

**Saint Michael Parish**  
Clark, SD

**Saint Henry Parish**  
Henry, SD

**Blessed Sacrament Parish**  
Florence, SD

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### **Confessions:**

**30 Minutes before Mass on  
Weekends and Holy Days  
or by appointment**

### **Holy Sacrifice of the Mass**

**Tue – Mar. 16 - 5:15 pm – C**  
Jack Zirbes

**Wed – Mar. 17 - 9:00 am – C**  
Greg Whalen

**Thur – Mar. 18 - 8:30 am – F**  
Marlene Bohls

**Fri – Mar. 19 - 8:30 am – H**  
Helen Rueschenberg

**Sat – Mar. 20 - 5:00 pm @ - F**  
For the People

**Sun – Mar. 21 - 8:30 am @ - C**  
Clara Heer

**Sun – Mar. 21 - 11:00 am @ - H**  
Boyd Joens

### **Holy Week Mass Times**

**Holy Thursday - April 1**  
@ Florence: 7:30 pm

**Good Friday - April 2**  
@ Florence: 3:00 pm  
@ Henry: 5:30 pm  
@ Clark: 7:30 pm

**Easter Vigil Sat. - April 3**  
@ Florence: 8:00 pm

**Easter Sunday - April 4**  
@ Clark: 8:30 am  
@ Henry: 11:00 am

**Praying a Holy Hour inside  
the Church this week:  
Last Names starting with  
G and H  
Wednesday's at 5:30 pm**

## **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent ~ March 14, 2021**

### **Dispensation from Mass changed**

**From Bishop DeGrood**: My beloved brothers and sisters,

As your spiritual father and bishop, through consultation and ongoing research on the status of COVID, it has become clear to me that it is the appropriate time to remove the revised dispensation that I previously granted to Catholics over the age of 65 and/or with underlying health conditions related to COVID from fulfilling their obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation. This revision to the general dispensation to all Catholics was previously announced on August 10, 2020. Therefore, effective March 27, 2021, the Church's obligation of Catholics to attend Sunday Mass weekly and Holy Days of Obligation is being reinstated for all Catholics in the Diocese of Sioux Falls.

For Catholics who have serious reasons for not physically attending Mass, here is guidance the Church provides in the Catechism of the Catholic Church 2181: "The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation, unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their own pastor."

Due to the essential spiritual need we have for weekly physical participation in Sunday Mass, the tremendous gift and spiritual nourishment of physically receiving our Lord in Holy Communion is critically important for our spiritual growth. I hope you will find the attached teaching on the Mass helpful for ongoing education and for deepening our appreciation for the benefits promised through our full participation in Holy Mass.

Know of my prayers for your spiritual wellbeing so we all can be healthy, happy and holy in our journey to heaven through God's gift of Holy Mass.

In His Service, Most Reverend Donald E. DeGrood, Bishop of Sioux Falls, March 11, 2021.

(The "attached teaching on the Mass" Bishop DeGrood refers to came in an email to parishioners and is also found on the Diocesan website at [www.sfcatholic.org](http://www.sfcatholic.org). Thank you. God bless.)

## Some Lenten (and after) ideas for Adults and Youth

- ♣ Go to Mass on Friday.
- ♣ Eliminate the TV and cell phone for one night and pray Psalm 32, 51, 95, 103, or 130 and reflect on its meaning in your life.
- ♣ Make a call to someone who is ill or alone and encourage one other person to do the same. If possible, bring a meal to them.
- ♣ During the next week, spend an hour in prayer in the Church for all those who are the victims of war.
- ♣ Think of one thing that you are eating or drinking that is bad for your health. Eliminate it for one month and donate that money to a food pantry.
- ♣ Identify a person whom you have offended by your unkind words and pray for them each day for a week.
- ♣ Donate your next babysitting wages to the poor.
- ♣ For one whole week, do the dishes or set the table without being asked.

### Stations of the Cross every Wednesday.

- Florence at 6:30pm
- Henry at 4:45pm and 6:45pm
- Clark at 3:45 and 6:30pm

### Additional Confession times: (\*\*follow Stations of the Cross)

- Clark: Wed, March 17<sup>th</sup>
  - 3:45pm (\*\*CCD teachers and students go first)
  - 5:00pm (Everyone)
  - 6:30pm (\*\*CCD teachers and students go first)
- Henry: Wed, March 24<sup>th</sup>
  - 4:30pm (\*\*CCD teachers and students go first)
  - 6:45pm (\*\*CCD teachers and students go first)
- Florence: Wed, March 31<sup>st</sup>
  - 6:30pm (\*\*CCD teachers and students go first)

**Saint Michael, Clark:**      Last Week's Offering: \$ 1237      CFSA: \$ 4,225      Easter Flowers: \$ 50

- **Thanks be to God** for the gas leak outside the Church and for the Hall roof being fixed. Thank you to all who helped with this.
- **Thanks be to God** for the CCD and Church toilets being fixed.
- **Thanks be to God** for the Rectory toilet and outside faucet being fixed.

**Blessed Sacrament, Florence:**      Last Week's Offering: \$ 845      CFSA: \$ 2,295

- **Thanks be to God** for the Church furnace being fixed. Thank you to all who helped with this.
- **During Lent:**
  - **Stations of the Cross will be held every Wednesday at 6:30 pm**
  - **Rosary will be said 20 minutes before weekend Mass**

**Saint Henry, Henry:**      Last Week's Offering: \$ 508      CFSA: \$ 725

- **Thanks be to God** for the parish council meeting we had this past week.
- **Thanks be to God** for the Church furnace being fixed. Thank you to all who helped with this.

### Lenten Reflections:

Focus on the daily Mass readings with Dr. Tim Gray. Just go to [formed.org](http://formed.org) (in English or in Spanish, Disponible en Español). This is a shared subscription with all three parishes, so the sign-in is the same by using zip code "57225" and then clicking "St Michael Parish".