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
Corsica (Nursing Home): Thursday 10 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 Question: In their desert wanderings, the Israelites learned that repentance leads to healing. What needs healing in your life?

2nd Reading Question: Paul taught the Philippians that the humility and obedience of Jesus — even to the point of death by crucifixion — led to Jesus' exaltation. When have you been challenged to be humble and obedient?

Gospel Question: Jesus reveals to Nicodemus that his death on the cross would lead believers to eternal life and save the world. What have you been taught about the meaning of the cross?

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
St. Mark:

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

Altar Society
St. Ann: Sandy DuFrain
St. Peter: Diane Mueller
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

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Deacon Joe Tegethoff

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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
Marcella Dyk,
Rob Reiser
Tait Sibbel,
Linda Whalen,
Matt Gerlach

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

St. Peter Parish
Trisha Frandsen
Darrell Mueller
Corey Rabenberg
Haley Whalen
Mark Hegge, KC
Diane Mueller, AS
Becky Erickson, Cemetery

Answer: There is no official time limit.

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

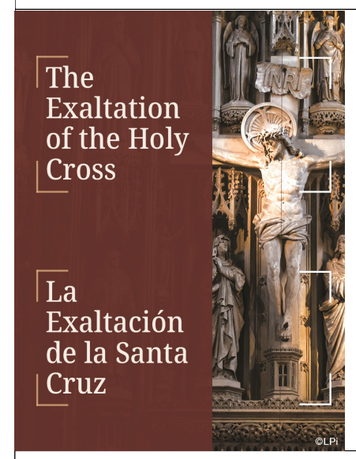
Weekend Mass: Saturday at 6 PM

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 AvePlatte, SD 57369

Weekend Mass: Sunday at 9 AM



The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
September 13-14, 2025

Entrance Antiphon

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection,
through whom we are saved and delivered.

Responsorial Psalm

Do not forget the works of the Lord!

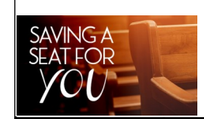
Communion Antiphon

When I am lifted up from the earth,
I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord.

SOCIAL MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS

Holy Apostles website for all pastorate parishes is
https://holyapostlessd.org -
Pastorate Bulletins, Events, Mass times and Faith Formation opportunities

Check out Holy Apostles Pastorate on Facebook and Instagram



All parishioners, sign up under parishes for **Formed.org** free
(Saint Peter the Apostle Church or 57369 is our account)

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Mass Intentions

Rosary M-F
Platte: noon

Confessions are heard during Adoration & 30 Minutes prior to Mass.

Sept 15	Monday		No Mass
Sept 16	Tuesday Adoration 5PM, Mass 6 PM	Geddes	Bill Millar+
Sept 17	Wednesday 8:30 AM Adoration 9-10 AM	Platte	Larry Huss+
Sept 18	Thursday LA NHCC 1:30 PM	Lake Andes	Ray & Elsie Chytka+
Sept 19	Friday Mass 8:30 AM	Platte	Connie Peterson+
Sept 20	Saturday Mass 6 PM	Geddes	Ray Mushitz+
Sept 21	Sunday Mass 9 AM Rosary 10:30 AM Mass 11 AM	Platte Lake Andes	Parishioners Mike Kirwan+

This Sunday is the Feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross! The Call to gaze upon the Cross of Christ for healing. One of the parishes that I served in is named Holy Cross Parish, and on the front of the church, craved in stone, was a large crucifix for anyone who drove by the opportunity to gaze upon the cross. Fr. Demetrius Dumm, OSB writes: "The goodness of God means that he wishes to share his eternal life with us. Of course, this is our own most earnest wish. However, this cannot happen unless we believe in Jesus and embrace the message that he gives us. It is crucial that we understand what believing in Jesus means. It does not mean simply to believe that he existed or that he worked miracles and preached eloquently in Galilee…Rather, to believe in Christ means that we accept, not only the fats about his life and death and resurrection, but also the significance of these facts for our own lives. In other words, we must come to understand we need to be committed to the same *unselfish love* that we see in Jesus and that found its most perfect expression in his dying for us on the cross (A Mystical Portrait of Jesus).

God is Good, Live in that Goodness -- Fr. Tom

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Daily Prayer Versus Mass?

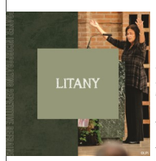
I have a friend who says she doesn't need to attend Mass because she prays to God every day.
What are your thoughts on this justification?

If the only reason for going to church were to talk to God, your friend might be right. Prayer is not something limited to a physical place or even a holy place. If the sole purpose of the Church were prayer, it would be a narrow purpose indeed. The Church is a community of believers, formed by "one Lord, one faith, one Baptism." It is an outward sign of our faith in God instituted by Christ, and the purpose of the Church is to give us grace, that is, a share in God's life.

Coming to Mass is not really for God's sake, but for ours. If we believe that Jesus is truly present in the holy Eucharist, then we will want to be in his presence. We will want to be fed by him. Our daily prayer and good works are strengthened by our authentic encounter with our Lord. For Catholics, it is at Mass that we celebrate the source and summit of our faith. If this is true, why would we ever stay away?

DEVOTIONS, *EXPLAINED!*

Litany



A litany is an ancient form of prayer incorporating repetitive refrains (often "hear our prayer" or "pray for us"). Litanies are used in a variety of liturgical settings and in both private and public acts of devotion.
The basis of the word "litany" comes from the Greek word for "supplication" or "petition." In a litany, the leader will make an appeal or a statement and the congregation will make the response. Litanies can also be said by one person acting as both the leader and the respondent.

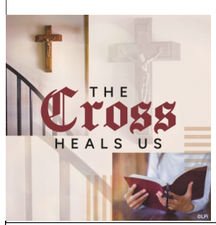
Many litanies have been written, including litanies to the Holy Name of Jesus, the Sacred Heart, the Most Precious Blood, litanies appealing to the intercession of various saints, and litanies to the Blessed Mother under her different titles. There are also litanies composed for the attainment of graces and virtues, including the Litany of Humility and the Litany of Trust.

LIVE THE LITURGY

God did not send his son into the world to condemn it. The cross is not a symbol of judgment — the cross is what mercy looks like when it is lived out. How will we bring the cross into our lives this week? How will we live the mercy which has saved us?

CATHOLIC TRIVIA:

What is the time limit that cardinals have to elect a new pope?



BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Cross is Not Negotiable

When the unfaithful of the Israelites were bitten by the serpents, they were healed by looking upon the instrument of their suffering: the serpent itself, mounted on Moses' staff. To heal us, God invites us to look upon the cross.

Readings for the week of September 14, 2025

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

"What does the tiger say to his friends before they go hunting for food?"

"Let us **prey**."

The Bible tells us to pray in every circumstance; don't forget that God is always here, listening, and loving!

St. Ann Parish
Secretary: Jackie Slaba
Cell: 605-680-1944
Email:office.stanngeddes@sfcatholic.org

CFSA Goal of $13,500 has been met!

Reg Support $1141

Sept 20th – 6 PM

Lector: Jackie Slaba
EM: Mary Beth Kok, Sandy DuFrain
Servers: Max & Ty Masur, Berklee Mills

St. Peter the Apostle Parish
Secretary: JoNell DeHaan
Cell: 605-680-0870
Email: office@holyapostlessd.org
Online Giving: https://onrealm.org/SaintPeterApost/Give

CFSA Collected $14,510 $21,000 **Need:** $6490
Reg Support $1571.12 **Online** $410

Sunday, September 21–9:00am

Lector: Mark H.
Servers: Karsin & Eden K., Vivian F.
EMs: Jennifer F., Susan H
Ushers: Josh & Christina K.
Counters: Teresa N., Todd L.

St. Peter's Turkey Dinner and Bazaar

Sunday, October 5 from 11-1:30 with Bingo and coffee from 10:15-11 and 12:15-1:30. Parishioners 5th grade & up are asked to help to make this social event & fundraiser a success. If you can not work your shift, please trade or find a sub. Please pick up your raffle tickets.

The Funeral service for Frank Larsen will be on Thursday, September 18 at 11 AM.

Devin Backes and Cassandra Cole will be united in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, September 20th.

St. Mark Parish
Secretary: JoNell DeHaan
Cell: 605-680-0870
Email: office@holyapostlessd.org

CFSA Collected $7610/$11,500 **Need:** $3890
Reg Support $788.18

Sunday, September 21st - 11 AM

Lector: Alec Weber
EM: Margaret Reiser
Servers: Addisyn Deurmier, Suttyn Bergin, & Keelan Bergin
Counters: Sierra Weber & Margaret Reiser
Custodians/Ushers/Collection: Steve & Margaret Reiser
Grounds: Josh Kaczor
Church Cleaning for September: Rachel K& Jenna L

Annual Fall Dinner is October 12 from 4-7 PM
The worker and donation list is posted on Facebook and holyapostlessd.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Thank You to all who volunteered to Teach in the CCD program this year! Fr. Tom

Magnify at the Mount
REBOOT with Chris Stefanick

Wednesday October 22, 2025 from 7-9 PM at
Mt Marty University Cimpl Arena in Yankton.
We will need a commitment from parents for 10-12th grade youth asap. It would be an awesome event for parents to attend with their children.

OCIA

The course is designed for non-Catholics interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. For more information contact Sr. Maribeth Wentzlaff, **Cell phone:** 605-760-5295 or **Email:** mwentzlaff@yanktonbenedictines.org You can also contact Fr. Tom. Classes will begin shortly.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP—It still take a village to make things happen.

If we are going to "disrupt the decline" in our Catholic communities, we have to embrace some changes.

With this in mind and previous input from the pastorate council, the Holy Apostles leadership team was tasked at our training this week to come up with a theme for our pastorate that we could accomplish in the next 3-9 months.
We decided that our goal would be to **"Carry the Light to those in darkness."**
In order to do this, people need to know what is needed. The holyapostlessd.org website is a tool to do this.

Several groups have been created that allow people to RSVP, accept an assignment or sign up for one. Many people have already received an email for an upcoming event or ministry. It is important to note that if you are not able to accept an assignment, that you find a replacement. Going to **My Groups** under Pastorate Ministries will let you see the other people in that group. Another feature that will be added is an **Opportunities Finder** which will have tasks to choose from that need to be done in the parish.

The **About Me** button found on each parish sends you to a **Menu** that you have to login to see the information. You will need to create a login. Once you are logged in you will see a directory of the parishioners in the parish, your contributions, and your household data. It allows you to update information and add new family members. People who have had problems with creating a login have been those who share an email, cell phone, have not registered or have not updated their contact information with the office. Be patient as we work through this process.