

ST. JOSEPH PARISH, MOBRIDGE, SD

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Baptisms are scheduled after pre-baptism requirements are fulfilled. Call for an appointment.**Marriage Preparation:** Contact Fr. Bill at least six months prior to setting wedding date.**Reconciliation:** Fridays 4:15 to 5:00 pm & Saturdays 4:15 to 5:00 pm, or anytime by appointment.**Meditation for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time****“He was trying to see what Jesus ...(Luke 19:3)**

So many people are trying to see what Jesus is like. Yet they're small and the crowd is large. Sometimes the crowd isn't people around us but things inside us. How many have a crowd of fears, doubts, and selfish desires inside? To see Jesus, we must fight our way through the crowd or climb above it.

If I told you to go to Confession right now, a crowd would form for some of you. You may feel afraid, and before long you'd have a hundred reasons why you're not going. You have to fight through the crowd to touch Jesus and be washed in His blood.

What if I told you to go to Mass daily, lead someone to Christ, or tithe? For many of us, another crowd of sin, selfishness, doubt, fear, and anxiety would form. We must climb the tree of faith above the crowd and fight by faith through the crowd. Don't be crowded out of eternal life; enter in by faith.

Prayer: Father, through the sacrifices of almsgiving, prayer, and fasting, make my life increasingly penitential.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Mon. Nov. 4, 8:00 am (L)Jim Krause [Rdr: Audrey]

Tue. Nov. 5, 5:30 pm †Shorty Bader [Rdr: Ida]

Wed. Nov. 6, 8:00 am †Dick Leonard[Rdr: Loretta]

No Thurs. Mass *Fr. Bill's day away*

Fri. Nov. 8, 5:30 pm (L)Fr. Bill Hamak [Rdr: Theresa]

Sat. Nov. 9, 5:30 pm †Ray Knodel

Sun. Nov. 10, 8:00 am †John Bosch

Sun. Nov. 10, 10:00 am *People of the Parish*

A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession.

Choir this Wednesday 6:30 pm**Food Pantry Nov:** Canned Dinner**Sunday, Oct. 27th Offering:** \$3,422**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Lila Nelson, Lolis Linde, David Hunter, Jack Perman, Jan Scherr, LaVonne Dietrich, Colleen Froseth, Susie Johnson, Terry Lundberg, Maria Van Vliet, Sharon Neuharth, Dr. Mike Holland, Rachel Hoisington, Steve Erdmann, Marilyn Bohlander, John Tillman, Nehemiah Bauer, Laura Goldade, Alyssa Keller, Mark Nordstrom, James Parisien, Brayden Goehring, Doug Orth, Kenny Holzer, Bobby Zerr, Harry Day, Lisa Anderson.

Praying for the Faithful Departed: Prayer for the dead is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform. Through our prayers, we can help the faithful departed during their time in Purgatory, so that they can enter more quickly into the fullness of Heaven. One form of prayer is to have a Mass prayed for deceased loved ones.

National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 3-9,

2019, is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. For vocation discernment tips, visit www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/upload/How-to-Discern-Your-Vocation-Infographic_v2.pdf

Fresh Flower Memorials: The church is in need of living flower arrangements to be donated in memory of loved ones. If you will be donating memorials for a particular weekend, please call the Parish Office to let Andree know the names of those in whose memory they are being offered, that it may be acknowledged in the bulletin.

Thank You to the ladies of the Altar Society Groups 6 & 7, who were so generous with their luncheon contributions, some doubling the usual amount, for the funeral of Dick Leonard last week.

Download Our Parish App! Our St. Joseph app is available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Text **App** to 88202 to download our parish app. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week.

Alpha Information Meeting: Interested in serving on team to run the next Alpha in Mid-January? Please come to the parish hall this Sunday night, November 3rd at 7:30 pm. Training will take place in the months prior to the launching date. Questions? Please call Jason Weisbeck at 230-0128.

What is Alpha? A practical tool that parishes use to inspire Catholic renewal, answer the call to the New Evangelization and the call of Christ and His Church to “go and make disciples of all nations”. The Alpha course is an effective tool for awakening faith in people who are on the fringe of the parish life, faithful Catholics and those outside the faith. Coming to St. Joseph Mid-January 2020. For more info watch videos at: <https://youtu.be/x-fRXckFIMY> & <https://youtu.be/EEzoJHYWvMs>

Eucharistic Adoration: *‘What will convert America and save the world?’ My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer.* (Mother Teresa of Calcutta) Friday, November 8th, 4:00 pm to 5:15 pm.

Prayer for the Faithful Departed: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Congratulations to all couples with wedding anniversaries in November. We especially recognize these couples with special anniversaries: Leo & Rose Holzer, 67th on Nov. 18 and Bill & Bernice Zacher, 67th on Nov. 27. May all enjoy peace and oneness with each other in Jesus.

Many Thanks to all who donated to our Annual Winter Wear Give Away and those who helped organized it.

Knights of Columbus Newsletter can be found at the main door to the Church in a wire basket above the light switch. All are welcome to take a copy each month.

National Collection for the Archdiocese for Military Services is Nov. 10. An envelope may be found at the main entrance to the Church if you want to make a donation. For more info go to: www.milarch.org/AboutUs

16th Annual Christmas on the Prairie Concert at St. Anthony’s, Hoven: Sunday, December 8 at 3:00 pm with the SD Symphony Orchestra and the Regional All-Faith Choir. General Admission Tickets for \$35 may be purchased by calling 948-2451 Ext. 5.

23rd Annual Christmas at the Cathedral – Dec. 19-22: Six concerts at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. The concerts help support the poor and vulnerable in our midst through the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House Endowment as well as the ongoing care of the Cathedral of St. Joseph. Tickets are available on-line at www.ccfesd.org, by calling 988-3765, or by emailing events@ccfesd.org.

Stewardship: *“But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, ‘Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.’”* (Luke 19:8) We are all called to gratefully give back to the Lord in proportion to the blessings we have been given. This means everyone isn’t called to give the same amount, but is called to give equal sacrifice. No amount is too small or insignificant! Open your heart, how is God calling you to be more generous with your financial resources and possessions?

Part Time Custodial Position for St. Joseph Parish: St. Joseph Parish has an opening for a part-time custodial/maintenance position. This person will be responsible for maintenance and cleaning of building and grounds, maintenance of mechanical systems and other duties associated with the church properties & activities. Interested candidates are asked to send a copy of their resume and three references to Fr. Bill Hamak at frwilliamhamak@sfcatholic.org or mail it to 518 2nd Ave W, Mobridge, SD 57601.