Catholic Tri-Parish Community STS. SIMON & JUDE OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL ST. PETER

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St. Faustina

"On one occasion I was reflecting on the Holy Trinity, on the essence of God. I absolutely wanted to know and fathom who God is. ...In an instant my spirit was caught up into what seemed to be the next world. I saw an inaccessible light, and in this light what appeared like three sources of light which I could not understand. And out of that

light came words in the form of lightning which encircled heaven and earth. Not understanding anything, I was very sad. Suddenly, from this sea of inaccessible light came our dearly beloved Savior, unutterably beautiful with His shining Wounds. And from this light came a voice which said, Who God is in His Essence, no one will fathom, neither the mind of Angels nor of man. Jesus said to me, Get to know God by contemplating His attributes. A moment later, He traced the sign of the cross with His hand and vanished." (#20, Divine Mercy in My Soul Diary)

St. Faustina is brought into an experience of a vision and contemplation. While in prayer and meditating on the Holy Trinity, she has a vision of Heaven that teaches us about God. There is a Light and what seemed to be Three Sources of The Light. She experienced the reality that we can never fully and completely know God in His Divine Nature. God is Infinite in His Nature, and we are finite. To think that there is a barrier or limit that will keep us from knowing and loving God is sad and even disturbing in the sense that there is something that we will never be able to do, especially, as we grow in love with God and desire to know and love Him more. However, that is a mistaken idea. In our limited human reality there is no limit or barrier for us to know and love The Infinite and Almighty God, except, that which we create through our love of sin. Each of us, though limited in our finite nature, will be able to receive God into our lives and enter into His Divine Life to the degree that we desire to experience His Infinite and unfathomable Love. Our finite ability to know and love God is indeed limited, but our finite ability can be completely and totally filled according to our desire to have a loving relationship with God.

Our finite limitation simply means that we can never completely know or experience all of God's Infinitely Loving Nature in our limited human nature, but we can and will enjoy His Infinitely Loving Divine Nature to the degree that we desire to attain it. St. Faustina was saddened by her inability to know and understand God more fully in this mystery, as she sincerely desired to draw closer to God out of love. Next, we see God's response to her desire. Jesus immediately came to her from that inaccessible light and completely fulfilled her desire to know and love Him by giving this wonderful consolation. God created us to know Him and to love Him. God wants us to experience Him as much as we possibly can, but we need to desire it! We need to want it! If we really want something, and we desire it greatly, then we love it. There is nothing that can stop us from getting what we love because we will make every effort to at tain it. If our love is for God, then God will abundantly bless the effort we make and bring our efforts to completion. As we make the effort to pray and do God's good works, we use our mind and will to know and love God. At a certain point, we can experience the gift of contemplation as God comes to meet us.

Contemplation is something that happens to us, but we need to dispose our hearts by actively seeking God through the Sacraments, praying, repenting of sin, forgiving one another, trusting in God by not being anxious and doing His good works. Contemplation is God's Gift that enables our human minds to be taken up into God, and for God to enter our souls in an extraordinary way that we can not attain by ourselves. It is a pure Gift of God that fulfills our desire for Him. Then we find rest for our souls in The Almighty and unseen God. Contemplation brings a person great interior joy and peace at levels of indescribable ecstasy that further enflames the human 'will' to desire and seek God above all people and things. In this, God shares more of His Divine Life of Love with that person to live at greater levels of Faith, Hope and Love. The human mind is enlightened with tremendous knowledge, holy wisdom and every other gift that The Almighty and Loving God desires to bestow, as long as, we are willing to receive. Ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be open to you.

Fr. Deug Binsfeld

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The Most Holy Trinity June 16, 2019



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Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., June 17	7:45 AM 11:15 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Elkton Colman	
Tues., June 18	7:30 AM 7:45 AM 11:15 AM	Mass Prayer/Communion Service Mass	Flandreau Elkton Colman	dec. CDA members All Parishioners
Wed., June 19	9:00 AM 11:15 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass	Elkton Colman	All Parishioners All Parishioners
Thur., June 20	7:45 AM 11:15 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass	Elkton Colman	 All Parishioners
Fri., June 21	7:45 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Elkton Flandreau	 † Della Bechen
Sat., June 22	7:00 PM	Mass	Colman	† Gladys Heinricy
Sun., June 23	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Elkton Flandreau	All Parishioners † Urban Schwebach
CONFESSIONS ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

COLMAN ~ **SATURDAY**, **JUNE 22**

Lay Minister: Doug Entringer, Ann Voelker, Maureen Baumberger

Lect/Comm: Alice Berg

Altar Servers: Kadance Landis, Sarah Voelker Gifts/Ushers/Greeters: Ryan/Mary Beth Zwart

ELKTON ~ SUNDAY, JUNE 23

Lay Minister: Judy Kampmann, Chris Myers Lect./Comm.: Mary Remund, Lois Stuefen Altar Servers: Brooklyn Frerichs, Jack Skordahl Greeters/Gift Bearers: Rich/Beth Frederiksen Ushers: Rich Frederiksen, Cory Stuefen

FLANDREAU ~ SUNDAY, JUNE 23

Lay Minister: Pam Rorvik-Albers, Charles Rosheim,

Marilyn Schwebach

Lect./Comm.: Pat/Amy Weight

Altar Servers: Grace Johanson, Libby Hursey

Jacob/Justin Klein

Ushers/Greeters: John/Sharon Duncan, Dave Gaspar

Sacristan: Marilyn Schwebach

Intention of the Holy Father for June:

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

June 9th
Our
Weekly Offering

Elkton: \$1090 Flandreau: \$2367 Colman: \$1099

Daily Mass Reading

June 17: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Ps 98:1-4; Matthew 5:38-42
June 18: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Ps 146:2,5-9; Matthew 5:43-48
June 19: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Ps 112:1-4,9; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
June 20: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Ps 111:1-8; Matthew 6:7-15
June 21: 2 Corinthians 11:18-30; Ps 34:2-7; Matthew 6:19-23
June 22: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Ps 34;8-13; Matthew 6:24-34
June 23: Genesis 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26;
Luke 9:11-17

DEAR NAME

"Jesus." Say My Name often. It was in My Name Peter bade the lame man walk. "In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth arise and walk."

"Jesus." The very sounding of My Name, in Love and tenderness, drives away all evil. It is the word before which all the hosts of evil flee.

"Jesus." My Name is the call for a lifeline to rescue you from temptation.

"Jesus." The Name banishes loneliness—dispels gloom.

"Jesus." Summons help to conquer your faults. I will set you on high because you have known My Name.

Yes! My Name—"Jesus." Use it more. Use it tenderly. Use it prayerfully. Use it powerfully.

From "God Calling" by A.J. Russell

STS. SIMON & JUDE

<u>Ushers/Greeters</u> are needed. Please contact the parish office 997-2610 or simonjude@iw.net.

Totus Tuus: For grades 1-12

July 28 - August 1

Mark your calendar!!

<u>tri-parish</u>

<u>Thank You</u> for everyone's time, talents and material resources that made our Ecumenical group serving The Banquet on May 29th a great success! God bless you all! Jane DeLay

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL



Open House honoring Sister Benedicta Long June 23, 2:00 - 4:00 Our Lady of Good Counsel

Sister Benedicta will be leaving Elkton at the end of June. Stop by to wish her well as she returns to Mother of God Monastery in Watertown.

Guild Meeting: Monday, June 17 - 7:00 PM.

<u>Thanks</u> to everyone who helped with Harvest Festival. Also a double thanks to those that worked more than one shift.

<u>CCD teachers Needed</u>: Still need a couple of people to help fill empty spots. Call Sharon Landsman if you can help in 2019/2020.



Please join in praying for Sister Gianna, daughter and Libby Les Heinemann as she prepares to make her Final Vows with the Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles on July 21, 2019. There is a sheet on the wall in back of SS&J church for those who would like to sign up for various activities and

prayers to make a spiritual bouquet for her. If you would like to send a card of congratulations, send to 819 Buena Vista St. Duarte, CA 91010

ST. PETER

Parish Potluck: Wednesday, June 19 - 6:00. The entire parish is invited. Come meet the Totus Tuus team and learn about their mission.

<u>Needed:</u> Someone to provide noon lunch for the Totus Team on Wednesday and Friday. And a family to invite the team to supper on Thursday evening. Please call Marcie 530-2219.

Altar Society Officer Needed: We have two volunteers, Kim Froke & Alice Berg, one additional person is needed. The term would begin on July 1st. Please call one of the current officers: Carmen ~ 534-3678; Marie ~ 530-0681 or Val ~ 864-0689.

Finance Council Mtg: Thur., June 20 - 5:30 PM.

<u>Thank you</u> to all who shared in my farewell reception last weekend and for your thanks and prayers. God Bless - Fr. Bill

Fr. Bill's new address:

1309 E. Northstar Lane, Apt. C103 Sioux Falls, SD 57108

<u>Daily Mass</u> this week at 11:15 AM (Mon. - Thurs.) with the Totus Tuus kids. All are invited.

TOTUS TUUS (Totally Yours) THIS WEEK - June 16 - 20!!!!

- **Grades 1-6**: Four days
 - Monday Thursday 9:00am 2:30pm
- Grades 7-12: Four evenings
 Sunday Wednesday 7:30pm 9:30pm

Totus Tuus combines catechesis and having FUN!

The youthfulness and energy of the teachers are contagious - come out and join us!
Invite your friends! COST - FREE

Stewardship Thought for the Week:

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth..." (John 16:13)

Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us know and live the truth. To prepare ourselves, we need to open our hearts to receive this gift before we can give it. Develop a daily prayer routine. Talk and listen to the Holy Spirit. This is best done in silence, when we can hear His response.

No one has ever become poor by giving. **Anne Frank**

<u>Discipleship Camp</u>: www.sfcatholic.org/youth June 24-27 or July 7-10 for High School; July 11-14 for Junior High.

JPII Vocation Expedition Returns:

July 28-Aug. 3; Rocky Mountains, Lander, Wyoming; www.sfvocations.com

SEARCH for Christian Maturity Retreat:
August 9-11 at Holy Spirit Church, Sioux Falls. This retreat is a student led, Roman Catholic retreat program featuring talks, skits, music, confession, adoration, and celebration of Holy Mass. A priest serves as Spiritual Director on the weekend. All high school and college age students and adults are welcome. Registration at www.siouxfallssearch.org SiouxFallsSearch@gmail.com or 371-1478,

Recitation of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Mother's Garden near the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Sioux Falls, at 6:00 p.m. on Wed., Jun. 19th and Mon., June 24th. All are invited.

The Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary is recited for the Faithful Departed each First Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in St. Michael Cemetery, Sioux Falls. All are invited.

SD Right to Life Annual Convention: Sat., Sept. 21, 9:00 - 5:00 PM at Mueller Civic Center in Hot Springs, SD. Featured speakers include Dr. Joseph Bottum, Alan Shlemon, & Cheryl Sullenger.

www.hsartl.org hotspringsareartl@gmail.com

<u>Dental Care for Your Kids</u>: The Delta Dental Mobile Program is coming to 600 W. Community Drive, Flandreau on August 12-16. Dental care for ages 0-21; No ins. needed; No cost; **Appointments are necessary** by calling 605-256-6518 ext. 121.

It turns out that bringing happiness to other people increases your chances of being happy, while seeking happiness for yourself decreases those chances.

Matthew Kelly

Baptismal Preparation Class: Required of all parents requesting to have their child baptized. Classes are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month in SS&J Parish Basement. Contact Fr. Doug (997-2610) prior to the class to register and give baptismal information.

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

www.parishesonline.com/find/sts-simon-and-jude-parish

Science now tells us that the child in the womb is not only capable of experiencing pain, but such pain is most extreme between 20 to 30 weeks in gestation, because the child has the highest density of pain receptors per square inch of skin at that stage.

Yet ironically, an unborn child has less legal protection from feeling pain than commercial livestock. In a slaughterhouse, our laws provide that killing animals is only deemed "humane" if "animals are rendered insensible to pain...." In contrast, D&E abortions involve dismemberment of the baby with a pair of sharp metal forceps and the pain is excruciating for several minutes.

These matters are uncomfortable to hear and to speak about. That is precisely the point. We should not be comfortable in a society where such barbaric acts are lawful, particularly when we have the power to influence change.

Our political representatives rejected The Unborn Child Awareness Act, which would have required that women seeking abortions be made aware of the pain experienced by their baby and offered the opportunity to give the unborn child drugs to ease his or her pain.

Pro-abortion people dreadfully fear this type of legislation. It not only makes the pregnant mother more informed about her "choice" but it brings to light difficult questions they do not want to deal with----like why livestock have more rights than an unborn child.

