

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 Divine Mercy Sunday

“Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive men’s sins, they are forgiven them.” —John 20:22-23

In the evening of the day on which Jesus rose from the dead, Jesus came to His disciples, showed them His nail-scarred hands and wounded side, breathed on them, gave them the Holy Spirit, and sent them out. Jesus sent His disciples out not to just make a general announcement of His Resurrection but to specifically invite us to confess our sins and be forgiven.

One of the first acts of the risen Christ was to begin to develop the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the forgiveness of sins. One of the first things we need to do this Easter season is to repent and go to Confession. When we have removed the planks of sin from our own eyes, we can then remove the specks from the eyes of others by calling them to repent, forgive, go to Confession, be forgiven, and immerse ourselves in the limitless mercy of God.

Without Confession, our celebration of the Easter season will be aborted and not come to full term. With Confession, we will meet the risen Christ, be sent to proclaim the forgiveness of sins, and celebrate the risen Christ for the full Easter season and for eternity.

Prayer: *Father, may my first Confession in this Easter season be life-changing. On this Mercy Sunday, may I experience the depth of Your ocean of mercy as You reconcile me to Yourself.*

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Mon. Apr. 29, 8:00 am †Eddie Reiss [Rdr: Ida]
Tues. Apr. 30, 5:30 pm †Mary Reiss [Rdr: JoAnn]
Wed. May 1, 8:00 am Parishioners [Rdr: Loretta]
Thursday *Fr. Bill’s Sabbath Rest away*
Fri. May 3, 5:30 pm †Valentine & Helen Mastel [Rdr: Theresa]
Sat. May 4, 5:30 pm (L)Helen Reiss
Sun. May 5, 8:00 am †Bob Pembroke
Sun. May 5, 10:00 am *People of the Parish*

Easter Sunday offering: \$5,217
Poor & Needy Fund: \$1,810 **Holy Land:** \$957

Deepest Sympathy to Steve (Theresa) Schneider, whose father Vern Schneider died. May the peace of the Resurrected Lord comfort his friends and family members.

First Communion Retreat is scheduled for today, Sunday, April 28, 1:30 to 4:00 pm. This short time together will help the second graders in their final preparations for this very important sacrament. Parents are asked to help with the retreat and learn right along with the children. Non-Catholic parents are very welcome to share in this learning experience with your child.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: The Sunday following Easter is the feast of the Divine Mercy. If we prepare ourselves, we will receive extraordinary graces from our Most Merciful Savior. We prepare to celebrate this Feast by: sincerely repenting of all our sins, placing our trust in Jesus, going to confession, receiving Holy Communion on this Sunday, venerating the image of the Divine Mercy, and being Merciful to others through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf. Confession may be made shortly before or after the Feast.

A big thank you to the Alpha team and guests: Our first Parish Alpha has come to a close. Many individuals teamed together to make it all possible. God’s blessings were truly felt by many. A big thank you to each of the team members who gave of their time to make this a fruitful ministry. Thanks to all the guests who participated. Their presence each week brought joy to all the team. We also thank Sarah Fulkerson who coordinated the childcare and to all the volunteers who assisted her each week. Two thumbs up for Rick Christman and his staff for a delicious meal every week. Our next Alpha will begin in the fall. Team training will take place this summer. If interested in serving on the team, please contact Fr. Bill at 845-5212.

Steubenville Youth Conference organizational meeting this Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. All Confirmation students are asked to attend this meeting even if you are not attending the conference. It is important that a parent of any student attending the conference come with their child to this meeting. It would also be good for any chaperone to come. Any questions are now to be directed to Fr. Bill at 845-5212.

Food Pantry May: Bathroom Tissue
No Choir Practice until further notice

➔ **Parish Office closed** this Friday

Parish CFSA Assessment: \$38,800
Total Amount Paid: \$37,939
Thank You
Please Return your CFSA Pledge Card

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Terry Lundberg, Bishop Paul Swain, Kay Gill, Marge Mertz, Marge Knodel, Lolis Linde, Nick Lausterer, Sharon Joyce Neuharth, Dr. Mike Holland, Gordie & Rachel Hoisington, Jerry Poe, Marilyn Bohlander, John Tillman, Nick Bornong, Nehemiah Bauer, Laura Goldade, Alyssa Keller, Sr. Deanna Butler, Tim Ondahl, Mark Nordstrom, James Parisien, Brayden Goehring, Doug Orth, Kenny Holzer, Bobby Zerr, Gwen Collins, Heath Huberg, Richard Ducheneaux, Harry Day, Mattie Sieler, Lisa Anderson.

Congratulations to a couple with a notable May anniversary: Virgil & Darlene Binfet, celebrating 40 years of marriage on May 27. May God’s richest blessings be with them and upon all celebrating May anniversaries. We also ask for the Holy Spirit to pour out blessings for Fr. Bill, who is marking the 27th anniversary of his ordination on May 29.

Free Books to help us prepare for the Feast of Pentecost are now available at the main entrance. These books are provided to help us grow in our understanding and experience of the Holy Spirit. The children of God are led by the Spirit of God. Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Please See the Movie “Unplanned” at the Mac Theatre in Mobridge: Saturday, April 27, 8:00 pm
Note the time change; Sunday, April 28, 4:00 pm

This could be a game changer. Everyone needs to see it - regardless of one’s views on this topic. Please see this movie and invite fellow parishioners, family, friends, neighbors, coworkers, etc. to see it. The movie carries a message of hope, conversion, and redemption for anyone in need of God’s grace and mercy. Unplanned is the inspiring true story of one woman’s journey of transformation. It is truly life-changing. View the trailer here: <https://www.unplannedfilm.com/>

New Evangelization Summit: This coming Saturday, May 4th, beginning at 8:45 am and ending at about 4:30 pm, St. Joseph Parish will be a satellite location for the **New Evangelization Summit**. We will be streaming on our TV screens the talks from the gathering taking place in Ottawa. We will hear a message that will inspire us, encourage us and give us practical wisdom and resources on effective evangelization to help us fulfill the mission of the parish. All parishioners are encouraged to come Saturday, May 4th. **Lunch will be provided. Please register by visiting www.newevangelization.ca/ or call the office 845-2100 and let us know you are coming.** The following are the Speakers:

- Cardinal Lacroix** Archdiocese of Quebec.
- Fr. James Mallon** is the part-time Episcopal Vicar for Parish Renewal and Leadership Support for the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- Michael Dopp** is the founder of the New Evangelization Summit, and Mission of the Redeemer Ministries.
- Fr. Jon Bielawski** is the Episcopal Vicar for Evangelization, Catechesis and Schools and is a parish priest.
- Michele Thompson** developed the Genesis Mission as a program for parish renewal.
- Michelle Moran** and her husband are founder members of Sion Catholic Community for Evangelism. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has personally appointed Michelle to work on establishing new structures for the service of Renewal and Mission in the Church.

	Schedule:
8:45 Registration	
9:15 – 9:50 am	Cardinal LaCroix - How to share the Good News when the Church is engulfed in bad news.
10:10 – 12:00	Fr. James Mallon <i>with discussion</i> - Are Healthy Parishes Possible in the midst of decline?
12:15	Lunch Break
1:10 – 1:45	Michael Dopp - Turn your great ideas into real action.
1:45 – 2:15	Michelle Moran - The Holy Spirit and the parish mission of Evangelization.
2:20 – 2:45	Small group discussion
3:00 – 3:45	Fr. Jon and Michele Thompson - Relational Evangelizing leads to thriving parishes.
4:00	Close

Catholic Home Missions: Help to strengthen the Church at home by giving to this Appeal sponsored by the US Bishops. More than 40 % of the dioceses in the US are mission territory, including the Rapid City Diocese. Your support helps provide Mass and the sacraments, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters, and lay people. Envelopes can be found in the pews. Please be generous. Thank you!!!

Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker Wednesday, May 1:

St. Joseph has two feast days on the liturgical calendar. The first is March 19—Joseph, the Husband of Mary. The second is May 1—Joseph, the Worker.

“Saint Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he speaks his own words, but above all because he listens to the words of the Living God. He listens in silence. And his heart ceaselessly perseveres in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God,” Pope John Paul II had once said.

There is very little about the life of Joseph in Scripture but still, we know that he was the chaste husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus, a carpenter and a man who was not wealthy.

We can see from his actions in scripture that Joseph was a compassionate man, and obedient to the will of God. He also loved Mary and Jesus and wanted to protect and provide for them. Joseph is the patron of many things, including the universal Church, fathers, the dying and social justice.

2019 Easter Memorials

Thank you to all who donated towards Easter flowers. The Easter lilies are symbolic of the Resurrection and the hope of life everlasting.

In Memory of:

Offered By:

Deceased Family Members.....Ray & Sharon Miklos

Deceased Members of the Cronin Family..... Mary Ann Knudson

Deceased Members of the Schweitzer/Gill Family

.....Darrell & Kay Gill

Harvey and Tom Anderson.....Helen Anderson

Lloyd & Charlotte Anderson, LeAnn Anderson, Paul & Clara

Clement, Bettye Clement.....Jeff & Marilyn Anderson

Joe, Francis and Donna Bohnenkamp.....

.....Lynn & Quintine Mertz

Jack and Paul DadySharon Dady & Family

Lorissa Dietterle.....The Dietterles and Wolffs

Ray Grad and Renee LundbergGwen & Family

Jack Hazel.....Theresa Hazel

John Holzer, Sr. Family.....Ida A. Holzer

Morris & Irene Kitchell, Frank Jr., Frank Sr. & Lorena Vojta.....

.....Leo & Sheri Vojta

Tom Knudson..... Mary Ann Knudson

Newell Krause.....Elizabeth Krause & Family

Msgr. Marvin McPhee.....Mary Ann Knudson

Adam Mitzel.....Ella Mitzel

Bill Omafray.....JoAnn Omafray

DeVere & Virginia Pearson & Ben Thares....Tanya Huber Family

Tate Senftner..... Mary Ann Knudson

Robert Sherwood, S.F.C. Stephen Cribben and Zachary Kahl

.....Donna Sherwood

Jim Wientjes.....Lillian Wientjes