

Sacred Heart Parish Gettysburg, SD

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Third Sunday of Easter ~ April 18, 2021

Religious Education News

Vacation Bible School
TREASURED May 24-27,
2021. VBS Registration forms

are available online and in the lobby, and have been distributed in all of the RE classes to take home. Please return them to class or mail them in to the parish, or you can drop them off in the mailbox at the entrance to the RE building. We would like to get an idea of how many kids will be participating in this year's program, so please turn in your child's registration form if they are planning to attend Vacation Bible School May 24-27, 2021, or call/text Roberta Dutenhoeffer if you are thinking about having them attend but have not yet filled in the form. See sacredhearted.org/vbs for more information.

Religious Education classes continue. The final in-person evening class for grades 6-9 will be on May 5th. In the meantime, there are two online class sessions left for grades 6-9, please have your child log in to the portal at sacredhearted.org to complete their lesson each week.

Looking ahead, next fall we plan to return to weekly in-person classes for all grades. For more information or to volunteer for next year's program, see sacredhearted.org and like/follow us on [facebook.com/sacredhearted](https://www.facebook.com/sacredhearted).



First Holy Communion Celebrations & Interviews

Parents are reminded to arrange for their child's First Communion Interview with Fr. Kopel – **BEFORE Tuesday, April 20.** Schedule them soon! Each takes ½ hour.

Parish First Communion Masses

Gettysburg. Sunday, April 25. 11:00 am Mass,

Onida. Sunday, May 2. 11:00 am Mass.

Keep in Prayer

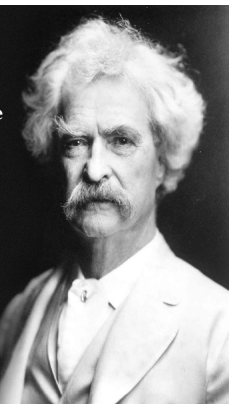
Tom Frost	Karen Briscoe	Tammy Adams	Royce Simon
Jack Smith	Cheryl Panchow	Mike Maskavitch	Alison Simon
Jerry Jacobson	John Knue	Vicki Miller	Brenda Victor
Jack Axson	Andy Wager	Amanda Lemler	Carol Erikson
Gerald Lacher	Kathy Vetch	Eli Kortan	Rachel Hamburger
Shaelyn Schatz	Evon Koops	Eugene Nagel	Mary Mardian
Jennifer Jost	Theresa Kirby	Judy Brown	Diego Lamendola
Taylor Nystrom	Jo Bender	Alan Hoven	Rudy Castaneda
David McGough	Darrell Griesse	Leonard Schatz	Cliff Simon
Vaughn Larson	Megan Nystrom	Jim Brown	Jim Nagel
Bridget Lake	Denise Griesse	Amy Cordell	Mark Senftner
Clarrisa Triemert			Michele Cook

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.

2021 CFSA for Sacred Heart Parish

Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one's lifetime.

- Mark Twain



The 2021 Catholic Family Sharing Appeal provides the funding for ministries within our diocese. Please consider a gift to this appeal, fill out your pledge card & drop off at church or mail to PO Box 185. Sacred Heart's assessment is \$30,000. Thus far we have received \$28,130 from 64 households.

KC Homemade Sausage for Sale

The Knights of Columbus are selling their homemade, smoked sausage. Cost is \$10/package. Contact any KC member.



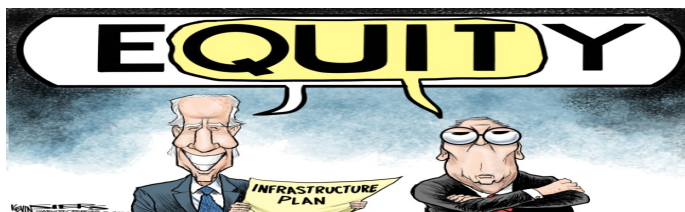
Return Your Rice Bowls

Now that Lent has ended – we have finished with the Lenten Rice Bowl program. These funds will be sent to Catholic Relief Services to assist the needy around the world. Place them in the basket on the lobby table.



Confirmation Class Sunday

The Confirmation preparation classes for grades 10-11-12 will meet Sunday, April 25, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Topic: Heaven & Hell, Angels and Demons. **STUDENTS ARE NOW REQUIRED TO ATTEND LIVE CLASS in the parish hall – no more on-line class viewing accepted.**





St. Pius X Parish Onida, SD

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Religious Education News

Religious Education classes continue each Wednesday afternoon and evening.

- Grades 1-5 4:00 pm to 5:15 pm.
- Grades 6-7-8. 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Grades 9-10. 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Please do NOT send your children to Religious Ed class too early; they will be allowed in the building starting at 3:50 pm and should go straight to their classroom.
- Hand Sanitizer used as we enter the buildings. Social Distancing practiced in classrooms, and in the church & church basement – 6 feet apart & not longer than 15 minutes in close proximity.
- Masks are optional for anyone who would like to bring their own mask and wear it. We do NOT plan on using the masks in the church as was stated in the Parent Letter.



- Lastly, if your child shows ANY signs or symptoms of illness, please do NOT send them to Religious Ed class.

- Our last class for the year is April 28, 2021.
- Contact Stacie @ 280-9382 if you have questions or concerns.

Keep in Prayer

Judi West	Jennie Birdsall	Mel Hackett	Jean Hertel
Terry Shawgo	Alice Jones	Taelyn Hettick	Ann Chicoine
Mike Fuller	Marquette Brink	Barb (Sutera) Opitz	Bob Pierce
Brenda Victor	Diane Lorenz	Jo Bender	

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Advanced Ministry Assignments

Sacristan.....	5/2.....	Sharon Swan,
Greeters.....	5/2....	Tom & Ashley Yackley Fam,
Lector.....	5/2.....	Joe Stahl,
Altar Servers.....	5/2.....	Aubrie Weinheimer,
		Mallory Wiley,
Eucharistic Ministers.....	5/2.....	Mike Owens.

First Holy Communion Celebrations & Interviews

Parents are reminded that their child's First Communion Interview with Fr. Kopel – will be held on Wednesday evening, April 21 – you'll be contacted for a time. Allow 30 minutes per interview – bring your child's 1st Communion lesson packet.

Parish First Communion Masses

Gettysburg. Sunday, April 25. ... 11:00 am Mass,
Onida..... Sunday, May 2. 11:00 am Mass.



CFSA - St. Pius X Parish

The 2021 Catholic Family Sharing Appeal supports the many ministries of the Sioux Falls Diocese. Drop contributions into the collection basket or send to St. Pius X Parish at PO Box 13, Onida, SD. St. Pius X Parish's assessment is \$14,000 – received \$8,715 – left \$5,285. Please give generously.

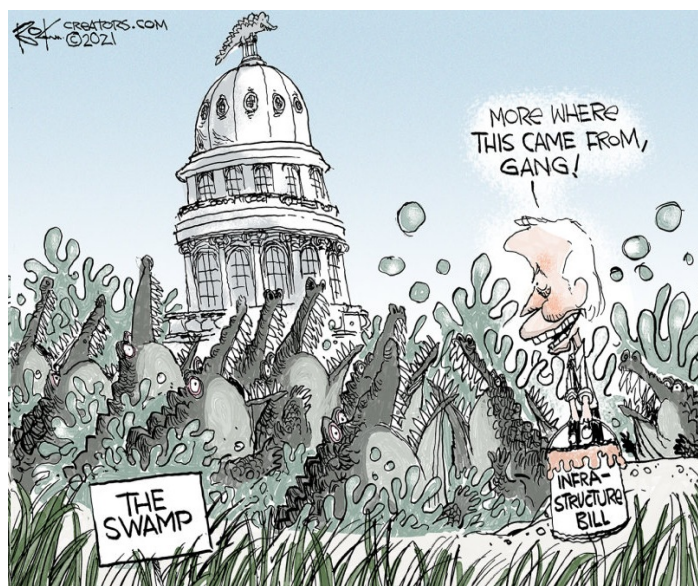
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KC Homemade Sausage Coming to Onida THIS Sunday

The Knights of Columbus are selling their homemade, smoked sausage. Cost is \$10 per package. KC members will be traveling to Onida NEXT Sunday, April 18, to sell their fantastic smoked sausage. Each is vacuum sealed and frozen. Boil-in-the-bag, on the grill or from the frying pan – Oh, so good!



Masses and Intentions for Sacred Heart April 18-25, 2021		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	Poor Souls (d)	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	Gerald Peters (d)	
THURSDAY ~ 4:00 pm Oahe Manor ~ Gettysburg	Wilbert Fenger (d)	Sacred Heart Parish Staff Pastor..... Fr. Jerry Kopel ~ Office: 765-2161 or Cell: 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
FRIDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Betty Poeppel (d)	
SATURDAY ~ 6:30 pm Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Brick and Tilli Duncan (d) <i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	
SUNDAY ~ 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Sacred Heart & St. Pius X Parishioners <i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	

Liturgical Ministers for April 24-25, 2021			
	Saturday ~ 6:30 pm Fourth Sunday of Easter	Sunday ~ 11:00 am Fourth Sunday of Easter	
Greeter & Offertory	Brenda & Bill Frost	Vic & Patty Beringer	
Lector	Don Hericks	Shirley Permann	
Ministers of Eucharist	Rose Schatz	Gerri Eide	
Altar Servers			
Rosary			
Music	Brenda Frost	Kay Schmidt	
Video Operator	Josh Cordell	Tanner Eide	
Video Projectionist	Haylie Ahlemeier Nicole Cordell Makaivry Schatz	Megan Hermann Bobbi Eide	
Homebound Minister		Lori Hunnel	

Masses & Intentions for St. Pius X ~ April 25, 2021					
Wednesday ~ 5:30 PM	NO MASS			Sunday ~ 9:00 am	Well-being & Blessings upon Bobbi Meyer & Ryan Hanson
Liturgical Ministers for April 25, 2021					
	Sacristan	Greeter/Offertory	Lector	Eucharist Ministers	Altar Servers
Third Sunday of Easter 9:00 am	Diane Lorenz	Jeremy & Val Chicoine Family	Greg Yackley	Greg Lorenz	Courtne Weinheimer Hope Weinheimer
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

Third Sunday of Easter ~ April 18, 2021

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

1 John 2:1-5a

Luke 24:35-48

Let's look at the big picture. When John the Evangelist wants to highlight one of Jesus' healings to illustrate the meaning of his ministry, he picks the healing of the man born blind (John 9), for in his Gospel believing is the deepest kind of seeing; in that sense, we are all born blind until we have the faith to see afresh by the light of the world that is Jesus. Similarly, when Luke wants to illustrate what is going forward in his history of the post-Easter Church, he chooses to focus first, and at great length, on the healing of the man born lame (Acts 3-4), for in his account the Church is called "the Way." Relative to that way, we are all born lame until we are moved by faith from the paralysis of nonbelief to movement on the Way, following the risen Lord Jesus.

The reading from Acts that we hear this Sunday is drawn from the speech that follows and explains the healing of the man born lame. Since the excerpt used in the reading is rarely commented upon and even more rarely placed in context, it might be helpful to do so here.

The occasion of Peter's speech is the healing that precedes it. Peter and John, continuing their Jewish practice of worshiping at the Temple, approach the Beautiful Gate and encounter a well-known beggar there. Having no money, Peter gives him what he does have. He says to the man born lame, "in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean, [rise and] walk." Peter takes him by the hand, raises him up, and immediately the man stands up, walks, and begins leaping. The action of jumping is important to Luke, for he mentions it twice in this brief account.

Why the emphasis on leaping? There is only one place in the Hebrew Bible that mentions the lame leaping, the oracle about Israel's deliverance in Isa 35:6:

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the dumb will sing.

Jesus himself had alluded to this passage when asked to identify himself to John the Baptist's disciples (see Luke 7:22). It would seem that Luke underscores the leaping of the healed man because he sees in this physical cure a sign of the larger meaning of what is going forward in post-Easter Jerusalem: the healing illustrates, "acts out," the restoration of Israel that is occurring in the growth of the Christian community after Pentecost.

When the spectacle of the lame man leaping draws a crowd, Peter is quick to interpret this event against the long story of Israel: "The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. . . ." The language evokes Genesis and Isaiah. That is, the God who identified himself as God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to Moses in the burning bush episode (Gen 3:6), the God of the covenant, who enabled the people to make the Exodus out of Egypt, has also fulfilled the prophecy of the fourth Servant Song (Isa 52:13) in "glorifying his servant" Jesus in the resurrection. And this healing, with all it represents, is an extension of that glorification. In rejecting Jesus at Passover time, they had involved themselves in something bigger than they knew. They should repent, therefore, not just from complicity in Jesus' death, but in response to the call to conversion that was the thrust of Jesus' public life.

The speech continues to explain the implications of the resurrection with references to the Hebrew Bible. This Jesus is the "prophet-like- Moses" mentioned in Deuteronomy 18, whom God has indeed "raised up" (the event of the resurrection giving a new sense to the original meaning of "raise up" in Deuteronomy). The final words of the speech complete the interpretation.

Moreover, all the prophets who spoke, from Samuel and those afterwards, also announced these days. You are the children of the prophets and of the covenant that God made with your ancestors when he said to Abraham, "In your offspring all the families of the earth shall be blessed." For you first, God raised up his servant and sent him to bless you by turning each of you from your evil ways.



The Pastor's Ponderings

It certainly has been cold and windy outside this past week – but we did seem to get a decent amount of moisture. I think we got another 80 hundredths to a full inch the last several days - so close to 2 inches. May God continue to bless us with moisture.

Bishop DeGrood will be at Sacred Heart on Saturday, June 12, to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation at a 4:00 pm Mass. Following Confirmation the parish will host a **dinner for the Confirmation candidates and their families. The number of dinner guests per candidate is set at 12 total – the candidate and 11 guests.** I will speak with students about this at the Confirmation class this Sunday, April 11. I will send a form home with them to collect the number of guests for each candidate.

Second grade parents in Gettysburg's First Communion Program are reminded to set up their child's interview! Deadline is Tuesday, April 20. Call Fr. Kopel at 765-2161 to set up your time slot – after school or evenings – no weekends.

Students in Onida will have their interviews on Wednesday, April 21 – after school and in the early evening. You will be contacted by the parish to set up a time.

Coming Events

Tuesday, May 11. **Special Parish Council Gathering** with Fr. Brian Simon (new Pastor) at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.
Parish Council members ONLY.

Sunday, May 16. **Parish Baccalaureate Masses**
Onida @ 9:00 am Mass
Gettysburg @ 11:00 am Mass

Saturday, May 22. **Gettysburg High School Graduation**
Sunday, May 23 to Monday, May 31. . . Fr. Kopel house hunting in Cookeville, Tennessee.

Saturday, May 29. **River Mass begins @ 7:30 pm, REPLACES the 6:30 pm parish Mass.**

Saturday, June 12. **Confirmation Mass at 4:00 pm** with Bishop Donald DeGrood.
No 6:30 pm parish Mass and NO RIVER MASS due to Confirmation!

Saturday-Sunday, June 26-27. Fr. Kopel's last weekend.

Wednesday, June 30. . . . Fr. Kopel's final day before retirement.

Sunday Scriptural Reflection — continued

In other words, Jesus, as risen Lord, is operating through the likes of Peter and John, implementing the covenant with Abraham promising that Israel would be a blessing to all nations.

When we hear these words as Luke intended us to hear them, this speech brings the meaning of resurrection right into our own backyard. Like the first group of "Israel restored," we meet the risen Lord in the life and mission of the community of believers.

Dennis Hamm, S.J.

