

**Holy Apostles Pastorate  
Weekend Mass Schedule**  
**Fr. Tom Clement**  
 Saint Ann, Geddes: Saturday 6 PM  
 Saint Peter the Apostle, Platte: Sunday 9 AM  
 Saint Mark, Lake Andes: Sunday 11 AM  
**Fr. Gary DeRouchey**  
 SS Peter & Paul, Dimock: Saturday 5 PM  
 Sacred Heart, Parkston: Sunday 9 AM  
 Saint Paul the Apostle, Armour: Sunday 11 AM  
**Fr. Jim Friedrich**  
 Saint John, Wagner: Saturday 5:30 PM  
 Assumption of the BVM, Dante: Sunday 9 AM  
 Saint Paul, Marty: Sunday 11 AM

**Daily Mass**  
**Tuesday:**  
 St Ann, Geddes: 5 PM Adoration 4 PM  
 Assumption of the BVM, Dante: 5 PM  
 SS Peter & Paul, Dimock: 5:30 PM  
**Wednesday:**  
 St Peter the Apostle, Platte: 8:30 AM Adoration 9 AM  
 St Paul the Apostle, Armour: 11:30 AM Adoration 12-1 PM  
 St John, Wagner: 5 PM Adoration 4:15 PM  
**Thursday:**  
 Saint John, Wagner: Thursday 8:30 AM  
 Lake Andes (Nursing Home): Thursday 1:30 PM  
**Friday:**  
 Saint Peter the Apostle, Platte: Friday 8:30 AM  
 Sacred Heart, Parkston: Friday 8:30 AM  
 Adoration following Mass until 1 PM  
 Saint Paul, Marty: Friday 1 PM Adoration 1:30 – 5 PM  
**1st Saturday:**  
 Assumption of the BVM, Dante: Mass 9 AM  
 Adoration 9:30 AM  
**Saturday:**  
 Parkston (NH/Assisted Living): Saturday 10 AM

- CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY**
- To feed the hungry (Matthew 25:35)
  - To give drink to the thirsty (Matthew 25:35)
  - To clothe the naked (Matthew 25:36)
  - To shelter the homeless (Matthew 25:35)
  - To visit the sick (Matthew 25:36)
  - To visit the imprisoned (Matthew 25:35)
  - To bury the dead (Tobit 1)
- SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY**
- To instruct the ignorant (Matthew 16:15)
  - To counsel the doubtful (John 14:27)
  - To admonish sinners (Luke 15:7)
  - To bear wrongs patiently (Luke 6:27-28)
  - To forgive offences willingly (Matthew 6:12)
  - To comfort the sorrowful (Matthew 11:28)
  - To pray for the living and the dead (John 17:24)

**Sacraments:**  
 St. Peter/St. Ann/St. Mark:  
*Fr. Tom Clement*

**Marriage Preparation:**  
 Contact Fr. Tom at least six months prior to wedding.

**New parishioners**  
 Contact *Fr. Tom* to register

**Anniversaries**  
 Publish Milestone anniversaries in the Bishop's Bulletin.

**Baptisms**  
 Contact *Fr. Tom Clement*

**OCIA**  
 Catholic preparation study  
 Contact *Sr Maribeth Wentzclaff*

**Phone Prayer Chain:**  
 St. Ann: Eileen Carda  
 St. Peter: Ruth Anderson

**Knights of Columbus:**  
 St. Peter/St. Ann: Mark Hegge  
 St. Mark: Joe Schultz

**Altar Society**  
 St. Ann: Sandy DuFrain  
 St. Peter: Jennifer Fay  
 St. Mark: Margaret Reiser

**Volunteer Schedule**  
 St. Ann's: Jackie Slaba  
 St. Peter's: Kathy Hegge  
 St. Mark: Jenna Leibel

**Music Coordinator**  
 St. Peter: Katie DeNeui,  
 Donna Travis  
 St. Mark: Russell/Jackie Gall

**Hall Rental**  
 St. Ann: Julie Pavel  
 St. Peter: JoNell DeHaan

**Life**  
 St. Mark's: Alec/Sierra Weber

**Religious Ed Coordinator**  
 Platte-Geddes: Joe Tegethoff

**Holy Apostles Pastorate Staff**

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<p><b>Councils</b>  <b>Fr. Tom Clement</b>          Deacon Joe Tegethoff</p> <p><b>St. Ann-Parish</b>          Jennifer Simon          Mark Slaba          Jentry VanderPol          Amy Rolland          Shawn DuFrain</p>	<p><b>St. Ann-Finance</b>          Mary Beth Kok          Don Millar          Dan Schulte          Marlys Krietlow</p> <p><b>St. Mark Council:</b>          Margaret Reiser          Steve Reiser          Carla Winkler          Noreen Laska          Joe Schultz</p>	<p><b>St. Peter Finance</b>          Rob Reiser          Tait Sibbel          Linda Whalen          Matt Gerlach          Todd Larsen</p> <p><b>Holy Apostles Council:</b>          Brenda Millar, St. Ann          Russell Gall, St. Mark          Darrell Mueller, St. Peter</p>	<p><b>St. Peter Parish</b>          Trisha Frandsen          Darrell Mueller          Corey Rabenberg          Haley Stluka          Mark Hegge, KC          Jennifer Fay, AS          Becky Erickson, Cemetery</p>
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**Holy Apostles Parishes  
of St. Ann, St. Mark & St. Peter the Apostle**


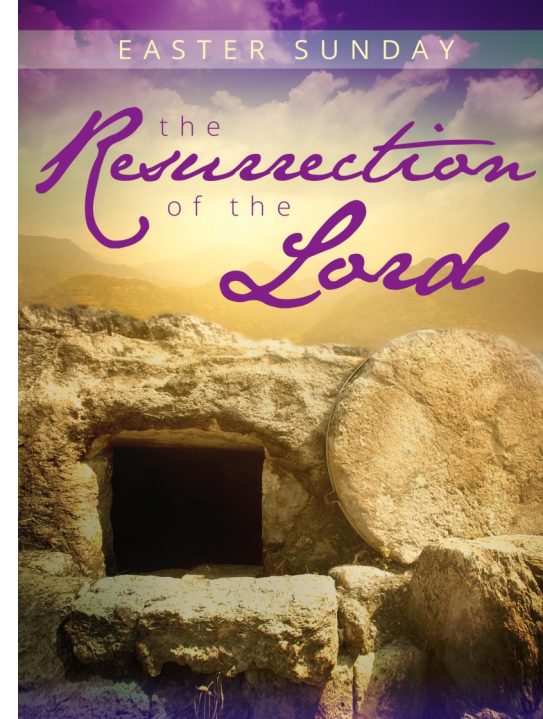
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 <p><b>St. Ann</b>          PO Box 137          303 5th St          Geddes, SD 57342</p>	 <p><b>St. Mark</b>          PO Box 250          251 N 3rd Ave          Lake Andes, SD 57356</p>	 <p><b>St Peter the Apostle</b>          321 Ohio Ave          Platte, SD 57369</p>
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 Mass on-line at [stpaulstmark.com](http://stpaulstmark.com)

**Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network  
For priests in crisis**

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  
April 4-5, 2026**

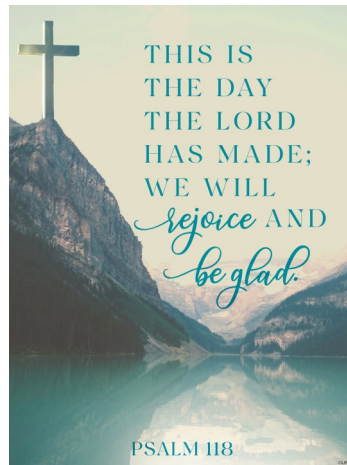
**Entrance Antiphon**  
 I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.  
 You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.  
 Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

**Responsorial Psalm**  
 This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

**Communion Antiphon**  
 Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;  
 Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

**LIVE THE LITURGY**  
 The disciples didn't understand, at first, what happened at the tomb. Often, we can't fathom the purpose of God's plan. We only see a stone in the wrong place. When we pause and look deeper, we see it: God has moved the stone. So, we must ask ourselves: why? ©LPi

<p><b>Mass Intentions</b></p>  <p><b>Rosary M-F</b>          Platte: noon</p> 	Confessions are heard during Adoration & 30 Minutes prior to Mass.				
	Apr 6	Monday	No Mass		
	Apr 7	Tuesday	Adoration 4 PM Mass 5PM	Geddes	St. Ann's Altar Society Living & Deceased
	Apr 8	Wednesday	Mass 8:30 AM Adoration 9-10 AM	Platte	Lenyx Leader
	Apr 9	Thursday	LA NHCC Mass 1:30 PM	Lake Andes	Ray & Elsie Chytka+
	Apr 10	Friday	Mass 8:30 AM	Platte	Arnie Hanten+
	Apr 11	Saturday Vigil	Mass 6 PM	Geddes	Abby Jo Clement+
Apr 12	Sunday	Mass 9 AM Mass 11 AM	Platte Lake Andes	Parishioners M/M Frank Jerman+	



This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad! The Christ who was raised up promises new life with him. We are surrounded with signs of new life as spring starts to unfold. A physical sign is something we can see with our eyes, but today we celebrate with eyes of faith, New Life in Christ Jesus! We bear within us the hope that resurrection gives us. Our faith brings to us the truth that God has not abandoned us.

God is bringing us into new life as we journey together in the life of the Church. It is with great joy that we welcome Blair Olson into full communion at St. Peter the Apostle this Easter morning. Welcome and many blessings to you, Blair!

Also, I extend a big Thank You to all who helped make our celebrations during Holy Week prayerful and meaningful—to those who help with music and singing, the liturgical environment, servers, lectors, and those who helped in any way.

I plan to visit family Easter Sunday after masses and will be returning on Tuesday evening.

A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL! -- Fr. Tom.



**St. Mark Parish**  
**Secretary:** JoNell DeHaan  
**Cell:** 605-680-0870  
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**2026 CFSA Goal \$12,500 \$5750 remaining**  
 Reg Support \$1123 CFSA \$1330

**Church Cleaning for April:** Rachel Kaczor & Jenna Leibel

**Sunday, April 12-11:00am**

Lector: Joe Schultz  
 EM: Deb Ronfeldt  
 Servers: Mila Hopkins & Finnegan Hopkins  
 Counters: Deb Ronfeldt & Sierra Weber  
 Custodians/Ushers/Collection: Deb Ronfeldt Family  
 Grounds: Rick Bergin



**St. Peter the Apostle Parish**  
**Secretary:** JoNell DeHaan  
**Cell:** 605-680-0870  
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**Online Giving:** <https://onrealm.org/SaintPeterApost/Give>

**2026 CFSA Goal \$22,500/\$7431 remaining**  
**Total Rice Bowl collected from children \$183**  
 Reg \$2104 Online \$535.77 Flowers \$100

**Sunday, April 12-9:00am**

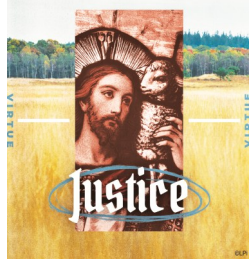
Lector: Kathy T.  
 Servers: Jimmy, Cambree & Caylee F.  
 EMs: Kathy T., Susan H.  
 Ushers: Keith & Jane A.  
 Counters: Andersons, Sherry T.

**VIRTUES, EXPLAINED! – CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH**

**Justice**

“Original justice” is what the Catechism calls the state of harmony that existed between God, mankind and all creation (CCC 376) before the fall. Though original justice perished when sin entered the world, our souls still bear its memory, and we are oriented toward this virtue like a flower is oriented to the light of the sun: “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will have their fill.” (Matthew 5:6)

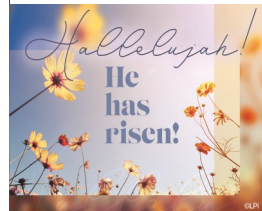
The cardinal virtue of justice has to do with the fulfillment of our duty to one another and to God (religion is the justice we owe to our Creator). Justice gives us a framework for existing in the Justice is made possible by the virtue of charity (CCC 1825) because justice demands what is right for all, not just for one. ©LPi



**WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**

**Easter**

Why is the Easter season so long? And should we be doing something special for it?



You’ve probably noticed the priest continuing to wear white vestments at the Sunday liturgy. While we celebrated Christ’s resurrection several weeks ago, the Easter season extends fifty days — just over seven weeks — from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. For most of that time — about six weeks — Jesus is still with the disciples, teaching and encouraging them. The Easter season isn’t just a celebration of when Jesus is with us.

At the Last Supper, Jesus promised to send an “advocate” or “counselor” when he left. At the Ascension, he directs the disciples to await “power from on high” — the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Ascension completes the Paschal Mystery, beginning with Jesus’ suffering and death and continuing in the resurrection. But the Holy Spirit ushers in a new era for the Church.

After spending weeks in prayer, fasting, and service during Lent, it may seem odd that we don’t widely have similar practices for Easter. That doesn’t mean you can’t embrace the season! Commit to taking moments of little joy throughout the weeks, like random acts of kindness towards others. Consider reading the Acts of the Apostles to learn more about the early Church or picking up an Easter devotional to pray with. He is still risen indeed! ©LPi

**CATHOLIC TRIVIA:** What is the name of the patron saint of travelers and lost items?

**GOSPEL MEDITATION** — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

Zander Price was the fastest kid at my grade school. He won every race on Field Day. To me, his swiftness meant he was the greatest. Zander was the best.

It’s the same with the speediest Apostle on Easter morning. John tells us he “**ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first.**” (John 20:4) But only *after* Peter entered did John go in, see the burial cloths, and believe. Here is a symbol of two dimensions of the Church. John, the beloved disciple, represents the contemplative, mystical life: affection, prayer, intimacy. Peter, the rock, represents the Church’s institutional life: steady, authoritative, structured...but slower.

Of course, John runs faster! Love is the heartbeat of Christian faith, so love will always arrive first. Peter’s role is, in a sense, secondary. He arrives later, but is still very much needed. John waits for him. The Church must be built, balanced, protected, and led. Love without structure can vanish; structure without love becomes lifeless.

This dynamic is not just historical — it is personal. In you, there is a John who longs to run to the tomb in love. Let him run! Pray, sing, love Jesus. There is also a Peter, who eventually gets to the tomb and takes charge. The Risen Christ wants both. Remember: if you want to get to the mystery of Jesus’ resurrection *fast*...love him, for love is best.

**Readings for the week of April 5, 2026**

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15  
 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18  
 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35  
 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48  
 Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14  
 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15  
 Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



Please keep our Youth receiving **1st Holy Communion** on Sunday, April 12th in your prayers.

**Platte 9 AM Mass:** Roman Holzbauer, Killian Kirwan, Faye Lampy, Beckett Leader, Rhemesin Nachtigal, Lily Sibbel and Logan Wojciechowski (Geddes)

**Lake Andes 11 AM Mass:** Maxwell Bennett, Jameson Schmidt, Evelyn Swanson and Marie Weber



**CCD Calendar**

- 4/8, 4/15, 4/22 class for all youth.
- 4/8 - 1st Communion retreat 4-6 PM in Platte
- 4/12 - 1st Communion in Platte & Lake Andes
- 4/22– Last day for P-G 6-12
- 4/29 - Last day P-G K-5 and Lake Andes youth
- 5/3 - P-G Senior Appreciation in Platte

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS** By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**While It Is Still Dark**

If you are a person who is religious in any way, chances are that at some point, someone has asked you to give a reason why. I meet lots of people who identify as *spiritual* but not *religious*, lots of people who are more comfortable splashing in the shallow end of belief but hesitating to wade into the more uncertain depths of doctrine. So when they ask the question “Why do you believe what you believe?” it usually comes out as “Why do you go to church?”

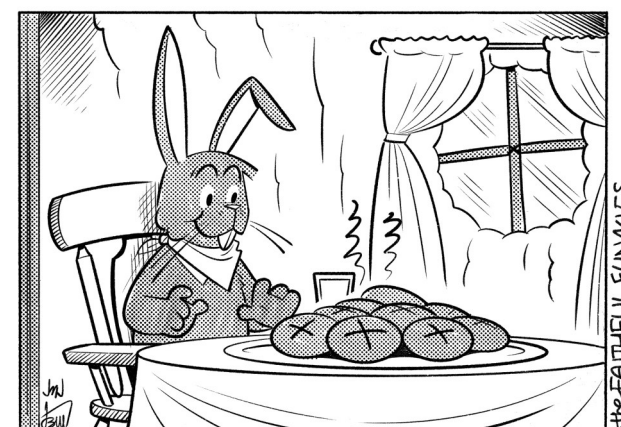
They want to know why I come to this specific place at this specific time. What am I expecting to happen?

We read that Mary Magdalene went to the tomb “while it was still dark.” I imagine she could not sleep. She was traumatized. Grieving. Confused. Angry, perhaps. Doubting? Maybe. It’s possible. We cannot know what was in her heart.

We only know what she did. We only know where she went. And we know that it was dark, that the light of Easter’s dawn had not yet pierced the sky.

Often, I am grieving when I go to church, or angry, or confused, or all three. I have gone many times with a doubting and resentful heart. Because, you see, it is still dark. The dawn of eternity, which will illuminate all understanding, has not yet even begun to creep across my horizon. My answer to the question, when I am asked, is that I go to church — to Catholic Mass, specifically — for the same reason Mary Magdalene went to the tomb. I go because it is the last place I saw Christ, and I am desperate to see him again. ©LPi

“What does the Easter Bunny eat for breakfast?”



“Hot Cross Buns.”

**FUN FACT!**  
 An English priest, Father Thomas Rockcliffe, popularized the distribution of Hot Cross Buns at Easter in the 14th century, inspiring the famous rhyme.

Answer: St. Anthony of Padua . ©LPi



Home Mission Sunday is April 26th.