# St. Mary of Mercy, St. Martin of Tours & St. Stephen

P.O. Box 158, Alexandria, SD 57311, Fr. Bob Krantz, Pastor, (605)770-1652; Emily Ruden Office: (605)239-4578, E-mail: maryofmercy@sfcatholic.org Mass (Extraordinary Form) at Carmelite Monastery 7:30am Fr. Lance Oser Rosary & Benediction Sun. at 3:15pm, Adoration every First Fri. from 9:00am-5pm

Love your neighbor as yourself.
Matthew 22:39

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time...... Feb. 20, 2022



Parish Families, our annual CFSA is so important to the work of our Diocese to live out our Catholic Faith. Our generous giving is an expression will speak of evangelization our love for the Church. So proud of all 3 parishes making their goal last year.

God bless you. Fr. Bob

**CFSA.... 2022** 

Today we begin the Catholic Family Sharing Appeal 2022. Catholic Family Sharing Appeal challenges us each year to think beyond our walls and our individual needs. At some time in your life, you or someone you love will be served in one way or another from the ministries supported by Catholic

Family Sharing Appeal. Your gift helps each of the diocesan ministries reach out to thousands, including training our future priests, a respect for life, education in our faith and ministry to the homebound, helping hurting marriages and more. This week you will receive a letter from Bishop DeGrood asking for your support for this year's Catholic family Sharing Appeal.

Our parish goal for this year is St. Mary's \$20,900.00..... St. Martin's \$14,100.00..... St. Stephen \$9,700.00.

Remember any amount raised above our Parish goal stays in our parishes.

#### **Prayer for CFSA**

Lord God, giver of life and all good gifts, you anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit who inspired him to give everything he had for our sake. Move us by the same spirit of stewardship to share, first to the Lord, for the benefit of all. By your grace, help us to follow in your footsteps and become more focused on loving and caring for our families, our neighbors and our communities. Lead us to the awareness that everything we are and everything we have is your gift. Grant us the spirit of Sacrifice to always seek you will and to share our gifts with our brothers and sisters. May we be good stewards of all we have received and cooperate with you in building your kingdom of love and justice. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



## Last week to complete the Survey!!!

If you haven't taken the survey yet please do so this week.

\*\*\*\* If you prefer a paper copy, they will be available in the entrance of each Church this weekend.

\*\*\*\* Please return them to the Church where there will be a box labeled for the competed surveys.

\*\*\* You can find the survey and additional information at <a href="mailto:sfcatholic.org/synod">sfcatholic.org/synod</a>



Times moving along.... Let's honor the request of **Pope Francis and Bishop DeGrood to take this Survey?**Remember you can take it online **SFCATHOLIC.ORG/SYNOD** 



# Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

# Mass Times this Week

A-St Mary, E- St. Martin, B-St. Stephen

Mon B 8:30am Holly Rotert
Tues E 8:30am Don Weber
Wed B 9:00am Anita Degen-Fr. Rader
Wed A 6:15pm George & Margaret Smith
Thurs A 8:30am Dylan Mentele
Fri E 8:30am Harold Leitheiser
Sat E 4-4:40pm Confessions
5:00 pm Our Parish Families
Sun A 9:00am Confessions

10:00am Art Jarding Jr.



**Bingo.....February 20, 3pm-5pm** at Holy Spirit Gathering Space Mitchell, SD. 2 Cards for a quarter, FREE will Donation Lunch to follow: Chicken Noodle Soup, Chili & Pie

## 53rd Annual Knights of Columbus Home Made Sausage Supper...

John Paul II Auditorium (Holy Spirit Church) Mitchell, SD. Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup>, from 3:00-6:30pm.



**Epiphany Sausage Sale....**Will NOT be hosting the sausage supper; however, we will be selling both bulk and ring sausage at the parish hall during the following times:

Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>- 2-7 PM Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>- 12-5 PM \$6 per pound/ sold in 5-pound packages

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Follow the Epiphany Sausage Event Facebook page for details on sausage availability.



## <u>PRAYER FOR</u> PRESIDENTS' DAY

God, source of unity and peace, strengthen and renew the faith of our great nation. We ask your blessing on our President and all who serve in leadership positions. Fill their hearts with the desire to ensure justice and equality for all.

Give our President the wisdom and prudence to do his duty in the true spirit of patriotism. Grant him the power to discern wisely and govern by the laws of this land. There is but one just use of power, and that is to serve the people.

Amen.

## Feb 12<sup>th</sup> & Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>:

<u>St. Martin</u>: Church Support \$960.00 Children: \$8.50, Loose: \$129.00

St. Stephen: Church Support: \$175.00

<u>St. Mary</u>: Church Support, \$1,675.00; Loose: \$93.00; Children: \$10.00; Fuel: \$100.00; Votive: \$16.00; Basement Restoration \$1,000.00; Shrine: \$11.00



<u>Camp Sydney</u>-The Lourdes Center (formerly Catholic Family Services will be offering a Grief Camp for youth and their families at Broom Tree Retreat

Center, beginning at 6:00 p.m. June 10 until 11:00 a.m. June 12, 22 The Grief Camp is offered free of charge. Call Catholic Family Services,605-988-3775 for info. or SFCATHOLIC.ORG/SYDNEY



Easter Cantata...the Bridgewater Community Chorus will be presenting an Easter Cantata "Jesus, The Undefeated One" during the Easter season this year. Practice is at the Zion Mennonite church, beginning this Sunday, Feb. 20 at 1:30 pm. We welcome old and new chorus members to participate in this ministry of music! For more information, call Rosalie Weber (605-999-2934) or Dan Clarke (605-360-1648).

## Sunday, March 13th at 3:00pm End of Life Workshop:

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A Comprehensive Catholic Approach Learn, ask questions...and refreshments, too.

# St. Mary of Mercy Basement Restoration/Fundraiser....







#### Restoration

work in the basement started this week, the wall and window preparation is underway. We will see some change by next weekend.

## **Meeting set for this Monday**

at 7pm for Pastoral/Finance and Sacred Heart leader to finalize all details important fundraiser publicity efforts.



March 27th, Fundraiser activities will include....

A Baked Potato Bar---Free Will Offering.... Silent Auction.... BINGO.... Youth Raffle.... Monetary Donations

Potato Bar...



Sacred Heart League will give leadership to the **Potato Bar**. Donations of food items for the baked potato, toppings, coleslaw, fancy deserts will be solicited.

#### BINGO...

Knights of Columbus will give leadership to the Bingo Activity in the Conference/Knights room.

Silent Auction...is well underway...

\*\*\*2 Gift Certificates for 10lbs hamburger bundle Weber Preferred Stock, \*\*\* Hog (2 halves),

\*\*\* Processing of the hog, \*\*\* 10lb Lamb Chislic (1lb packages), \*\*\* Basket for Sisters gift Shop, \*\*\* Church pew, 
\*\*\* crosses, \*\*\*kids' basket, \*\*\* basket valued at \$100.00, \*\*\* John Green Cathedral Print, \*\*\* 2 items.

### **Monetary Donations..**

\$1,000.00 in memory of Art Jarding Jr.... \$250.00

# Grade

#### Youth Raffle...

Grades 1-12 are selling tickets for a \$1.00 for a

\$100.00 Gift Certificate to Mitchell County Fair.

Support our young people buy tickets from them.

Any Donations are still welcome, let us know soon

**Thanks Everyone** 

*Instructions in the Faith* Will meet this week.



	St. Martin, Emery	St. Mary, Alex
	Sat. Feb 26, 5pm	Sun Feb 27 <sup>th</sup> , 10am
Lector	Victor Weber	Gary Jarding
Sacristan		
Altar	Max, Carson and	Carter & Madalynn
Servers	Ben Weber	Ruden, Ayden Hruby
Musician		Sandy Kayser
Rosary	Jack & Theresa	Gary & Sharon
	Catron	Jarding
Ushers	Jeff Arend,	Joe Jarding, Dave
	Jordan Hanssen	Jarding
Money		Lyle Weber, Kathy
Counters		Hoffman
E. Min.	Kellie Weber	Ray Slaba