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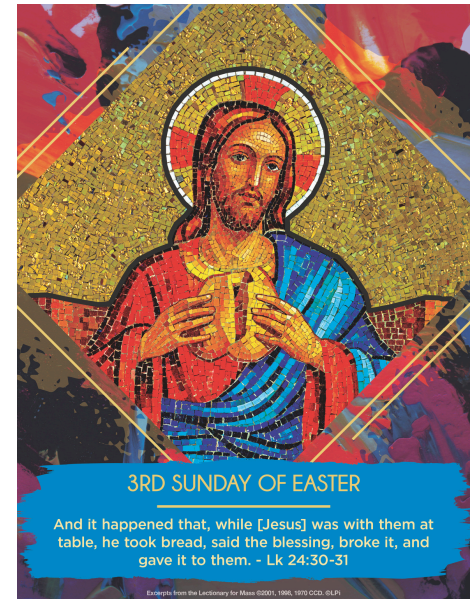
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WELCOME!

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.

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WELCOME TO HOLY APOSTLES PASTORATE!

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Connect with all 9 parishes within Holy Apostles Pastorate by visiting holypostlessd.org. Here you will find Mass times, bulletins, a calendar of events, faith formation info, & more for each parish and the pastorate.

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](#)

[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 @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.

DEROUCHEY'S DELIGHT

Dear faith family,

HAPPY EASTER!

Have you run out of good books to read or movies to watch? Maybe it is time to re-read (or read for the first time) *The Case For Jesus* by Dr. Brant Pitre. It is a great read during this Season of Easter. For example, Dr. Pitre wrote: "Notice that the Jewish elders and the Romans *do not deny the fact of the empty tomb*. Instead, they simply try to *explain* the empty tomb. The problem with their explanation, however, is..." What? How do we explain the empty tomb and what is its significance in our lives?

This Sunday's Gospel returns us to Easter Sunday and the two disciples as they wandered towards Emmaus. They come to recognize Jesus in the breaking of the Bread. However, their recognition was not immediate but their faith grew through hearing the Word of God and the witnessing of the sacramental sign of the breaking of the bread. Through the hearing of the Word of God and the witnessing of the consecration of the sacramental sign of the Eucharist, we too will find Jesus in the Eucharist. Yet, why did the disciples not recognize Jesus from the very beginning?

These disciples left Jerusalem and were returning to their home disappointed and confused. They had believed that they were following the one true messiah, the one who was going to rule Israel, the one who was going to make all things better. Yet, the man they had been following for the past few years had been arrested, tried, humiliated, crucified, and buried, all in the past couple of days. How could this have happened? Was this man whom they thought to be the messiah only a prophet?

But then, how could God have abandoned Jesus, who seemed to be a mighty prophet in both deed and word to a death on the cross, a death that brought great humiliation to a Jew and his family? This might have been the very question that these disciples were discussing when this mysterious man joined them. Though it was just a couple of days since Jesus' trial and crucifixion, his disciples turned from being Jesus' follower to return home to once again take up their former trade.

These disciples' faith in Jesus was shattered. They could not accept the account that the women gave after they had visited the tomb and told them that Jesus had risen. They could not come to believe that even Jesus could rise from the dead. Their faith was so destroyed that they could not understand the truth of the Paschal mystery until it was revealed to them by Jesus, Himself and through the movement in their own souls by the Holy Spirit, which moved them to accept the Good News of the Resurrection. It was Jesus' resurrection that gave meaning to the Cross, for it showed that Jesus was not mere man, but was God's sacrificial lamb. The Lamb that was sacrifice for the sins of the world is Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

These disciples began to understand this mystery as Jesus unfolded its meaning through the explanation of the scriptures. Though they did not recognize Jesus, the disciples' hearts were ignited with fire as they heard Jesus teach them through the scriptures. Their hearts were "burning inside them as Jesus talked to them on the road and explained to them the scriptures." A better translation comes from the Greek version of this passage, which states "wasn't our hearts gradually catching fire while he spoke like that and opened up the scriptures to us." This "opening up the scriptures" means that Jesus was putting the events of salvation into the general context of salvation history or in other words, Jesus was presenting God's plan for man through His explanation of scripture. God's plan began to make more sense to them as their hearts burned within them. Finally, because the words of Jesus had opened their hearts, they were able to recognize Jesus when He broke the Bread.

We experience Jesus through the breaking of the Bread as our hearts are prepared through the precious gift of His Words.

Due to Father Hal Barber's funeral on Friday, April 24th, in Parker, there will be NO adoration or confessions at Sacred Heart. Following the 8:30am Mass, I will be upon the brother priests to con-celebrate the funeral Mass with Bishop DeGrood. May Father Barber's soul rest in eternal glory.

Additionally, our 26 confirmandi students will be confirmed on Sunday, April 26th at 2:00pm in Wagner. Due to the number of confirmandi within the pastorate, seating will be limited to the immediate family members and the sponsors. However, the parishes are sponsoring a meal and refreshments for the confirmandi and their families and sponsors following the event; both at Saint Paul the Apostle in Armour and Sacred Heart in Parkston. Please extend your prayers for these being confirmed – may their hearts be set ablaze with the love of Christ through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

 *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 • Kelly Cross

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 21st

5:30pm(SsPP) - Confirmation Students

Wednesday, April 22nd

8:30am(SH) - Paul & Maria Hafner †

11:30am(SPA) - James & Anna Putnam †

Thursday, April 23rd

8:30am(SsPP) - Dan & Pat Sudbeck Family

Friday, Apr 24th

8:30am(SH) - Ed & Margaret Heisinger

Family †

Saturday, April 25th

10:00am(BM) - Pat Boehmer †

5:00pm(SsPP) - Mary Lee Neuberger † &

Frank Horstman †

Sunday, April 26th

9:00am(SH) - Easton Wagner †

11:00am(SPA) - Kathy Thompson

Parish Announcements

Sacred Heart

Altar Society Band 4 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!

Easter Lilies are available in the hall for anyone wanting to take one(or a few) home to plant in their flower bed.

Ss. Peter & Paul

No Announcements

St. Paul the Apostle

No Announcements

No adoration & confessions following 8:30am Mass on Friday, April 24th at Sacred Heart.

SsPP Cemetery Annual Board Meeting Wednesday, April 22nd at 7:30pm at the Dimock City Hall. Open to all plot owners.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA *Just for fun*

Question: What is the name of the Jewish feast day that Jesus celebrated the Last Supper on?

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

Thank You

Thank you for your thoughts, words, prayers, cards & gifts to make my 80th birthday special. - Fr. Ken Koster

Religious Ed Announcements

Sacred Heart & Sts. Peter & Paul RE: The last night of RE is Wednesday, April 29th! Fr. Gary will celebrate closing Mass at SH at 7pm & Fr. Thury will celebrate closing Mass at SsPP at 7pm. All SH students will attend Mass at 7pm! There will be no classes at 5:30pm.

St. Paul the Apostle RE: The last night of RE is Wednesday, May 6th! There will be closing Mass at 6:30pm that evening.

ALL PARENTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND! PARISHIONERS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO ATTEND!



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

We send our deepest sympathies to the family of



Jo Boehmer



May her soul rest in eternal peace.

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." - John 6:51

CDA News:

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



The Saints Peter and Paul Catholic United Financial Team and the Altar Society will be hosting a supper for all Religious Education students, teachers and anyone attending the Stained Glass Window Presentation on Wednesday, April 22nd following the presentation. The group will be serving beef and chicken nachos-beverages and desserts.



*This event is made possible by Catholic United Financial - SS Peter and Paul - Team 143

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St. Paul the Apostle Easter Flower Memorial

Rita & Urban Koster, Clem Wentz, Randy Storm, Biederstedt Family, Lofgren Family, Dot & Del Fefjar, Drew Holstein, Leonard Family, Yope & Delores Thury, Lee, Phyllis & Jim Beeson, Les & Erna Putnam

SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for April 19, 2026
 Luke 24:13-35

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

VILLAGE	SEVEN MILES	EMMAUS
JESUS	RECOGNIZING	CLEOPAS
VISITOR	PROPHET	CHIEF PRIESTS
ISRAEL	A VISION	ALIVE
SUFFER	ENTER	GLORY
MOSES	TABLE	BREAD
BROKE IT	HEARTS	BREAKING

EMMAUS VILLAGE

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Trivia Answer: The Passover Feast.

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.

Liturgical Ministries - April 25th & 26th

Sts. Peter & Paul	Sacred Heart	St. Paul the Apostle
EM: Coltyn Raymond & Tricia Neugebauer	EM: Audrey Bowar & Dean Soukup	EM: Dan S., Michael P., & Nathan B.
Lector: Beth Kroll	Lector: Barb Braley	Lectors: Melanie B. & Jonna S.
Servers: Brody & Kirby Holzer, Jake Kroll	Servers: Easton Schoenfedler, Dylan Mehlhaff, Lucy Sprecher	Servers: Tayah, Tegan, Jacoby, Melody & Chase
Ushers: Porter Neugebauer, Chuck Weber, Glen Kummer	Ushers: Mike & Audrey Bowar Family	Ushers: Larry H., Jeff C., Terry H., Travis S.
Gift Carriers: Dan & Susan Schoenfelder	Gift Carriers: Mike & Audrey Bowar Family	Gift Carriers: Daniel & Tracy Harrington
Video: Dan Schoenfelder	Video: Bob Weiss	Counters: Arlene & Barb
Rosary: Dan & Susan Schoenfelder		

Church Support

Ss. Peter & Paul		Sacred Heart		St. Paul the Apostle	
Envelopes	\$2576.00	Envelopes	\$2886.00	Envelopes	\$745.00
Loose	\$96.00	Loose	\$210.00	Loose	\$125.00
Masses	\$65.00	Masses	\$170.00	Masses	\$60.00
		Easter	\$2355.00		
		Good Friday	\$540.00		
		Rice Bowl	\$6.01		
CFSA Goal:	\$24,500.00	CFSA Goal:	\$55,000.00	CFSA Goal:	\$24,000.00
Raised:	\$15,080.00	Raised:	\$50,820.00	Raised:	\$16,920.00

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



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

When I first read Homer's Odyssey as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination: Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present, yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today's Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but "their eyes were prevented from recognizing him." (Luke 24:16) He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread. Suddenly their eyes are opened — and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church. Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways — in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church. And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are. — Father John Muir

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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, April 18th 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 - Lectio Divina: Hearing God's voice in the Scriptures, by Fr. Nick Haiar on Tuesday, May 5th beginning at 10am.