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MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP ALIVE
IN EASTERN SOUTH DAKOTA





The tragedy of child sexual abuse by clergy has sadly been raised up again with the release of a report from the the Attorney General of Pennsylvania made worse by documented lack of attention or intentional cover-up by some bishops. This is compounded by the revelation that former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick violated children and abused his power over young adult seminarians placed under his pastoral care.

As I wrote in my statement sent by e-mail to some 19,000 Catholic households registered in our parishes, I am horrified, angry, and embarrassed by these tragic facts. Portions of my statement are repeated below. There are several thoughts I would offer to you in addition.

First, given the violation of trust by some bishops over many years, I believe there needs to be a serious review of the process by which bishops are appointed and bishops transferred. It is rightly a confidential process in anticipation of the recommendations to the Pope who has ultimate freedom and responsibility of appointment. There also needs to be a clearer and transparent process for accountability of bishops.

Secondly, I want to assure you and especially parents that we are protective of our seminarians. I recently met with many of them and told them that they should not put up with any untoward advances by anyone. How sad that I had to even raise the issue. I charged them to promptly report any such instances to appropriate authorities and to me.

Thirdly, there are clear implications of the sexual nature of many such violations. I can assure you that our screening process confronts all applicants on this issue both through personal revelation and professional psychological evaluation. This has not always been the case in the past. The promise of celibacy is more than not marrying; it also means living chaste lives.

I will be praying a Mass on Saturday, September 15 at 9 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph on the memorial of Our Lady of Sor-

rows, for the support and healing of victims of child abuse wherever it occurs and for forgiveness for the failures of Church leaders to assure a safe environment. Please join us in person if possible but in prayer if not.

Finally pray for our priests who overwhelmingly serve you well with integrity, sacrifice and love. They are angry at their brothers who have violated their promises and hurt others, especially young people. All innocent priests bear a burden by association that they do not deserve and need your support. I thank them for their fidelity. Please support your priests, encourage them, and thank them. You can lift their spirits in these difficult times. They remain in persona Christi, instruments of Christ.

Below is a portion of my statement. The entire statement can be found at sfcatholic.org.

“Recent revelations released by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania concerning child sexual abuse by clergy in many of the dioceses in that state and the lack of appropriate response by some bishops over seven decades have shocked, sickened and saddened us all. The graphic details reveal that the innocence and dignity of young children were violated by priests ordained to minister in the name of Christ through His Church who betrayed like Judas their ordination promises. I fully share the disgust and anger of all affected especially the victims and their families, and all faithful Catholics.

“The shock and sadness at these recent revelations is enhanced by the disclosure that former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick had abused youth and young adult seminarians placed in his care. As a bishop I am ashamed and angry with his fraudulent and deceptive participation in Church affairs at home and abroad over so many years. His misconduct is compounded by what appears to be a cover up by some Church officials that resulted in his promotion rather than his accountability. The full details will be addressed in a canonical trial in the near future.

“This is not the Church I professed faith in some 35 years ago. In truth it is not the Church Christ instituted. It is the work of the evil one and those who have given in to him.

“Clearly a full investigation in pursuit of truth and justice with complete transparency of its results must be courageously undertaken without concern for how painful its conclusions might be. We bishops no longer have the credibility to do so ourselves. Professionally experienced and committed lay leadership must guide this necessary investigation

so that such egregious personal and ecclesial misbehavior does not happen again and that procedures for accountability of bishops are more clearly defined.

“To the victims of the heinous abuses, words and apologies can never be sufficient to overcome the harm done to you. However, I wish you and all victims to know that you are being heard and responded to. What happened to you was wrong and sinful for which in the name of the Church I apologize. The lingering effects of the violations to your dignity we know are real. I am sorry that you bear these wounds. I ask all Catholics of our diocese to join me in praying for you and all victims of child sexual abuse wherever it occurred.

“Jesus said, ‘come to me those who are burdened and I will give you rest.’ (Mt 25:40) Jesus is the salve for hurt and the instrument of healing.

“Attempts to keep child abuse from public light and accountability diminish the confidence Catholics ought to have in us bishops and other Church leaders. I express my profound sorrow; embarrassment and deep regret to all harmed no matter how long ago, and ask your forgiveness.

“If you have been harmed at the hands of a minister or volunteer, whether ordained or lay, I encourage you to report it to local law enforcement. I invite anyone who has been harmed to also come to the diocese where supportive assistance will be offered. The Diocesan Victim’s Assistance Coordinator stands ready to listen to you and to walk with you as you seek ways to heal the hurts caused by others.

“The Diocese of Sioux Falls has adhered to and benefitted from the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People adopted sixteen years ago by the Catholic Bishops of the United States which continues to guide how we as a Diocese respond to allegations

of sexual abuse of a minor by anyone acting under the mantle of the Church. This includes raising the awareness of all who minister in the Church that this evil is a possibility in our parishes and schools and that we must be ever alert to its destructive presence.

“It is important to recognize that such dreadful sins were perpetrated by only a small number of the thousands of priests over the years and hidden by only a small number of bishops. Yet we are all tainted by the sinful behaviors of others. Most priests courageously and sacrificially serve the faithful, yet always under the threat of an accusation. They deserve the opportunity for due process to protect their good name and their vocation.

“I am grateful to the Diocesan Review Board members, the majority of which are accomplished laity, who have and continue to serve in the important role of advising my predecessors and me on the credibility of accusations of child sexual abuse that come forward. The Review Board also holds the Diocese accountable for ensuring that pastoral and practical outreach is provided to victims who come forward and to priests unjustly accused.

“The evil one is real, taunting and challenging us. Jesus crucified and risen is also real. He instituted the Church and governs her still. We take solace in His promise that the gates of hell will not prevail against her, as hard as that seems in times like these to believe. I do believe. That is the Church I professed faith in so many years ago and reaffirm today.

“May Christ, the Divine Physician, heal those who have been harmed, and may Mary, Mother of the Church, intercede for those entrusted to the care of her Son’s children that we may live up our high calling.”

SCHEDULE

September

- 1 4:00 Stational Mass, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 2 9:00 State Fair Mass, Women’s Building, State Fairgrounds, Huron
- 8 5:30 Mass followed by a blessing of the Prayer Garden, St. Leo the Great, Tyndall
- 9 9:30 Installation Mass, St. John Paul II, Harrisburg
- 11 12:00 Pray at Planned Parenthood
- 13 11:30 Presbyteral Council Meeting, Catholic Pastoral Center, Sioux Falls
- 15 9:00 A Mass of Healing and Seeking Forgiveness, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 4:00 Stational Mass, Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls
- 16 11:00 Confirmation, St. Peter and St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Sisseton
- 20 11:00 Fall Live Drive, Real Presence Radio
- 21 5:00 Welcome Mass, EOHSJ Annual Meeting, Kansas City
- 21-23 EOHSJ Annual Meeting, Kansas City
- 24-25 Bishop’s Charity Hunt
- 29 5:30 Grand Opening and Blessing, Avera Cancer Institute Helmsley Center, Pierre
- 30 10:30 Confirmation, St. James, Chamberlain and St. Margaret, Kimball in Chamberlain
- 2:00 Confirmation, St. John, Plankinton; St. Mary, Stickney and St. Peter, White Lake in White Lake

October

- 2 12:00 Pray at Planned Parenthood
- 3 5:00 Keynote address, Faith and Mercy series: The Good Shepherd Never Stops Seeking Out Wandering Sheep, Immaculate Conception, Watertown



Officials

Since publication of the August edition of The Bishop’s Bulletin, the following have been elected to serve as deanery representatives to the Priest Council:

Reverend Thomas Anderson as the Deanery Representative from the Aberdeen-Pierre Deanery,
 Reverend Terry Anderson as the Deanery Representative from the Brookings-Huron Deanery,
 Reverend Dana Christensen as Deanery Representative from the Mitchell Deanery,
 Reverend Terry Weber as Deanery Representative from the Sioux Falls Deanery,
 Reverend Paul Rutten as Deanery Representative from the Watertown Deanery,
 Reverend Joseph Forcelle as Deanery Representative from the Yankton Deanery,

In addition, senior priests elected Reverend Rodney Farke as representative to serve on the council.

Each of the above terms is for three years ending June 30, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Mr. Matthew K. Althoff
 Chancellor



I have been thinking about food a lot lately; and it is not just because I am hungry. The last month we have been listening to the “Bread of Life Discourses” from John’s Gospel at Sunday Mass, so homily preparation has been making me think about food, but also, a few events have focused my hungry thoughts.

A while ago I purchased a quarter beef from a friend of mine in my Guard Unit, and I noticed the other day that the white wrapped packages filled with good, honest South Dakota beef are dwindling. Coincidentally, this happened at the time of year when garden vegetables begin to appear on my kitchen counter.

All of these thoughts began to merge in my mind as I sat at the Roncalli booth during the Brown County Fair, surrounded by the scent of funnel cakes, corn dogs and all manner of deep-fat fried joy.

Yeah, I am a bit hungry.

First, the beef. I have never purchased a quarter of beef before, and to be honest, I sort of did it on a whim. Tyler, a farmer in the Kimball area, happened to mention at a drill weekend that he was looking for four people to get together and each buy a quarter, so I agreed. I was nervous, and not because I was worried I would not have the freezer space, but because I had never done anything like that before.

I was the first one to call the meat locker after slaughter, so I was given an opportunity to pick the cuts I would like and I just stood there, staring off into space, the phone against my ear. A part of me was thinking, “ground beef...tons of ground beef,” but that seemed wrong, so I asked for help and was given some great advice. A few weeks later the freezer was stocked.

The beef, as you would imagine, is amazing; you can taste the care Tyler put into raising his herd, and that makes me more respectful when I am preparing it, more thoughtful eating it.

But now, it is vegetables. My dad loves to garden and it shows. Each year, from his massive community garden plots (yes, plural), I am privileged to receive a stunning array of vegetables. Of course, I also receive vegetables from parishioners as well. A few weeks ago, my friend Trevor asked if I would like to have some cucumbers and zucchini. He came over

with three bags, one filled with cucumbers, and two filled with zucchini, each about the size of a newborn baby. It was an amazing bounty, and the mark of a great gardener himself.

Our kitchen has been graced with zucchini, fresh cucumbers and cabbage, green beans, tomatoes, sweet corn, green peppers; soon will be the potatoes and carrots, beets and onions.

As I said, these thoughts began to merge as I enjoyed the sights, scents and sounds of the Brown County Fair. As I sat at the booth in the expo building, I could hear, just beyond the side door, the sounds of goats, and sheep, and calves and hogs. As I would walk by, there were scores of young 4-H farmers and ranchers, cleaning, brushing and preparing their stock. I listened to bleating of goats being washed snow-white in preparation for their judging. I remember, of course, that county fairs were all about this at the beginning, before the rides and the deep-fat fried everything.

These moments make me a bit more thoughtful in the kitchen, and mindful that the food I receive does not simply come from a grocery store. It is a reminder that these gifts are the fruits of the earth, and the product of the labor and sweat, the stewardship and sacrifice of those who so faithfully work with flocks and fields.

When we know where our food comes from, either from our own hands, or from the labor of our neighbors, it becomes more than just physical sustenance. We often say it “tastes real,” because we know it is real, real food which feeds more than our bodies. It feeds our spirit, and our community.

Returning to John’s Gospel, we remember this is the heart of Jesus’ words, and why He chose food as His enduring gift to us. It does more than sustain us, it brings us life. As with all food, it is important to remember where it comes from for it to be the true nourishment we seek.

It comes from the heart of God, merciful, bountiful, pouring His unmerited love over a broken, wounded, and hopeful, community of faith. It is from this relationship that we receive the Bread of Life.

It is important that we remember where our food comes from, the food upon our kitchen tables, and our parish altars.

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The seminarians of the diocese recently got together for their summer gathering at Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center, near Irene. Pictured with the seminarians are Father Jordan Samson, associate vocations director (second row, second from the left) and Father Shaun Haggerty, vocations director (back row, on the right). The men gathered for fellowship, sharing and prayer before returning to their respective seminaries for another year of study. (Photo courtesy, Father Shaun Haggerty)



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Discipleship and evangelization are big words that people sometimes think they can't understand, much less do.

But as we learned in last month's story in the Bishop's Bulletin, "In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the people of God have become missionary disciples ... all the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization." Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*.

And even when we don't recognize it or know what it is called, missionary discipleship is happening across eastern South Dakota. We might even be doing it ourselves.

Those who use the language and consider themselves missionary disciples come to that realization in ways unique to the person. What they share in common is a strong experience of God's love and the call from God to share what they have experienced – much

as the Gospels tell us of the relationship of Jesus and his disciples.

Before we explore that more deeply, how, beyond this story, might you learn more about being a missionary disciple?

Over the past few years the Discipleship and Evangelization offices of the Diocese of Sioux Falls have sponsored Discipleship Day as a way to deepen understanding and awaken new opportunities. The next such gathering, titled "To Do Your will is My Delight" is September 21-22 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center (see page 11 for a schedule and registration information).

"My desire for this day is that it will help participants begin to see how they can live out missionary discipleship in easy, informal ways throughout their daily lives," said Dr. Chris Burgwald, director of adult discipleship and evangelization.

"While some might well be called to participate formally in parish catechetical programs, RCIA and so on, we are all called to walk with those that the Lord places in our path, according to the gifts that He has given to us and to our own specific circumstances.

"This informal form of accompaniment is far simpler than many Catholics realize, and it begins by recognizing that what God asks of us -- His will for us -- is not some heavy burden that we need to take up, but is the means both to our holiness and our true happiness, that is, our fulfillment. When we come to know that, then doing His will truly is our delight," he said.

Maybe this is you – the annual signup sheet/stewardship form comes around in the fall for all the parish ministries. You want to be involved, but nothing on the list seems to fit you.

"What we have discovered from many that are attending

Discipleship Day is that they have a deep desire to give more of themselves to God through the Church and oftentimes specifically in their parish,” said Eric Gallagher, director of youth discipleship and evangelization.

“...This desire to help is often tied with a more pastoral view of the parish - ‘I observe great need and I desire to help, but everything in front of me doesn’t seem to be what I’m looking for.’ ...Our Discipleship Day theme is intended to help draw out what these deeper desires are of our participants and assist them in discerning God’s will within them,” he said.

RELATIONSHIPS ARE KEY

Every aspect of missionary discipleship has to do with relationships – with Jesus, with others, even within ourselves. And since we are all in relationships of some type, it means missionary discipleship is for you – and everyone else too.

The stories of those immersed in discipleship bear this out. Many can name the moment of their call to missionary discipleship or the steps they witnessed as it happened to others. This was their starting point – not where they are today – but where they began and perhaps where you, too, can begin

“My journey to missionary discipleship began with a conversion in my own heart my sophomore year of high school,” said Emily Leedom, now director of the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life for the Diocese of Sioux Falls.

“Before the Blessed Sacrament, He transformed my heart of stone and brought healing and a joy so profound that I simply could not deny the Source. I remember that night saying to Jesus, ‘You have just given me the greatest gift I could have ever asked for. What can I give you in return?’ His answer was simple, quiet and drenched in love. ‘I want your life.’

“I have often thought of that moment since and the words of St. Peter echo in my heart, ‘Lord, to whom shall we go?’ Where else could I go but to the fount of life. It began to overflow from me and I was filled with a desire to bring those that I love to that fount. Though I struggle and fall, He chooses me anyway. So I continue to show up,” Leedom said.

Kathy Engeman teaches religion at St. Mary High School in Dell Rapids. She also helps as she can with religious education efforts through her parish, St. Michael, Sioux Falls.

“I recently was asked to teach a small group 9th grade RE class for students that for varied reasons had declined to participate in youth discipleship but still desired confirmation,” she said.

It was a small group of kids from three Sioux Falls area high schools. Midway through the year, one student asked to bring a friend to class, and afterward the friend wanted to talk a bit. He was struggling with the recent death of a close friend, a sibling’s serious illness and some other issues.

“We talked, we prayed, we left - ten minutes, tops. I continued to remember him in my prayers because this kid was so lost and sad. He came to a couple more classes and during Lent volunteered to participate in the parish Living Stations, during which time he asked our youth ministry coordinator what he had to do to join the church because he felt like that he was being drawn. He was invited to ‘come and see’ and subsequently felt a desire to be part of our community. Of course the ending is unwritten, but I can leave that up to God,” Engeman said.

Jane Barz, long a diocesan leader of the Charismatic movement describes an experience more than 20 years ago as she lead a conference.

“It was to be a healing conference and I was very excited about the conference and the healing I knew God would bring that weekend. As I prepared for the event I prayed, ‘Lord, help me to love your people as you do,’” she said.

“As I stood at the microphone to welcome those attending the conference, I looked out and for a split second was granted a

Anyone who listens to the Word of God can and must speak and transmit it to others, to those who have never heard it, or who have forgotten it and buried under the thorny troubles and deceptions of the world (see Matthew 13:22). We must ask ourselves: Have not we Christians become perhaps too silent? Do we not perhaps lack the courage to speak out and witness as did those who witnessed the healing of the deaf-mute in the Decapolis? Our world needs this witness; above all, it is waiting for the common testimony of Christians.

Pope Benedict XVI, Homily, January 25, 2007 from the book *The Joy of Knowing Christ*

Youth Director Brianna Mueller led students from Holy Family and Holy Spirit, Mitchell in last year's Summer Stretch program for middle schoolers to learn about the works of mercy by spending time at the Mitchell Food Pantry. (Photo by Brianna Mueller)



glimmer of understanding of God's immense love being poured out upon all those present. It was a moment in time I have never forgotten. In that moment, I began to understand in a deeper way how very much God loved me and wanted me to help others experience His love too. The scripture from 1John 4:19 'we love because he first loved us' became alive in my heart and has continued to this day to be a driving force for me. This was my call to missionary discipleship," Barz said.

Burgwald recalls a moment when he was in college. "Like many young adults, I had abandoned the practice of our faith out of sheer laziness and apathy, and the Lord allowed me to experience the consequences of that apathy: a life that was without purpose and direction, in which I was -- although I wouldn't have been able to describe it so at the time -- wandering aimlessly.

"Through a 'chance' encounter (there's really no such thing... everything happens on purpose, for some reason, according to God's mysterious plan), my faith was rekindled and deepened, leading initially to a deep thirst and passion to know the Truth and then to share that Truth with others. And both the thirst and the passion have only deepened in the twenty-plus years since that initial spark," said Burgwald.

Brianna Mueller directs youth discipleship and ministry for grades 7-12 at the Mitchell parishes and she describes becoming a missionary disciple as taking time and requires looking at the

fundamental life questions so many of us ask.

"Why did God make me? Why am I here? What is my purpose? It's something we all ask. This is the question that plagues so many, especially our young people who are suffocated by a world of overstimulation and dissociation," she said.

"It wasn't until I encountered the person of Christ that I was able to answer that question from the heart and not just my head. Being a disciple of Christ has changed my motives. The more I spent time with Jesus, in prayer and Eucharist, the more I could answer that question from the heart," Mueller said.

Mike Wagner, a member of St. Michael, Sioux Falls is among those who are diving deeper into their faith through the Equip program led by Burgwald.

"Before my conversion to Catholicism 10 years ago I was restless and searching. I would find temporary peace in a hobby, job or relationship but that wasn't lasting peace," Wagner said.

"Becoming Catholic has made me feel like I'm finally home, and while doing missionary disciple work I have come to an overwhelming peace. Everyone is, or at least knows someone searching for this peace.

"It's the peace that comes from being home, spending time with your Father, working on an important project," he said.

Barb Rezac describes becoming a missionary disciple as "a long, narrowing path." The lifelong Catholic, currently serving as vice president for Advancement at Mount Marty College, Yankton, now has 28 years of Catholic work and ministry as a teacher, principal and development director, and beyond that has always been a parish volunteer too.

"I say 'a narrowing path' because in spite of all these activities, it wasn't until my daughter became ill at the age of 5 that I realized that I really didn't have God as the first priority in my life," she said.

“At that moment I realized that EVERYTHING in this life is fleeting and that if I wanted to have any bit of stability from my faith life that I needed to know and love God more than I even love my children. I began studying like I have never studied before, praying and reading the Bible.

“I decided at that point that teaching my children their faith was the most important gift I could give them. While activities/sports/music are good, they would not ever take precedence over Mass, retreats or other faith based activities. I'm grateful for this early lesson I received and I have no regrets in raising my daughters with their faith as a first priority. All the fun, all the relationships, all the activities are just a bonus,” Rezac said.

IT'S ALL AROUND US

Once the fire of discipleship is ignited, it seems easier to see moments and ways that it is happening all around us.

“The call to make disciples reaches across all ages and this includes the smallest among us. One opportunity to foster discipleship in the lives of children is through Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS),” said Leedom.

“Participants learn that CGS is not simply a program, but rather, a relationship. Observing CGS for the first time, I watched as an adult catechist sat with a 4-year-old boy carefully and deliberately demonstrating how one reverently folds an altar cloth. The boy then spent thirty minutes unfolding the cloth, smoothing it across the altar, refolding it and repeating. This was his prayer. The reverence he demonstrated to the altar echoed that of the catechists. He was falling more deeply in love with Christ and His Church - growing in desire to do God's will - before my very eyes,” she said.

JoLynn Weber had the pleasure of watching it happen as a church minister and mom. She is the director of religious education for

“While programs are vitally important, our work has confirmed, over and over, that people are everything. Everything begins to change when a culture of missionary disciples is established ...when a plan to foster missionary disciples is implemented in your parish, apostolate or family, lives are changed, churches come alive and poverty in all its forms begins to be addressed.”

Making Missionary Disciples, Curtis Martin (founder of FOCUS).



Mike Wagner (right) finds many ways to live out being a missionary disciple. Here he is assisting with a Knights of Columbus pro-life project.

K-8 and DFYM youth minister at St. Leo, Tyndall. She describes the return of her son Alec after attending Discipleship Camp as a senior in high school.

“After returning home from that weekend experience he knew what his mission was, and he wasn’t afraid to share it with the people around him,” she said.

“He was ‘on fire’ to share the Good News of God’s love for him. He continues to lead a life that is fed through prayer, sacramental living, study, service, fellowship, accountability, and evangelization. His life was changed after his reversion, and today God continues to be his first priority in his life.

“Planting those seeds in our youth by encouraging them to a bigger faith experience through retreats, discipleship camps, and youth conferences can foster a conversion if their hearts are open to receive God’s Love. In this story, Alec’s eyes were opened, and he received God’s never-ending love and mercy,” Weber said.

Teresa Kemmer is a spiritual director and retreat director. She describes what happens in her work with people.

“As they begin to listen to His promptings, they open their hearts, minds and souls as they see God the Father gazing at them as a beloved son or daughter. My role is to help them hear how the Holy Spirit, their true director, is guiding them and how to live the Gospel walking with Jesus Christ at their side,” she said.

“‘Did you hear the angels singing?’ was a response from one of the high school students as we left the church following Eucharistic Adoration and praise and worship at a Going Deeper retreat. This



Barb Rezac leads the St. Wenceslaus, Tabor youth group and said "every single evening I spend with those young people is a gift to me."

youth had experienced a moment of heaven on earth and was touched by the power of the Holy Spirit. As missionary disciples we allow the Holy Spirit to work freely through us to bring others in union with God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit," Kemmer said.

Might you stay away from situations where you could be a missionary disciple to others? Are you fearful you just don't have enough knowledge or the needed answers?

"When working with our faith formation small group leaders we discuss the importance of relationship and how the kids need to feel they can trust the adult before moving through the process of discipleship. I encourage them not to be afraid of letting the students take the lead in discussion because this will lead to questions that are on their hearts," said Mueller.

"This is terrifying for many adults because they feel like a bad example if they don't have the answer. A lot of my energy is towards building the confidence of the adult leaders. One of the best examples they can set is to admit they don't know the answer, convey that they want to know the answer, and go searching for it with the young people. Teenagers see right through a facade. They know when adults are faking something or don't mean what they say. They crave authenticity.

"So, I want our adults to understand that the teenagers in their groups just want an adult that truly cares about them, will walk with them, and help point them in the right direction. On a basic level isn't that what Jesus did? He

let people know he loved them, met them where they were at, and pointed them in the direction that would bring them peace and happiness," said Mueller

And your ability to be a disciple is not limited to church related matters. Paula Linke is deeply involved at her parish, St. Wilfrid, Woonsocket, but also in a wide range of community works.

She's not sharing her long list of activities to impress, but "I tell you all this to help you understand that I feel there are opportunities to minister to kids and adults in the community within and outside the church – to disciple and serve others.

"My first "aha" moment came many years ago in the midst of teaching high school students, during a time when I was ready to walk away because I didn't think I was making a difference," she said.

"Through three individual and unrelated letters sent to me, I realized that I was making a difference, that I needed to trust in God and in the way he was using me," she said.

Barz' focus on God first loving her has allowed her ministry to reach hundreds of people. Many people bring hurts and don't understand why bad things happen in life.

"While we cannot explain why God does what he does, we can help them 'know who he is', a loving and kind God who rejoices with us in our joy and weeps with us in our sorrow," she said.

"As they grow in their knowledge and understanding of 'who' God is they are filled with the Holy Spirit and can overcome the pressures and trials of life. They become more Christ like. They become a disciple of Jesus, even when they do not know they are. It becomes their nature," said Barz.

Kemmer's experience is similar.

"As a disciple, we become instruments of love and peace," she said.

"We call out to the Holy Spirit opening the door to our hearts in order live in the Spirit as members of the Body of Christ. He calls us to unity and to mission. As we surrender to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and strive to do the will of God, we are lead on a journey beyond our dreams.

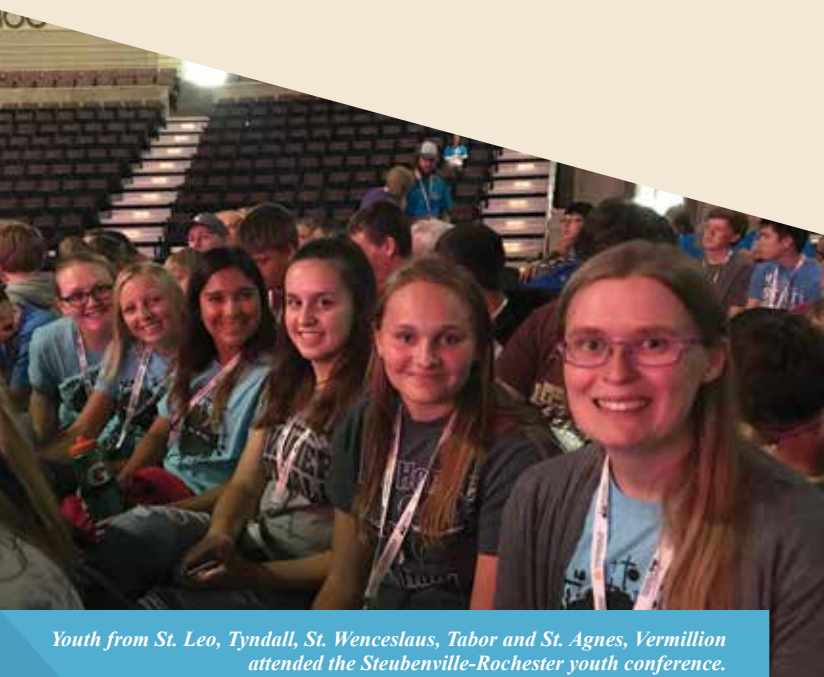
“As a missionary disciple I am a wife, mother, friend and neighbor and have had the opportunity to work as a spiritual director for individuals in high school through elderly; lead parish and Broom Tree retreats; assist at the diocesan Going Deeper retreats and the Equip Program; lead bible studies, and much more. The joy is in following Christ and leading others closer to Him,” she said.

Weber offers a nice summary that probably describes most Catholics and missionary disciples.

“My deepest desire is to be a ‘faithful disciple of Christ’ and to someday be with Him in heaven. Sharing the love of Christ to others is my life-long mission. Growing up a cradle Catholic I have experienced the love of Christ through the sacraments and through the witnesses that have gone before me. I’m truly grateful for their examples,” she said.

“It’s not until a person makes their relationship with Christ personal and authentic that they then can be ‘Christ to another person’ and live out God’s calling for them. My faith life is a life-long journey and it’s the choices I make each day to love or not to love that builds my character.

“Surrendering myself to God and trusting Him is a constant struggle. It takes humility and obedience to become a disciple of Christ, and with a humble and contrite heart I pray for God’s will to be done,” Weber said.



Youth from St. Leo, Tyndall, St. Wenceslaus, Tabor and St. Agnes, Vermillion attended the Steubenville-Rochester youth conference. (Photo by JoLynn Weber, St. Leo, Tyndall)

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9:30 AM Breakouts

10:45 AM Mass

11:30 AM Lunch

12:30 PM Workshop

1:30 PM Breakout

2:45 PM Keynote - Nic Davidson

3:45 PM Closing

I write this article on the eve of my annual silent retreat. For the last few months I have experienced the Lord calling me to ‘come away and rest’ and I look forward to the days of silence, but why?

In his general audience on January 10, 2018, Pope Francis said, “Silence is not reduced to the absence of words, but is the availability to listen to other voices; that of our heart and, above all, the voice of the Holy Spirit.”

This reminds me that silence is not an end to itself on retreat. What I seek is Jesus, but more importantly, he is seeking me first. My choice to enter into and remain in silence is my assent to his constant, loving declaration, “Jackie, I am yours!” It is also the place where I learn from Jesus to speak with confidence to our Heavenly Father as his beloved daughter.

So many times when in conversation about four-day silent retreats at Broom Tree people say, “I could never be quiet that long! Just ask my friends (or my husband, or my wife!)”

It is common for people to feel intimidated by the idea of spending time in silence on retreat.

“What will I do with myself?” they wonder. “What if nothing happens?” “What if God doesn’t speak, you know, ...to me?”

But wondering if God will speak in the silence is like wondering if birds will sing.

If there’s anything we do know about God is that He speaks. But He doesn’t speak like us, all wordy and incessantly. He speaks just one Word, and that Word is Jesus Christ. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us (Jn 1:14). And sometimes, according to Pope Benedict XVI in his general audience on March 7, 2012, God not only speaks to us in silence but also “through His own silence” which invites us to a deeper faith and trust in his promises.

Ultimately, the big question is will I settle

myself upon Him and make myself available to Him alone. For His Word to be received and for it to “resound within our hearts and shape our lives”, Pope Benedict continues, we must learn how to cultivate an internal and external silence. Silence is availability.

At Broom Tree Retreat Center, the environment is intentionally favorable for an encounter with the reality of Jesus in silence. While the center and all of the activity there is Catholic, anyone with a desire is welcome to come away to meet Him there in the silence.

Some of the retreats offered at Broom Tree are especially designed to help people become comfortable spending time in longer periods of silence than they’re used to before they commit to a four-day silent retreat. Our Days of Recollection, scheduled on weekdays throughout the year, and our one-day silent retreats, scheduled twice a year on Saturdays, are two of these types of retreats.

Days of Recollection are commonly held on the second Tuesday of the month. Beginning at 10 a.m. and ending at 3 p.m., these day-long retreats consist of two conferences and Mass as well as built in time for adoration and an opportunity for confession. Lunch is provided. There is no set cost for these retreats.

Retreatants are asked to make a prayerful donation in response to what they have received from the Lord.

One-day silent retreats are designed to give a taste of what a longer silent retreat is like. The day begins at 9 a.m. and runs through 4 p.m. During this time, an orientation to contemplative prayer is given and then retreatants enter into grand silence to



Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center is near Irene and open to people and groups of the diocese and those outside the diocese. (Photo courtesy, Nathan Hofflander, Drone-Wise, LLC)

spend the day with the Lord there. Holy Mass is offered as well as time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, confession, the rosary and time to quiet their souls and listen for God in the silence. Lunch is also served. This is where retreatants may get their first experience of eating in silence. These retreats are run by donation too. It is partially through the gifts received from these retreats, the Days of Recollection and the one-day silent retreats that Broom Tree remains available and accessible to all.

More information for these retreats can be found at www.broom-tree.org.

Be assured of my prayers this week.



Jackie Sempek is the environment coordinator for Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center and a member of the diocesan faithful.

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Healing Mass Sept. 15

A Mass of Healing and Seeking Forgiveness will be prayed at the Cathedral of St. Joseph on the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows, Saturday, Sept. 15 at 9 a.m. Bishop Paul J. Swain will preside.

Bishop Swain indicated he intended to pray the Mass in a recent statement responding to the serious abuse issues in Pennsylvania and the issues surrounding Archbishop Theodore McCarrick.

The full statement can be found on the diocesan website, sfcatholic.org.

Holy Smoke Car Show successfully supports vocations



The Holy Smoke Car Show was a success for the Office of Vocations and the seminarians it aims to support.

The event is sponsored and run by the Knights of Columbus and the Diocese of Sioux Falls vocations office.

Thanks to the involvement and support of so many who pitched in, volunteered and those who attended, the event generated over \$36,000 for seminarian education.

More than 1,000 attended the event and over 90 volunteers pitched in to make it happen. (Photos courtesy, vocations office, Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls)

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Stewardship conference brings together people from across the region

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Bishop Donald Kettler, diocese of St. Cloud, addresses those in attendance at the regional stewardship conference held in Sioux Falls at St. Michael Parish. The Region VIII International Catholic Stewardship Conference aimed to inspire and give those in attendance the tools to either begin or continue their stewardship journey. The theme and focus of the stewardship conference was based on the U.S. Bishops' pastoral letter entitled, "A Disciple's Response." (Photo courtesy, Catholic Community Foundation for Eastern South Dakota, Sioux Falls)

Woman of the diocese elected to third highest leadership position with Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Vickie Feist of Pierre was recently elected First Vice National Regent (position equivalent to "Vice President") of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas.

She was elected at the organization's 57th Biennial National Convention held in Sioux Falls and attended by over 1,200 members, voting delegates and clergy from across the country.



Vickie Feist

In her position as First Vice National Regent, Feist is one of the five National Officers, the top governing board of the organization who together administer, establish policy and determine the direction of the Catholic Daughters.

Vickie Feist and her husband Lynn are members of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish, Pierre.

She has been a Catholic Daughter for 19 years and is a member of Court St. Ann #1121, of Pierre-Ft. Pierre.

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Anniversary Masses celebrated in Aberdeen and Sioux Falls



Bishop Paul J. Swain blessed the couples on hand at St. Mary, Aberdeen for one of two diocesan anniversary Masses. Bishop Paul J. Swain celebrated the Mass. Couples in attendance also enjoyed a reception and photos with the bishop afterward. The second anniversary Mass this summer was celebrated at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls.

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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.

September 11: Three States of the Church: Militant, Penitent & Triumphant
 - directed by Dr. Teresa Kemmer

October 23: What Do People Say Today About Angels?
 - directed by Msgr. Richard Mahowald

November 13: Meditating with the Saints
 - directed by Fr. John Helmueller

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BISHOP'S HUNT FOR CHARITY SET FOR LATE SEPTEMBER

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The annual "Bishop's Charity Hunt", is set for late in the month at the Horseshoe "K" Ranch, Kimball.

The event will be Sept. 24-25.

Bishop Paul J. Swain and other priests of the diocese will trade in their traditional black for blaze orange to enjoy the great South Dakotan pastime.

The event began in 1995 to foster community and raise funds for a range

of diocesan ministries.

All proceeds in 2018 will support the diocese's Newman Center Campus Ministries.

If you have questions or would like additional information please contact the Catholic Foundation for Eastern South Dakota office at 605-988-3765, or toll free at 1-888-246-3386 or on line at www.cfesd.org.

BACK TO CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS ACROSS THE DIOCESE



School is back in session for another year at Catholic Schools across the diocese. The first day of classes came August 20 for students, teachers and administrators at St. Katharine Drexel School, Sioux Falls, (pictured above) and by the end of the month all diocesan schools were back in session. You can find out more about all the diocesan schools on line at www.sfcatholic.org. (Photo courtesy, Sioux Falls)

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Scouts busy this summer with retreat, Eagle Scout projects

Boy Scouts from the four Sioux Falls troops (pictured at right) attended a retreat at Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center this summer. The scouts who attended were earning their Catholic religious emblem "Ad Altare Dei" (To the altar of God). The religious emblem teaches the seven sacraments. (Photo courtesy, Bart Workman, Troop 731 Holy Spirit, Sioux Falls)



Noah Anderson, member of Boy Scout Troop 102, Yankton, (pictured lower right, on the left) earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Noah is a member of Sacred Heart Parish, Yankton, and is a senior at Yankton High School.

Anderson designed and constructed six garden carts for Healthy Yankton Community Gardens for his Eagle Scout Service Project. (Photo courtesy, Annie Gaspar, Sioux Falls)



Knute Johnson, a member of St. Mary Parish, Sioux Falls and a freshman at O'Gorman High School, Sioux Falls (pictured lower right, on the right) finished his Eagle Scout project at St. Michael Cemetery, Sioux Falls, this summer. Johnson's project is a three panel sign that is located at the front of the cemetery. The sign was blessed by Bishop Paul J Swain at the Memorial Day Mass this year. (Photo courtesy, Jennifer Johnson, Sioux Falls)



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Sister Maribeth Wentzlaff, prioress, (on the left) prays over Sister Peggy Venteicher as she becomes a perpetual member of the community of Benedictine Sisters at Sacred Heart Monastery. The community also celebrated a temporary profession for Terry Laferty, who promised four years of Benedictine life and the community also presented Theresa McGinn with the Rule of Benedict and accepted her into the novitiate, (Photo, courtesy, Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton)

Parkston native celebrating jubilee of profession

Sister Mariella Boehmer, a native of Parkston, celebrated her 70th anniversary as a Sister of St. Francis on July 29, at a Jubilee Mass in St. Francis Chapel at the congregation motherhouse in St. Francis, WI. Sister Mariella, who was baptized Kathleen, graduated from Sacred Heart School in Parkston and then from St. Mary Academy in Milwaukee before entering the congregation in 1946. After professing vows in 1948, she began her teaching career. During those years, she also completed bachelor's and master's degrees. She retired in 2002. Sister Mari-



Sister Mariella Boehmer

ella remains an active volunteer and is currently tutoring at St. Roman School in Milwaukee.

Correction

In the August edition of The Bishop's Bulletin, we incorrectly identified Ron and Shar Lamberty of Sioux Falls as celebrating their 25th anniversary instead of celebrating their 60th anniversary. We regret the error.

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ABERDEEN – Pius and Clara Waldman will celebrate their 69th anniversary on Sept. 14. They have 3 children, 6 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren and are members of St. Mary Parish.



ABERDEEN – Perry and Linda Deutsch will celebrate their 30th anniversary on Sept. 3. They have 3 children and are members of Sacred Heart Parish.



ABERDEEN – Frank and Jan Waltman will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 7. They have two children and are members of St. Mary Parish.



ABERDEEN – Carroll and Patricia Brick will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 14. They have 2 children, 6 grandchildren and are members of Sacred Heart Parish.



ABERDEEN – Scott and Lori Cunningham will celebrate their 30th anniversary on Sept. 3. They are members of Sacred Heart Parish.



BRITTON – David and Linda Deutsch will celebrate their 45th anniversary on Sept. 15. They have 4 children, 6 grandchildren and are members of the St. John deBritto Parish.



CHAMBERLAIN – Jack and Mary Beth Freidel will celebrate their 40th anniversary on Sept. 2. They have 4 children, 3 grandchildren and are members of St. James Parish.



DELL RAPIDS – Mike and Bernie Holmes will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 7. They have 3 children, 5 grandchildren and are members of St. Mary Parish.



DIMOCK – Tim and Millie Wermers will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 14. They have 3 children, 5 grandchildren and are members of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish.



FAULKTON – Buster and Joyce McQuown will celebrate their 65th anniversary on Sept. 22. They have 4 children, 7 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and are members of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish.



HENRY – James and Diane Anderson will celebrate their 25th anniversary on Sept. 4. They have 2 children and are members of St. Henry Parish.



HOWARD – Loren and MaryLou Scott will celebrate their 60th anniversary on Sept. 1. They have 9 children (1 deceased), 20 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Agatha Parish.



HUMBOLDT – James and Edith Jarding will celebrate their 65th anniversary on Sept. 22. They have 8 children (3 deceased), 20 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and are member of St. Ann Parish.



KIMBALL – Wallace and Clara McGregor celebrated their 65th anniversary on Aug. 1. They have 10 children (2 deceased), 32 grandchildren (1 deceased), 30 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Margaret Parish.



LESTERVILLE – Joseph and Dorothy Hejl will celebrate their 70th anniversary on Sept. 30. They have 5 children, 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren (1 deceased) and are members of St. John the Baptist Parish.



MADISON – Doug and Sharon O'Connell celebrated their 55th anniversary on July 13. They have 3 children, 5 grandchildren and are members of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish.



MILBANK – Steve and Patty Wiener celebrated their 45th anniversary on Aug. 24. They have 3 children, 7 grandchildren and are members of St. Lawrence Parish.



MILLER – Melvin and Janis Gimbel will celebrate their 25th anniversary on Sept. 25. They have 2 children and are members of St. Ann Parish.



SIoux FALLS – Duane and Jeanette Van Loh will celebrate their 60th anniversary on Sept. 3. They are members of St. Lambert Parish.



SIoux FALLS – Ronald and Helen Sievers will celebrate their 60th anniversary on Sept. 20. They have 1 child, 2 grandchildren and are members of St. Therese Parish.

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SIOUX FALLS – Jerry and Darlene Delker will celebrate their 60th anniversary on Sept. 30. They have 7 children, 20 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Michael Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Dave and Pat Kopp will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 28. They have 1 child, 3 grandchildren and are members of Holy Spirit Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Martin and Marie Flottmeyer celebrated their 60th anniversary on Aug. 19. They have 4 children, 9 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Lambert Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Rob and Kristen Johnston will celebrate their 25th anniversary on Sept. 4. They have 5 children, 1 grandchild and are members of St. Lambert Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Allen and Lovey Bliss will celebrate their 45th anniversary on Sept. 1. They have 1 child, 3 grandchildren and are members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Wally and Donna Smart will celebrate their 68th anniversary on Sept. 12. They have 5 children, 10 grandchildren (1 deceased), 8 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Michael Parish.



SIOUX FALLS – Kevin and Kim Rechnagel will celebrate their 25th anniversary on Sept. 25. They have one child, 1 grandchild and are members of St. Michael Parish.



SISSETON – Norman and Lois Tchida will celebrate their 65th anniversary on Sept. 30. They have 4 children (2 deceased), 8 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and are members of St. Peter Parish.



TYNDALL – Don and Joyce Sykora will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 26. They have 2 children, 3 grandchildren and are members of St. Leo Parish.



TYNDALL – James and Elsie Osienger will celebrate their 45th anniversary on Sept. 24. They are members of St. Leo Parish.



WATERTOWN – Mike and Laurie Danforth will celebrate their 30th anniversary on Sept. 24. They have 3 children and are members of Holy Name of Jesus Parish.



WATERTOWN – Larry and Florence Eischens will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 21. They have 5 children, 15 grandchildren and are members of Immaculate Conception Parish.



WEBSTER – Pete and Dianne Haugen will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sept. 28. They have 3 children, 9 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild and are members of Christ the King Parish.

Anniversary submissions

Send a color photo, your anniversary news and a self-addressed, stamped envelope by September 14 for inclusion in the October 2018 edition to: The Bishop's Bulletin
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Changing the world requires action, cardinal says

Vatican City (CNS) - Christians must do more than dream of a better world; they must take an active role in changing it, a Vatican official wrote on behalf of Pope Francis. In a message sent to the Meeting in Rimini, an annual event sponsored by the Communion and Liberation movement, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Vatican secretary of state, said men and women must ask themselves how to bring about change in light of the "current situation in the West. We are once again building walls instead of building bridges. We tend to be closed instead of open to others different from us. Indifference grows rather than the desire to take the initiative for change. A sense of fear prevails over trust in the future," he said. To address the problem head-on, he said, Christians must first overcome the fear of change.

Eucharist is a taste of heaven on earth, pope says

Vatican City (CNS) - By receiving the Eucharist at Mass, Christians are given Christ's same spirit and a taste of eternal life, Pope Francis said. "Every time that we participate in the Holy Mass, we hasten heaven on earth in a certain sense because from the eucharistic food -- the body and blood of Christ -- we learn what eternal life is," the pope said during his Angelus address. After praying the Angelus prayer with pilgrims in St. Peter's Square, the pope led them in praying for the victims of massive flooding caused by monsoon rains in the Indian state of Kerala.



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Parish Dinners/Socials

Sept. 9/Immaculate Conception Parish, Watertown, fall festival dinner; serving 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; turkey dinner with all the trimmings and homemade pies; tickets are \$10 each or \$25 per family; take out meals are \$10; raffle prizes include cash giveaway of \$1,000.

Sept. 9/St. George Parish, Scotland, annual fall supper; serving 4-7 p.m. with broasted chicken, baked ham, cheesy potatoes, salads and pie; a raffle will be held at 7 p.m.

Sept. 16/St. Mary Parish, Dell Rapids, turkey dinner and bazaar; serving from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; cost is \$10 for adults; \$6 for ages 7-12. \$3 for ages 3-6 with 2 and under free; carry outs are \$12.

Sept. 16/St. Mary Parish, Aberdeen, Fall Festival and Sunday Dinner; at Roncalli High School, concessions, silent auction, country store, games and more from Noon-7:30 p.m.; roast beef dinner served 3-6:30 p.m.; adults: \$10, children 12 and under: \$5; take out meals available.

Sept. 23/Sacred Heart Parish, Westport, chicken dinner; serving 4-7 p.m.; chicken, potatoes, corn and pie offered.

Sept. 23/St. Peter Parish, Colman; roast beef dinner; serving from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the parish center; cost is \$10 for adults with children 10 and under: \$3; carry outs will be available; country store, kids games and a chance drawing.

Sept. 30/St. John the Baptist Parish, Wagner, will hold its annual parish dinner and bazaar; there will be turkey, pork loin and all the trimmings; serving will be from 4-7 p.m. in the church basement; there will be games for all ages in the CCD center.

Sept. 30/St. Liborius Parish, Polo, will hold its annual bazaar in the Polo gym; serving beef and turkey meal from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; bingo, games, raffles and more until 4.

Oct. 7/Sioux Falls Serra Club Waffle Breakfast to support seminarians; All you can eat Belgian waffles plus a bake sale on Sunday at Christ the King Parish gym (26th and West Ave.); serving will be from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; free will offering will be accepted.

Oct. 7/St. Boniface Parish, Idylwilde (rural Freeman), annual fall supper, serving from 4-7 p.m.; serving pork chops, potatoes, corn, salads, desserts, buns, and beverage.

Oct. 7/St. Stephen Parish, Bridgewater annual sausage supper on Sunday serving from 3-7 p.m.; adults are \$12 and children age 3-12 are \$5; family style serving of

whole hog sausage, potatoes & gravy, beans, sauerkraut, cranberries, buns and homemade pie.

Oct. 7/St. Wenceslaus Parish, Tabor, will hold its dinner and bazaar on Sunday with serving from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; meal will include chicken, dressing, dumplings, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, salads, kolache, rolls, and assorted desserts; there will also be a variety of games, concessions and prizes.

Recitation of the Rosary planned Thursday, Sept. 6, Wednesday, Sept. 12 and Tuesday, Sept. 18 - The Office of the Marian Apostolate will host recitation of the Rosary at 6 p.m. in the Mother's Garden near the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Sioux Falls.

Huron parish celebrating anniversary Sunday, Sept. 9 - Holy Trinity Parish, Huron will celebrate the 50th dedication of the current church structure on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Mass followed by a parish international pot-luck. The celebration will include the present, past and future of the Huron Catholic Community. The 135 years of Catholic Faith within Beadle County which makes up the current parish community of Holy Trinity.

Notre Dame School Reunion planned in Mitchell

Saturday, Sept. 15 - A Notre Dame Catholic School, "All School Reunion" is being held in Mitchell Saturday, September 15. For more information or to register, contact Nicole Fuhrer at 605-999-9127 or nfuhrer@ccfesd.org.

Hartford parish hosting SDRTL Convention Saturday, Sept. 22 - St. George Parish, Hartford, is hosting the 2018 South Dakota Right to Life Convention on Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; registration, vendors and a continental breakfast begin at 8 a.m.; Speakers include Dr. Pat Castle, Life Runners International; Leslie Unruh, founder of the Alpha Center; and Sue Thayer, founder of the Cornerstone for Life; convention questions, call Lisa at 605-351-8778; registration forms available at SDRighttoLife.org.

St. Pio relics coming to Rapid City Sept. 28 and 29 - The St. Pio Foundation is conducting a tour of relics of Padre Pio on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Padre Pio entering eternal life. The relics will be at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Rapid City. The event begins with 5:30 p.m. Mass on Friday and concludes with 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday. For information about public veneration, call 605-343-0507.

Fully Alive retreat set for October Oct. 5-7 - Fully Alive, a retreat for young adults is planned for Friday through Sunday at Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center near Irene. To register or for more information,

visit sfccatholic.org/fullyalive.

National Rosary Rally planned Sunday, Oct. 7 - Catholics are invited to participate in a Rosary rally to conclude the 54-day rosary novena entitled "Novena for Our Nation" including the intentions: "respect for life at all stages of development; the sanctity of marriage and families; upholding constitutionally protected religious freedom; and the return of our nation to God and Holiness." The novena concludes with "The Rosary Coast to Coast" gathering on Sunday, Oct. 7, the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (usually the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary) at 3 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Sioux Falls.

Mother of God Monastery

Sept. 7-8/Dreaming...A Way to Spiritual Growth - Mother of God Monastery located in Watertown is offering a workshop to be held at Harmony Hill Hall from Friday, at 7 p.m. through Saturday at 8 p.m. The facilitator is Sister Emily Meisel; the suggested donation is \$70 (includes room/board) and \$40 for commuters. Please call Sister Emily if you are interested at 605-886-4181 ext. 1.

Oct. 5-6/Fall Directed Retreat: Planting, Tilling, Reaping - the retreat will be held at Harmony Hill Hall from Friday, at 7 p.m. through Saturday at 8 p.m.; participants will be guided in their time of praying with the opportunity for a spiritual direction session; there will be times for silence and sharing to reap the fruits of one's prayer; suggested donation is \$70 (includes room/board and \$40 for commuters; call Sister Emily at 605-886-4181 ext. 1.

Catholic Family Services

Sept. 18-Oct. 23/Grieving the Loss of a parent or sibling; a six week program directed by Dr. Marcie Moran held every Tuesday evening from 6:30- 8:30 p.m. at Catholic Family Service, 523 N. Duluth Ave., Sioux Falls; to register or with questions call 605-988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867.

Sacred Heart Monastery

Sept. 21/Two day overnight retreats/Praying the Scriptures with Mary, Sept. 21-23; Prayer of the Heart, Nov. 7-9; For more information, go to <https://yanktonbenedictines.org/two-day-retreats/> or (605) 668-6292.



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