

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 Wentzlaff

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,
St. Ann: 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
St. Mark: Alec Weber
Platte-Geddes: Joe Tegethoff

**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

Councils
Fr. Tom Clement
Deacon Joe Tegethoff

St. Ann-Parish
Jennifer Simon
Mark Slaba
Jentry VanderPol
Amy Rolland
Shawn DuFrain

St. Ann-Finance
Mary Beth Kok
Don Millar
Dan Schulte
Marlys Krietlow

St. Mark Council:
Margaret Reiser
Steve Reiser
Carla Winkler
Noreen Laska
Joe Schultz

St. Peter Finance
Rob Reiser
Tait Sibbel
Linda Whalen
Matt Gerlach
Todd Larsen

St. Peter Parish
Trisha Frandsen
Darrell Mueller
Corey Rabenberg
Haley Stluka
Mark Hegge, KC
Jennifer Fay, AS
Becky Erickson,
Cemetery

Holy Apostles Council:
Brenda Millar, St. Ann
Russell Gall, St. Mark
Darrell Mueller, St. Peter

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Holy Apostles Website: https://holypostlessd.org

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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St. Ann
PO Box 137
303 5th St
Geddes, SD 57342

Mass

St. Mark
PO Box 250
251 N 3rd Ave
Lake Andes, SD 57356

Sunday 11 AM

St. Peter the Apostle
321 Ohio Ave
Platte, SD 57369

Sunday 9 AM

**Holy Apostles Parishes
of St. Ann, St. Mark and St. Peter the Apostle**

*27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 3-4, 2026*

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made
all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within
the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Responsorial Psalm

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seeks him.

Readings for the week of October 4, 2026

Sunday (Respect Life): Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43
Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday (Our Lady of the Rosary): Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28
Next Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Tuesday
4-5 PM
Geddes
Wednesday
9-10 AM
Platte

Platte
M-F
Noon
Lake Andes
Sunday
10:30 AM

30 minutes prior to
Mass, during
Adoration and by
appointment

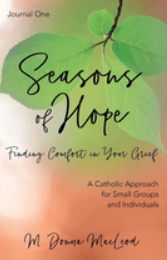
Daily Masses	Oct 5	Monday	No Mass	Clergy Days
Geddes	Oct 6	Tuesday	No Mass	Clergy Days
Platte	Oct 7	Wednesday	No Mass	Clergy Days
Lake Andes NHCC	Oct 8	Thursday	1:30 PM	Jim+ & Lorraine Pipes+
Platte	Oct 9	Friday	8:30 AM	Bill Carter+
Geddes	Oct 10	Saturday	6 PM Mass	Bob & Lorraine Bruner
Platte	Oct 11	Sunday	9 AM Mass	Parishioners
Lake Andes	Oct 11	Sunday	11 AM Mass	Ruby Pell

Updates from Sr. Maribeth Wentzlaff (Director of Discipleship and Evangelization)

~~Are you, or someone you know, interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church? Once again our Pastorate is offering OCIA Classes (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults). Persons eligible for these weekly classes are those in need of baptism, those baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic, and those baptized Catholic in need of 1st Communion and/or Confirmation. If this fits you, and you feel God is calling you to this next step in your life, please contact Sr. Maribeth Wentzlaff, Director of Discipleship and Evangelization, at [605-760-5295](tel:605-760-5295) or by email at: mwentzlaff@yanktonbenedictines.org by October 19th at the latest. Classes will begin by the end of October.

~~As many of you know already, for the last year, we have been offering classes for "Cradle Catholics" (those who have been Catholic all of their lives) who may want a "refresher" about the Church for their own faith formation. However, you don't have to be a Cradle Catholic to come. We have participants who went through OCIA classes a while ago and want to know more. Some of the topics we have covered have been: Mass and the Sacraments, responses to your non-Catholic friends regarding Mary and the Saints, and other issues you just "haven't quite grasped" over the years. If you are interested but haven't been able to attend in the past, it is not too late. Anyone may join at any time. The groups meet the first Wednesday of the month at Dimock, the second Wednesday at Platte, and the third Wednesday in Wagner (all at the parish at 6:00 PM). If you have any questions, please contact Sr. Maribeth Wentzlaff at [605-760-5295](tel:605-760-5295) or by e-mail at: mwentzlaff@yanktonbenedictines.org.

~~When Set Ablaze first started in our Diocese, one of the needs that surfaced from our Pastorate was Grief Support. In order to address this, we will be starting a Grief Support Group called "Oh, Good Grief" in each of the trios of our Parishes on Wednesdays at 3:00 PM beginning on October 7th. The first Wednesday of the month, the group will meet at Sacred Heart in Parkston, the second Wednesday of the month at St. Peter's in Platte at Fr. Tom's rectory, and the third Wednesday at St. John the Baptist in Wagner. If you, or someone you know, has experienced the loss of a loved one or any other loss, please consider attending. It is good to share our grief with others so that healing may begin. We will be using the book "Seasons of Hope: Bringing Comfort Through Catholic Grief Support" by M. Donna MacLeod. If you have any questions, please contact Sr. Maribeth Wentzlaff at [605-760-5295](tel:605-760-5295) or by e-mail at: mwentzlaff@yanktonbenedictines.org.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED
The Sign of Peace

Question: Why do Catholics give the sign of peace to one another at Mass?

The sign of peace is a part of the Mass that takes place immediately after we offer the Lord’s Prayer. Inspired by the Jesus’ words to his first followers, we stand together in a spirit of communion to pray as Jesus taught us: “Our Father who art in heaven...” In this prayer, we call for the coming of God’s kingdom in all its fullness and ask that God provides for our needs — “Give us, this day, our daily bread” — to forgive our sins and to bring us to the joy of heaven.

It is almost natural, then, that the rite of peace would follow. As the celebrant prays that Christ’s peace will fill our hearts, our communities, the Church, and the whole world, we extend to those around us a sign of peace (usually a hug or a handshake) as a symbol of the communion that we experience now and will experience forever in the fullness of the reign of God.

We are also reminded of Jesus’ teachings that if we are at prayer and remember that a brother or sister is holding something against us, then we are to go and seek reconciliation with them before we continue our prayer (see Matthew 5:23). And so, the sign of peace also reminds us of the need to truly be in communion — united in love and peace — with God and one another before we approach the altar to receive the Eucharist.

So, the next time you’re at Mass and the time comes for the sign of peace, remember that this is a moment to celebrate the gift of Christ’s peace that each of us has received from God and to pass that peace along to those around us. We need this moment to practice, because this is also the same peace of Christ that we are instructed to carry out into the world at the end of Mass when the priest or deacon says to us,

“Go, in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.” ©LPi



VIRTUES, EXPLAINED
CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

Magnanimity, writes St. Thomas Aquinas, describes “the stretching forth of the mind to great things.” (Sum. II-II, 129, Art. 1) This virtue protects souls from the temptation to do honorable things for intentions that fall short of honorability. Magnanimity shares much with the virtue of humility, but unlike humility, it specifically seeks what is great — but never the distinction of being called great. A magnanimous person’s focus is solely on accomplishing as much good as possible, as effectively as possible. ©LPi

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

1st Reading: Isaiah speaks of God’s frustration over the people of Judah (the Lord’s “cherished plant”) who have not yielded a good crop. How do you encourage family or friends to live up to their potential?

2nd Reading: Paul teaches the Philippians that prayer and positive thoughts are key to avoiding anxiety and experiencing the peace of God. What are some positive thoughts you focus on when you are stressed or anxious?

Gospel Question: Jesus harshly criticizes the chief priests and Pharisees in the Parable of the Tenants. How do you deliver legitimate criticism to someone you care about? ©LPi

The Body of Christ/The Blood of Christ ©LPi



FUN FACT!
St. Thérèse of Lisieux was a young French woman whose gentle spirituality taught that each of us is like a flower in God's garden. ©LPi

Catholic Trivia: What words does a Eucharistic minister say before giving the Eucharist to a communicant?

Please welcome Fr. Jim Friedrich as he and I are rotating parishes this weekend. Also, please know that this coming week, Monday thru Thursday, Bishop DeGrood will meet with the priests and deacons of the diocese for “Clergy Days”. We will be meeting at Cedar Shores near Chamberlain, and the main presenter will be Dr. Peter Kreeft a professor of philosophy at Boston College and The Kings College, author of many books on Christian philosophy, theology and apologetics.

Each October since 1973, the Catholic Church in the United States observes Respect Life Month and focuses on reflecting more deeply on the dignity and gift of human life. This year, the theme chosen is Mary, Mother of Life. “Our Blessed Mother is our model for upholding the sanctity of all human life in every stage and circumstance. We entrust all our efforts to protect mothers and babies to her motherly care, which we greatly need at this time,” said Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities, in a statement inviting the faithful into prayer, deeper reflection, and action during the month of October. As we know, in the state of South Dakota, it is strictly illegal to prescribe, dispense, distribute or sell abortion pills within the state, but due to shield laws, the abortion pills are coming from pro-abortion states into pro-life states, like South Dakota. That means the pro-life states don’t have the ability to protect life and women as our laws prescribe. Let us continue to pray and work for ways to protect the gift of human life at all stages. Peace, -- Fr Tom

Priest Retirement Fund

The priest pension fund provides a regular and stable income to support their daily living expenses, and some need the additional help for their medical care. Whether you can give a big or small gift, it is greatly appreciated.Thanks!



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Have you ever felt like your attempts at prayer are a waste of time? I have. Early in my priesthood, I noticed that my prayer life was weakening. Awe and eager expectancy of contact with God had given way to routine. I gradually spent less and less time praying. Nothing dramatic had happened, but my attitude toward God had changed, and I was losing the desire to pray.

Jesus’ parable of the insane vineyard tenants speaks into this kind of experience. He says the landowner “leased it to tenants and went on a journey” (Matthew 21:33). The key to this message is that the vineyard does not belong to those who work it — they are entrusted with it. But little by little, they view it as their possession, and ungrateful entitlement follows.

The servants sent by the owner are treated as intrusions. Even the owner’s son becomes a means to their delusional self-will. The central tragedy is not violence but the forgetfulness that spawns it. They need reminding how lucky they are to be given so much.

Eventually, God sent friends to remind me that my relationship with Him and my prayer time are not my possessions, but rather God’s tremendous gifts to me. *Perhaps you are feeling discouraged for some reason or other these days in your walk with God. Ponder this parable and let it be a gentle reminder that you and I are fortunate stewards, and God is the generous giver. This allows us to rediscover the beauty of the vineyards in our lives and to remain energetic in cultivating his gifts.*

— Father John Muir ©LPi



St. Ann Parish, Geddes
Collection \$1262 Kids \$11

Oct. 10th – 6 PM

Lector: Angie Petrik
EM: Mary Beth Kok, Jackie Slaba
Servers: Colten & Luke Petrik, Wyatt Simon

St. Mark Parish, Lake Andes
Collection \$560.75

Church Cleaning for October: Nora Svatos & Erica Svatos

Sunday, October 11th - 11 AM

Lector: Larry Lucas
EM: Nora Svatos
Servers: Mila Hopkins & Finnegan Hopkins
Counters: Jeanne Payer & Nora Svatos
Custodians/Ushers/Collection: Larry & Deb Lucas
Grounds: Rob Thomson



We welcome
Selvina & Slienna Chytka,
daughters of Sage and Shanna
into our Catholic family. Blessings to you!

St Peter the Apostle Parish, Platte

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<https://onrealm.org/SaintPeterApost/Account/Start>



Sunday, October 11-9:00

Lector: Darrell M.
Servers: Teddy & Mila D., Adalyn L.
EMs: Darrell M., JoNell D.
Ushers: Mark & Kathy H.
Counters: Kemnitzes, Teresa N.

LIVE THE LITURGY -

Some build their lives on a foundation of wealth, some on a foundation of power. What do we choose for our cornerstone? What supports the weight of our souls? For the Christian life, there is only one foundation strong enough to hold. Choose wisely. ©LPi

Save the Dates

- **FALL FESTIVAL**--Sat. Oct. 10, 2026 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at the Geddes Community Methodist Church in Geddes SD. There will be lunch items, baked goods and candies, Christian greeting cards, cookbooks and lots of Trash and Treasure items.
- **St. Peter the Apostle Annual Turkey Dinner is October 25th from 4:30-7 PM.**
- **Dante Soup Dinner is October 25th from 10:30 - 1**
- **St. Paul the Apostle Dinner November 1 4-7 PM**

"Keeping Christ in Christmas" is a popular phrase. December 16th is reserved for the Platte-Geddes Christmas program. A director to coordinate the Nativity reenactment is needed to make this happen. If this is a talent that God has gifted to you, please contact Deacon Joe asap. Teachers and parents will support you in this effort. The hardest part is figuring out parts for everyone and making sure everyone has a costume.