the Parish office or a parish council member:

**Attention St. James Lay Ministers:** Contact the parish office with dates you cannot serve in April & May

**Mark your Calendars:** Sun. March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM, St. James Catholic Daughters will show the movie **Unplanned Pregnancy**, at St. James Community Center. This is open to the public.

**Fish Fry:** Kimball Dakota Senior Meals All you can eat fish, fries, baked beans etc. Held at **Kimball Legion Hall 5:30PM till 7:30PM**

## Third Sunday of Lent March 15, 2020

**Dear friends at St. James and St. Margaret Parishes**  
The *first reading* for today is taken from the Book of Exodus 17:3-7. The Israelites, the Chosen People of God, were suffering slavery and the threat of total extermination in Egypt; God miraculously set them free and, with Moses as their leader, he led them towards the promised land of Canaan. But they soon forgot what God had done for them and began to murmur and rebel because of the difficulties of the long desert journey. One of these rebellious murmurings is put before us today. The *second reading* is from the St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 5:1-2; 5-8. This brief section is an encouragement to all who have been given the gift of the Christian faith to persevere in spite of adversity. The Gospel is from St. John 4:5-42. This gospel, about the Samaritan woman, is exceptionally rich. Every time we read it we are passionately moved by that intense conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan woman. The Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, recalling the great teaching of Saint Augustine, with regard to Christ's request to the woman, “give me something to drink”, said: “Yes, God thirsts for our faith and our love. As a good and merciful father, he wants our total, possible good, and this good is he himself. The Samaritan woman, on the other hand, represents the existential dissatisfaction of one who does not find what he seeks. She had "five husbands" and now she lives with another man; her going to and from the well to draw water expresses a repetitive and resigned life. However, everything changes for her that day, thanks to the conversation with the Lord Jesus.....” (Benedict XVI, Angelus 24 February 2008). To recognize that if we entrust ourselves to God, we receive every “possible good” which, as the Pope reminds us, is God himself, means living the dynamic of conversion to God: renouncing a self-centered mentality, which deceives self-sufficient man, in order to receive the gift of God. Man without God is inevitably destined to dissatisfaction, limited in everything by his own limits as a creature, even in “giving himself” or “obtaining for himself” joy, love, happiness... Man without God cannot think to reach boundless joy, unlimited and eternal love, the living water of which, precisely, Jesus speaks with the Samaritan woman. Happiness, another word for the living water, can only be given by the **one** who possesses it, and man does not possess it. God alone can share it with those who place their trust in Him and follow Him. The living water, the gift of the Holy Spirit, can only be given by the Lord Jesus whom the Father sent into the world to give to all men and women eternal life, that is, never ending happiness. As the Pope reminds us only the water that Jesus offers, the living water of the Spirit, can quench” man's “thirst for the infinite” (Benedict XVI, homily 24 February 2008). *Man is able to give his fellow humans, affection, money, power, human glory, honor, career ... but not endless happiness which, since it is an unlimited good, belongs to the divine, infinite sphere! The living water flows only from the divine source.* The Samaritan woman went to a well which was deep, but

limited, whereas unlimited was her thirst for happiness and love. *The woman, the Holy Father tells us,* “represents the existential dissatisfaction of one who does not find what he seeks”. How often man seeks the infinite, the eternal, well-being...but sadly continues to seek it in a well, in a reality, the earthly reality, which is unable to contain it. How many wells, deep but empty, how many wells of stagnant water, we have met on our way! We carry within us immense desires and easily deceive ourselves that we can meet them. On our path of conversion, what a great grace it is to find the Lord Jesus waiting patiently for us beside our senseless wells. When, like the Samaritan woman, we are tired of the things of this world, of almost empty wells, then the Divine Master is especially close to us. He asks us to give him something to drink, he asks us to trust Him to satiate our heart and if we trust in Him we discover the joy of finding the true well, the source of crystal clear water. Then, as if in a dream, as it was for the Samaritan woman, everything which before was important, no longer counts, true reality is something else, it becomes that Man-God who begs to give Himself! The secret of happiness is to invert the process of selfishness: to forget self in order to make room for Another Person, the Lord of life and happiness. Give up self and find God! If I renounce sin, I find grace, if I renounce myself, I find God and my brothers and sisters. “If you only knew what God is offering,” happiness is what He wants to give you! How often a priest should ask himself this question, or a woman who wonders “shall I have a child or not”, “am I thinking of myself, or of the child who cannot come into the world without my help?" If you knew what gift of Life, you would throw yourself into that well and there you would find the strength to renounce self. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, with wisdom typical of saints, explained why we should give ourselves to God: “Why should we give ourselves completely to God? Because God has given Himself to us. If God who owes us nothing is ready to give us nothing less than Himself, can we respond with only a small part of ourselves? Giving ourselves totally to God is a way of receiving God. I am for God and God is for me. I live for God and renounce myself, in this way I allow God to live for me. To possess God we must allow Him to possess our souls. (Blessed Teresa di Calcutta).  
**Have a blessed 3<sup>rd</sup> week of Lent 2020, Fr. Andrew**

**CDA Egg Bake Breakfast @ St. Margaret:** March 22<sup>nd</sup> following 8 AM mass. Join us for your choice of muffins, rolls, fruit, juice and coffee. Free will offering! They will also hold a **Chinese Auction.** Baskets will be placed in the lobby, available for bids March 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, and March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Basket donations can be placed in the church basement closet.

**Kimball Food Pantry:** Is accepting any donations. Thanks for all you do to keep our food Pantry open. Donations of money are also welcome. Collection boxes are provided at entrances of the Church

**St Patrick’s Day Supper** Kimball Senior Center **Tues. Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> 5PM to 6:30PM** Corned Beef and cabbage supper. Kimball Dakota Senior Meals & Modern Woodman Support

