



Sacred Heart Parish Gettysburg, SD

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe ~ Nov. 21, 2021

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION MISSION NEWS

We will not have YFF mission sessions on Wednesday, Nov. 24 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Since we have YFF high school catechists in both parishes now, the high school youth disciples will meet in their respective parishes without Zooming from now on unless needed. For more info go to our YFF website www.sacredhearted.org. (Fr. Simon will have another Altar server training Wednesday, Nov. 24 10:00 - 11:30 am for any new or present servers who could not attend the previous training.)

HAPPY



THANKSGIVING

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This will be Sunday, December 19 at 2:00 pm followed by an Altar Society reception. Fr. Simon will offer an Advent confession opportunity starting at 3:00 pm.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Sacred Heart Parish Council will meet on Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. The agenda and support materials will be sent out.

PRAYER LIST

Bridget Lake Amy Cordell Eugene Nagel Cas Gray
Gary Adams Carol Lipp Karen Briscoe Dennis Goebel

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ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

A second Altar Server training is scheduled for Wednesday, November 24 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am at Sacred Heart Church for new and present Altar servers who could not attend the first training. We encourage all 4th grade and older YFF disciples to come serve God in this intimate way at Mass. We encourage adults to assist our new servers and serve funerals when others are not available.

ALTAR SOCIETY COOKIE & BAKE SALE

This will be Saturday, December 11 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. Please bring four dozen two inch cookies or two dozen candies by 9:00 am. Thanks.



THANKSGIVING DAY MASSES

We celebrate our national Thanksgiving Day holiday by first giving praise and thanksgiving to our Lord for the gift of our nation. Thanksgiving Day Eve Mass will be 6:30 pm Wednesday, Nov. 24 in St. Pius X Church, and Thanksgiving Day Mass will be 9:00 am Nov. 25 in Sacred Heart Church.



“CHRISTMAS ON THE PRAIRIE” CONCERT

The next ‘Christmas on the Prairie’ concert at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Hoven will be held on December 5, 2021 starting at 3:00 p.m.

Purchase tickets by calling 605-948-2451 ext 5 during normal business hours. Voicemails will be answered in the order they are received. Please leave your name and daytime phone number if unable to reach a live operator.

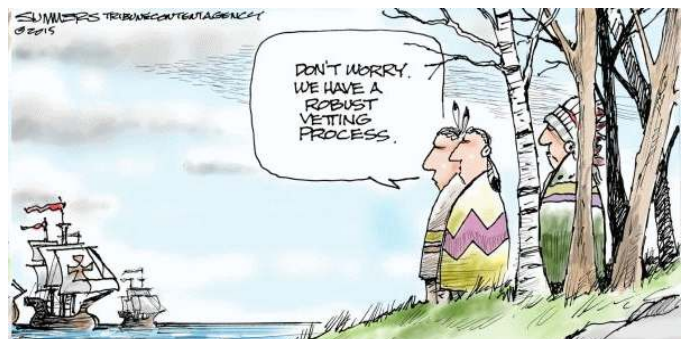


PARISH ENVELOPES

If you want a parish giving envelope and have not been getting one in the past, please let us know as we are getting them ready for 2022.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISERS

The Knights of Columbus annual Tootsie Roll drive continues this weekend and ends next weekend. Sunday, December 5, they are serving breakfast after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.





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WINTER SNOW REMOVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help with sidewalk snow removal at the church this winter. There is a sign up sheet at the church for any period of time. If you can give your time to help, it will be appreciated. A reminder: We do not have a regular maintenance person to take care of this anymore, so if you have time at all to help with this or any other project, please contact Mike Wiley or Lisa Guthmiller at the office 258-2336.



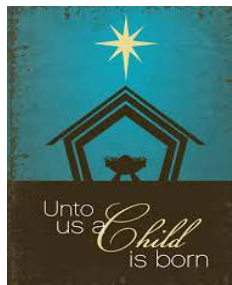
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Judi West Jennie Birdsall Mel Hackett Jean Hertel
Brenda Victor Alice Jones Taelyn Hettick Ann Chicoine
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FUNERAL FOR PEGGY WHITEHURST POSTPONED!

Funeral Mass for Peggy Whitehurst has been postponed due to local COVID-19 conditions. She was the church secretary for five years, retiring in 2012. Isberg Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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'Twas the Night Before Christmas'

St. Pius X Parish will participate in Onida's city-wide celebration to help start our preparations before Christmas Friday, Dec. 3, 2021 with a soup, sandwich, and dessert lunch 11:00 am to 1:00 pm plus a bake sale. Please sign up to volunteer.



Fr. Simon Sez

Fr. Simon's Happenings: I was gone this past week hunting pheasants in the Claremont area or at least tried! We didn't decrease the population by much. What worked best was to let the farmers combining corn do the work. They enjoyed watching us at the ends of their fields!

Gregorian Masses for a Poor Soul: As popularized by Pope St. Gregory the Great, these are a series of thirty (30) Masses offered consecutively for thirty days for the repose of the soul of an individual departed person. According to this pious belief the individual soul, if in Purgatory, immediately goes to heaven after the completion of these Holy Masses. The Sacred Congregation on Indulgences has declared that "the offering of Gregorian Masses has a special efficacy for obtaining from God the speedy deliverance of a suffering soul, and that this is a pious and reasonable belief of the faithful." This devotion is due to Pope St. Gregory the Great writing in his fourth book Dialogues about when he was an abbot prior to being Pope, fearing that a certain monk may have to spend a long time suffering in purgatory, had thirty Masses offered for him, one each day consecutively, for thirty days. On the thirtieth day he appeared to a brother monk to tell him he was freed from Purgatory due to the thirty Masses offered for the repose of his soul. These Masses do not have to be offered by the same priest, but the priest is making a serious obligation by accepting the Gregorian Mass stipend to successfully accomplish this whether or not he is able to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on any scheduled day. He will have to have at least one backup priest ready on any given day to avoid interruption. Failure to do this means restarting the series of Masses. A web search will provide offers of this service or you can contact Fr. Brian Simon. Arrangements can be made to have Gregorian Masses offered for oneself after death upon notification by a survivor as directed. This direction can be in important papers to be read after one's death or stated in one's Last Will & Testament.



A Royal Truth: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Solemnity of Christ the King



Daniel 7:13-14
Psalm 93:1-2,5
Revelation 1:5-8
John 18:33-37

What's the truth Jesus comes to bear witness to in this last Gospel of the Church's year?

It's the truth that in Jesus God keeps the promise He made to David of an everlasting kingdom, of an heir who would be His Son, "the first born, highest of the kings of the earth" (see 2 Samuel 7:12-16; Psalm 89:27-38).

Today's Second Reading, taken from the Book of Revelation, quotes these promises and celebrates Jesus as "the faithful witness." The reading hearkens back to Isaiah's prophecy that the Messiah would "witness to the peoples" that God is renewing His "everlasting covenant" with David (see Isaiah 55:3-5).

But as Jesus tells Pilate, there's far more going on here than the restoration of a temporal monarchy. In the Revelation reading, Jesus calls Himself "the Alpha and the Omega," the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. He's applying to Himself a description that God uses to describe Himself in the Old Testament—the first and the last, the One who calls forth all generations (see Isaiah 41:4; 44:6; 48:12).

"He has made the world," today's Psalm cries, and His dominion is over all creation (see also John 1:3; Colossians 1:16-17). In the vision of Daniel we hear in today's First Reading, He comes on "the clouds of heaven"—another sign of His divinity—to be given "glory and kingship" forever over all nations and peoples.

Christ is King and His kingdom, while not of this world, exists in this world in the Church. We are a royal people. We know we have been loved by Him and freed by His blood and transformed into "a kingdom, priests for his God and Father" (see also Exodus 19:6; 1 Peter 2:9).

As a priestly people, we share in His sacrifice and in His witness to God's everlasting covenant. We belong to His truth and listen to His voice, waiting for Him to come again amid the clouds.