

ST. JOSEPH PARISH, MOBRIDGE, SD

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Confessions Saturdays 4:15 to 5:00 pm**Meditation for the 20th Sunday****“My daughter is terribly troubled by a demon.” Matt. 15:22**

Jesus delivered many people from demons. Sometimes he delivered children from demons. This raises the question: How can innocent children who could not have grievously sinned or been knowingly involved in the occult be possessed or troubled by demons?

Children suffer innocently for the sins of their parents and the world. This suffering seems to include even harassment from the evil one. Sins committed by any of us can result in the severest form of child abuse: exposing a child to demonic influence. A simple reading of any of the historical books of the Old Testament will demonstrate how sins of others can harm innocent children.

Why doesn't the Lord protect children from the effect of our sins? Why didn't he intervene and save the Holy Innocents martyred at Bethlehem? Why doesn't he spare the children victimized by abortion? The Lord allows us to accept the wages of our sins. He even lets us pass on a devastating inheritance to our children and to the children of the world. Our unrepented sins open the door for Satan to enter not only our lives, but also the lives of innocent children. Repent!

Prayer: In the name of Jesus, leave, Satan, never to return. Thank you, Jesus, for your victory.



Bishop DeGrood announced this week that once again Catholics will be obligated to participate in Sunday Mass starting the weekend of August 22 & 23. A dispensation remains **only** to those at high risk for severe illness and those responsible for their care.

He stated that "...our personal efforts to maintain reasonable physical distancing measures and good hygienic practices are both prudent and important...."

A Saturday 7:30 pm Mass will be added starting next Saturday, August 22nd. The Sunday 8:00 am Mass will be the only Mass where face coverings will be required. You are asked to wear a mask but it will be optional at the other Masses.
Please visit the Diocese web page for the full letter and updated guidelines.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Mon. Aug. 17, 8:00 am †Dick Leonard [Rdr: Loretta]

Tue. Aug. 18, 5:30 pm (L)Amy Hoekstra [Rdr: Barb]

Wed. Aug. 19, 8:00 am (L)Joe & J.J. Beadle (anniv.) [Rdr: Ida]

Thursday *Fr. Bill's Sabbath day away*Fri. Aug. 21, **8:00 am** †Jim Rabenberg [Rdr: Theresa]

Sat. Aug. 22, 5:30 pm †John Schaeffbauer [Rdr: Terry]

Sat. Aug. 22, 7:30 pm †Jeanne Mindt & Family [Rdr: JoAnn]

Sun. Aug. 23, 8:00 am †Keith Lesmeister [Rdr: Marcy]

Sun. Aug. 23, 10:00 am *People of the Parish* [Rdr: Jean]

Prayers and Sympathy to Mary Biegler in the death of her brother-in-law Emil Biegler. *Eternal rest grant unto him.*

Fall CRE Update: Please pray daily for the Spirit's lead as we plan for our fall Parish Faith Formation. With uncertainty still a part of our daily lives and peoples' comfortability still on many levels we are still in the planning stages of what we will provide to help us all learn and grow in our faith. More details as things get developed.

August 9th Church Support \$4,244

Food Pantry August: Macaroni & Cheese

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Carol Collignon, Tom Holzer, Steve Schatz, Luella Bosch, Mary Fredricksen, Marge Mertz, Larry Schaeffbauer, Bill Klucas, Bob Lipp, Maria Procida, Dan Sherrill, Carol Slaughter, Rachel Hoisington, Carson Keller, Bob Zerr, Leo Holzer, Marchell Phillips, Kenny Holzer, Lolis Linde, Pat Laintz, Jack Perman, LaVonne Dietrich, Jim Krause, Chad Uchytel, Colleen Froseth, Sharon Neuharth, Dr. Mike Holland, Marilyn Bohlander, Nehemiah Bauer, Laura Goldade, Alyssa Keller, Mark Nordstrom, Doug Orth, Bobby Zerr, Lisa Anderson, Mark Weigel, Jeff Pfeifle.

Saturday evening 7:30 pm Mass added: Beginning this Saturday, August 22, an additional Mass at will be held at 7:30 pm. **If you are a Eucharistic Minister or a Lector, please let Andree know if you would be able to help at the 7:30 pm Mass.**

Liturgy Volunteers: We will be making a schedule of volunteers for these positions at the weekend Masses: Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Greeters, and Rosary Leaders. Please let Andree know if you plan to be away in September. **The deadline to let us know is Wednesday, August 26.**

A Day of Eucharistic Adoration: This Friday, August 21, 8:30 am to Benediction at 8:15 pm. Mass at 8:00 am. Confessions at 7:45 to 8:00 pm. Please sign up at the main entrance to the Church.

Baptism Preparation: If you are planning to have your baby baptized within the next two months, please notify us this week by calling the parish office at 845-2100.

Big Thanks to those who continue to clean the church weekly, whether helping following Masses or dusting, scrubbing, and vacuuming at other times, helping to ensure a safe environment. *If you would like to help, we would welcome your assistance. **If you would like to help, please call Evie Pleinis at 845-7618.***

Family Rosary: Please join us at 5:00 pm on Thursdays to pray the Rosary in the church. The rosary is a powerful prayer in this time of pandemic. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

Lifetouch Parish Directory: We have been in contact with the company, which has told us that although parishioners have received family photos, printing of the directory has been delayed due to COVID-19. We will make them available when they are sent to us.

Looking for deeper formation? Dr. Chris Burgwald created Equip just for you in tandem with Bishop DeGrood's focus on forming lifelong missionary disciples. Equip is a free three-year process that forms lay men and women as missionary disciples, empowering them to deepen their own faith in Jesus Christ and to share him and his teachings with others. Areas of formation include intellectual, spiritual, human, and apostolic with an emphasis on Sacred Scripture, the Catechism, Church History, and Evangelization. If you yearn to take your faith to the next level, you are invited to apply for Equip. Applications are due by September 15. Get all the details at sfatholic.org/equip. Possible carpooling available.

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated this Saturday. The circumstances surrounding Mary's death manifest Jesus' victory over death. If we live lives committed to Jesus, we too will be victorious at the time of our death. The day of our death will be the happiest day of our lives, for we shall see Jesus face to face. We will begin our last day on earth amid the pain, suffering, and temptations of this world and end that day in the perfect happiness of heaven.

The Abbey of the Hills upcoming Retreats: August 28-30: Women's Silent Retreat – "Discovering the Heart of the Father" More info and registration at www.abbeyofthehills.org/ Rediscover Peace.

Broom Tree Silent Retreats: Men's: Aug 20-23, Sept 24-27, Oct 15-18 Nov 19-22.

Liturgy Volunteer Schedule

SATURDAY, August 22 - 5:30 pm

ROSARY: Mary Biegler
LECTOR: Terry Kraft
EEM: Sharon Miklos
USHERS: Tim Frailing, Jerry Graff, Ray Miklos
GREETERS: Gwen Grad & Adzie Schmaltz

SATURDAY, August 22 - 7:30 pm

LECTOR: JoAnn Omafray
ROSARY: Volunteer needed
EEM: Volunteer needed
USHERS: Volunteers needed
GREETERS: Volunteers needed

SUNDAY, August 23- 8:00 am

ROSARY: Andree Marshall
LECTOR: Marcy Roesler
EEM: Audrey Lesmeister
USHERS: Ron Roesler, Del Marshall, Les Mandernach
GREETERS: JoAnn Omafray

SUNDAY, August 23 - 10:00 am

ROSARY: Michelle Merkel
LECTORS: Jean Blonigen
EEM: Carol Zimoski
USHERS: Kris Mosset, LeRoy Trautman, Derik B.
GREETERS: LeRoy & Joanne Trautman