

SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for February 8, 2026

1 Corinthians 2: 1-5 / Matthew 5:13-16

Following is a word search based on the Second and Gospel readings for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A: the power of Christ's teachings. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

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Trivia Answer: Two-thirds majority.

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PARKSTON · DIMOCK · ARMOUR Community Bulletin

FEBRUARY 8, 2026 | 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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WELCOME!

If you are looking to become Catholic or make the journey back home and need assistance with any of the Sacraments, please contact Fr. Gary DeRouchey or Bailee in the office at 605-928-3676 to set up an appointment.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Contact the pastor to schedule class and baptismal date.

Marriage: Contact the pastor at least six months before the proposed wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are sick, in the hospital or are having a procedure, contact the pastor for anointing.

FACILITIES CONTACTS

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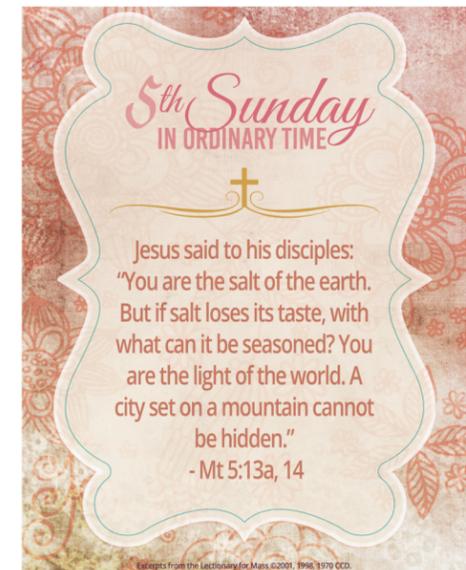
Watch FORMED for free! Members throughout our pastorate are invited to sign up for FORMED under St. Peter the Apostle Church, Platte or Sacred Heart Parish, Parkston.

Connect with us on Facebook!

[Parkston and Dimock Catholic Community](#)

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday: 5pm | Dimock*
Sunday: 9am | Parkston*
11am | Armour

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday: 5:30pm | Dimock
Wednesday: 8:30am | Parkston
11:30am | Armour
Thursday: 8:30am | Dimock
Friday: 8:30am | Parkston
Saturday: 10:00am | Parkston-Bormann Manor

CONFESSIONS:

Wednesday: 12:00-1:00pm | Armour
Friday: 12:00-12:45pm | Parkston
Saturday: 4:00-4:45pm | Dimock
Sunday: 8:00-8:45am | Parkston

ADORATION:

Wednesday: 12:00-1:00pm | Armour
Friday: 9:00am-1:00pm | Parkston

*Watch 5pm Saturday Mass on Santel Channel 916 or stream on YouTube @sppindimock & 9am Sunday Mass on Santel Channel 910 or stream on YouTube @sacredheartparkston



The Knightly News

The Parkston Knights of Columbus meet the second Sunday of each month at 7:30pm at the KC Hall.



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

The Catholic Daughters meet the first Thursday of each month at 7pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Adult Formation

Strollin' Through Scripture Bible Study with Fr Gary meets every Thursday from noon-1pm in the Sacred Heart education wing. All are welcome to come & go as their lunch period allows!

That Man Is You (TMIY) meets weekly on Monday mornings from 6-7:30am in the Sacred Heart Hall and Wednesday evenings from 6:40-8:10pm in the KC Hall. Men ages 18 and up are invited to attend this weekly presentation to deepen their faith in the Catholic church.

The 9-week **SHE group** session for women 18+ began Mon., Jan. 19 at Sacred Heart. Optional fellowship starts at 6pm with large group starting at 6:30pm and small group discussion to follow, concluding by 7:30pm. Please join us and bring a friend, Catholic or non-Catholic. Contact Dana Neugebauer at 605-655-4282 with questions.

The "Cradle Catholic" Class allows you to have a richer, deeper knowledge and love of the Catholic faith. We will explore topics like Mary, the Saints, catechism material, etc. The class meets once a month and will cover the same topic at each of the three locations for the month. The gatherings will be at 6pm on Wednesday evenings and will last approximately one hour. Feel free to bring your supper with you. Contact Sister Maribeth at 605-760-5295 with questions. Sessions are held at 6pm on Wednesdays: Sts. Peter & Paul, Dimock (1st week of the month), St. Peter, Platte (2nd week), St. John, Wagner (3rd week).

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Bishop Hoch Deanery Scholarships are available to new students, students already in college and non-traditional students interested in attending or already attending Mount Marty University. To be eligible applicant's family must be active registered members of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Sioux Falls, be eligible for admission to Mount Marty, and submit one evaluation form from your pastor, and one from your high school principal, counselor or college advisor.

57th Annual Mitchell Knights of Columbus Home Made Sausage Supper - Sunday, March 1, 2026 at the John Paul II Auditorium(Holy Spirit Church) in Mitchell. Serving from 3-6pm.

Avera St. Benedict Health Center has announced its annual "Bouquets...just because!" fundraiser, with the goal of purchasing new audio equipment for residents at Avera Bormann Manor. Community members are invited to purchase "just because" flowers as a meaningful way to support this cause while sharing a thank-you message with coworkers, family members, teachers, pastors and others who make a difference. Orders may be placed by calling 605-928-3311 no later than Friday, March 6. Bouquets will be available for pickup on Monday, March 30, from 3-7 p.m., and Tuesday, March 31, from 7-11 a.m., at the Avera St. Benedict South Receiving Dock.

DISCOVER WHO JESUS SAYS YOU ARE – Journey Through Your Personal Story. Join The Lourdes Center on **Saturday, March 28** from 9-11:30 a.m. at the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery, 707 W 4th Street in Sioux Falls for an interactive Lenten workshop exploring your personal life story: the good moments, the hard times, the emotional wounds, and the lies we often tell ourselves. Like the wounded man in the parable of the Good Samaritan, we will uncover where Jesus, our compassionate Samaritan, meets us in our suffering and reveals our true identity in his eyes. The workshop will focus on remembering and embracing who Jesus says you are: loved, redeemed and connected to every life. The morning will include self-reflection, a creative project and chapel/prayer time. Please bring a Bible. Registration is required as space is limited. Visit thelourdescenter.com for more information or to register. Workshop cost is \$50/person.

DEROUCHÉY'S DELIGHT

Dear faith family,

What would your epitaph be? In the Book of Sirach, the author writes about David: "With his every deed he offered thanks to God Most High, in words of praise" (Sirach 47:8). Could these words be said about us? If not, why? Are we not called to do likewise?

A topic of discussion that I am often invited to have is death, which inevitably leads to funeral preparation. Recently, I have had these discussions with some friends whose parent/grandparent is near death as well as talking with individuals who are reflecting on their own death. Sadly, the focus of many is the "stuff" that will remain. How does one "fairly" distribute their "stuff." I invite them to reflect on something a little deeper – leave a message to your loved ones about your journey and your faith. What scripture and songs would you like at your funeral services and why? What meaning do they have to you? What meaning would you like to pass on to your family and friends?

I remember a saintly man telling me on his death bed: "Father, do NOT tell them I am in heaven at my funeral. Tell them I am in purgatory and I NEED their prayers." He was a man who knew who he was. He acknowledged that he was a sinner and needed the cleansing of God before he entered into heaven. Another individual, who was quite devoted to Eucharistic Adoration, asked to have the scripture about Emmaus proclaimed at her funeral since she had had an amazing experience at the celebration of the Mass there. Simple, but very meaningful requests from individuals who loved their families and friends enough to make their funerals not about self-centeredness, but about their journey of faith with God.

Parish meetings:

The Pastorate Pastoral Council met last Tuesday at Saint Paul the Apostle. One of the items of discussion was this year's confirmation for our pastorate will be on April 26th at Wagner. With 26 students from our parishes and an additional 12 to 14 students from the southern parishes, there will be limited space for additional guests and family members. The parish and pastorate are looking how we can best serve our confirmandi, their sponsors and guests.

Additionally, we discussed the thematic goal of our pastorate: "Come back to me with All your Heart!" One way for us to work together on inviting each other to a deeper relationship with God is through prayer. Therefore, each parishioner is invited to fill out a simple prayer partner slip with your name and if you have any specific prayer request. Your names will be entered into our Prayer Box this weekend and next. Then, on Ash Wednesday (or the following weekend Mass), everyone who put the name in the Prayer Box will draw a name out. You are then invited to pray for that individual every day until Easter (or beyond).

Thirdly, a discussion was had on how we reach out to those within our community who may have fallen on hard times. The question was asked should we create a fund/committee that would oversee the requests and/or distribution of funds. The discussion favored that these issues should remain in the local hands, especially our service organizations such as the Knights and Catholic Daughters.

The Saints Peter & Paul Finance Committee met this past Thursday. Prior to the meeting, we had to remove an unwanted visitor – a bat. Therefore, one of the items of discussion was pest control. Another visitor to the meeting was Gena Clendening, who addressed the Committee on the maintenance needs of our organ. The individual who was maintaining our organ is no longer available so Gena investigated to find another.

 *Let us hold in our prayers...*

Quila Walz • Kathy Behrend • Marlene Buchholz • Jason Buchholz • Albin Brech • Don Fergen • Doug Bormann • Rosemarie Hafner • Tara Ziebart
Jan Eggers • John Reif • Jo Kirk • Ronda & Larry Wilson • Missy Jorgenson • Geneva Berg • Dave Weber Family • Ron Neugebauer • John Gilman
Steve Krsnak • Louie Ludwig • Mary Feiner • Mary Jane Zwinger • Mary Newcomer • Parker Holbeck • Marley Whitaker • Sherman Hilfiker • Scott Nice
Pat Boehmer • Dave Brech • Londa Krull Peters • Loren Schmidt • Patty Viereck • Ron Dufek • Josie Trebil • Jill DeJong • Mary Reiff • Denise Royston
Dylan Ernster • Elaine Neugebauer • Alora Marsh • Mary Foley • Paul (Dick) & DeeDee Thury • Maureen Dufek • Brad Weber • Tanner Harrington
Kayla Marsh • Loren Buchholz • Verne & Delores Carda • Dave Krull

If you would like to schedule a Mass for a loved one or add yourself or someone in your family to the prayer list, please contact your parish office. A stipend of \$10 for the scheduling of a Mass is appreciated.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, Feb. 10th
5:30pm(SsPP)-Clarence & Frances Friedel †

Wednesday, Feb. 11th
8:30am(SH) - LoRayne Snyder †
11:30am(SPA) - Ben & Rosa Westendorf †

Thursday, Feb 12th
8:30am(SsPP) - Parishioners

Friday, Feb 13th
8:30am(SH) - No Mass

Saturday, Feb 14th
10am (BM) - JB Weber †
5:00pm(SsPP) - Wilb Hohn †

Sunday, Feb. 15th
9:00am(SH) - Dave Hoffman
11:00am(SPA) - Urban & Rita Koster †

CATHOLIC TRIVIA Just for fun

Question: How many votes are needed in a papal conclave to elect a new pope?

Answer can be found on the back page, under the wordsearch. ©LPi

Parish Announcements

Sacred Heart

Altar Society Band 1 will serve the next funeral.
Altar Society News: Ladies, please submit your \$10 dues to the office or drop them in the collection.
Coffee & Rolls - Friday, Feb. 20th after 8:30am Mass
Funeral Services for Pat Tapp will be Friday, Feb. 13th at 10:30am with visitation Thursday evening from 5-7pm and prayer service at 7pm.

Ss. Peter & Paul

Stations of the Cross: Friday, Feb 20th at 5:30pm / Wednesday, Feb. 25th at 7pm

St. Paul the Apostle

KC Soup Luncheon- Sunday February 8th in the parish hall following Mass.
Stations of the Cross: Friday, Feb 27th at 5:30pm / Wednesday, Mar. 4th at 6:30pm



Catholic Daughters, if you haven't paid your yearly CDA dues of \$25 for 2026, please send to Chris Newton, 406 S. Chapman Dr., Parkston, SD 57366. We always welcome new members!

Liturgy Committee Meeting
Thursday, Feb. 12th | 5:30pm
Sacred Heart Parish Hall
*Members representing each parish are asked to attend.

KC Scholarship
The Parkston Knights of Columbus are gifting two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors of Sacred Heart & Sts. Peter & Paul. The students must be actively participating in their faith and write, at minimum, one full page on what their faith means to them and how they plan to use their faith throughout college and into their adult life. Applications can be mailed to: Knights of Columbus, PO Box 502, Parkston, SD 57366 and must be received by May 1st. Contact Roger Waltman with any questions 605-999-6245.



ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE
February 18
8:30am-Sacred Heart
5pm-St Paul the Apostle
7pm-Sts. Peter & Paul
7pm-Sacred Heart

[PRACTICING] CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

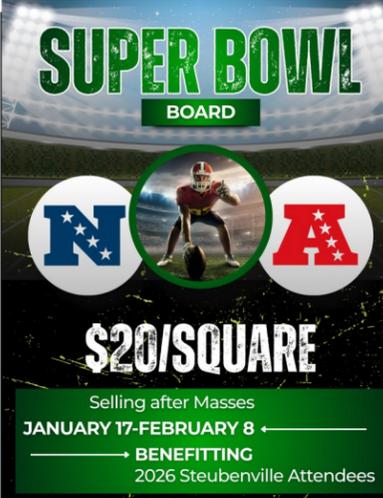
Be Salty By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

I want you to close your eyes. Are they closed? [I'm serious.] Okay. Now think of the greatest saint in history. I don't care who you're thinking of. It's going to be different for everyone. Just think of that person. Think of his or her life. And answer the question: Why is he or she a great saint?

You're all thinking of different people, but the answer is the same for everyone. And it's not "Because he did great things for God" or "Because she sacrificed everything she had for the poor." Those answers show evidence of the reason. But the reason is something more. The greatest saints in history were not great at holiness. God brought holiness about within them because [ding ding ding! Here's the answer!] the greatest saints in history were great at being who they were meant to be. Not who they wanted to be. Not who they thought they should be. Who they were meant to be. Simply put, they gave themselves to God. All of themselves. Flaws and all. And God took them, in their totality, and said: "Now watch this."

Just imagine if salt was ashamed of being salty. Imagine if it looked at the sodium content on its nutrition label and thought, "That's embarrassing," and decided it was going to stop being salt. Well, great. Now it's just a box of tiny rocks. Wouldn't it have been better for the salt to trust the baker using it?

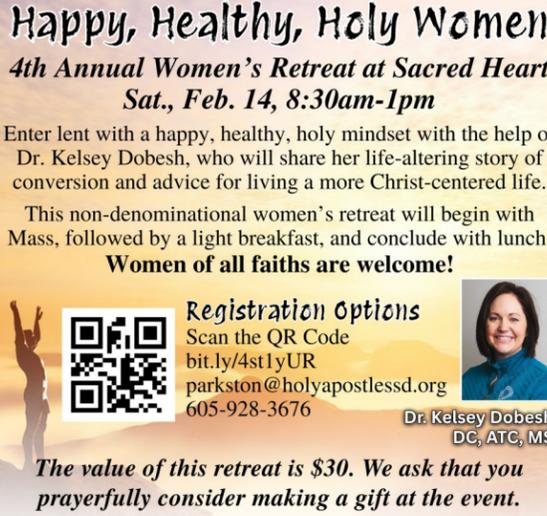
There is a plan for each of us. There is a path to holiness for each of us. This path doesn't bypass our flaws or our weaknesses; it incorporates them. It transforms them. It fulfills them. So be salty. Be who you were meant to be. ©LPi



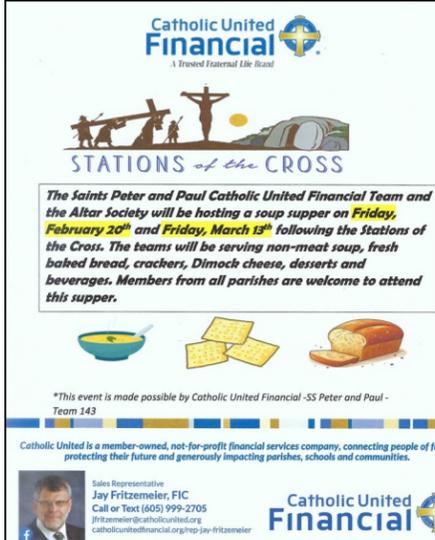
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2026 Steubenville Attendees



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GAS-PUMPING FUNDRAISERS
Parkston Food Center
SUN., FEB. 15 • 9:30AM-12:30PM



Happy, Healthy, Holy Women
4th Annual Women's Retreat at Sacred Heart
Sat., Feb. 14, 8:30am-1pm
Enter lent with a happy, healthy, holy mindset with the help of Dr. Kelsey Dobesh, who will share her life-altering story of conversion and advice for living a more Christ-centered life.
This non-denominational women's retreat will begin with Mass, followed by a light breakfast, and conclude with lunch.
Women of all faiths are welcome!
Registration Options
Scan the QR Code
bit.ly/4st1yUR
parkston@holypostlessd.org
605-928-3676
Dr. Kelsey Dobesh
DC, ATC, MS
The value of this retreat is \$30. We ask that you prayerfully consider making a gift at the event.



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STATIONS of the CROSS
The Saints Peter and Paul Catholic United Financial Team and the Altar Society will be hosting a soup supper on Friday, February 20th and Friday, March 13th following the Stations of the Cross. The teams will be serving non-meat soup, fresh baked bread, crackers, Dimock cheese, desserts and beverages. Members from all parishes are welcome to attend this supper.
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