

PARKSTON - DIMOCK - ARMOUR Community Bulletin

APRIL 12, 2026 | 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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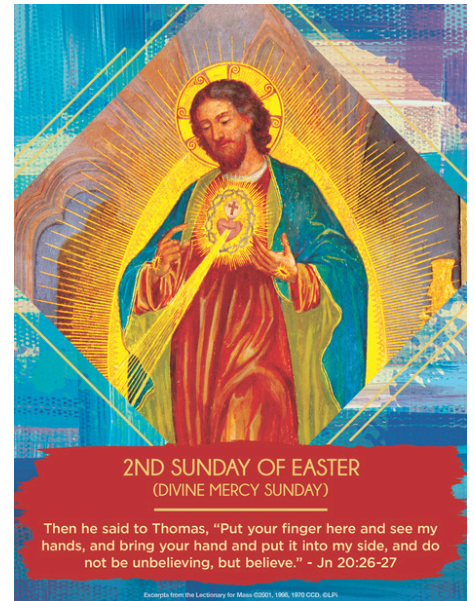
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WELCOME!

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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WELCOME TO HOLY APOSTLES PASTORATE!

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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.

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[Parkston and Dimock Catholic Community](#)

[Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Dimock](#)

[St. Paul Apostle Church of Armour, South Dakota](#)



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 @ssppindimock & 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.

DEROUCHEY'S DELIGHT

Dear faith family,

Happy Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday!

First and foremost – we welcome Kayla Mora, Nic Mora, Mason Wipf and Rose Wagner into our faith family. Be assured of our prayers for you as you continue your faith journey, deepening of your spiritual relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Also, thank you to Sister Maribeth and Becky Murtha for their assistance in preparing these candidates for their sacraments.

Furthermore, I want to thank ALL those who made our Holy Week celebrations at Saint Paul the Apostle, Saints Peter & Paul, and Sacred Heart inspirational!

- Those who assisted in the environment. Your dedication to the environment is truly amazing. Throughout this past year, the Liturgy Committee suggested and planned different aspects of the liturgies for Holy Week. You make our sanctuaries so welcoming and warm.
- Those who assisted in the music. The choirs and cantors along with the different instrumentalists and vocalists have worked diligently over the past weeks. Your dedication to our faith family and our liturgies truly elevated them to true Beauty.
- Those who worked behind the scenes. So many assisted with preparing the liturgies by assisting with cleaning, greeting, ushering, acquiring things, and just overall helping.
- Those who were ministers. Our liturgies are truly reverent and holy due to the dedication and commitment of the many different ministries and all those who assist in ensuring that they are done. I especially want to thank Coltyn Raymond, not only as the Master of Ceremonies (MC) but assisting my voice by chanting the petitions during Good Friday and the Exultet during the Easter vigil. Well done to ALL our ministers.

Thank you for all that you do, not only during Holy Week, but throughout the year. Your assistance and commitment are truly appreciated by all! May the Lord bless you for your generosity of self!

Background on the Divine Mercy Devotion

The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message of mercy is that God loves us — all of us — no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC.

A — Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B — Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C — Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.



Plenary Indulgence for Divine Mercy Sunday

To ensure that the faithful would observe this day with intense devotion, the Supreme Pontiff John Paul II established that this Sunday be enriched by a plenary indulgence, so that the faithful might receive in great abundance the gift of the consolation of the Holy Spirit. In this way, they can foster a growing love for God and for their neighbor, and after they have obtained God's pardon, they in turn might be persuaded to show a prompt pardon to their brothers and sisters.

Three conditions for the plenary indulgence

A plenary indulgence, granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!);

A partial indulgence, granted to the faithful who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation.

For those who cannot go to church or the seriously ill

In addition, those who are UNABLE to go to church, may obtain a plenary indulgence on Divine Mercy Sunday, if totally detesting any sin, and with the intention of fulfilling as soon as possible the three usual conditions, will recite the Our Father and the Creed before a devout image of Our Merciful Lord Jesus and, in addition, pray a devout invocation to the Merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you).

Duty of priests: inform parishioners, hear confessions, lead prayers

Priests who exercise pastoral ministry, should inform the faithful. They should be willing to hear their confessions. On Divine Mercy Sunday, after celebrating Mass, should lead the recitation of the prayers that have been given above. Finally, since "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy" (Mt 5,7), when they instruct their people, priests should gently encourage the faithful to practice works of charity or mercy as often as they can, following the example of, and in obeying the commandment of Jesus Christ.

 *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 • Mary Feiner • Mary Jane Zwinger • Mary Newcomer • Parker Holbeck • Marley Whitaker • Sherman Hilfiker • Scott Nice • Dave Brech
 Londa Krull Peters • Loren Schmidt • Patty Viereck • Ron Dufek • Josie Trebil • Mary Reiff • Denise Royston • Dylan Ernster • Elaine Neugebauer • Mary Foley
 Paul (Dick) & DeeDee Thury • Maureen Dufek • Tanner Harrington • Kayla Marsh • Loren Buchholz • Verne & Delores Carda • Dave Krull • Lisa Sprecher
 Alex Laffey • Keeley Rexwinkle • Dave Hoffman • Mark Hoffman • Mike Brezina

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, April 14th

5:30pm(SsPP) - Brian Timmerman †

Wednesday, April 15th

8:30am(SH) - No Mass

11:30am(SPA) - No Mass

Thursday, April 16th

8:30am(SsPP) - Bob Hohn †

Friday, Apr 17th

8:30am(SH) - Terry Bailey †

Saturday, April 18th

10:00am(BM) - Don Bittner †

5:00pm(SsPP) - Pamela Bialas † & Clarence

& Lois Thury †

Sunday, April 19th

9:00am(SH) - Linda Weber †

11:00am(SPA) - Mary Weerheim †

Parish Announcements

Sacred Heart

Altar Society Band 3 will serve the next funeral.

SH Altar Society Meeting Monday, April 20th at 6pm in the parish hall. All women of the parish are invited & encouraged to attend!

Coffee & Rolls after 8:30am Mass on Friday, April 17th in the parish hall. All are invited!!

Ss. Peter & Paul

No Announcements

St. Paul the Apostle

No Announcements

No daily mass on Wednesday, April 15th in Parkston & Armour due to a funeral. No adoration/confessions in Armour.

Parkston's Lions Club

PancakeDay

Sunday, April 12th

8:00 am to 1:00pm

Legion Hall, Parkston

Menu:

Pancakes,
Smokies,
Juice & Coffee



Free Will Donation

Proceeds go to the Jeff & Michelle Koch Family, who were recently displaced by a fire in their home.

All are Welcome!

CATHOLIC TRIVIA Just for fun

Question: In Luke's Gospel, how many lepers did Jesus heal, and how many returned to thank Him?

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

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CDA News:

Spring Salad Luncheon: All members who are able need to supply a salad or ground chicken. Please sell your raffle tickets. Event chairwomen: Tina Roth & Kathleen Wingen

CDA Mother/Daughter Breakfast is Sunday, April 26th after 9am Mass. We realize confirmation is that afternoon, but we will be done before noon.

Thank you for all you do for CDA!! -Tina Roth, Regent



Catholic Daughters

Spring Salad Luncheon

When: Monday, April 20th, 2026

Time: 11 am to 1 pm

Where: Sacred Heart Catholic

Parish Hall, Main St, Parkston, SD

Serving: Chicken Salad Sandwiches, Ham Sandwiches and lots and lots of wonderful homemade salads. (Coffee, Punch and Cream Cheese Mints)

Adults \$8.00 and Kids \$4.00 (Take out Available)

Raffle Prizes will be drawn at 1 pm

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

“Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.’” (John 20:27)

In my early 20s, I volunteered at a parish youth group. I witnessed teens encountering Jesus with a fresh, romantic wonder that reminded me of my own teenage conversion. But something had changed in me. I was quietly jaded and cynical. When teens shared stories of encountering Christ, I'd want to sarcastically murmur, “Well, good for you.” I had grown suspicious of the zeal I once knew. Then we brought the group on a pilgrimage. I was standing in an old church in France, ignoring a long-winded tour guide. I found myself before a crucifix. In that moment, I heard something, not audibly, but unmistakably in my heart: “I came to be your friend... and you wish to be my enemy? Why do you stand far from me? I suffer gladly for you. I was pierced for you. Why do you run from me?” My heart opened. I saw how cold and cynical I had become. But Jesus had not given up on me. He had returned, and his mercy broke through. So I can relate to the scoffing — and transformation — of Thomas when the Risen Jesus presents his wounds for inspection. Thomas is not simply doubting; he is guarded, suspicious, even cynical. But Jesus comes to him. No lecture. Just understanding and mercy. He invites Thomas to touch his wounds. This burns away his cynicism like the morning mist.

Divine Mercy Challenge: This week, rejoice with someone who is newly alive in faith. If your own heart has grown skeptical or tired, ask Jesus to help you. He will. — Father John Muir

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Sacred Heart Easter Flower Memorial

Kopel, Flemming & Gilman Families, Norb Hoffman, Kathy Kapperman, Fergen & Tischler Families, Cecil, Lillian & David Biehl, Jo Rechnagel, Katie & Andy Sommer, Mr. & Mrs. Louis Degen, Pat Bowar, Elmer Walz & Family, Fred Weiss & Family, Wendlen Walz & Family, Ryan Hohn, Curly & Josie Schoenfelder, Jim & Wilma Hohn, Louis & Adeline Heisinger, Mike L. Heisinger, Titus Jr. & Frances Heisinger, Peter & Clara Mayer, William & Bernice Roth, Sandhoff & Weber Families, Stadlman & Bollock Families, Karla Locken, Vern & Rose Bormann, Paul & Brian Binder, Christine & Ray Berg, Tim & Maggie Berg, Joe & Maggie Berg, Katie & John Sommer, Gary Foley, Jim Thuringer, Henry J. & Loretta Horstman, Joe & Emma Weiger, Celestine, Joe & Gertude Horstman, Anton & Mary Horstman, Ed & Dorothy Lang, Norb Hoffman



SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for April 12, 2026
John 20:19-31

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Easter, Cycle A: The skepticism of Thomas. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

FIRST	DOORS	FEAR
JEW	JESUS CAME	HANDS
LORD	FATHER	BREATHED
HOLY SPIRIT	FORGIVE	THOMAS
NAILS	FINGER	MY GOD
OTHER SIGNS	WRITTEN	IN THIS BOOK
MESSIAH	LIFE	IN HIS NAME

THOMAS DOUBTS

J E W S M M E S S I A H
R E G N I F Y L I L Y O
E S S D N A H G H K B L
H V N U N A D R O L R Y
T K I G S R O O D D E S
A W N G I C B I L Y A P
F L C A R S A M O H T I
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Liturgical Ministries - April 18th & 19th

Sts. Peter & Paul	Sacred Heart	St. Paul the Apostle
EM: Jenny Fergen & Jessica McMartin	EM: Chuck & Darcey Murtha	EM: Tammy S., Elli H., Kristen T.
Lector: Bailee Mogck	Lector: Carrie Oakley	Lectors: Nathan H. & Rebecca T.
Servers: Coltyn & Braxtyn Raymond, Juliette Beyer	Servers: Ella Jodozi, Crosby Fischer, Culley Leischner, Braxten Overby	Servers: The Timmermans
Ushers: John Weber, Kash Neugebauer, Dan Boehmer	Ushers: Chad & Dana Jodozi Family	Ushers: Daniel H., Bill H., Dan H., Cameron H.
Gift Carriers: Miles Mogck Family & Rona Tiede	Gift Carriers: Chad & Dana Jodozi Family	Gift Carriers: Bill & Jackie Harrington
Video: Tricia Neugebauer	Video: Chuck Murtha	Counters: Allison & Jami
Rosary: Virginia Weber		

Church Support

Ss. Peter & Paul		Sacred Heart		St. Paul the Apostle	
Envelopes	\$1865.00	Envelopes	\$337.50	Envelopes	\$995.00
Loose	\$433.00	Loose	\$370.00	Loose	\$341.00
Easter	\$2241.00	Easter	\$1388.00	Masses	\$60.00
Good Friday	\$645.00	Easter Flowers	\$50.00	Candles	\$35.00
Harvest	\$500.00	Good Friday	\$345.00	Good Friday	\$240.00
		Rice Bowl	\$246.12	Easter	\$470.00
CFSA Goal:	\$24,500.00	CFSA Goal:	\$55,000.00	CFSA Goal:	\$24,000.00
Raised:	\$14,830.00	Raised:	\$50,420.00	Raised:	\$16,495.00

Trivia Answer: Ten were healed. One returned.

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.

Sacred Heart Religious Ed Meal Program

Once again, Sacred Heart will provide meals for Religious Education students on certain Wednesday evenings. This year, meals will be offered on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month.

A SignUp Genius has been created for parents and parishioners to volunteer to prepare and serve the meals and/or donate item(s) for the meals. Meals are served from 6:30pm-7pm with meal prep starting at 5:30pm. This meal is available to ALL CCD students, with younger students eating after class, and older students before.

To sign up, scan the QR code or visit signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45AAAD28A7FBC16-60949839-sacred or contact Bailee in the office!



Last Meal Date:
April 22

CFSA 2026

We continue to prayerfully think about the gift we are able to give to the Catholic Family Sharing Appeal 2026. Each year, we as Catholics are called to come together as one family to give thanks to God for the many gifts He has given us. Supporting the CFSA is our opportunity to grow together and support one another. Your gift helps each of the diocesan ministries reach out to thousands; including training of our future priests, supporting respect for life, education in our faith and ministry to the homebound, helping hurting marriages, and more. Please fill out the pledge card you received in the mail and return it as soon as possible. **ALL CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO THE PARISH YOU ARE SUPPORTING-NOT MADE OUT TO CFSA. Thank you!**

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

The Guiding Star Cycle Show Workshop is an educational, interactive, multi-media, fertility awareness workshop for young girls, ages 9-12. Instruction will be led by Meghan Krueger on Saturday from 9am-2pm at St. Lambert Parish in Sioux Falls or on Wednesday, May 20th from 9am - 2pm in Wagner. A parent presentation is available on April 17th at 7pm at St. Lambert, Sioux Falls. Cost is \$50 per young woman. Space is limited. Register at <https://guidingstar.kartra.com/page/0Gr5>. Any questions can be directed to cycleshow@theguidingstarproject.com

Broom Tree Day of Recollection - Apparitions of Mary: Her Impact Then and Now, directed by Fr. Kristopher Cowles - Tuesday, April 14th beginning at 10am.