

Sacred Heart Parish Gettysburg, SD

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1st Sunday of Lent ~ February 21, 2021

Lenten Rule ~ No Meat on Fridays

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



Homemade Sausage 4 Sale

The Knights of Columbus are selling their home-made, smoked sausage which is available to purchase. *Cost is \$10/package.* Contact any KC member.



Confirmation Class Sunday

The Confirmation preparation classes for grades 10-11-12 will meet **Sunday, February 21, at 7:00 pm** in the parish hall. We'll start our study of the **Sacraments**.

Religious Education News

Religious Education classes for grades 1-5 resume on Wednesday, February 24. The next in-person evening class for grades 6-9 will be on Wednesday, March 10, from 7:00-8:15 PM. We are still looking for a parent or two to volunteer to teach grade 6 in March and April.



COVID-19 Update: While there is no Diocese regulation on the use of masks for religious education classes, we continue to recommend that the children wear masks where social distancing is not possible; and to practice good hygiene (hand washing/ hand sanitizing) and social distancing. If you are concerned about the COVID-19 situation and would like to teach your child from home, contact Mrs. Dutenhoeffer to pick up their book and get their login to the RE portal.



On-line Classes: Grades 6-9 have online classes through the RE portal at sacredhearted.org for the next 3 weeks – be sure to email sacredheartre@venturecomm.net if your child needs help logging in.

TEACHERS NEEDED: We need substitute teachers for afternoon and evening classes. *We are also looking for someone to take over the first grade class in March for the final 5 sessions.* Please call or text 769-1953 to volunteer. Stay informed!

Let's stay in touch: Text SACRED to 97000 for our automated notifications of class cancellations, or sign up on our website at www.getshc.org.

CFSA - Sacred Heart 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 Sacred Heart Parish at PO Box 285, Gettysburg, SD. Sacred Heart's assessment is \$30,000 – a drop of \$1,800 from the previous year. All households should have received a contribution letter from the Diocese. We ask that you would please give generously.

First Communion Prep Meetings

Parent & student meetings for all 2nd Graders desiring to receive their First Holy Communion have been held and prep-materials given out. Next steps . . .



First Penance Preparation Classes

Gettysburg Hall. Sunday, March 21. 1:30-3:00 pm,
Onida House. Sunday, March 28. 1:30-3:00 pm,

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 Axsom	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 Griese	Leonard Schatz	Cliff Simon
Vaughn Larson	Megan Nystrom	Jim Brown	Jim Nagel
Bridget Lake	Denise Griese		
Amy Cordell	Mark Senftner		

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.





St. Pius X Parish Onida, SD

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St. Pius X does NOT have day-time classes next Wednesday, February 24, due to ABO Schools early release. *But we DO have evening classes next week.*

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.**

- **Contact Stacie @ 280-9382 if you have questions or concerns.**

Lenten Stations of the Cross

St. Pius X Parish will have Stations of the Cross in Onida -- led by our RE students – on Wednesdays during Lent, beginning on Wednesday, March 3rd. They begin at 4:45pm and finish by 5:15pm. **NOTE: NO DAY-TIME classes on February 24 due to ABO Schools early release. There are EVENING classes.** All parents, grandparents, and parish members are welcome to join us for Stations! We will be spread out very well in our church. Masks will be optional.

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Advanced Ministry Assignments

Third Sunday of Lent - 9:00 am Mass

Sacristan.....	Sun 3-7.	Teri Weischedel,
Greeters/Entry Oversight.	Sun 3-7.	Dennis & Teri Weischedel,
Lector.	Sun 3-7.	Nola LaRosh,
Altar Servers.....	Sun 3-7.	None,
Eucharistic Minister.	Sun 3-7.	Mike Wiley.


Keep in Prayer

Judi West	Mel Hackett	Bud Yackley	Mike Wolforth
Bob Pierce	Jean Hertel	Marquette Brink	Jock Stamps
Alice Jones	Taelyn Hettick	Ann Chicoine	Diane Lorenz
Mike Fuller	Jo Bender	Kellie Yackley	Peggy Rath
Mark Senftner			

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Masses and Intentions for Sacred Heart February 22-28, 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	Well-being of Isabella Beckler	Sacramental Preparation Baptism. Pre-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	Sharon Briscoe (d)	
THURSDAY ~ 4:00 pm Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Well-being of Amy Cordell	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:..... by appointment.
FRIDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Health of Dorothy Eliason	
SATURDAY ~ 6:30 pm Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Sacred Heart & Pius X parishioners 2nd Sunday of Lent	
SUNDAY ~ 9:00 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Chuck Storkson (d) 2nd Sunday of Lent	

Liturgical Ministers for February 27-28, 2021			
	Saturday ~ 6:30 pm 2 nd Sunday of Lent	Sunday ~ 11:00 am 2 nd Sunday of Lent	
Greeter & Lobby	Rick & Imelda Simon	Vic & Patty Beringer	
Lector	Don Hericks	Geri Eide	
Ministers of Eucharist	Lila Hericks	Michael Fischer	
Altar Servers			
Rosary			
Music	Brenda Frost	Colleen Simon	
Video Operator	Josh Cordell	Tanner Eide	
Projection Operator	Makaivry Schatz Tyler Simon	Jonathan Wheeler Bobbi Eide Megan Hermann	
Homebound Minister		Patty Beringer	

Masses & Intentions for St. Pius X ~ February 28, 2021					
Wednesday ~ 5:30 pm	No Mass		Sunday ~ 9:00 am 2 nd Sunday of Lent	Barb Rilling (d)	
Liturgical Ministers for February 28, 2021					
	Sacristan	Greeter/Lobby Oversight	Lector	Eucharist Ministers	Altar Servers
Sunday ~ 9:00 am 2 nd Sunday of Lent	Karen LaFurge	Tom & Ashley Yackley Family	Joe Stahl	Ashley Yackley	
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 Sundays at 8:30 am ~ prior to the 9:00 am Mass Also offered by appointment ~ call Fr. Kopel at 765-2161		

Sunday Scriptural Reflection

1st Sunday of Lent ~ February 21, 2021

Genesis 9:8-15

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

Maybe the best way of entering the spirit of these readings is to hear them through the ears of adult converts preparing for baptism. That is the original purpose of Lent – preparation for baptism during the Easter Vigil service.

The first two readings, with their talk of rescue through water and the engagement of covenant, strike the baptism theme boldly. And the Gospel scene of Jesus being prepared for his mission through forty days of testing in the desert, living among the beasts and ministered to by divine messengers, suggests the challenging and blessed process of the catechumen moving toward a new kind of life. Though catechumens among us are few, the readings that illuminate what they are doing speak directly to the rest of us in the worshipping community. Lent calls us all to renew and to enter more deeply into the meaning of our own baptism.

If the Christmas season reawakened us to the good news of the incarnation, Lent now draws us more fully into the consequences of the incarnation as they were worked out through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus – a mystery we entered through our own initiation into the body of Christ. Since that passage through the waters, our whole lives have been quite literally a living out of that baptism.

Our particular moment in history warrants a closer look at the First Reading, the “rainbow covenant” after the flood. In some ways, the traditions about Noah exemplify what makes many adult Christians uneasy about their biblical heritage. They find the image of God here – punishing everyone, even the innocent animals – all too human. They have heard about parallels to the flood story in other literature of the ancient Near East and wonder what these “borrowings” really have to do with living Christian faith today. And yet, properly understood, the story of the Noah family, the flood, and the rainbow covenant may be peculiarly pertinent precisely to us members of the North Atlantic community as we recede from the twentieth century in an environment deeply threatened by human abuse.

The inspired writers of Genesis knew exactly what they were doing when they elaborated on the traditions of their neighbors and spent a generous stretch of their parchment on “the flood story.” As they put together the traditions of Israel, they chose to introduce the ancestral traditions (the stories about Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob) with a brief summary of what we have come to call the primeval history. Before the story of Israel comes the story of everybody (Genesis 1-11). The lion's share of the primeval history is devoted to Noah and sons. If the story of Israel (beginning at Gen 12) is the story of a divine love affair with a chosen people, then the primeval history is the story of the even larger, prior picture of divine creation, human (and divine) “de-creation,” and divine re-creation. The sacred authors exemplify human de-creation in five examples of human rebellion – the disobedience of Adam and Eve, Cain's murder of Abel, the widespread arrogance and violence of the generation preceding the flood, Ham's disrespect of his father Noah, and the technological arrogance of the tower builders of Babel.

The whole story of everybody is bound together with talk of covenant, which flowers in today's First Reading. Even as God instructs Noah to build the ark, he says, “But with you I will establish [or confirm] my covenant” (Gen 6:18). That is the first time covenant (berith) is mentioned in the Torah, and the word used to describe what God plans to do with it can be translated (more naturally, some would claim) “confirm.” On this reading, the covenant that God confirms in chapter 9 is the one already established in the original creation itself – that is, the covenant relationship built into the bond between Creator and creatures by virtue of their coming into existence in the first place.

Indeed, the rainbow covenant confirmed (or established) in Genesis 9 does embrace all creation, “every living creature,” even “the earth.” By the covenant with Abram in Genesis 12 God makes a fresh start in implementing the covenant of creation, since “all the communities of the earth shall find blessing” in Abram. Indeed, as Isaiah will put it, Israel is meant to be a “light to the nations” (Is 49:6).

The Church, then, claims that vocation to have been fulfilled in Jesus and in the mission of the Jesus people. Consequence: the mission of baptized Christians is nothing less than to implement the covenant of creation. Thus our baptism grounds our Church's call to attend to ecological justice.

Dennis Hamm, S.J.



The Pastor's Ponderings

With any luck our winter ‘cold spell’ is over. When it's that cold – there is no joy in having to go out side. I'm praying for a return to the weather we had before the arctic blast hit us.

I am planing to bring back Altar Servers for Holy Week and beyond. Parents and Altar Servers – please check the parish bulletin for who is scheduled for weekend Masses. We will not be training any new (younger) servers since I will be leaving in 3 months and I pretty sure my successor will want to retrain all the servers to do things ‘his way’. We will be putting out an instruction sheet (Mass Server How-To) to help refresh the process for existing Altar Servers – it's been over a year since we last had them due to the COVID outbreak.

Best Lent Ever!

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 ‘Best Lent Ever’ web address is <https://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever>.**



Lenten Book Offering

For your **Lenten Reading**: Bishop DeGrood has asked that parishes make available to its people the book *“From Christendom to Apostolic Mission”* to read and reflect upon during Lent. The books are available on the lobby table. Please feel free to pick one up for your household to share.

The Word Among Us – Lenten Issue

At both Sacred Heart, Gettysburg, and St. Pius X, Onida, **extra copies of the Word Among Us have been purchased for each household and are in the church entrances.** They contain a daily Lenten reflection and other articles of interest. Please pick one up and read it daily.

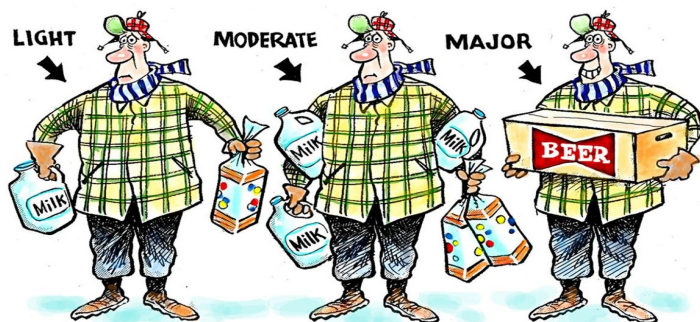
Stations of the Cross

- **In Onida – Lenten Stations of the Cross**, lead by RE students, will be held each Wednesday at 5:00 pm.
- **In Gettysburg – Lenten Stations of the Cross** will be held on Friday evenings at 6:30 pm in the church.

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.

Snowstorm indicators ...



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