

PARKSTON - DIMOCK - ARMOUR Community Bulletin

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

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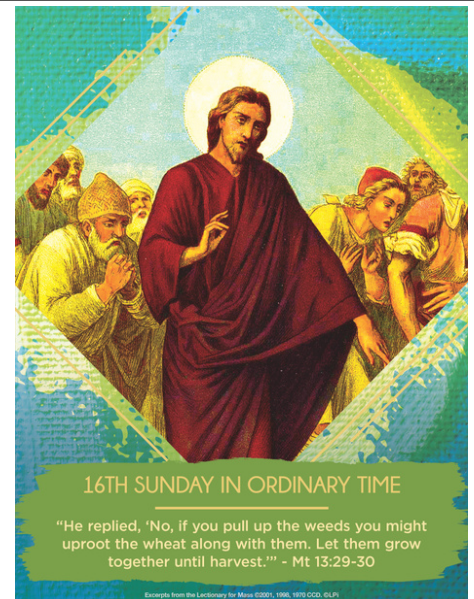
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Parkston and Dimock Catholic Community

Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Dimock

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Holy Apostles



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest.'" - Mt 13:29-30

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsppindimock) & 9am Sunday Mass on Santel Channel 910 or stream on YouTube @[sacredheartparkston](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsacredheartparkston)



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.

Dear faith family,

Thank you to all those who assisted in the liturgies while I was journeying across the nation, especially with the funeral services for Dave Hoffman, Albin Breck, and Don Fergen. A special note of appreciation to Father Gerry, Father Ken and Father Mike Wensing for celebrating the Masses. I truly appreciate their assistance.

When traveling, I tend to be a “people-watcher,” especially at Mass and in restaurants. There was no difference this past week. At Mass, I was impressed with how well organized the ushers were at the Sunday liturgy. The church was full and the ushers were very active in assisting individuals and families to find places to be seated. Wouldn't that be nice if our ushers would need to do this every Sunday.

Father's words of encouragement at the end of Mass last Sunday were that as we experienced the high Florida temperature during July may we reflect on if we would prefer them for eternity or should we desire for a conversion of heart and a change of our ways. The temperature was not that of hell but it did give us a brief experience of the near vicinity of it.

I also attended the Sabbath service at the Synagogue where my buddy is the associate pastor. Understanding the issues of getting ready for liturgies, I sat in the back row PATIENTLY waiting for the service to begin. While waiting, an older woman asked if I would like to join her up front. She must have felt that I was lonely. What a beautiful gesture to extend to a visitor who seems out of place. The rabbi's wife soon joined me. Following the service, the congregation gathered for a meal where the rabbi (as most priests do) became the disciplinarian for the kids climbing on things while the parents sat quietly by.

One of the saddest moments of the trip was watching a man with his grandson (assumed) at the restaurant after Sunday Mass. They came in together with cell phones in hand and sat on the same side of the table. The man ordered for the child and then returned to his phone. Throughout the meal, the two seldom spoke a word but gave their attention to the piece of plastic that was in their hands. I so appreciate the memories of the meals I would have with my buddy's son as we would sit across the table from one another and I could experience the whole person sharing his day and the activities that were in it. It is sad that the little time we have with one another is wasted on a piece of plastic.

As I was preparing for this weekend's homily on the patience and compassion of our God, I came across this article from Father Robert F. McNamara that ties our weekend scriptures together.

What can I do to counter the “*enemy*” sowing “*weeds*” in my own field?

These are difficult times for ourselves and our children; our Christian values are under serious attack every single day – not just in secret at night, but in broad daylight! The “*weeds*” are trying to choke out the “*wheat*” and convert everything to a weed patch. Our society is clearly slipping farther and farther away from “*the Way*” of the Lord; in fact, we permit our politicians to ignore God completely. We are permitting our political system to attack the family structure (God's “domestic family” consists of man, woman, and children, not homosexual relationships, still less “trans-genderism”). Many are returning to pagan Epicurean principles, by killing unborn babies to preserve their alleged “right” to have unlimited sensual pleasures. Some people even think they are still “Christian” by fighting for abortion rights, mercy killing, and other heinous crimes against humanity and against God.

Make no mistake, this is an all-out war for souls, not just a little skirmish! It calls for an all-out effort by each of us to pass on and defend God-given standards of morality by living them out faithfully and extending His Love to all we meet, and, when challenged, speaking the truth with His Love. Jesus has shown us “*the Way*” to live, and empowered the Apostles, who passed on the same mission to the Bishops. By our baptism and confirmation, we too are called to participate in this same mission, remaining faithful to the teachings of Jesus Christ and his Church. Without this core faithfulness to God – our recognition that we depend upon Him – no progress can be made. Not only the voting booth is involved; it really begins with frequent prayer every single day. If we are making a serious effort to do something, then we can also draw on the strength mentioned in the Second Reading today (Rom 8:26-27): our God will not let us down! We can be patient, even when surrounded with weeds, because the Holy Spirit intercedes for us exactly as God himself wills! Conversely, if we remain silent, and misuse not only the voting booth but daily opportunities in the workplace and family, we have indeed become a “*weed*.” Today's gospel tells you the destiny of weeds.

Just a reminder --- due to the diocesan priests formation on Wednesday, July 22nd, there will be NO services in Armour this Wednesday.

I am looking forward to our return to our Thursday brown baggin' Bible study on Thursday, July 23rd. We will continue our stroll through the Book of Romans in chapter 8. All are welcome to join in our discussions.



Let us hold in our prayers...

Those quietly facing infertility or suffering from a miscarriage • Quila Walz • Kathy Behrend • Marlene Buchholz • Jason Buchholz • Doug Bormann
 Rosemarie Hafner • Tara Ziebart • Jan Eggers • John Reif • Jo Kirk • Missy Jorgenson • Geneva Berg • John Gilman • Ron Neugebauer • Steve Krsnak
 Dave Weber Family • Mary Feiner • Mary Jane Zwinger • Mary Newcomer • Parker Holbeck • Marley Whitaker • Sherman Hilfiker • Scott Nice • Dave Brech
 Londa Krull Peters • Patty Viereck • Ron Dufek • Josie Trebil • Mary Reiff • Denise Royston • Dylan Ernster • Elaine Neugebauer • Mary Foley • Maureen Dufek
 Paul(Dick) & DeeDee Thury • Tanner Harrington • Verne Carda • Dave Krull • Alex Laffey • Keeley Rexwinkle • Mark Hoffman • Mike Brezina • Kelly Cross
 Tom Herrmann • Jared Hettinger • Josh Spaans • Kayla Marsh • Peggy Fischer • Norma Sommer • Ralph McGregor • Jean Mingo-Schmaltz • Rachel Boreson

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, July 21st

5:30pm(SsPP) - Norbert & Ruth Sudbeck Family

Wednesday, July 22nd

8:30am(SH) - Norbert, Joan & Tim Fritza †
 11:30am(SPA) - No Mass

Thursday, July 23rd

8:30am(SsPP) - Fr. Gerry & Fr. Ken

Friday, July 24th

8:30am(SH) - Tony & Louise Sandhoff † & Sheila Bouw †

Saturday, July 25th

10:00am(BM) - Joanie Sommer †
 5:00pm(SsPP) - Dale Schoenfelder †

Sunday, July 26th

9:00am(SH) - Vern Herrmann Family †
 11:00am(SPA) - SPA, SsPP, & SH Parishioners

CATHOLIC TRIVIA Just for fun

Question: When bishops from around the world gather in council to make decisions for the Universal Church, what is the council called?

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

Dear Lord, we thank You and praise You for the many ways You provide for us. We humbly ask that You send rain to all areas that need it. We know that You are all powerful and all knowing. In Your infinite wisdom and goodness, You provide all that we need. In our fallen world, we suffer from many things. You can send rain for all those who are suffering from drought.

Please provide the rain that we need for comfortable living, and we particularly ask today that You provide rain for all regions that have been suffering from drought for a long time. Help us to always rely on You for all that we need in our lives. Give us the grace to grow to a deeper trust in You in every circumstance we encounter. Amen.

Parish Announcements

Sacred Heart

Altar Society Band 1 will serve the next funeral.

Watering of Church Grounds - A sign-up sheet is in the main entrance of SH for individuals/families to help water the landscaping plants and new grass planted by the parking lot. Watering should be completed once per week, if no rain. If you and/or your family would like to assist in watering this summer, please check the sign-up sheet for any open weeks. Thank you!

Please check the kitchen for your bowls and pans!

Finance Council Meeting - Tuesday, July 28th at 6:45pm in the large educational classroom.

Ss. Peter & Paul

Finance Council Meeting - Thursday, July 30th at 7pm

St. Paul the Apostle

Potluck Luncheon Sunday, July 26th after 11am Mass. Our Steubenville attendees will be present to speak about their experience at the youth conference and answer any questions. They would also like to thank our parish for their generous support and prayers they received. We are beyond grateful! Thanks again!

Finance Council Meeting - Wednesday, July 29th at 1:30pm in the parish hall.

Altar Society: Each year, the Altar Society assigns members to help oversee the various committees and events that support our parish. This year the altar society chair members would like to offer everyone the opportunity to sign up for the committee you feel called to share your time and talents. A sign-up sheet is available on the table in the church entryway. Please sign up by August 9th. After that date, any remaining open positions will be filled with members who have not yet volunteered. If you are unable to serve on the committee to which you are assigned, please arrange for your own replacement. Thank you for your willingness to serve our parish community! -Altar Society Chair Members, Elli, Melanie, Brenda, & Mary



CONGRATULATIONS TO
COLE & FAITH (OAKLEY) PRUNTY
WHO ENTERED INTO THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE ON JULY 18TH
AT STS. PETER & PAUL.

May Christ remain in the foundation of their marriage and strengthen their love for each other every day.



CONGRATULATIONS TO MAVERICK ARTHUR, SON OF JASON & KENDRA MICHEL, WHO WAS BAPTIZED AT ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE.
 May he learn to follow Jesus through the influence of the Holy Spirit & be blessed with abundant graces from the Lord.

Thank you

Our family would like to sincerely thank everyone for the condolences, prayers, cards, flowers, memorials, and kind expressions of sympathy following the passing of Dave Hoffman. Your love, support, and comforting hugs and messages have meant so much to us during this difficult time. A special thank you to all the ladies who donated food and helped serve at the wake and funeral. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for ushering, Robin Radke and Becky Bialas for the beautiful music, and Bailee Mogck for putting the service on YouTube and running the live stream.

-JoAnn Hoffman and Family

SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for July 19, 2026

Matthew 13:24-43

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A: a variety of seeds. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

HEAVEN	SOWN	GOOD SEED
FIELD	EVERYONE	ENEMY
WEEDS	WHEAT	APPEARED
HOUSEHOLD	HAS DONE	WANT
LET THEM GROW	BURNED	MUSTARD SEED
SMALLEST	YEAST	FLOUR
LEAVENED	MOUTH	CHILDREN

TOGETHER

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Trivia Answer: An Ecumenical Council.

Liturgical Ministries - July 25th & 26th

Sts. Peter & Paul	Sacred Heart	St. Paul the Apostle
EM: Suzie Moege & Linda Weber	EM: Chuck & Darcey Murtha	EM: Mary B., Travis S., Sr. Maribeth
Lector: Bailee Mogck	Lector: Alaina Royston	Lectors: Tammy S. & Rebecca T.
Servers: Faye, Ivan & Ruth Weber	Servers: Hadley Hohn, Sydney & Gracelyn Royston, Brexten Overby	Servers: Matt, Callie, Carter & Camden
Ushers: Slayton Neugebauer, Marty Weber, Steve Weber	Ushers: Brian, Renee & Kelby Neugebauer, Roger Waltman	Ushers: Jeff Cleveland, Terry Hinckley, Travis Sparks, Bill Harrington
Gift Carriers: Miles Mogck Family & Rona T.	Gift Carriers: Brian, Renee & Kelby Neugebauer	Gift Carriers: Dana Krull Family
Video: Bob Schoenfelder	Video: Brian Neugebauer	
Rosary: Tom Fergen		Counters: Travis & Jim

Church Support

Ss. Peter & Paul	Sacred Heart	St. Paul the Apostle
Envelopes \$1636.00	Envelopes \$2846.00	Envelopes \$795.00
Loose \$101.00	Loose \$143.00	Loose \$79.00
Masses \$10.00	Peter's Pence \$25.00	Masses \$100.00
War Relief \$100.00	Masses \$10.00	

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

A man recently told me he was losing patience with the Church. "It's supposed to be God's Kingdom on earth," he said, "but it's full of contradictions and hypocrisy. Why can't the Church just be better?" That last word landed with a judgmental thud. It hurt. Because at times the Church can look painfully ordinary, even disappointing.

But Jesus' parables in today's Gospel meet that frustration head-on. He says, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field," yet the weeds grow up with the wheat, and the master allows both to grow together until harvest. To his listeners, this sounded strange, even offensive. They expected God's reign to be pure, powerful, and glorious, anything but mixed up, hidden, or small. Jesus is showing us something essential. The Kingdom always begins small and grows amid imperfection. Grace and weakness exist side by side until the harvest. That is why the Church often looks messy. Yet within that mess, God's quiet work continues. The weeds do not stop the wheat from growing. When we see the Church's flaws or our own, it helps to remember that this is exactly the field in which Christ chose to plant. The miracle is not that everything looks perfect, but that his Word keeps taking root anyway. — Father John Muir

Lord, give me patience with Your field, the Church. Help me see Your hidden life growing even among the weeds. Amen.

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DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Finding the Sacred in Every Day - Saturday, August 1st 9am - Sunday, August 2nd 1:30pm. A spiritual retreat for women ages 26-40 to reflect on your experience of God within the many aspects of your daily life. Sponsored by Sacred Heart Monastery. Register by July 27th. For more information and to register, email Sr. Carmy at shmyankton.vocationdirector@gmail.com or call 605-668-6092.

East River TEC #1 - Calling all teens (ages 16+) and young adults! Join the revival of TEC in the Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls. Registration is NOW OPEN for East River TEC #1! The registration fee of \$85 covers all retreat expenses, including materials, lodging at Ace Maria Catholic School and meals. Go to EastRiverTEC.com/event-details/east-riveritec-1 to register.

Taste the Goodness - Saturday, August 1st from 5-9pm in downtown Sioux Falls. Participants can enjoy fellowship while tasting a wide variety of foods, craft beers, wines, sodas and other beverages. Music will be provided, along with a great mobile bidding silent auction, as well as games and activities. This is a come and go event benefitting the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House.

33rd Annual "Bishop's Cup" - Monday, August 17th at The Country Club of Sioux Falls and the Minnehaha Country Club with a shotgun start at 12:30pm. Teams can choose to play a four person scramble or play each individual ball with the two best balls scored hole by hole. This tournament benefits Broom Tree Retreat Center.