

Sacred Heart Parish Gettysburg, SD

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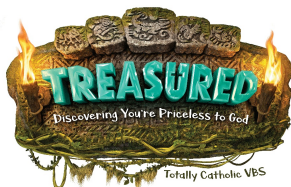
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Second Sunday of Easter ~ April 11, 2021



Religious Education News

Vacation Bible School has been set for May 24-27, 2021! *Registration forms have been sent home with the kids, and are also in the lobby.* Information is available online at sacredhearted.org/vbs.

Special thanks to Neva Mikkelsen, Olivia Mikkelsen, and Reagan Brown for co-chairing this year's event, we are looking forward to having a wonderful week.

Religious Education continues. The next evening class for grades 6-9 will be on April 14th. The middle school kids will meet in the hall, the high school kids will meet in the basement. Online classes for grades 6-9 will resume on April 21st, with the **last class scheduled on May 5th (in person)**. For more information or to volunteer for next year's program, follow our Facebook page, facebook.com/sacredhearted.

2021 CFSA for Sacred Heart Parish

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 \$27,130 from 61 households.**

First Holy Communion Celebrations & Interviews

Parents are reminded to **arrange for their child's First Communion Interview with Fr. Kopel** – within the next 2 weeks. 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.



Return Your Rice Bowls

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

What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo?
One is really heavy and the other's a little lighter.

What do dentists call their x-rays? Tooth pics!

What did one ocean say to the other ocean?
Nothing, it just waved.

What does a house wear? Address!

Altar Society Meetings

The Sacred Heart Altar Society will meet on Monday, April 12, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

KC Homemade Sausage for Sale

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



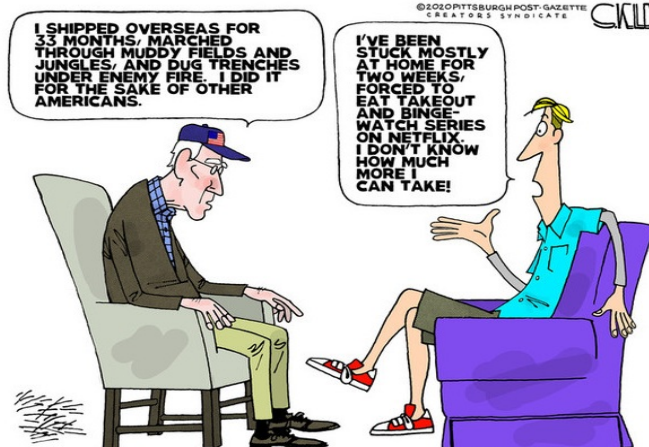
Keep in Prayer

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

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.

Confirmation Class Sunday

The Confirmation preparation classes for grades 10-11-12 will meet Sunday, April 11, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Topic: Sacraments of Confirmation, Penance and Anointing. **ALL 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.....	4/25.....	Diane Lorenz,
Greeters.....	4/25... ..	Jeremy & Val Chicoine Fam,
Lector.....	4/25.....	Greg Yackley,
Altar Servers.....	4/25.....	Courtney Weinheimer,
		Hope Weinheimer,
Eucharistic Ministers.....	4/25.....	Greg Lorenz.

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 will be contacted for a time. Allow 30 minutes per interview – bring 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. We ask that you would please give generously.

Return Your Rice Bowls

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"Ronald, what gives you the impression I'm not happy with your work?"


KC Homemade Sausage Coming to Onida Next Sunday

The Knights of Columbus are selling their homemade, smoked sausage. Cost is \$10/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!



Have you heard about Murphy's Law? Yes.
Anything that can go wrong will go wrong.
How about Cole's Law? No.
It's julienned cabbage in a creamy dressing.

Masses and Intentions for Sacred Heart April 12-18, 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	Health of Amy Cordell, Bridget Lake, Dorothy Eliason, Eugene Nagel & Leonard Schatz	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	Dana Pile (d)	
THURSDAY ~ 4:00 pm Oahe Manor ~ Gettysburg	Francis Kirby (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	Jan Emmert (d)	
SATURDAY ~ 6:30 pm Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Sacred Heart & St. Pius X Parishioners <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	
SUNDAY ~ 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Dan & Justin Cronin (d) <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	

Liturgical Ministers for April 17 & 18, 2021			
	Saturday ~ 6:30 pm Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday ~ 11:00 am Third Sunday of Easter	
Greeter & Offertory	Gary & Kay Myers	Eric & Roberta Dutenhoeffer	
Lector	Paul Oberlitzner	Nancy Cronin	
Ministers of Eucharist	Gary Myers	Jenn Jager	
Altar Servers			
Rosary			
Music	Lexie Vogel	Colleen Simon	
Video Operator	Josh Cordell Colt Wiesler	Colten Hageman	
Video Projectionist	Tyler Simon	Megan Jager Jonathan Wheeler	
Homebound Minister		Mary Bohnenkamp	

Masses & Intentions for St. Pius X ~ April 18, 2021					
Wednesday ~ 5:30 PM	NO MASS			Sunday ~ 9:00 am	Jerome & Eileen Lieser (d)
Liturgical Ministers for April 18, 2021					
	Sacristan	Greeter/Offertory	Lector	Eucharist Ministers	Altar Servers
Third Sunday of Easter 9:00 am	Marlene Bechard	Floyd & Marlene Bechard	Lexie Rausch	Nola LaRosh	Isabelle Kallhoff Myli Weischedel
St. Pius X Parish Staff			Sacrament of Penance		
Pastor..... Fr. Jerry Kopel ~ Office: 765-2161 or Cell: 769-4062			First Sunday at 10:30 am ~ prior to the 11:00 am Mass		
Secretary..... Lisa Guthmiller ~ 258-2336			Other Sunday's at 8:30 am – prior to the 9:00 am Mass		
Office Hours..... Mon & Thurs ~ 8:30am-Noon; Wed ~ 9:00am-5:00pm			Also offered by appointment - call Fr. Kopel at 765-2161		
Religious Education..... Stacie Weinheimer ~ Office: 258-2336 & Cell: 280-9382					

Sunday Scriptural Reflection

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Acts 4:32-35

1 John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31

Do you believe in the resurrection? If the answer is “no,” St. Paul says that “our faith is in vain” (1 Cor 15:14).

Alright, but sometimes it is hard to know what this “resurrection” is. Could it simply be bringing Jesus back to life so he could go on as before?

No! since Jesus was deeply marked by injuries, humiliation and death, a mere return to life would let these recede into the background. An ordinary life. All better now.

Here is a metaphor to suggest an answer. Imagine there is a “spiritual soil” from which all life “sprouts.” In his death Jesus plunged deep down into such a soil. He stumbled, fell, and lost the very thing we think is irreplaceable and to be guarded beyond all else: life. But in this metaphor, life is only a garden plant. It grows from the loam so rich that we hardly see it. That spiritual soil is love. Vast, quiet love.



Our doubt sets in, like Doubting Thomas's. He was resentful, probably broken-hearted. He warded off his grief by simple denial. Unless I “put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe” (Gospel).

And look at the other men. In the gospel of Luke, women, not the men, were the ones who saw the empty tomb first as well as the angels, and they took it

seriously. But “... their words seemed an idle tale, and [the apostles] did not believe” (Lk 24:11). In Matthew's gospel, Jesus first came to the women. When the men went to the place where Jesus had said he would meet them, “they worshipped him, but some doubted” (Mt 28:17). In Mark, Jesus appeared first to Mary Magdalene, but when she went to the apostles, you guessed it, they rejected her testimony (Mk 16:9). Nor did they listen to the men who had met Jesus walking to Emmaus (Mk 16:12-13).

Hard to miss the fact that the women usually believed and the men usually did not. Women dared to trust what they saw. Yes, women have been given lower status in culture throughout the ages, but we know that it is a big mistake to ignore their testimony.

Dan Bro's Da Vinci Code was a vehicle for huge doubt. For him, males have systematically repressed the essence of Christianity. The real truth, he claims, guarded through centuries, is that Mary Magdalene was Jesus' secret wife! Moreover, a flesh and blood descendent from Jesus is alive today (a woman, living in secret and in fear for her life). Obviously, as Brown seems to think, if the gospels are just huge cover-ups, then the resurrection would be just one more spin on the glittering wheel of deception.

What is the truth about the resurrection? Jesus' life, death and resurrection pointed us toward the source of all life, the source of the universe, of trees, of women and men, of marriage and offspring. Jesus was the river of love that God had poured into the world. He was now flowing back into the ocean of the Trinity and taking us along, whichever of us chooses to believe. That is the resurrection.

Do you believe in it? If you do, then you believe that love is the foundation of life. Just put your finger into the mark of the nails, and put your hands into his side and you will find it.

John Foley, S.J.

To keep your marriage brimming with love in the loving cup,
Whenever you're wrong, admit it; whenever you're right, shut up.

Ogden Nash

Twinkle twinkle Little Star point me to the nearest bar.

All doggies go to heaven (or so I've been told).

They run and play along the streets of Gold.

Why is heaven such a doggie-delight?

Why, because there's not a single cat in sight!

Larry Huggins



The Pastor's Ponderings

Rain, blessed rain. What a beautiful sight to behold. The fields were really getting dry with a real danger of wind-driven field fires. And then, voila, we had this nice slow all-day rainfall. I'm guessing there was no “run off” – every drop went right into the ground. According to reports I received “at coffee” we had somewhere between 8-tenths to 1 inch of moisture. A wonderful after-Easter gift from the Lord!

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.

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 Saturday, May 29. . 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.

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**“My doctor told me to keep in shape.
Well, this is my shape and I'm keeping it!”**