Saint Michael Parish

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Blessed Sacrament Parish

Florence, SD

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"Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

John 6:68

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Aug. 22, 2021

From Most Reverend Donald E. DeGrood, July 30, 2021

Dear Lay Faithful and Clergy,

I am grateful to be able to notify you that I received word from Mother Caridad Morales, A.P., that the Perpetual Adoration Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, through prayerful discernment and with the consent of their ecclesial authorities, decided to remain in the Diocese of Sioux Falls and keep Mater Ecclesiae Monastery as their home.

Thank you to the many of you who reached out to the Adoration Sisters to let them know of your love for them and your hope they would remain in our diocese. Your prayers for the Adoration Sisters that God would lead them to where he wishes their community to carry out their beautiful charism of praying for the needs of the faithful before the Blessed Sacrament were clearly helpful in their discernment. As bishop, it has been a gift to join you in expressing our desires for the Sisters and to pray for them in this discernment. I am grateful that the Adoration Sisters will continue to be great prayer warriors for all of us.

Pastor: Fr. Daniel Smith Phone: 605-532-3854

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Confessions:

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

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

 $\underline{Tue} - Aug \ 24 - 5:15 \ pm - \underline{C}$ Clint Parish

<u>Wed</u> – Aug 25–9:00 am – <u>C</u> Jackie Peckham

<u>Thur</u> – Aug 26 - 8:30 am – <u>F</u> Delores Wensing

<u>Fri</u> – Aug 27- 8:30 AM – <u>H</u> Coleen Vavruska

<u>Sat</u> – Aug 28- 5:00 pm - <u>C</u> For the People

<u>Sun</u> – Aug 29 - 8:30 am - <u>H</u> Helen Rueschenberg

<u>Sun</u> – Aug 29 - 11:00 am - <u>F</u> Jim Stemwedel

Praying a Holy Hour inside the Church this week:

Last Names starting with Q and R Wednesday's at 5:30 pm

To assist the Adoration Sisters community in its efforts to fully live by their rule, a tremendous amount of work has gone into revising the ownership structure of the monastery and reviewing how the community relates to the diocesan church. Their rule and constitution requires them to be fully autonomous in the stewardship of the facilities used to carry out the community's works. I am grateful for those who have expressed the same hope I hold for the sisters, that they would be free to live out their rule so they can be most impactful in their ministry.

Along with the updated news contained in the enclosed statement from Mother Caridad, I also want to let you know the Diocese of Sioux Falls has transferred ownership of the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery building and grounds to the Adoration Sisters. This change, which was made with the consent of the Diocesan Finance Council and the College of Consultors, along with the great insights offered by many others was made so the community can fulfill its charism in a way that aligns to its rule and constitution. I am grateful for the attorneys and advisors to the Adoration Sisters and the legal counsel of the diocese

who assisted in this transaction. Thanks to those who provided generous contributions of professional expertise and time which made this transfer of title to the property possible.

The goal in making this change is that the Adoration Sisters' ministry will continue to bear spiritual fruits and hopefully new vocations. Please join me in continuing to pray for the Adoration Sisters community so that their service to our diocese offered through prayers, sacrifices and eucharistic adoration might be greatly blessed by God.

Once again, thank you for your support of our beautiful Adoration Sisters and the spiritual works they carry out on our behalf. May God bless you and the many ways you support his Church's ministries through service, prayer and financial support!

In the Love of God, +Donald E. DeGrood Bishop of Sioux Falls

Saint Henry, Henry: Last Week's Offering: \$ 629 Holy Day: \$ 20

- <u>Processional Cross Stands</u>: Thanks be to God for the new Processional Cross stands— one in the sacristy and one in the sanctuary.
- <u>CCD teachers needed</u>: Our classes are 3-4th grades, 6-7th grades, and Confirmation. Contact Sarah Wanner. Thank you.

Saint Michael, Clark: Last Week's Offering: \$ 1,029.50 Holy Day: \$ 85

- <u>Please join us</u> for an End of the Summer "grill out", following Saturday Mass on August 28th. Hotdogs, chips, ice cream and drinks provided. Bring a dish to pass and let's end the summer with an evening of fellowship!
- <u>CCD Teachers</u>: It is Safe Environment update time again! Please go to the diocesan website https://www.sfcatholic.org/safe-environment/ and login to get to your training requirements.

Blessed Sacrament, Florence: Last Week's Offering: \$ 644 Holy Day: \$ 45

- Church roofs fixed: Thanks be to God for the four Blessed Sacrament Church roofs being repaired—1) above the choir loft steps, 2) above the elevator, 3) above the basement steps going outside, and 4) above the tunnel between the Church and the Rectory. The total bill is \$8367.36. However, this does not include any volunteer labor nor any bills paid by parishioners themselves. Also, this does not include fixing any inside walls, ceilings, or floors. Thank you.
- <u>Church toilets fixed</u>: Thanks be to God for the new toilets in both the men's and women's bathroom.
- Blessed Sacrament Parish is in **need of 1 CCD teacher** and a few substitute teachers. Contact Pat at 758-2156.
- <u>CCD Teachers</u>: It is Safe Environment update time again! This year Diocese wants it all finished by July 30. Go to CMG Connect through the Diocese's web page. The video is 29 minutes long. If you need help with your password, call Pat Callan 758-2156.

Through God's Love | October 30, 2021 | Sioux Falls Convention Center

The Holy Spirit is moving in the Diocese of Sioux Falls. Big things are coming and have already begun through the people in our parishes and communities. Now is the time to take action on the desires that have been stirring in your heart. This day-long conference is designed to help you make your God-given mission a lived reality. Come and see Bishop's vision for our Diocese and be empowered to respond to God's invitation to be a part of the mission. Register at www.sfcatholic.org.

<u>Summer fun...</u> watch a movie, read a book, learn more about faith: All on <u>www.FORMED.org</u> all from the comfort of your home (or on the go) in English or Spanish, Disponible en Español. The sign-in is the same for all three parishes by using zip code "57225" and then clicking "St Michael Parish".