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 until1 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

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

1st Reading: Jeremiah trusts in the Lord despite his fear of being attacked and persecuted. Can you think of a time when you had to totally trust in God?

2nd Reading: Paul compares and contrasts the impact of Adam and Christ on our lives. Who would you say has made the biggest impact on your life so far?

Gospel Reading: Jesus warns his disciples against spiritual forces that seek to destroy both the body and the soul. Where do you see malevolent spiritual forces at work in our world? ©LPi

CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. To feed the hungry (Matthew 25:35)
2. To give drink to the thirsty (Matthew 25:35)
3. To clothe the naked (Matthew 25:36)
4. To shelter the homeless (Matthew 25:35)
5. To visit the sick (Matthew 25:36)
6. To visit the imprisoned (Matthew 25:35)
7. To bury the dead (Tobit 1)

SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. To instruct the ignorant (Matthew 16:15)
2. To counsel the doubtful (John 14:27)
3. To admonish sinners (Luke 15:7)
4. To bear wrongs patiently (Luke 6:27-28)
5. To forgive offences willingly (Matthew 6:12)
6. To comfort the sorrowful (Matthew 11:28)
7. 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 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
Platte-Geddes: Joe Tegethoff

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Russell Gall, St. Mark
Darrell Mueller, St. Peter

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Darrell Mueller
Corey Rabenberg
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Mark Hegge, KC
Jennifer Fay, AS
Becky Erickson, Cemetery

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

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

Weekend Mass: Saturday at 6 PM

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

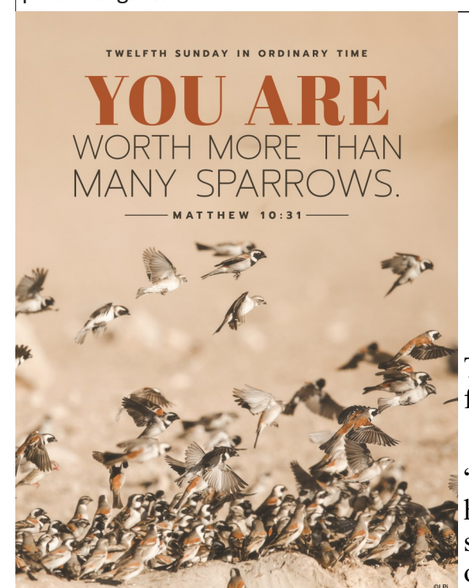
Weekend Mass: Sunday at 11 AM
Mass on-line at stpaulstmark.com

St Peter the Apostle
321 Ohio Ave
Platte, SD 57369

Weekend Mass: Sunday at 9 AM

Holy Apostles Website: https://holyapostlessd.org
Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

For the values of sports. Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 20-21, 2026

Entrance Antiphon
The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

Responsorial Psalm
Lord, in your great love, answer me.

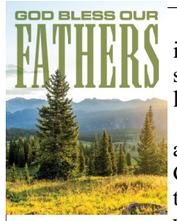
Communion Antiphon
The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

LIVE THE LITURGY
"What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light." We all hear God's voice whispering in our hearts. Discipleship means speaking those words out loud. We all feel the Spirit sing into our souls. Discipleship means that we dance to the tune. ©LPi

Mass Intentions

Rosary M-F
Platte: noon

Confessions are heard during Adoration & 30 Minutes prior to Mass.			
June 22	Monday		No Mass
June 23	Tuesday Adoration 4 PM Mass 5 PM	Geddes	Dale Larson+
June 24	Wednesday Mass 8:30 AM Adoration 9-10 AM	Platte	Frank & Marguerite Larsen+
June 25	Thursday LA NHCC 1:30 PM Mass	Lake Andes	Betty Bruner+
June 26	Friday Mass 8:30 AM	Platte	Myron Lang+
June 27	Saturday Mass 6 PM	Geddes	For those who are unprepared
June 28	Sunday Mass 9 AM Rosary 10.:30 AM Mass 11 AM	Platte Lake Andes	Parishioners Eugene & Delores Payer+



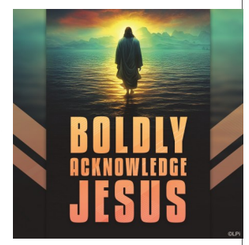
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY *TO ALL THE DADS* and many blessings to them as they live out their vocation! It is good to be back from my vacation. Although the first couple of days were filled with battling flight delays and seasickness, the overall trip was wonderful as we cruised Cape Cod stopping at many historical sites—the highlight for me was visiting Plymouth, MA.

I share with you words from St. John Chrysostom that date back to late 4th century, --not only food for thought and reflection then, but for us as well in our day: "God is not ignorant of anything that happens in creation, and if God loves us more truly that the best human father, and if God loves us so as to have numbered our very hairs, then we need not be afraid…Therefore, if God both knows all things that happen to us and is able to save us and willing to do so, then whatever we may be suffering, we need not think that God has forsaken us in our suffering…'Therefore, don't be afraid. You are of more value than many sparrows.' Don't you see that God views your fear with more concern than the lives of many sparrows? He already knows the secret of your heart. Hence Jesus adds, 'Do not fear.' For even if that which you dread prevails, it prevails only over your body; this is the limited part of yourself, which nature will surely take in due time and bring to an end" (St. John Chrysostom, Homily 34). . Let God transform our fears and renew our spirit!

In God We Trust - Fr. Tom

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



Fear No One

In the 1883 painting "Mass in a Connemara Cabin," a small congregation of shabbily dressed faithful is huddled together in a sparsely appointed room. A priest extends his hand over them in blessing. One woman presses her forehead to the ground in prayer.

This painting, created in 1883 by Aloysius O'Kelley, depicts a "station Mass," offered for the community in a private home. Though this practice originated in the period of the Penal Laws, when Catholic worship was illegal in Ireland, it persisted even after the "emancipation" of Catholics in the 19th century.

I have used quotation marks around the word "emancipation" because we must never forget that just because something is made legal does not mean it is made popular. And it certainly is not made safe.

In the moments that pass immediately after this scene concludes, the altar candles will be extinguished and the faithful will disperse, carrying the Body and Blood of Christ into a world suspicious of him, suspicious of them.

And yet here they are, kneeling. Foreheads pressed to the floor.

This painting sits on my family's prayer table as a call to reflection. I make my living writing Catholic things for Catholic publications. The people who read what I write are bound to agree with me — they're usually reading my words in a church. I must confess that in my personal life, I am far less bold. I fear controversy. I dread giving offense. I buckle beneath the weight of discipleship.

It doesn't matter that most Americans identify as "Christians" — the world we face when we leave Mass is every bit as resentful of true Catholic teaching as the world that lies beyond O'Kelley's Connemara cottage. And while I do not fear those who can kill my body, I do fear those who can kill my reputation.

"Mass in a Connemara Cabin" illustrates how my ancestors worshiped: in secret, in shadow.

I worship in the daylight.

Which of us acknowledges Christ more fully? More courageously? ©LPi

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Priestly Ordination of Men

Question: Why are only men allowed to be priests or deacons in the Church?

One of the most debated and — in some circles — contentious teachings of the Church is that only men can be ordained as priests and deacons. Critics see it as a way of strengthening a patriarchal system in which women have little or no voice. Those who support this teaching look to New Testament teaching (where we read of Jesus choosing only men to be apostles) and the long-standing practice of the Church. This was certainly the perspective of St. John Paul II who, in his 1994 apostolic letter, *Ordinatio Sacerdotalis,* closed the discussion on the possibility of ordaining women as priests.

In the letter, he reflected on the dignity of women and their call to share in the life and mission of the Church, but he concluded by solemnly declaring that "the Church has no authority whatsoever to confer priestly ordination on women and that this judgement is to be definitely held by all the Church's faithful" (no. 4).

This position has been upheld by Pope Francis in interviews, most notably as he returned from his 2016 visit to Sweden.

The ordination of women to the diaconate is another question and one which is being studied. In 2016, Pope Francis created a 12-member commission to study the question from several perspectives (theological, liturgical, historical, etc.). The commission issued an initial report for Pope Francis who later said that the commission had not yet produced a "definite response" to the question because of a lack of agreement on the role of female deacons in the Early Church.

For now, however, regardless of what changes might come from ongoing study and debate, the Church continues to reserve ordination to the diaconate to men only, recognizing a vital link between the diaconate and the priesthood and the lack of certainty about the presence and function of female deacons throughout history. ©LPi

Readings for the week of June 21, 2026

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/ Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-29
Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/ Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Mt 8:1-4
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/ Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Mt 8:5-17
Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42)

St. Mark Parish

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Reg Support $1184

Church Cleaning for June: Noreen Laska & Joni Laska

Sunday, June 28th – 11 AM

Lector: Sally Florey
EM: Margaret Reiser
Servers: Brynlee Kaczor & Addisyn Deurmier
Counters: Sally Florey & Carla Winckler
Custodians/Ushers/Collection: Steve & Margaret Reiser
Grounds: Rick Bergin

Council meeting moved to July 16 @ 4:30 PM

St. Ann Parish

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June 28th – 6 PM

Lector: Mike Slaba
EM: Jackie Slaba & Mary Beth Kok
Servers: Ty Rolland, Colten & Luke Petrik

Joint Council meeting is July 21 @ 6:30 PM

There are several free items available for you. Share the weekend Mass times cards with your neighbors. A shout out to Andrew Geppert for the prayer crosses.

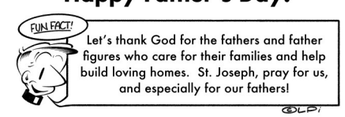
Other religious items are available at St. Peter's in the cabinet and on the counter. There are envelopes available for your donation and can be slipped under the office door or put in the collection.

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

Affability

In being affable, we make ourselves friendly, approachable, and agreeable to those around us, regardless of how they make us feel. "How good and how pleasant it is when brothers dwell together as one," writes King David in Psalm 133.

Happy Father's Day!



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Sunday, June 28–9:00am

Lector: Mary V.
Servers: Kayson & Boston S., Vivian F.
EMs: Tim & Linda W.
Ushers: Tim & Linda W.
Counters: Kemnitzes, Sherry T.

Joint Council meetings moved to July 15 @7 PM

Annual Cleaning

The goal is to clean the week of June 21st and have the hall and classroom carpets cleaned after July 1.

A sheet with task instructions has been texted and emailed. It is also available at the front of the church. You can sign up there or online.

Use the QR code to get to login page or holyapostlessd.org under Pastorate Ministries, Group Finder, My Groups. *The first time you login to the site, you need to create an account.*

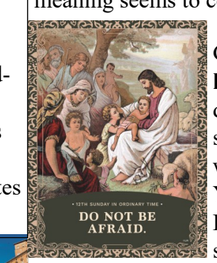
The group is *Altar Society Workers.* Thank you for your help in this ministry.

Holy Father
(Peter's Pence)
collection
June 28, 2026

Envelopes were in last week's bulletin or t the entrance of the church.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Jean Améry, a Holocaust survivor tortured by the Nazis, later wrote about the abyss of human evil. He described his reaction as an "indignant despair." Haven't we all, to some degree, felt that abyss opened beneath us? A sudden loss, a violent headline, a moment of loneliness or panic, when the world feels fragile and meaning seems to collapse?



It is to this fear that Jesus speaks in today's Gospel: **"Do not be afraid of those who can kill the body."** (Matthew 10:28) He does not deny evil or pretend we will never suffer. Instead, He reframes the abyss: do not fear those who can kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Your life is seen, known, and counted by the Father. Even the hairs of your head, even the sparrow's fall.

This is no superficial comfort. Jesus himself has entered the abyss: suffering, death, even our sense of forsakenness, and he has come through it. That is why his words, "Do not be afraid," hold such weight. They do not erase the abyss but build a bridge across it.

Faith is not pretending everything is fine. It is staring into the abyss and still choosing trust. And in that trust, we discover we are never alone. Christ stands with us, and the Father's care surrounds us. That is the only comfort deep enough for our (often fearful) hearts. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

CATHOLIC TRIVIA:

Absolution, penance, and confession all refer to which Sacrament?

The Sacrament of Reconciliation. . LPi