

Sacred Heart Parish Gettysburg, SD

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NO Saturday Evening River Mass

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the River Mass is **ON HOLD** – for now. We'll evaluate the 'risk factors' on an on-going basis during the summer. The 'come-and-go' campers, fishermen and other visitors just adds too much uncertainty to proceed with this Mass.

Religious Education News

Due to the continued concerns of the COVID-19 pandemic this summer's **Vacation Bible School** has been cancelled.



Parents wanting to teach their Religious Education lessons to their children are asked to please call or text Roberta Dutenhoeffer at 769-1953. She will arrange a time and place for you to pick up your child's Religious Education materials. Please like/follow us on [Facebook.com/SacredHeartEd](https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartEd), for links to educational resources and Youth activities.

Daily Masses Have Resumed at Sacred Heart
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday @ 8:30 am

First Penance Preparation Meeting – Only Meeting!



Parent & student meetings for all 2nd Graders wanting to receive their First Holy Communion should plan to attend a First Penance Preparation Meeting on Sunday, June 28, from 1:30-3:00 pm in the Sacred Heart parish hall. This session includes: preparing the children for their First Penance, each receiving the Sacrament of Penance, and assembling their First Communion banners. We will discuss possible weekends for doing the actual First Communion Masses during July.

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- Bring your **COMPLETED** First Communion lessons (8 lessons) and baptism information sheets to this meeting.

Envelopes are available in the Church Lobby

Online Donation Option Now Available

You can now financially support your parish by making a donation online. Go to our parish website getshc.org and click on the donate box – chose Sacred Heart, Gettysburg from the drop-down list (all parishes of the Diocese are listed) – enter the amount, provide billing information, etc. You can donate from your bank checking or savings account or by credit card.



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Keep in Prayer

Sister M. Loretta	Tom Frost	Karen Briscoe	Royce Simon
Jack Smith	Cheryl Panchow	Mike Maskavitch	Alison Simon
Norm Kostboth	John Knue	Vicki Miller	Brenda Victor
Jack Axsom	Andy Wager	Amanda Lemler	Carol Erikson
Gerald Lacher	Kathy Vetch	Eli Kortan	Rachel Hamburger
Shaelyn Schatz	Evon Koops	Eugene Nagel	Mary Mardian
Linda Simon	Theresa Kirby	Judy Brown	Joyce Wickersham
Taylor Nystrom	Jo Bender	Alan Hoven	Rudy Castaneda
Jerry Jacobson	Tammy Adams	Leonard Schatz	Ronny Kaup
Vaughn Larson	Megan Nystrom	Jim Brown	Jim Nagel
Wilbert Fenger	Darrell Griese	Denise Griese	Amy Cordell
Derald Hanson	Mary Hanson	Cliff Simon	Bridget Lake

Update on RCIA Candidate Receptions

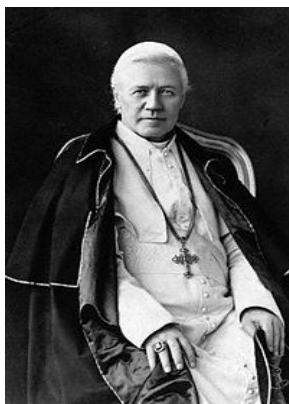
Bishop DeGrood has authorized/delegated pastors to do the Receptions & Confirmations of their RCIA candidates that would have taken place prior to June 1, 2020 at a time following the lifting of the COVID-19 gathering restrictions. We're looking to resume this process after the 1st of June.

Public Weekend Masses to Resume in Gettysburg

Currently these guidelines will apply to all parish Masses:

- If you are sick - in any way, shape or form – **STAY HOME!**
- Attendance at weekend Mass is still **NOT** required – it's **OPTIONAL**,
- Those **over 60** or with **pre-existing conditions** should consider **NOT** attending for now – watch Mass on TV or at GetSHC.org,
- Entrance to the facility will be through the **main WEST LOBBY** only.
- In the church – seating is limited to 70 for 'social distancing' of 6 feet – pews are designated seating or no seating; additional seating is available in the parish hall with a video feed from the church.
- Those attending must **sanitize their hands & wear a mask or face cover**,
- Communion will be distributed at after Mass is concluded – due to required added hand sanitizing, social distancing (and more time!)
- **NO VISITING** or **SOCIALIZING** before or after Mass at/in Church.

CFSA Goal = \$31,800 ~ Collected = \$26,125
from 63 households ~ \$5,675 remaining



St. Pius X Parish Onida, SD

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Update on Confirmation

Bishop DeGrood has authorized/delegated the pastors of parishes to do the Confirmations of their candidates. The same is true for RCIA candidates. *So, for Confirmation – Onida will plan a Confirmation ceremony to be held at St. Pius X done by Fr. Kopel. Right now the choice would be to do it sooner, (perhaps mid-June) – for just the Candidates and their immediate families; or wait until later (July) when a larger group – grandparents & others – could attend. Holding a parish reception/dinner after Confirmation is very unlikely.*



"We're planning a nice, romantic weekend in Minneapolis"



CFSA - St Pius X

The 2020 Catholic Family Sharing Appeal supports the many ministries of the Sioux Falls Diocese. Drop your contribution into the collection basket or send to St. Pius X Parish at PO Box 13, Onida, SD. St. Pius X's tax/ assessment is \$14,000 – up \$900 over last year! We've received \$7,945.54 given by 12 households. Please give generously.

Online Donation Option Now Available

You can now support the work of your parish by making a donation online. Go to our parish website stpiusxonida.org and click on the donate box – chose St. Pius X, Onida from the drop-down list – (all parishes of the Diocese are listed) – enter the donation amount, provide billing information, etc. You can donate from your bank checking or savings account or by credit card.

Keep in Prayer


Judi West	Mel Hackett	Bob Pierce	Jean Hertel
Marquette Brink	Alice Jones	Taelyn Hettick	Ann Chicoine
Mike Fuller	Jo Bender	Kellie Yackley	Diane Lorenz
Lisa Guthmiller			

Please help us keep this list current. If someone has recovered or died please call the parish office at 765-2161 so we can remove them from the list.

Advanced Ministry Assignments Body & Blood of Jesus ~ 9:00 am Mass

Sacristan.....	Sun 6-21.....	Mary Sieck,
Greeters/Entry Oversight.....	Sun 6-21.....	Kirk & Jackie Yackley.
Lector.....	Sun 6-21.....	Steven Davis,
Altar Servers.....	Sun 6-21.....	None,
Eucharistic Minister.....	Sun 6-21.....	Mary Sieck.

Masses and Intentions for Sacred Heart June 8-14, 2020		Sacrament of Penance Times
MONDAY Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	No Mass – Fr. Kopel's Day Off	Sacred Heart ~ Gettysburg. Saturday at Noon and 6:00 pm. Also offered by appointment ~ call Fr. Kopel at 765-2161 Additional times prior to Christmas and prior to Easter
TUESDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Well-being of Wilbert Fenger & Amy Cordell	Sacramental Preparation Baptism. Prep-Baptism program required for the first child. Call Fr. Kopel to arrange for date and time. Marriage. Six (6) months preparation time prior to marriage. Date may not be set until preparation has begun. Contact Fr. Kopel well in advance of any desired date.
WEDNESDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Health of Pete Severson	
THURSDAY ~ 4:00 pm Oahe Manor ~ Gettysburg	No Public Mass	Sacred Heart Parish Staff Pastor. Fr. Jerry Kopel ~ 765-2161 or 769-4062 Secretary. Beverly Thomas ~ 765-2161 Office Hours: Monday-Friday ~ 9:00am to noon Religious Education. Roberta Dutenhoeffer ~ 765-2359 or C:769-1953 Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday ~ 2:00-5:00pm and by appointment.
FRIDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Tom Schlachter (d)	
SATURDAY ~ 6:30 pm Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Sacred Heart & St. Pius X Parishioners Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus	
SUNDAY ~ 9:00 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Donna Nylender (d) Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus	

Liturgical Ministers for June 13-14, 2020			
	Saturday ~ 6:30 pm Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus	Sunday ~ 11:00 am Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus	
Greeter & Lobby Oversight	Don & Lila Hericks	Vic & Patty Beringer	
Lector	Paul Oberlither	Jackie Hansen	
Ministers of Eucharist	Don Hericks	Joanne Beringer	
Altar Servers			
Rosary			
Music		Kay Schmidt	
Video Operator Projection Operator	Josh Cordell Roberta Dutenhoeffer	Tanner Eide Roberta Dutenhoeffer	
Homebound Minister			

Masses & Intentions for St. Pius X ~ June 14, 2020					
Wednesday ~ 5:30 pm	No Mass		Sunday ~ 9:00 am Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus	Carol Owens (d)	
Liturgical Ministers for June 14, 2020					
	Sacristan	Greeter/Lobby Oversight	Lector	Eucharist Ministers	Altar Servers
Sunday ~ 9:00 am Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus	Mary Sieck	Don & Mary Sieck	Lexie Rausch	Ashley Yackley	None
St. Pius X Parish Staff			Sacrament of Penance		
Pastor..... Fr. Jerry Kopel ~ Office: 765-2161 or Cell: 769-4062 Secretary..... Lisa Guthmiller ~ 258-2336 Office Hours:..... Mon & Thurs ~ 8:30am-Noon; Wed ~ 9:00am-5:00pm Religious Education..... Stacie Weinheimer ~ Office: 258-2336 & Cell: 280-9382			First Sunday at 10:30 am ~ prior to the 11:00 am Mass Other Sunday's at 8:30 am – prior to the 9:00 am Mass Also offered by appointment - call Fr. Kopel at 765-2161		

Sunday Scriptural Reflection

Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus ~ June 7, 2020

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

John 3:16-18

For many, approaching Trinity Sunday as the Sunday after Pentecost is both logical and daunting. It is the logical “next step” after the celebration of Pentecost: having moved through Lent and Easter, a movement climaxing with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, it makes sense that we should step back and acknowledge the unity of Father, Son and Spirit that lies behind the sacred history that the Liturgical Year has just unfolded. But such a perspective is also daunting: like the incarnation, the Trinity is precisely one of those parts of our faith that escapes reason's grasp. How to pray and preach about so full a mystery in a single celebration? As always, the selections from Scripture give us points of entry that can freshen mind and imagination as we revisit this part of the heart of our faith.

John 3:16 is possibly the most familiar chapter-and-verse citation in the world. In North America at least, we meet “John 3:16” on billboards, bumper stickers, and even on placards appearing at major sports events broadcast on national television. It is easy to understand why. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life” – as a one-liner, this is a powerful summation of the Gospel. Yet, powerful as it is, the single verse requires its full context to be fully understood. John 3:16 is very much part of the fabric of the Fourth Gospel. Let us restore the verse to its setting and see how that setting helps us hear those words more clearly.

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son . . .” This is not a word spoken on the way to the cross. The import of those simple words describing the action of God – “loved” and “gave” – surely derive from the post-Easter perspective that dominates the language of the Fourth Gospel. The Father “gave” the Son not only in the incarnation but also in the giving over to death by crucifixion. Commentators have observed that the language of a father giving an only son resonates with the Jewish memory of Abraham's readiness to give his only son in sacrifice. It also catches the divine self-emptying celebrated in the hymn that Paul quotes in the second chapter of his letter to the Philippians:

*though he was in the form of God, [he] did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself
“... so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.”*

(Phil 2:6-7) As in John's prologue, this hymn addresses the whole movement of divine self-revelation in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Eternal life [zoen ionion] means more than our spontaneous contemporary understanding of these words suggests. In John's vocabulary, “eternal life” is not simply unending life after death. It means literally “the eon life”—or the life of the “age to come,” already begun. It is precisely the new “born-again” or “born-from-above” life that Jesus had just been discussing with Nicodemus earlier in this third chapter of John. To have eternal life is to enter or see the kingdom of God by being born of “water and Spirit” (Jn 3:4-5). The rest of the Gospel of John leads us to see that to believe in the Son is to accept Jesus as sent by the Father to show who God is and demonstrate what life with God is all about—laying down our lives for one another as Jesus lay down his life for us. And the gift of the Spirit of God is what enables us to live that “eternal life” here and now. Eternal life is the baptized person's participation in the life of the Trinity, both before and after our biological death.

The reading from Exodus 34 – with its precious description of the Lord God as “slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity” – is another helpful starting point for reflection on Trinity. John the Evangelist alludes to those very words in his prologue: “While the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ” (Jn 1:17). “Grace and truth” echoes “kindness and fidelity”; both phrases reflect the same Hebrew expression describing God's covenant love in Exodus 34:6. John speaks here of one gift replacing another. First God gave the gift of the law through Moses, but the fullness of covenant love was finally given through the incarnation of the eternal Son as Jesus of Nazareth.

Finally, Paul's blessing of the Corinthians reminds us that the normal peace and harmony of Christian community is a matter of collaboration with the Trinity: “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with you all!”

Dennis Hamm, S.J.



The Pastor's Ponderings

This has not been a good week for our nation. Not only is the COVID-19 pandemic still menacing our daily routine but now we see the turmoil and destruction that is taking place in many of our cities – even in little Sioux Falls, SD! It is both sad and troubling.

When I was living in the Twin Cities I lived in St. Paul right along the Mississippi River. South Minneapolis was just to the west across the river. In the early 70s Lake Street at was a ‘pit’. But over the years it had experienced a renewal; the seedy bars and clubs were displaced and new stores, restaurants and professional offices opened in their place, Cub Foods and Target built stores that were on par with what the rest of the Twin Cities enjoyed. It seemed to be making progress toward a new and brighter future. Apparently, underneath these visible steps forward, there were other issues that remained unresolved.

Watching the 6 minute video of the Minneapolis police officer with his knee on neck of George Floyd while he cried out that he couldn't breathe and the police officer behaving as he's out for a casual walk in the park – is just plain offensive. It shows a total lack of compassion and disregard for the well-being of another person. It's just ‘cold blooded’ behavior. The inaction of the other officers on the scene is equally disturbing.

People often remark, “one person can't make that much of a difference”. Well, this is a case where one person's callous action has made a BIG difference – not just for an individual who is now dead; but for untold numbers of people whose lives and livelihoods are caught up in the protests, vandalism, mayhem and civil disorder. What he did has sparked a wildfire that has brought forth anger and rage, violence and destruction on an unimaginable level.

And so here we are. As if things were not bad enough – with COVID-19, record unemployment, uncertainty of when we will get back to normal, will schools reopen in the Fall, etc. We now have this sorry mess heaped on top of everything else.

Weekday Masses Resume in Gettysburg

In addition to the Saturday 6:30 pm and the Sunday AM Masses now being held in Gettysburg – I am resuming daily Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 am. Entry is still by the West Lobby doors, with hand sanitizing, masks and social distancing required. The start of the Wednesday evening 5:30 pm Mass at St. Pius X, Onida, is still on hold.

We're Looking for Help with Mass Ministries!

We are looking for parishioners at both Sacred Heart and St. Pius X who are willing to help with the various ministries of weekend Masses. We can use more lectors, communion ministers, greeters – right now acting more as a ‘gate keeper’, musicians and – in Gettysburg – video and projection operators. Many of our current ministers fall into the ‘high risk group’ due to age, etc. So we are really interested in some parishioners in their 30s and 40s. We also inviting junior high and high school students to operate the video and projection equipment – but all ages are welcome. Call the Sacred Heart rectory office at 765-2161 or contact Lisa Guthmiller in Onida at 258-2336 or speak with Fr. Kopel.

