

Sacred Heart Parish Gettysburg, SD

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5th Sunday of Lent ~ March 29, 2020



Religious Education News

Religious Education classes are **CANCELLED** until further notice. With the public schools closed down due to the Covid-19 pandemic we will follow their lead.

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.

A Donation Drop Box Has Been Installed in the West Lobby Entry

Lenten No Meat Fridays

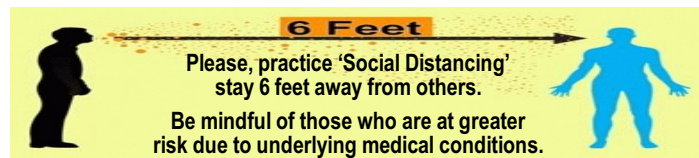
Abstinence from meats is observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on all Lenten Fridays.

Stations of the Cross Cancelled

Friday Stations of the Cross are **CANCELLED** for the remainder of Lent.

Online Donation Option Now Available

You can now financially support the work of 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. and your donation will make it's way to your parish via the Sioux Falls Diocese. You can donate from your bank checking or savings account or by credit card. *Screen grabs of the donation 'steps/pages' are included in this bulletin.*



Parish Council Meetings Suspended

Due to the current coronavirus pandemic and guidelines asking that groups of more than 10 people not take place and that everyone stay 6 feet apart – **Parish Council meetings, Altar Society meetings and other non-essential gatherings will be suspended until this restriction is lifted.** *Regular Financial statements have been sent out to Council members and if a need arises that requires some significant decision a phone teleconference will be set up.*

Suspension of All Sunday and Daily Masses and All Public Gatherings of More Than 10 Due to the Coronavirus Outbreak

Keep in Prayer

Sister M. Loretta
Jack Smith
Norm Kostboth
Jack Axson
Gerald Lacher
Shaelyn Schatz
Linda Simon
Taylor Nystrom
Jerry Jacobson
Vaughn Larson
Wilbert Fenger
Derald Hanson

Tom Frost
Cheryl Panchow
John Knue
Andy Wager
Kathy Vetch
Evon Kooops
Theresa Kirby
Jo Bender
Tammy Adams
Megan Nystrom
Darrell Griese
Mary Hanson

Karen Briscoe
Mike Maskavitch
Vicki Miller
Amanda Lemler
Eli Kortan
Eugene Nagel
Judy Brown
Alan Hoven
Leonard Schatz
Jim Brown
Denise Griese

Royce Simon
Alison Simon
Brenda Victor
Carol Erikson
Rachel Hamburger
Mary Mardian
Joyce Wickersham
Rudy Castaneda
Ronny Kaup
Jim Nagel
Amy Cordell

Knights of Columbus State Raffle

\$25,000 in cash prizes awarded
Grand Prize - \$10,000
Tickets \$20 each or 3 for \$50
Winners will be drawn at the annual KC State Convention
Need not to be present to win
Contact a Knight for ticket info.

Gettysburg Knights of Columbus Raffle

Grand Prize - 65" Ultra HD TV
Cash Prizes = \$300, \$75, \$50, \$25
Tickets \$10 each
Winners drawn at a later date yet to be determined.
Need not to be present to win
Contact a Knight for ticket info.

KC Homemade Sausage for Sale

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



CFSA - Sacred Heart Parish

The 2020 Catholic Family Sharing Appeal supports the many ministries of the Sioux Falls Diocese. Drop contributions into the collection basket or send to Sacred Heart Parish at PO Box 285, Gettysburg, SD. **Sacred Heart's assessment is \$31,800. We have received \$20,350 from 48 households. Please give generously.**

First Confession Parent-Student Meetings scheduled for March 29 in Gettysburg and on April 5 in Onida are CANCELLED until a later time.



St. Pius X Parish Onida, SD

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Religious Education classes are cancelled FOR ALL GRADES until further notice. With the public schools closed down due to the Covid-19 pandemic we will follow their lead.

Parents wanting to teach their Religious Education lessons to their children are asked to please call Stacie Weinheimer at Office: 258-2336, Cell: 280-9382. She will arrange a time and place for you to pick up your child's Religious Education materials.

First Sunday Lunch CANCELLED

The First Sunday Lunch scheduled for Sunday, April 5, is cancelled due to the suspension of Sunday Masses. Let's look forward to resuming the lunches next Fall.



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The guidelines from the Sioux Falls Diocese for Funerals, Marriages, Baptisms and Confessions are available on our webpage - GetSHC.org.

Lent Rule – No Meat Fridays

Abstinence from meats is observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on all Lenten Fridays.

Keep in Prayer

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

"The greatest compassion is the prevention of human suffering through patience, alertness, courage and kindness."

Amit Ray



CFSA - St Pius X

The 2020 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's tax/ assessment is \$14,000 – up \$900 over last year! Thus far we have received \$7,945.54 given by 12 households. Please give generously.**

Online Donation Option Now Available

You can now financially support the work of your parish by making a donation online. Go to our parish website getshc.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. and your donation will make it's way to your parish via the Sioux Falls Diocese. You can donate from your bank checking or savings account or by credit card. Screen grabs of the donation 'steps/pages' are included in this bulletin.



Sunday Scriptural Reflection

Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ March 29, 2020

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:45

Who wants the fullness of life? Everyone. Advertisers know this very well. And so they contrive commercials that prompt us to associate evocative phrases like “the fabric of our lives” or “as good as it gets” with specific products, hoping that we will associate our quest for life's fullness with the purchase of those commodities.

The Bible, of course, also makes claims about the fullness of life. It often does so in surprising language. The readings for this Sunday provide stunning examples of biblical imagery about the fullness of life.

The reading from Ezekiel – “I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel” – comes as an explanation of the famous vision of the valley of the dry bones. People who do not read the whole chapter (Ezekiel 37) can miss the message entirely. Ezekiel is shown a valley full of bones and is commanded to prophesy to the bones: “See! I will bring spirit into you, that you may come to life. I will put sinews upon you, make flesh grow over you, cover you with skin, and put spirit in you so that you may come to life and know that I am the Lord.” The prophet does as he is told, and in a process celebrated in the African American spiritual “Dry Bones,” the bones are reconstructed into skeletons, enlivened, and revived, “they came alive and stood upright, a vast army. Then he said to me: Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They have been saying, ‘Our bones are dried up, our hope is lost, and we are cut off.’” It is at that point that today's First Reading begins, with its promise to return the people to their homeland.

When we recall that Ezekiel was preaching to the Judeans living in exile in Babylon, it is clear that the passage is not first of all about resurrection. Rather, it uses resurrection imagery to describe the restoration of the people that comes about when the Persian Cyrus the Great conquers the Babylonians and allows the Judeans to return. Thus the imagery of resurrection portrays God's revival of his covenant people and the renewal of their relationship with him (“Thus you shall know that I am the Lord”). This vision proclaims that, for Israel, the fullness of their life as a people is knowing the saving power of God in that covenant relationship.

The account of the raising of Lazarus is another exploration into the fullness of life; in this case it is the fullness found by responding to Jesus as the one Sent by the Father. As is usual in the Fourth Gospel, insight comes through conversations in which there are two levels of understanding. Jesus makes statements that are misunderstood by his interlocutors because they hear him in a conventional and superficial way, whereas he means something deeper. Jesus says to his disciples that Lazarus is sleeping and that he is going to awaken him. They take the idiom of sleep and awakening literally, whereas Jesus is really talking about resuscitation of the dead man.

We soon discover that the physical resuscitation of a dead man is a sign of something deeper still. Jesus arrives four days after Lazarus's death, and Martha scolds him for not coming earlier to heal her brother. When Jesus says, “Your brother will rise,” she takes this as a conventional reference to the general resurrection “on the last day.” Jesus responds, “I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.” In this statement, Jesus has moved beyond the traditional Jewish expectation of the general resurrection and applied that language to the new life that a person enters by relating to him with faith.

Just as the healing of the man born blind is a sign of something else, the deeper “seeing” that is the life of faith, the raising of Lazarus from physical death is a sign of a deeper awakening to the fullness of life, the “eternal life” that comes with Christian faith. This is a variation on John 5:24:

Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes in the one who sent me has eternal life and will not come to condemnation, but has passed from death to life.

This transformation is the fullness of life, of which the general resurrection will be a later confirmation.

Dennis Hamm, S.J.



The Pastor's Ponderings

We are webcasting the 6:30 pm Saturday Mass and posting it for later viewing on our webpage www.GetSHC.org. While it is rather ‘odd’ for me to celebrate Mass with only a few necessary people present – it is what we’ve got to do. Hopefully this will blow over soon and we can return to some kind of normal life.

During this Covid-19 disruption – the parish continues to have expenses and bills have to be paid. Your generosity has and continues to be most appreciated. We have put an online donation option on our parish website getshc.org. This site allows you to make a donation to any parish in the Sioux Falls Diocese – so it will work for both Sacred Heart and St. Pius X equally. Also, we added a donation drop box in the west lobby entrance at Sacred Heart.

Both parish churches will remain open for private prayer. In anticipation of still being under group gathering restrictions for Holy Week – I am going to place the HOLY WEEK Missellettes out in the church lobbies for the taking – stop by and pick up one for your household. The weekly parish bulletin will be printed as usual and available both on our parish webpages and on the church lobby tables. The ‘Word Among Us’ and in Gettysburg the ‘Our Sunday Visitor’ Catholic news paper will also be available in the lobby.

If anyone wants to visit – I am available. Give me a call at 765-2161. Confessions will still be offered at Noon and 6:00 pm on Saturdays. Sadly, the Saturday 6:30 pm Parish Mass is closed to the public. No more than 10 people are allowed to gather – that means a lector, music person, a video operator and myself will normally be the only people at the Mass.

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Bishop Donald DeGrood

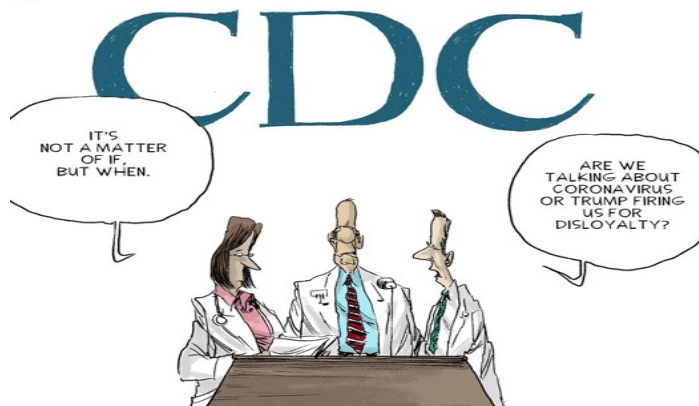
Join Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic staff in having the ‘Best Lent Ever!’ Sign-up for a free daily reflection sent directly to your email. The Dynamic Catholic ‘Best Lent Ever’ sign-up address is <https://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever>.

The ‘the Word Among Us’ contains daily Lenten reflections, daily Mass readings and more. Please take one home for you and your household.

Operation Rice Bowl – A Lenten Tradition

Pick up your Rice Bowl at the church entrances. The money you save by having one simple meal – soup and bread, for instance – over a regular meal goes into the Rice Bowl for the needy. Or put your ‘left over’ pocket change in the Rice Bowl at the close of each day.

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