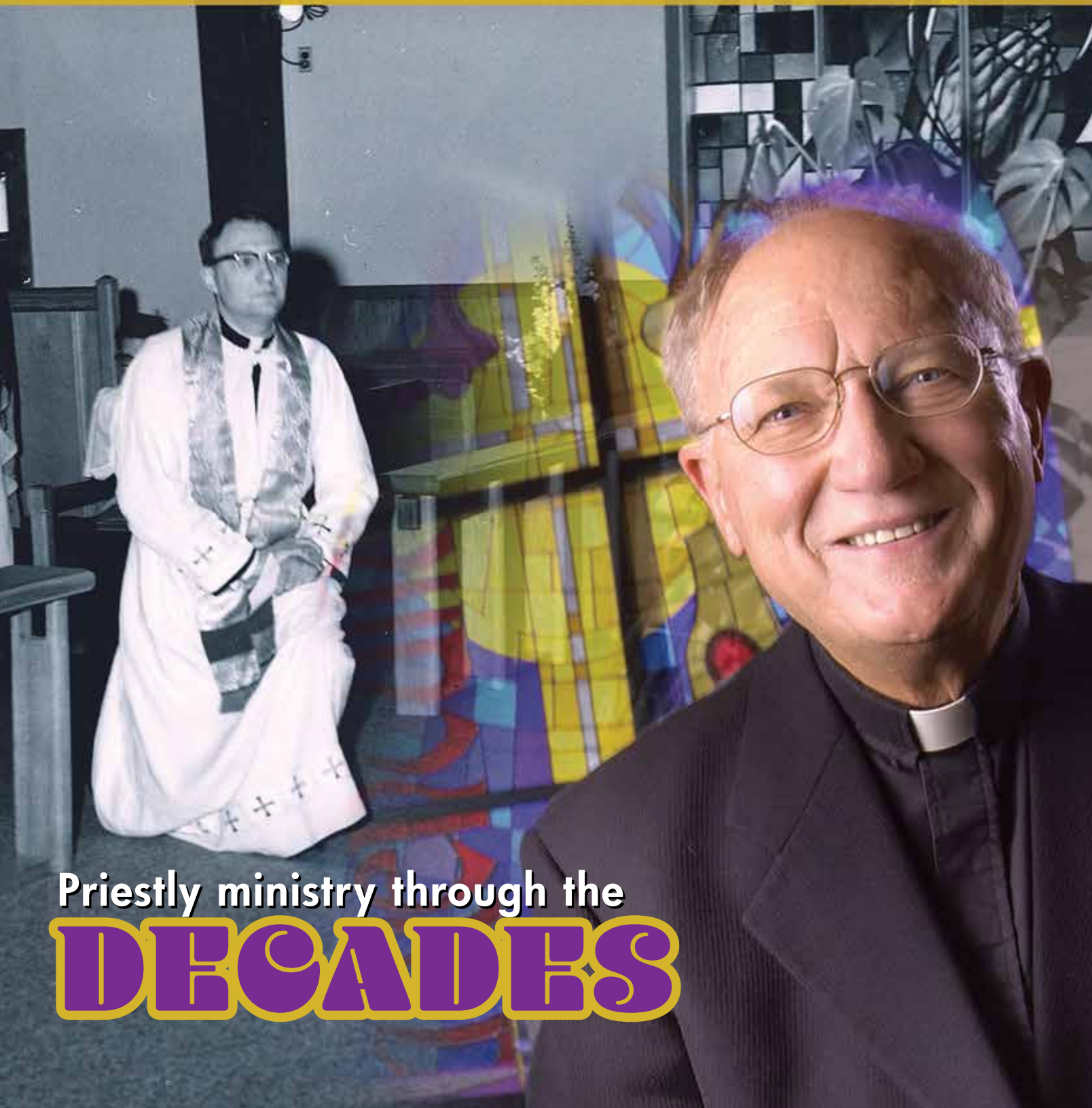




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We are blessed with the gift of life...

**O**ctober is Respect Life month and dedicated to Mary, the mother of God and the mother of Life. Rightly we begin with prayer for the unborn and advocacy for the end of abortion. We begin with the obvious principle that unless there is first life, no other rights or opportunities will exist.

We also pray for and seek to accompany mothers who have or are facing tough decisions in difficult times. Programs like the Mother Teresa Fund and Project Rachel offer support and listening ears.

Respect life also includes respecting the disabled, those in their last days and all those vulnerable who our secular culture marginalizes and demeans as unproductive or not worthy.

Among the high profile respect life realities is racism which some call the original sin of our country. It is a subtle but real presence not only in the distant past but today. Native Americans have suffered from both direct discrimination and subtle disrespect from the beginnings of our state. Sadly it continues today. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is preparing to address the sin of racism in a more intense way.

Respect life also ought to include all those in the years in between conception and natural death for those who face so many challenges economically, socially, educationally, medically. In other words, respect for life includes us all.

We search for some context to put all this into perspective. In some ways it comes down to each of us personally as disciples of Christ. Whatever are government policies, media focus or contradicting group actions, it comes down to what is in our heart and whether we

have the courage built on the grace of baptism and the teachings of Christ to treat others with respect and therefore witness the call of Christ: what you do for the least of my children you do for me. We can control our own responses and actions.

This attack on life from courts, politicians, media, education professionals and so many other persons and institutions seems overwhelming. We might be tempted to throw up our hands and conclude there is no hope. Personal stories can bring perspective.

Especially needing our respect, patience and witness are the children. They are ever vulnerable yet beautiful signs of hope.

I was moved by an account carried by the internet source Aletheia and reported by Cerinth Gardiner under the title "Father shares 10 most important things he learned after losing his 3-year old son."

It recalls a Facebook entry by Richard Pringle from England who wrote after suddenly losing his son Hughie to a fast moving brain hemorrhage. This grieving father offered these suggestions for expressing love in a world when all life is fragile which he said he learned in retrospect and which he would now apply to his other children. These "things" in some ways can apply to all relationships with those who are important to us and to how we relate to others.

His suggestions to parents:

"1. You can never ever kiss and love too much.

"2. You always have time. Stop what you're doing and play, even if it's for a minute. Nothing's that important that it can't wait.

"3. Take as many photos and record as many videos as humanly possible. One day that might be all you have.

"4. Don't spend money, spend time. You think what you spend matters? It doesn't. What you do matters. Jump in puddles, go for walks. Swim in the sea, build a camp and have fun. That's all they want. I can't remember what



we bought Hughie; I can only remember what we did.

“5. Sing. Sing songs together. My happiest memories are of Hughie sitting on my shoulders or sitting next to me in the car singing our favorite songs. Memories are created in music.

“6. Cherish the simplest of things. Night times, bedtimes, reading stories. Dinners together. Lazy Sunday’s. Cherish the simplest of times. They are what I miss the most. Don’t let those special times pass you unnoticed.

“7. Always kiss those you love goodbye and if you forget, go back and kiss them. You never know if it’s the last time you’ll get the chance.

“8. Make boring things fun. Shopping trips, car journeys, walking to the shops. Be silly, tell jokes, laugh, smile and enjoy yourselves. They’re only chores if you treat them like that. Life is too short not to have fun.

“9. Keep a journal. Write down everything your little ones do that lights up your world. The funny things they say, the cute things they do. We only started doing this after we lost Hughie. We wanted to remember everything. Now we do it for Hettie (daughter) and will for Hennie (new born son). You’ll have these memories written down forever and when you’re older you can look back and cherish every moment.

“10. If you have your children with you. To

kiss goodnight. To have breakfast with. To walk to school. To take to the university. To watch get married. You are blessed. Never forget that.”

The reporter concluded; “This list is so much more than just a reminder to parents to cherish their kids in case the worst happens: it’s a reminder that kids grow up in a flash – although it may not seem like it when we’re in the midst of tantrums and bedlam. We need to appreciate the experience of parenting and never forget how blessed we truly are...If by chance my own little angels start misbehaving I’ll look at the list and embrace the fact they’re still around to misbehave.”

The wisdom in these thoughts brought forth from grieving is worthy in recognizing the value of children of any age and any relationships we are privileged to share.

“At that time the disciples approached Jesus and said, ‘who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?’ He called a little child over, placed it in their midst and said, ‘Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me.’” (Mt 18:1-5)

Amen.

We are blessed with the gift of life ourselves and with the gift of the lives of others. May we never forget that.

# SCHEDULE

October

- 1 10:30 Mass and commemoration of St. Therese Parish 100th anniversary, Sioux Falls
- 2-3 Performance Audit, Charter for the Protection of Children and Young Persons, Catholic Pastoral Center, Sioux Falls
- 7 4:00 Stational Mass, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 8 1:30 Confirmation, St. Thomas More, Brookings
- 9-12 Clergy Days, Arrowhead Cedar Shore, Oacoma
- 14 4:00 Stational Mass, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 5:30 Legacy Beer and Wine Event and Broom Tree Auction, Ramkota, Sioux Falls
- 15 11:00 Installation of Acolytes for Permanent Diaconate, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 3:00 Rosary Rally, McEneaney Field at O’Gorman High School, Sioux Falls
- 17 12:00 Pray at Planned Parenthood
- 18 12:00 White Mass, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 7:00 Confirmation; St. Ann, Humboldt and St. Patrick, Montrose in Montrose
- 20 6:00 Attend Cathedral Satires & Spires, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 21 4:00 Pray Holy Mass at the Diocesan Youth Conference, Swiftel Center, Brookings
- 24 12:00 Diocesan Investment Committee Meeting, Catholic Pastoral Center, Sioux Falls
- 5:15 Operation Andrew Mass and Dinner, St. Thomas Newman Center, Vermillion
- 26 12:00 Finance Council meeting; Catholic Pastoral Center, Sioux Falls
- 5:30 Operation Andrew Mass and Dinner, Pius XII Newman Center, Brookings
- 28 4:00 Stational Mass, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 5:00 Dinner with Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem in honor of Our Lady of Palestine, Cathedral Parish Hall, Sioux Falls

November

- 1 6:30 Solemnity of All Saints Mass, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls



## Officials

The Most Reverend Paul J. Swain, Bishop of Sioux Falls has:

Relegated the Farmer Catholic Church in Farmer, SD to profane but not sordid use and may no longer be used for divine worship without permission

and has appointed:

Heather Eichholz as Director of the Diocesan Marriage Tribunal as well as to serve as Tribunal Judge and Defender of the Bond

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. Matthew K. Althoff  
Chancellor

We love our families, honor our friends...and we smile...



**M**y best friend married a lovely woman who was born and raised in the Czech Republic. So every year they make a trip there so she can see her parents, which is nice; and so her parents can see their grandchildren, which is non-negotiable.

For the last few years, Ted has been after me to go with them on their trip to Central Europe, and it has generally not worked in my schedule. But this year, I made it work. I had two and a half weeks traveling throughout the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary.

I have to admit that I was intrigued to see the Carpathian Mountains, and told Ted that going there was my only requirement for the trip. Ever since I was a boy, watching my first vampire movies, the Carpathian Mountains have been one of those places, so vast, so foreign, that I could not imagine being there in person.

It was a delight to see them and hike through them, and I am pleased that I did not see a single werewolf; but the moon was not full then, so, who knows.

We traveled and I saw sights; I woke up in Prague and fell asleep in Budapest. I walked a bridge crossing the Danube and baptized my friend's son in his mother's home parish, a church older than the United States.

Many of the evenings during the trip were spent at the farmhouse where Ted's wife Jindra grew up. It is a lovely home in a small village a few kilometers from the larger city of Kutna Hora. Her parents were generous and beyond hospitable. We arrived after a long, long day of travel to an American flag hanging from their window; a small token of love for their guests.

We sat down almost immediately to a meal and ate chicken that had that morning been walking around the back yard. The first bite took me back to my grandmother's kitchen. I had forgotten what chicken tastes like, but I remembered how important it is when guests are welcomed to the home table.

But it was the first morning in their home that taught me some lessons. I woke up before my friends and their kids and made my way downstairs to the kitchen to find some coffee. Jindra's parents were up and, when I walked

through the door, we were faced with a slightly uncomfortable situation, they spoke Czech and a little English, and I spoke no Czech at all.

I smiled and they smiled and I walked over to the electric kettle and the mother walked over, opened the cabinet and pulled out a cup and then instant coffee (which is the káva they drink in the Czech Republic). That little action was navigated and we began to work out breakfast. I was amazed at how much we could work out with just smiles and a few hand signals.

Following that, I enjoyed my first European breakfast of sliced sausage and ham with beautiful fresh bread and some amazingly bright and flavorful butter. As I ate, Jindra's parents went about their day, stopping to smile and speak to me and I would nod and smile, hoping they were asking if everything was fine. During those days, we managed to eat, smile, watch seven puppies born, get laundry done, get chores done, and learn to appreciate each other's presence.

Those few days with limited ability to communicate with most of the people in the house, I had the chance to simply watch and notice things; common things. We have a tendency as people to notice the things that divide us, those things that make us different. Yet, if we have the chance to just watch, then what unites us is amazing. We are united by common desires and very human actions.

We love our families, honor our friends, we want children to be happy, we honor guests with a warm meal and a chair at the kitchen table, and we smile, which says so much. There are universal themes in our lives, that we live because we are human beings. The gift of our faith gives deeper meaning to these themes.

In them, we feel the presence of Christ and the gift of His Gospel that binds us together. We recognize that the gift of love transcends our differences and makes our unity a gift, a joy, and a journey.

As we pray in the Eucharistic Prayer for Various Needs and Occasions I: "For by the word of your Son's Gospel you have brought together one Church from every people, tongue, and nation, and, having filled her with life by the power of your Spirit, you never cease through her to gather the whole human race into one."

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**Bishop Paul J. Swain recently visited and blessed Mrs. Bethann Murphy's classroom and the new kindergarten class at St. Thomas More School, Brookings. The school enrolled its first classes this school year. The staff and parish are excited about the arrival of the first kindergarten class. The new school is a response to the desire of families to provide a Catholic education for their children. (Photo courtesy, Father Terry Anderson, pastor, St. Thomas More Parish, Brookings)**

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As a measure of proof that priestly ministry, despite radical changes in culture and the world, remains largely the same through the decades, consider the following quotes from two priests of the Diocese of Sioux Falls:

“We are all seeking the love of Jesus and it is only the Church that will fulfill this deep down desire that we all have.”

“We are people of the Resurrection and filled with hope and must dream of an ever more promising future.”

The first quote is from Fr. Barry Reuwsaat, ordained a priest in 2016 and serving as parochial vicar at Sacred Heart Parish, Aberdeen.

The second is from Fr. Al Krzyzopolski, ordained a priest in 1950, long-time pastor around the diocese and still active providing weekend coverage and other ministry at age 93.

That’s not to say that ministry needs haven’t changed; clearly approaches to successfully sharing the Good News have had to adapt in some ways, especially given the changes in family, technology, and globalization.

We will hear from a sampling of diocesan priests of various ages and ministry experiences. Of course priests aren’t the only ones in ministry; given our baptism we are all called to be the hands and feet of Christ as we are able. But this story will highlight priestly ministry as experienced by those in this story.

Fr. Krzyzopolski notes that one of the things that has changed is how best to reach and teach people.

“When teaching high school students and adults in RCIA classes back in the 1950s and 60s as a young priest I noted that one could begin with the catechism. People accepted the authority of the Church as the primary source of religious truth,” he said.

**Fr. Al Krzyzopolski, retired priest  
of the diocese.  
Ordained 1950**

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**Fr. Jim Zimmer, chaplain Sanford Health**  
Ordained 1976

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“No matter what group I am called to minister to our human nature and human desires are always the starting point for me. We are all poor and in need before God,” he said.

Fr. Jim Zimmer, ordained in 1976 and a long-time hospital chaplain said starting with the idea that there may be differences because of age groups does not work well.

“But if I start with basic human desire - the longing to be accepted and recognized then it seems to take care of itself,” he said.

Fr. Zimmer said an example that often happens in a hospital room is finding everyone gathered with the patient using their smart phones.

Upon entering he said “I try to acknowledge all in the room and it is amazing how a simple greeting will warm people up – just recognizing the person. They quickly get beyond being absorbed in the device and come alive.”

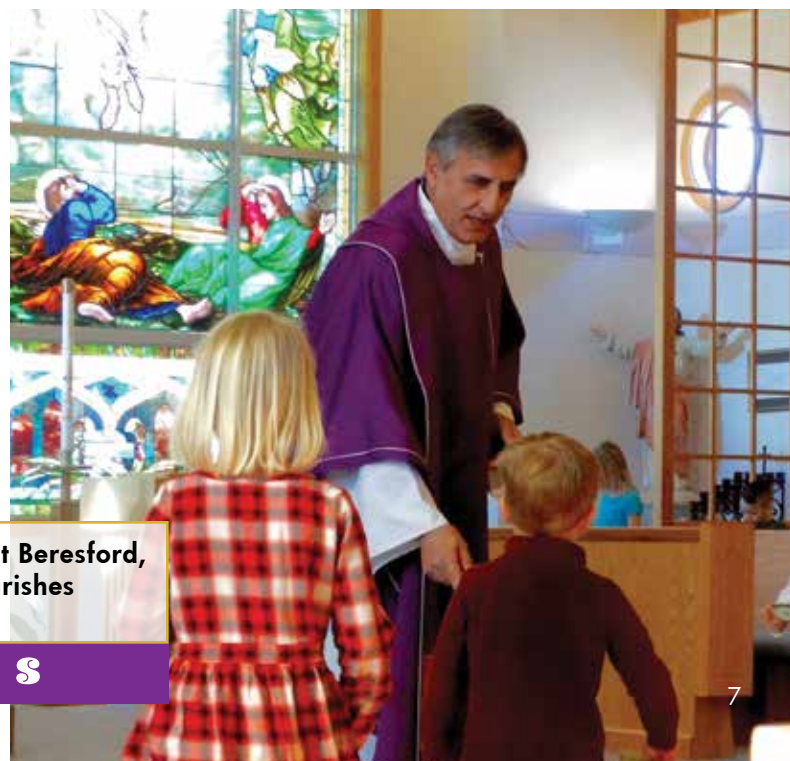
Making adjustments in how to consider people has been helpful in the ministry of Fr. David Roehrich. “I try to take the Incarnation seriously – that reality that Jesus said to us ‘I am with you through the ages,’” he said.

The general societal unrest of the 1960s and 70s included rebellion against law and order and authority across the board. “One had to find a more effective way to present the religious truth,” said Fr. Krzyzopolski.

“It turns out to be the presentation of knowledge with love – the way of Jesus – starting with the life of the Redeemer and what he said ... that leads people to form a close relationship and friendship...and therefore more readily accepting His teaching,” he said.

It might be surprising that most priests seem to find that people’s needs and desires are similar, regardless of the age of the person or even of the classic age groups, like baby boomers or millennials.

“We all have the same elementary desires: to be loved, to search for truth, for justice, for forgiveness,” said Father Jeff Norfolk, chaplain at St. Thomas More Newman Center, Vermillion and a priest since 2009.



**Fr. David, Roehrich, pastor at Beresford,  
Wakonda and Centerville parishes**  
Ordained 1984

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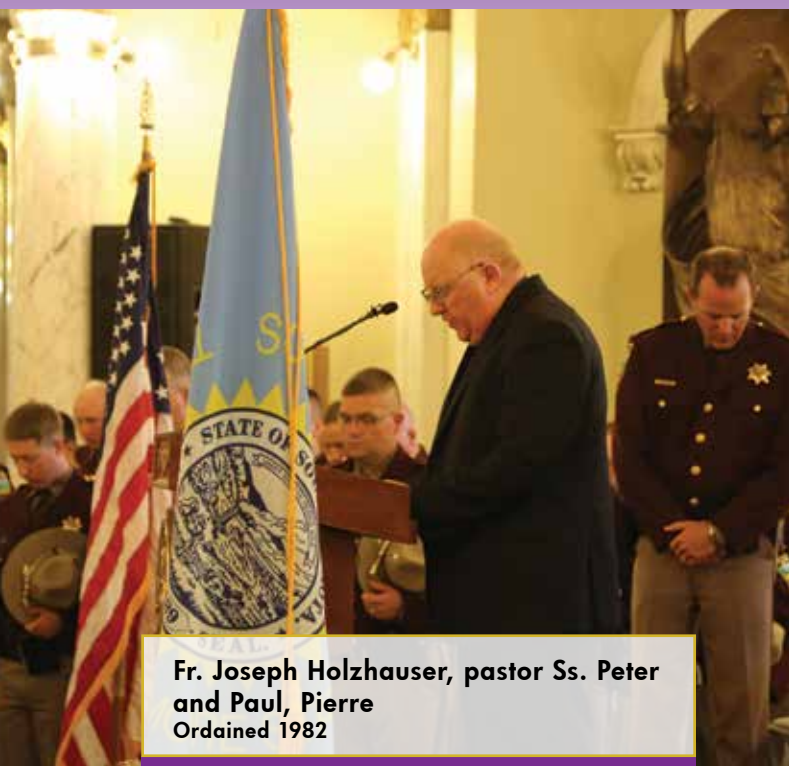


## St. John Paul II

"I am often asked, especially by young people, why I became a priest. Maybe some of you would like to ask the same question. Let me try briefly to reply. I must begin by saying that it is impossible to explain entirely. For it remains a mystery, even to myself. How does one explain the ways of God? Yet, I know that, at a certain point in my life, I became convinced that Christ was saying to me what he had said to thousands before me: 'Come, follow me!' There was a clear sense that what I heard in my heart was no human voice, nor was it just an idea of my own. Christ was calling me to serve him as a priest.

And you can probably tell that I am deeply grateful to God for my vocation to the priesthood. Nothing means more to me or gives me greater joy than to celebrate Mass each day and to serve God's people in the Church. That has been true ever since the day of my ordination as a priest. Nothing has ever changed this, not even becoming Pope."

- Los Angeles, September 1987



**Fr. Joseph Holzhauser, pastor Ss. Peter and Paul, Pierre**  
Ordained 1982

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Photo courtesy of South Dakota Department of Public Safety/Highway Patrol

Some years ago he worked with a family who had baptized a child, then disappeared for several years until another child was born. "Instead of making an issue of their absence, I asked them where they experienced God's awe and wonder – and of course it was in their children.

"Somehow that touched their hearts and they started coming to church regularly," said Fr. Roehrich, a priest since 1984, who now pastors at parishes in Beresford, Wakonda and Centerville. He also often helps out at nearby Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center.

"By seeing them not as 'problem people' but as people needing to be invited to meet Christ, the connection was made," he said.

Fr. Joe Holzhauser, pastor at Ss. Peter and Paul in Pierre notes that one of the most significant changes in ministry is that the Church is now most often viewed as counter-cultural.

"Societal norms are now often not the same as what the Church believes – about life, family, weekly worship – the priorities are vastly different and almost opposed to the Church," he said.

"We have to be honest and ask people to make a choice and commitment - are you of the world or in the world? If I choose to follow the Gospel I may be seen as different than others.

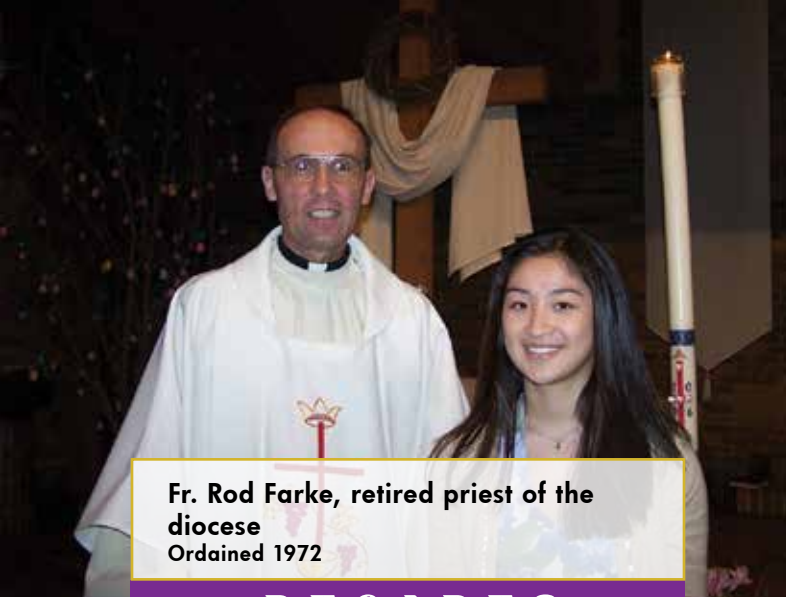
"The asking has to be done in an inviting way, not alienating or becoming self-righteous, but to join in the mystery," said Fr. Holzhauser, ordained in 1982 and who also spent many years as a military chaplain.

"The polarization which today affects nations, families, parishes, life in the church means we want to make great distinctions, but we can't have it in the church; we all belong to Jesus Christ," he said.

Dealing with diversity was common in his service as a military chaplain, especially during deployments in countries where Christianity was not the norm.

"We had to learn through cultural indoctrination what was acceptable. Beyond that soldiers have individual rights and we found the need for adapting and working through the diverse approaches.

"But the bottom line was: always bringing soldiers to God and God to soldiers," Fr. Holzhauser said.



**Fr. Rod Farke, retired priest of the diocese**  
Ordained 1972

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Fr. Rodney Farke grew up in the days before the Second Vatican Council, was in seminary through the Council and became a priest in 1972.

“I hope people of all ages can have an openness to the diversity of the age groups in our church, and will be able to learn from the particular preferences in style of worship and prayer that the various age groups have,” he said.

“I’m grateful for having had the opportunity to experience the pre-Vatican church in my childhood, the excitement of Vatican II, and the various new directions the church has taken, as it continues to digest and understand the teachings of Vatican II.

“The ‘swinging of the pendulum’ in terms of style of worship, religious education, and church management, can be unnerving at times, but the Holy Spirit continues to guide the church, as we move through time,” said Fr. Farke, who is now retired.

Again, the long ordained and the recently ordained have similar perspectives on where people are today in their faith journey and their understanding of their role in the Church.

“I see a new recognition by the people ...they realize that they are co-responsible and must serve as members of councils...they wish to add their gifts and talents to forming policies and helping guide the affairs of their parish,” said Fr. Krzyzopolski.

“There has been a new interest of the people in the study of the Scriptures, which seems to fascinate them as they experience the Holy Spirit inspiring them, seeing their



**St. John Vianney**

**“The soul hungers for God, and nothing but God can satiate it. Therefore He came to dwell on earth and assumed a Body in order that this Body might become the Food of our souls”**

lives reflected in the stories and words found there,” he said.

“In the 30 years that I have had the privilege of leading Bible study groups they have come, filling the rooms in the parish and at Broom Tree Retreat Center,” he said.

“They are truly hungry for the Word of God.”

Said Fr. Farke, “As a parish priest, I appreciated the more personal faith in Jesus that many people had in the 70’s and 80’s, though that generation may have missed some of the traditional knowledge of the faith that I grew up with.

“The new interest in Scripture meant that those in that generation became more informed about the Bible, and bible studies were very popular, as they continue to be,” he said.

“The renewal movements, such as Cursillo, the Charismatic Renewal, Koinonia, TEC, Search, and other similar movements, gave to the participants a more personal relationship with Christ, as well as an encouragement to evangelize, to share their faith with others.

“This was very exciting to me as a pastor, as these people were eager to take active roles in the parish and to share the task of evangelization with me as priest,” said Fr. Farke.

The more newly ordained Fr. Reuwsaat puts it like this:

“When I have focused on why the faith makes sense and how it improves our lives during the homily, all age



**Fr. Barry Reuwsaat, parochial vicar at Sacred Heart, Aberdeen**  
Ordained 2016

groups tend to take a likening to it.

“Maybe I’m generalizing this but the older generation of priests grew up with everyone going to Church as a family. This was an obligation of the family. This no longer exists. This moves the focus from “should” to “why” one would practice the faith,” he said.

“The thirst for a relationship with Jesus Christ and living an authentic life acceptable to God” is common to all people, all ages, said Fr. Reuwsaat.

“People deep down want to know that they are pleasing to God.”

Adds Fr. Norfolk, “The best example I have of this is World Youth Day. Both in Sydney and Krakow, young people, priests, and religious from all over the world gathered around Pope Benedict, an 80 year old man, when we

saw him in 2008 and Pope Francis, 80 years old, when we saw him a year ago in Krakow.

“What draws people of all ages to an 80 year old man? The presence of Christ,” he said.

“He is living the presence of Christ. We are drawn to Christ in people no matter how old they are. Galatians 2:20 says, ‘yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me.’ Male and female, young or old, all of us are looking for Christ. We find Him in the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives, often in surprising ways. I don’t make Him happen. He shows up and surprises me,” Fr. Norfolk said.

Fr. Roehrich said the eight nursing homes within his parishes mean frequent Masses and ministry there. “I’ve come to love the ministry. Christ is there. I try to help them remember they have value – they are more than a broken body. Only Christ can help me stand with them in the way of hope.”

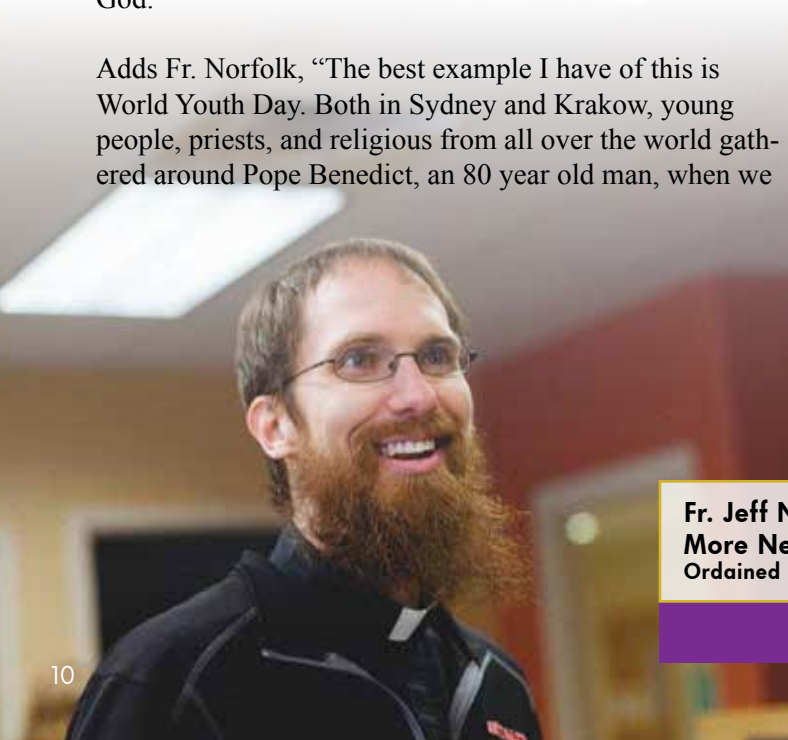
Fr. Zimmer echoes this belief from his experiences with the sick and sometimes dying in his hospital chaplain work.

“The starting point is knowing Christ. Then you can get to the questions that might need to be answered, rather than giving answers to questions that haven’t been asked,” he said.

Most every priest notes the importance of family life to faith life, and that challenges to one often mean challenges for the other.

“As the decades after Vatican II went on, the immediate post-council excitement decreased, while family life became more strained with the increased ‘busyness’ most people and families were experiencing,” said Fr. Farke. “Presenting the teachings of the church to the busy generation was becoming more challenging, and getting people to participate in Mass on a regular basis also became more of a challenge.”

Despite some challenges with what Fr. Holzhasuer called “definitions - what is marriage? Family?” and “a growth in dysfunctional families that impacts how we



**Fr. Jeff Norfolk, chaplain at St. Thomas More Newman Center, Vermillion**  
Ordained 2009

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## Pope Francis

*"A shepherd after the heart of God has a heart sufficiently free to set aside his own concerns. He does not live by calculating his gains or how long he has worked: he is not an accountant of the Spirit, but a Good Samaritan who seeks out those in need ...For the flock he is a shepherd, not an inspector, and he devotes himself to the mission not fifty or sixty percent, but with all he has."*

- Pope Francis homily June 2016 during the Year of Mercy gathering of priests

do ministry," he said the biggest thing to remember is that "shepherds need to know the sheep. They are not all the same, and that's true across generations, all require a shepherd.

"We all resist correction even though we all need it," said Fr. Holzhauser.

He said he has experienced deep connections through the years, both in his parish and military chaplain ministry.

"Over the years in the military there is an automatic cohesion that happens. We see each other as brothers and sisters and there is a bond that something like a deployment only makes tighter.

"It happens in parishes too, maybe through a marriage preparation or working with a family preparing for a

funeral. Tough deaths seem to bond the pastor with the people in a special way," he said.

"It is because of the unknown of death. But with faith, trust and hope, and most especially, love, it gets people through."

Fr. Zimmer, based on his experience in the hospital, still sees strength in families.

"For sure I notice it in time of crisis. I often see a togetherness and it makes one grow in appreciation of the strength of families. The staff also notices and takes family into account," he said. "I'm often heartened by it." Crisis moments also can provide moments for reconciliation in families. "They often need and desire for it to happen, that moment of healing," he said.



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**A**s I leapt into my new role at the diocese over the past few months, I've found myself trying to configure a plan of how I am going to build a culture of life here in the Diocese of Sioux Falls.

I can just see Jesus laughing now, "Oh, you are going to do it, huh? Well just holler if you need me." It's funny how often I try to do God's job for Him, or worse, without Him.

It's becoming clear to me that often what God is asking us to do, is simply share what he's doing in us. With that in mind, the question that has been knocking on my door the past few years... "What does it really mean to be pro-life?"

Shortly after our honeymoon, I came face to face with this question as I stared at a positive pregnancy test trying (unsuccessfully) to keep my morning sickness at ease. In simple words, this was not our plan. Our marriage was so new! We had grand plans of spending our first year of marriage traveling, making our house a home and adventuring together.

I felt guilty that I wasn't immediately ecstatic about our news. Am I being pro-life?

Then, a few months later, I again wrestled with the question as my beautiful grandmother lay sick and dying in a hospital bed. My heart broke as I saw her suffering. I felt guilty that I wanted it to be over. How can I call myself pro-life?

In those first few days of my pregnancy and last few days of my grandmother's life, when the fear was tangible and the suffering immense, I could not escape the question: what does it really mean to be pro-life?

As I walked through Target a few weeks into our pregnancy, discretely looking at

the baby clothes, I pondered in my heart what was taking place inside of me.

Though the fear, and letting go of our plan was real, it struck me that the baby girl that now existed was even more real. Her name was Clare and she was alive. Her life had purpose and meaning. Her life was good, simply because she existed.

And then as we gathered around my grandmother's hospital bed, we began to share stories, laugh about her incredible sense of humor and celebrate her journey of life. Her name was Marguerite. Her life, even there in the final moments, had purpose and meaning. It, too, was good.

There's something about suffering and struggle that often brings clarity. That day, roaming the Target aisle, it clicked. Being authentically pro-life means that we can freely live in such a way that says, "life is good." It's not without fear and it's certainly not without suffering.

Even gathering in my grandmother's hospital room, the joy, amidst grieving, was palpable.

To me, being pro-life is not simply about being anti-abortion or against assisted suicide. Being pro-life is a joy that starts within each of us. It's a joy that sees the goodness of life, and celebrates it, at every stage of the journey.

I can't argue that we should always embrace the twists and turns of life with a smile on our face. Sometimes that is simply more than we can bare. Yet, we are invited to embrace it nonetheless.

When we take up our crosses in hope, there is joy. This, my friends, is pro-life. A life is a life. That life is good. When we can see that life is good, we are susceptible to insurmountable joy. This is how we build a culture of life.

And it all starts with me.



Emily Leedom  
Director of Marriage, Family and  
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### Respect Life Month resources and activities:

There are several Respect Life events throughout the month of October and beyond to celebrate and uphold the dignity of life. Check with your parish to learn more.

Websites for Additional Information & Resources:  
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# BISHOPS OF SOUTH DAKOTA APPOINT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR S.D. CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Local  
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The Most Reverend Robert D. Gruss, Bishop of Rapid City, and the Most Reverend Paul J. Swain, Bishop of Sioux Falls have appointed Christopher Motz as the first executive director for the South Dakota Catholic Conference.

The newly created Conference will serve as the official voice of the bishops of South Dakota on issues of public policy, providing explanations of Church teaching and their practical application.

Mr. Motz is currently the owner and managing attorney of Motz and Motz in Isanti, MN. Originally from Sioux Falls, he graduated from O'Gorman High School, Iowa State University and University of St. Thomas School of Law. He served in the United States Marine Corps including on active duty in Iraq.

He is currently a Staff Judge Advocate in the Minnesota Air National Guard.

A state Catholic conference, which most states have established including those in our neighboring states of North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska and Montana, monitors, responds to and educates Catholics about proposed public policies of all levels of government. Especially important are those that impact the life and the dignity of all persons and the rights of Catholics to practice their faith both personally and in the public square.

As the executive director, Mr. Motz will follow the development and implementation of public policies and communicate with public officials in all branches and at all levels of governments not only during a

legislative session but throughout the year. He also will serve as a resource for clergy as well as diocesan and parish staffs.

Additionally, he will focus on issues that are of common concern among Catholic organizations, other faith-based communities, and secular agencies to promote religious liberty and the common good.

Mr. Motz and his wife Hannah have three children and will be relocating to South Dakota.

He will begin his duties as the executive director of the South Dakota Catholic Conference this month.



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## St. Joseph Catholic Housing adds affordable units in Brandon



St. Joseph Catholic Housing recently dedicated new affordable housing units in Brandon.

Brandon Heights II is the second phase of St. Joseph Catholic Housing apartments in Brandon.

Bishop Paul J. Swain was on hand for the ribbon cutting and the blessing of the property

The property is located just north of Risen Savior Catholic Church in Brandon.

The new property now brings to more than a thousand the number of affordable housing units that are part of St. Joseph Catholic Housing.

As Bishop Swain has pointed out, there continues to be a great need for affordable housing units in the diocese.

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September 6-9, 2018  
October 18-21, 2018  
November 15-18, 2018

▷ **DAY OF RECOLLECTION**

*Broom Tree Days of Recollection begin at 10 a.m. and consist of conferences, time for Adoration, Mass, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The day ends in mid-afternoon. Because lunch is also served, we ask that you please register. A prayerful donation is requested.*

**October 17: A Communion of Saints and Sinners: Mediations on the Church**  
- with Fr. Tom Anderson

**November 14: Topic TBA**  
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Attendees will enjoy sampling a vast selection of beers and wines from more than 40 breweries and wineries and take home a commemorative sampling glass.

The beneficiary of this event is Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center. Participation helps ensure Broom Tree is available to people of all ages and income levels for years to come. The event provides a great opportunity for individuals from all around the Diocese to gather for fun, fellowship, and to show their support for and learn more about the retreat ministry at Broom Tree.

Tickets can be purchased online for Legacy: A Beer & Wine Experience at [ccfesd.org/charityevents/legacy-a-beer-wine-experience](http://ccfesd.org/charityevents/legacy-a-beer-wine-experience). For questions please contact the Catholic Community Foundation at 605-988-3765, toll free at 1-888-246-3386 or e-mail [events@ccfesd.org](mailto:events@ccfesd.org). You must be 21 to attend.

## Local CHURCH

## Bishop's Cup helps Broom Tree



The annual Bishop's Cup brought in funds to help Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center.

The event this year was held at the Minnehaha Country Club, Sioux Falls..

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## Local CHURCH



Bishop Paul J. Swain blesses the congregants on hand for the annual State Fair Mass in Huron as he processes out of the Women's Building at the State Fairgrounds. The liturgy always draws a large crowd. (Photo by Bill Sealey)

## Diocesan woman consecrated as Virgin Living in the World



Patricia K. Cordell kneels before Bishop Paul J. Swain during the liturgy of The Consecration of a Virgin Living in the World at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph.

In the Church, a consecrated virgin is a woman who has been consecrated by the church to a life of perpetual virginity in the service of God. Consecrated virgins spend their time in works of penance and mercy, in apostolic activity and in prayer, according to their state of life and spiritual gifts. (Photo by Gene Young)

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## Tyndall/Springfield youth find out what it was like to be a Christian in the early Church

## Local CHURCH

Young people from St. Leo Parish, Tyndall, and St. Vincent Parish, Springfield recently stepped back in time in Tyndall to find out what it was like to be a Christian in the early Church. The catechism students met behind the church, from where they had to "sneak into" the basement of the church without being caught by Roman soldiers. There in the basement "catacombs," they learned how Mass was celebrated by them, noting the striking similarity across two millennia. After this lesson, the group went into the main body of the church to celebrate a Mass for the persecuted Christians around the world and their persecutors. (Photo courtesy, JoLynn Weber, Director Of Religious Education, St. Leo and St. Vincent Parishes)



St. Boniface Parish, Idylwilde, recently had young people of the parish gather with Father Randy Phillips, pastor, to bless the parish's new statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. (Photo courtesy, Loretta Dangel, St. Boniface Parish, Idylwilde)



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Serra Club members in Watertown hosted seminarian Zachary Schaeffbauer on a recent visit to their town not only to share their appreciation and love, but to give him an opportunity to address Serra members and share stories of his vocation journey. Serra Club members pray for vocations and support diocesan seminarians and women discerning a religious vocation. (Photo courtesy, John Michels, Serra Clubs of Eastern South Dakota)

## Students show off their "Knight Pride" during recent homecoming week



In the spirit of homecoming at O'Gorman High School, Sioux Falls, the preschool-6th grade students at St. Katharine Drexel School showed off their own "Knight Pride." The St. Katharine Drexel students hosted a homecoming parade of their own in front of their school. Students, staff and parent volunteers worked diligently on creating floats to showcase their school spirit. (Photo courtesy, Chloe Goldade, Sioux Falls, Catholic Schools, Sioux Falls)



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### Sacred Heart students march with Yankton pastor in parade



Elementary students from Sacred Heart School, Yankton marched with Father Scott Traynor, pastor, St. Benedict Parish, Yankton, in this year's Riverboat Days Parade. (photo courtesy, Laura Haberman, principal, Sacred Heart Elementary School, Yankton)

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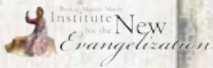
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**BROOKINGS** – Bill and Eleanor Taylor will celebrate their 55th anniversary on Oct. 10. They have 1 child, 1 grandchild and are members of the Pius XII Newman Center.



**DELL RAPIDS** – Jim and Teresa Boyum celebrated their 71st anniversary on Sept. 26. They have 6 children (1 deceased), 16 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren and are members of St. Mary Parish.



**DELL RAPIDS** – John and Betty Fiegen celebrated their 40th anniversary on Sept. 10. They have 4 children, 11 grandchildren and are members of St. Mary Parish.



**DeSMET** – Bernard and Marlene Duffy will celebrate their 65th anniversary on Oct. 18. They have 4 children, 8 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and are members of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish.



**GETTYSBURG** – Derald and Mary Hanson will celebrate their 70th anniversary on Oct. 22. They have 5 children, 11 grandchildren and are members of Sacred Heart Parish.



**GETTYSBURG** – Dennis and Norva Rausch will celebrate their 60th anniversary on Oct. 15. They have 4 children (1 deceased), 5 grandchildren and are members of Sacred Heart Parish.



**HUMBOLDT** – Charlie and Donna Beck will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Oct. 7. They have 2 children, 6 grandchildren and are members of St. Ann Parish.



**HUNTIMER** – Eddie and Lois Coomes celebrated their 60th anniversary on Aug. 28. They have 4 children, 9 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Joseph the Workman Parish.



**HUNTIMER** – Dean and Sue Baumberger will celebrate their 25th anniversary on Oct. 17. They have 5 children and are members of St. Joseph the Workman Parish.



**KIMBALL** – James and Audrey Konechne will celebrate their 40th anniversary on Oct. 1. They have 6 children, 12 grandchildren and are members of St. Margaret Parish.



**KRANZBURG** – Curtis and Laura Molengraaf celebrated their 25th anniversary on Sept. 12. They have 2 children and are members of Holy Rosary Parish.



**LENNOX** – Mike and Arlyce Buckman will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Oct. 21. They have 6 children, 14 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Magdalen Parish.



**LESTERVILLE** – Joseph & Dorothy Hejl celebrated their 69th anniversary on Sept. 30. They have 5 children and are members of St. John the Baptist Parish.



**MONTROSE** – Fred and Cheryl Zimmer will celebrate their 45th anniversary on Oct. 7. They have 4 children, 8 grandchildren and are members of St. Patrick Parish.



**PIERRE** – Jim and Carmen Keyes will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Oct. 28. They have 3 children, 7 grandchildren and are members of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish.



**POLO** – James and Marietta Wieseler will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Oct. 7. They have 4 children, 2 grandchildren and are members of St. Liborius Parish.



**SIOUX FALLS** – Bill and Marie Van Tassel will celebrate their 70th anniversary on Oct. 11. They have 7 children (1 deceased), 12 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great-grandchild and are members of Christ the King Parish.



**SIOUX FALLS** – Jim and Eileen Nawroth will celebrate their 45th anniversary on Oct. 20. They have 1 child (deceased) and are members of St. Lambert Parish.



**SIOUX FALLS** – Robert and Romaine Kappel will celebrate their 40th anniversary on Oct. 8. They have 3 children, 4 grandchildren and are members of St. Katharine Drexel Parish.

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SIOUX FALLS – Jack and Jayne Gaspari will celebrate their 25th anniversary on Oct. 3. They have 3 children and are members of St. Mary Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Bernie and Mary Tyrrell will celebrate their 55th anniversary on Oct. 27. They have 2 children, 2 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and are members of Christ the King Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Ron and Elaine Moss will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Oct. 14. They have 2 children, 5 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Michael Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Mark and Pam Sechser will celebrate their 35th anniversary on Oct. 2. They have 3 children, 2 grandchildren and are members of Holy Spirit Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – John and Linda Nuese will celebrate their 40th anniversary on Oct. 8. They have 2 children, 6 grandchildren and are members of St. Mary Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Gregg and Judy Welch will celebrate their 25th anniversary on Oct. 10. They have 3 children and are members of St. Katharine Drexel Parish.



TABOR – John and Joyce Hauck celebrated their 50th anniversary on Sept. 16. They have 3 children, 3 grandchildren and are members of St. Wenceslaus Parish.



WATERTOWN – Fred and Claudie Gottsleben will celebrate their 70th anniversary on Oct. 14. They have 6 children, 11 grandchildren (1 deceased), 7 great-grandchildren and are members of Immaculate Conception Parish.



WATERTOWN – Steve and Shawna Warne celebrated their 25th anniversary on Sept. 26. They have 6 children, 2 grandchildren and are members of Immaculate Conception Parish.

## Anniversary submissions

Send a color photo, your anniversary news and a self-addressed, stamped envelope by October 16 for inclusion in the November edition to:  
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## Sister Angeline Keating

Sister Angeline Keating, a Benedictine sister of Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton, died on August 22. She was 87.

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated August 25 in the Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel.

Burial followed at the monastery cemetery.

Virginia Elizabeth was born on May 30, 1930 the child of John and Mary Patricia (Hart) Keating of Yankton.

She went to Sacred Heart School, Yankton Public School and graduated from Mount Marty High School in 1948. She received her college degree from Mount Marty College in 1957 and a Master's degree from the University of Lincoln in 1967.

Virginia entered Sacred Heart Monastery December 4, 1947. She was invested as a novice on June 23, 1948 and received the



Sister Angeline Keating, OSB

name Angeline. She professed first vows on June 24, 1949 and made final profession on June 28, 1952.

Sister Angeline had many different ministries throughout her life. She taught grade and high school in South Dakota and Nebraska. She also taught history at Mount Marty College. While at Mount Marty College, she held several different administrative positions from 1968-1979. During this time, she was also the personnel director for Sacred Heart Monastery.

After receiving her clinical pastoral education at the Metropolitan Medical Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota and upon completion of a residency at Hazelden Foundation in Center City, Minnesota, she was an addiction counselor for twenty-two years in a variety of locations in Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, New York, Michigan, and South Dakota. She lived with at least eight different congregations and orders during this time and found this a very enriching experience.

Sister Angeline is survived by her Benedictine community, her sisters: Ann Lemon of Yankton, Kathleen Strubert of St. Louis, MO, Mary Margaret Kelly of Denton, TX, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her half-brother Austin Keating, half-sister Jane Alsman and brother, Father David Lawrence Keating.

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## Parishioners, Knights check on seniors after Irma

**Pembroke Pines, FL. (CNS)** - The nation watched in sadness and outrage at the deaths of eight elderly people in Hollywood without air conditioning and electricity following the historic passing of Hurricane Irma. Members of nearby St. Edward Parish in Pembroke Pines and the local Knights of Columbus council, hearing the call to be good neighbors, prepared hot meals and set out to knock on doors and check in on senior citizen residents four days after the storm. The group was given permission to go door to door with their hot meals and water supplies at the expansive Century Village Pembroke Pines housing development in western Broward County. Residents there reportedly had been without electricity and air conditioning for days, although power was being restored even as the parish volunteers were making their rounds. According to news reports, police confirmed earlier in the week that about 60 percent of the 15,000-person community of mostly retirees still didn't have electricity and was under a "boil water" notice.

## Judicial group launches digital ads opposing 'religious litmus test'

**Washington, D.C. (CNS)** - The Washington-based Judicial Crisis Network launched a 10-day digital ad campaign objecting to a U.S. Democratic senator grilling a Catholic judicial nominee about what impact her faith would have on her interpretation of the law. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-California, spurred outrage about possible religious tests for judicial appointees with the questions she put to Amy Coney Barrett, nominee for a seat on the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The Judicial Crisis Network, a group that describes itself as dedicated to strengthening liberty and justice in America, called Feinstein's grilling of the nominee "disgusting and repulsive." The ad, under the headline "Catholics Need Not Apply," is appearing on YouTube and Twitter and also can be viewed at <https://judicialnetwork.com/multimedia>. "This is going to be known as 'Feinstein's Folly.' Her line of questioning reeked of 'No Catholics Need Apply,' while ignoring Professor Barrett's stellar qualifications, experience and fierce commitment to defending the Constitution," said Carrie Severino, the network's chief counsel and policy director.

## Catholic-Lutheran ecumenical efforts have borne fruit in past 50 years

**Washington, D.C. (CNS)** - Catholic-Lutheran ecumenical efforts have borne fruit over the past 50 years, noted two speakers in a joint address during Georgetown University's "1517-2017: Lutherans and Catholics: Then and Now" conference. Kathryn Johnson, director of ecumenical and interreligious relations for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the largest U.S. Lutheran body, said she rejects the concept of "ecumenical winter" as if to describe a stall in ecumenism. "There are signs of change that we're seeing around us," she said, adding "autumn" may be a better description and noting that Christians will have to decide "what to do with the harvest." Johnson said there exists a "deep misunderstanding we have of each other still," but progress is undeniable, she said. Sister Susan Wood, a Sister of Charity of Leavenworth, who is a systematic theology professor and chair of the theology department at Marquette University and a former president of the Catholic Theological Society of America, agreed that the outlook is positive.

## Never forget early martyrs, pope tells Japanese bishops

**Vatican City (CNS)** - Many challenges in Japan make the church's evangelizing call to be the "salt and light" of hope and meaning even more urgent than ever, Pope Francis told the country's bishops. In fact, the nation's long history of courageous martyrs represents "the true evangelizing power of your church," he said, and they are a great treasure that should always be remembered, cherished and built upon. The pope's remarks came in a letter, addressed to all bishops in Japan, that was to be delivered by Cardinal Fernando Filoni, prefect of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, who was visiting Japan. Some of the many worrying problems the country faces include high divorce rates, suicide, religious indifference and an "obsession for work and earnings," the pope said in the letter. A highly developed nation can produce material wealth, but also material, spiritual and moral poverty and exclusion, he wrote. That is why it is urgent the church in Japan constantly "be salt and light" in the world, he said.

## Governing requires prayer, wisdom, counsel, pope says

**Vatican City (CNS)** - Those who govern or are in positions of authority are called to be humble and serve the good of the people God entrusts to them rather than the interests of their party or themselves, Pope Francis said. Without prayer, a leader risks serving his own selfish desires or political party, closing himself or herself in a "circle from which there is no escape," the pope said during morning Mass at Domus Sanctae Marthae. "Who has more power than a ruler? The people, who have given him the power, and God, from whom power comes through the people," the pope said. "When he has this awareness of being subordinate, he prays." In his homily, the pope reflected on the day's reading from St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy in which he asks that "supplications, prayers, petitions and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority." The pope also spoke about the day's Gospel reading from St. Luke, which recounted Jesus' healing of a slave at the behest of his master, a Roman centurion. "This man felt the need for prayer" not because it was a last resort but because he knew that "there was someone above him, there is another who is in charge," the pope said.

## Catholics need 'profound renewal' of catechesis, archbishop tells sisters

**Chicago, IL. (CNS)** - The head of the Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization said Catholics "need a profound renewal of our catechesis." Archbishop Rino Fisichella told dozens of religious sisters, mostly teachers of the faith, gathered in North-west Chicago that there is wrong thinking among the faithful that once they receive the sacraments, they no longer have to learn their catechism. He said, "By its nature, catechesis is to support believers to understand every day more the mystery of faith." Archbishop Fisichella said Catholics could learn this with the help of catechists who are "witnesses" and said that "witness is the sign of a genuine work of evangelization." Referring to Pope Paul VI's 1975 apostolic exhortation on evangelization, "Evangelii Nuntiandi," the prelate emphasized what he called a "very important" section of the document that said people nowadays are more apt to listen to someone who lives out the faith and speaks of it than to teachers of it and that if they do listen to teachers, it's because the teachers are themselves witnesses of the faith.

## Parish Dinners/Socials

Oct. 1/St. Stephen Parish, Bridgewater, will hold its annual sausage supper Sunday in the parish Hall; serving 3-7 p.m.; menu includes whole hog sausage, mashed potatoes and gravy, sauerkraut, baked beans and homemade pies; adults \$12; children 12 and under \$5; fresh sausage for sale also.

Oct. 1/St. Wenceslaus Parish, Tabor, will host its annual bazaar at Beseda Hall; serving from 3-7 p.m. includes chicken, dumplings, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, salads, rolls, kolaches and desserts.

Oct. 8/St. Agnes Church, Sigel, soup kitchen offered; serving 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Sigel Church Hall.

Oct. 14-15/St. Mary Parish, Aberdeen, annual bazaar and roast beef dinner; dinner served Saturday 4:30-7 p.m.; Sunday 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.; adults: \$10; children 12 and under: \$5; ; take out meals are available; midway runs 3-8 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday.

Oct. 15/St. Ann Parish, Humboldt, annual chicken dinner with salad bar; dinner served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; carry out meals are available; there will also be a bake sale and country store.

Oct. 15/St. John the Baptist Parish, Lesterville, soup kitchen offered; serving 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Lesterville Community Center, Main St.; varieties of soups, chicken salad sandwiches, taverns, hot dogs, potato salad, desserts, pop and coffee; also a cake walk, a fish pond, bingo and more; a free will offering will be accepted.

Oct. 15/Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Elkton, annual fall roast beef dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, carrots, rolls and pie; adults \$10; children \$5; under 5 free; there will also be a bake sale and country store, and a raffle.

Oct. 21/St. Lambert School craft fair Saturday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; free admission; 100 plus booths of quality crafts; food concessions; at 1000 S. Bahnson Ave., Sioux Falls.

Oct. 29/St. Mary Parish, Salem, annual bazaar; 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; serving from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. with hot chicken sandwich, baked beans, salad, pie and drink for \$7 or a kid's meal of hot dog, baked beans, salad, dessert bar and drink for \$5; bingo, raffles and more.

Oct. 29/St. George Parish, Hartford, annual fall dinner; serving from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; roast turkey with all the trimmings; country store and a raffle.

Oct. 30/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Dante, will host its annual soup dinner on Sunday; serving 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; homemade chili and chicken noodle soup, chicken salad sandwiches, taverns, hot dogs, kolaches, homemade pies and desserts; bingo and games for all ages including an all cash raffle and a children's raffle.

### S.F. parish hosting adult education

**Tuesday, Oct. 3** - Holy Spirit Parish, Sioux Falls, will have adult education on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room. The presenter is Msgr. Charles Mangan, vicar for Consecrated Life and director of the Marian Apostolate. His presentation will be "Fatima 100 Years Later: What Does It Mean for Us?" Opportunity for questions and answers after the presentation. Contact is Kathy Davis at 371-2320.

### Newman Center bringing in speaker

**Wednesday, Oct. 11** - The Newman Center at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion, is bringing in Sarah Swafford to speak. Swafford has spoken in the diocese before and will be addressing the topic of setting forth a vision for virtue in the 21st Century; a free will offering will be collected at the event which is set for 7:30 p.m. at the Newman Center at USD.

### Parish and shrine hosting Fatima events

**Friday, Oct. 13** - This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Apparitions of Mary at Fatima. St. Mary of Mercy Parish is home to the Mid-America Fatima Family Shrine in Alexandria and will host a series of events. On the 13th of October the parish and shrine will have an outdoor Rosary procession with the statue of Our Lady of Fatima and a talk on the apparitions at 7 p.m. at the shrine.

### Cathedral parish hosting Satires and Spires

**Friday, Oct. 20** - Cathedral of Saint Joseph Parish will again hosts its Satires and Spires Fun-draiser; the event features good food, great music and plenty of fun. Tickets are \$15 each; contact the parish office at 336-7390.

## Presentation Sisters

Oct. 21/SD Pax Christi Conference; the annual conference is sponsored by the Aberdeen Presentation Sisters, the Watertown Benedictine Sisters and local Pax Christi chapters; the conference is scheduled for Saturday at County Fir Banquet Hall, 14 Second St. NE, Watertown 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; for more information, call 605-882-6600 or sisterskandm@mediacombb.net.

## Catholic Family Services

Oct. 3 and Nov. 7/Catholic Family Services invites you to join the Living with Chronic Illness group; the group is a free educational supportive group that meets the first Tuesday of each month, for those living with chronic illness and their care givers; the group meets at Catholic Family Services 523 N. Duluth Ave Sioux Falls. For more details please call Catholic Family Services, 605-988-3775.

Oct. 13-15/Rachel's Vineyard Retreat-strictly confidential; a safe, loving, non-judgmental environment; open to men, women, mothers, fathers or grandparents who have been affected by abortion; non-denominational; sponsored by Catholic Family Services; for registration materials and more information, call 605-988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 or email cfs@sfcatholic.org; deadline for registration is Oct. 6.

Oct. 5/Children's Grief Program directed by Mary Weber; the group meets Thursdays from 5:30-7 p.m. at Catholic Family Services, 523 N Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls; the four-week program is designed for children according to their age and specific loss; to register for this program or for more information contact Catholic Family Services 605-988-3775.

Nov. 7-Dec. 12/Grieving a loss during the holidays meets for six Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Catholic Family Services, 523 N Duluth, Sioux Falls; directed by Dr. Marcie Moran, the program is for adults who have lost loved ones and are grieving during the holiday season; call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register; cost is a donation.

## Mother of God Monastery

Oct. 28 - Wheat Weaving 9-11:30 a.m. at Harmony Hill Hall, Mother of God Monastery. The wheat will be supplied. Please bring ribbon, glue guns/sticks if you have them. Suggested donation is \$10. Call Sister Emily at 605-886-4181 ext. 1 to register.

Nov. 3-4 - Healing the Inner Child: A Way to Inner Peace will be offered and runs 7-8:30 p.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. on Saturday at Harmony Hill Hall, Mother of God Monastery. Suggested donation is \$70 with room and board; \$40 for commuters. Call Sister Emily at 605-886-4181 ext. 1 to register.

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