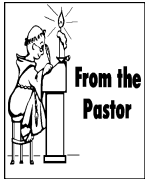


Catholic Tri-Parish Community

ST. PETER - Colman
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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL - Elkton
105 S. Bates St., FLANDREAU, SD 57028



G.K. Chesterton

The Seven Deadly Sins

A commentary by Dale Ahlquist: (part #1)

"The evils of civilization are mainly due to sin and should be corrected with a sense of sin. Let us leave it to the quiet meek(*sarcasm*) materialists who trace all evils to forces, balances, average and percentage. We ought to be tracing them where they are to be traced, to the seven deadly sins; To the avarice, and pride and sloth, gluttony of everybody, especially of ourselves.'

Now here is an unpleasant subject, sin. But we are going to talk about it anyway, in fact were going to talk about seven unpleasant topics as in the Seven Deadly Sins. We will try to balance the badness by also talking about virtue. **However, virtue can also be an unpleasant topic because of our sins its uncomfortable to talk about right and wrong, when we're wrong.** The seven Deadly Sins are pride, avarice, envy, anger, gluttony, lust and sloth. They can be listed separately, but it's difficult to discuss them separately. Though we may personally excel at certain sins, they are all still tied together. The sins have a way of sticking together. Virtues also have a way of sticking together. Interestingly enough, virtues seem to complement one another, while vices seem to contradict each another. For instance, St. Thomas Aquinas says that demons are frozen in pride and envy. Now if you think about that, these are opposites. Pride is based on the idea that I am superior to you, and envy is based on the idea that you are superior to me, which is probably why St. Thomas also says that demons are not a happy tribe. And that is the main point about sin, it makes us unhappy. We sin, of course, thinking that sin going to make us happy; in stead it makes us unhappy. Happiness is based on obedience. It is what G.K. Chesterton calls 'The Doctrine of Conditional Joy.' It is illustrated so very well in the story of man kind's very first sin. The Garden of Eden was a paradise. The man and the woman enjoyed every delight and could continue to do so, they just had to follow one rule. Guess what?

'The whole human race has a tradition of the fall. **Every cult and culture, one older than another all lead back to that one idea that man held happiness on a condition and is unhappy through breaking that condition.**' We even see this doctrine of conditional joy in fairy tales; Get home before midnight or your coach will turn into a pumpkin. Chesterton discovered all the great truths of mankind in the stories he learned in the nursery. And sin, unfortunately, is one of those great truths. **Sin is not merely a blunder, it is deliberate disobedience. It is an act of the will, and that is its shame. Obedience is also deliberate and it is also an act of the will, and that is its glory.** For Chesterton, one of the most important doctrines in the Catholic Church, one that really sets it apart from all the ancient and modern heresies is free will. It means that we can't blame our sins on anybody or anything else, except ourselves. Evil is something we choose. It is true that on occasion we encounter evil that we have not chosen, but the question is how will we respond. Who better to explain than a priest, Chesterton's priest, Fr. Brown. 'Human travail(*tribulation*) is mostly of two kinds. There is an accidental kind that we can't see because they are so close that we fall over them as we do a footstool. And there is the other kind of evil, the real kind, and that a man will go to seek however far off it is. Down, down, into the lost abyss.'" (www.youtube.com/watch?v=-7_LAhiFYTQ) (to be continued next week)

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**31st Sunday
in Ordinary Time
November 3, 2019**

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Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., Nov. 4	10:30 AM	Ray Entringer Funeral Mass	Colman	
Tues., Nov. 5		No Liturgy		
Wed., Nov. 6	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass at Riverview Manor	Elkton	† Emmett Coughlin † Lucille Jensen
Thur., Nov. 7	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Colman	† Aaron Scofield
Fri., Nov. 8	9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Flandreau	† Vernon/Della Bechen
Sat., Nov. 9	5:00 PM	Mass	Elkton	All Parishioners
Sun., Nov. 10	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Colman Flandreau	† Gary Hemmer † Pauline McGlone
<u>CONFESSIONS</u> ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Lay Minister: Rich Frederiksen, Kelly Neill
Lect/Comm: Chris Myers, Beth Frederiksen
Altar Servers: Aiden/Eliot Erickson
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Charles Owens Family
Ushers: Ervin Gebhart, Dwight Gullickson

COLMAN ~ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Lay Minister: Ryan/Mary Zwart, Mary Gengler
Lect./Comm.: Chad Groos
Altar Servers: Hailey Voelker, Lanie Mousel
Gifts/Ushers/Greeters: Ray/Val Luze

FLANDREAU ~ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Lay Minister: Libby Heinemann, Susan Gross
 Gail Keating
Lect./Comm.: Lisa Rosheim, Denise Wiese (C)
Altar Servers: Libby Hursey, Grace Johanson
 Jacob/Justin Klein
Ushers/Greeters: Jim/Jan Lahr, Gail Keating
Sacristan: Ashley Stenger



World Mission Sunday - Thank you!

Our parishes offered: Flandreau: \$1370
 Colman: \$245 Elkton: \$90
 to the Society for the Propagation of the
 Faith for the missionary work of the
 Church—a real blessing for the Missions!
 Please continue to pray for missionaries,
 and for the people to whom they bring the
 “Good News” of Jesus. **May God bless you
 for your generous missionary spirit!**

Oct. 27th

Our
Weekly Offering



Elkton: \$1966
Flandreau: \$7682
Colman: \$1053

Daily Mass Reading

Nov 4: Romans 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-36; Luke 14:12-14
 Nov 5: Romans 12:5-16; Ps 131:1-3; Luke 14:15-24
 Nov 6: Romans 13:8-10; Ps 112:1-9; Luke 14:25-33
 Nov 7: Romans 14:7-12; Ps 27:1,4,13-14; Luke 15:1-10
 Nov 8: Romans 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Luke 16:1-8
 Nov 9: Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12; Ps 46:2-9;
 1 Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17; John 2:13-22
 Nov 10: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14; Ps 17:1,5-6,8,15;
 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5; Luke 20:27-38

Stewardship Thought for the Week:

*“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?



We Remember - Ray Entringer: his funeral
 will be Mon., Nov. 4th - 10:30 AM at St. Peter,
 Colman. Visitation Sunday, 4:00-6:00 with a
 6:00 prayer service at St. Peter Church. May
 the Lord grant him eternal peace and give his
 family and friends hope and comfort.



**Knights of Columbus Tootsie
 Roll Drive** to support those
 with intellectual disabilities
November 10 & 17
at all three parishes.

STS. SIMON & JUDE

Adult Choir Practice: begins Nov. 17th - 9:00 AM in the choir loft. New members welcome!

First Sunday Meal after Mass Today: Serving pulled pork sandwich meal.

Altar Society Dues: Annual \$15 dues are payable in the fall of each year. Group leaders will be in the church entrance on **November 3rd & November 10th** to accept your payment. Thank you all for helping with your time and talents! Every lady of the parish is a member of the altar society and we help the church by providing cakes, salads, and workers for funerals and other parish events. We also help stock and maintain the kitchen. In addition, this past year we purchased new altar server robes.

Help Wanted - Parish Handy Man: Someone to help with minor repairs and upkeep of parish facilities. Contact the parish office (997-2610).

Needed: An Extra-ordinary Eucharistic Minister to take Holy Communion to Riverview Manor on Sunday mornings for two Sundays every other month. Call the parish office.

Quilting: Thursdays at 8:30 AM in the church basement. Please consider joining us. Any questions, call LaVonne Headrick 633-1739.

Make A Difference: Court Our Lady of Peace #1708 of the Catholic Daughters is collecting hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves for area children. A collection tote is in the back of the church. Please bring new or gently used articles. These items will be distributed locally within the next few weeks. Thank You for your support!

ST. PETER

The Colman CDA is sponsoring a Christmas raffle and the drawing will be December 1, 2019. Chances are \$1 each and will be sold on FOCUS Sundays, November 3 and December 1 or chances can be purchased from any CDA member. Prizes include gift cards, baskets, goodie trays and more. Thank you for your past and present support of St. Elizabeth Court 1362.

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays from 12:00 - 1:00. You are invited to come and be with the Lord in adoration.

Operation Christmas Child boxes are here. Parishioners are encouraged to take one, fill it, and bring it back to the church by November 24th to be taken to a drop off location. There is a sheet with gift ideas and a tag to place on top of the box to identify if you are giving to a boy or girl and the age group.

We have started an Adopt-A-Grandparents program with our 4th & 5th grade CCD students and senior members of our parish. A thank you note from a recently adopted grandparent: **Thank you** to Rebecca Armstrong and her mother Misty Jurens for the delicious food. I enjoyed the visit. Thank you to the parish for the nice blanket. I appreciate your acts of kindness.
- Charles Heesch



Sadonna Schwing & Gabriela Mejia



Julia Coughlin & Claire McMahon



Rebecca Armstrong & Chuck Heesch

Necrology

Sts. Simon & Jude

Fred J. Smith	11/21/2018
Mary E. Myers	11/21/2018
Toby N. Taylor	03/27/2019
Thomas B. Ludgate	04/21/2019
Della I. Bechen	04/28/2019
Carol A. Parsley	08/05/2019
Larry J. Hanson	08/11/2019
John D. Evans	08/27/2019
Pauline M. McGlone	09/20/2019

St. Peter

Helen J. Moe	08/20/2019
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Our Lady of Good Counsel

JoAnn M. Heesch	11/22/2018
Robert C. Rochel	06/24/2019
Maxine M. Lynn	07/17/2019
Emmett Coughlin	08/17/2019
Mildred M. Vaske	10/04/2019

**Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them;
may they rest in peace. Amen**

Intention of the Holy Father for

November: That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

RCIA

**(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
TUESDAYS ~ 7:00 PM
IN SS&J MEETING ROOM**

- Any Non-Catholic interested in joining the Catholic faith or who just wants to learn more about the Catholic faith
 - Any Catholic who has not been confirmed and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation
 - Any Catholic wishing to learn more about their Catholic faith
- Please call Father Doug or the parish office (997-2610) to sign up for the class.

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

Seminary Visits 2019: For men age 16 or older.

⇒ Nov. 9-11 ~ Immaculate Heart of Mary - Winona, MN
⇒ Nov. 14-16 ~ St. John Vianney Seminary - St. Paul, MN
Join Vocation Director Fr. Jordan Samson for a seminary visit. Cost is FREE. Want to learn more? Call 605-988-3772 or email Father at frjordan@sfccatholic.org

Reckless: A Catholic Couples Conference: February 1-2,

The conference is designed for couples of all ages and stages to step away from life's business and have intentional time together to pray and grow! Hosted downtown Sioux Falls. Register at www.sfccatholic.org/couplesconference.

Day of Recollection: November 5, 10:00-3:00 PM.

Rebuking the Devil: A Reflection of Pope Francis's Teachings on the Devil, Directed by Dr. Teresa Kemmer.

The Devil is real, active, and seeks to ruin our souls. During this Day of Recollection Dr. Teri Kemmer shares Pope Francis' insight on the existence of the devil, his characteristics, how to recognize the tricks of the enemy, avoid his traps, and defeat his efforts through tools of spiritual combat and the power of God in Jesus Christ. Please bring your Bible. Register at www.broom-tree.org, (605) 263-1040, or broomtree@sfccatholic.org

Day of Recollection: Nov. 12th, 10:00-3:00 PM.

Total Commitment: Living as a Disciple of Christ: In this Day of Reflection, Dr. Chris Burgwald will explore and unpack what it means to follow Jesus as His disciples with Total Commitment. Lunch provided. Freewill offering. Register at www.abbeyofthehills.org or call 605-398-9200.

Grieving a Loss During the Holidays: Tuesdays 6:30-8:30 PM, Nov. 5-Dec. 10 at Catholic Family Services, SF. For adults who have lost loved ones. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register. Cost-Donation.

CCD: Wednesdays

Flandreau: K-6 ~ 5:45 PM; 7-12 ~ 7:15 PM
Colman & Elkton: All grades ~ 6:30 PM

March for Life: Jan. 22-26, 2020 in Washington DC. Register at www.sfccatholic.org/respectlife/march-for-life/

Healing Prayer Ecumenical Service

Sunday, November 17th, 3:00 PM
St. Thomas More Catholic Parish Brookings
*Are you suffering? Do you need healing?
Come, receive the healing touch of Jesus!
Bring family and friends - All are welcome!*

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

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