



*Gathered at
the Cross.
Sent to Serve.*

RISEN SAVIOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastorate of the Holy Cross

27 SEPTEMBER 2026 | 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 5:00pm Vigil
Sunday | 8:00am & 10:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday | No Mass
Tuesday | 5:00pm
Wednesday | 9:00am
Thursday | 9:00am
Friday | 9:00am @ Bethany

Confession

Saturday | 4:00pm - 4:45pm
Other | By Appointment

Adoration

Thursday | 6:45am - 8:45am

GET IN TOUCH

Risen Savior Catholic Church

301 N Splitrock Blvd
Brandon, SD 57005
(605)582-6902



Pastor

Fr. Andy Young
(605)299-6280
pastor@risensaviorbrandon.com

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Kevin O'Dell
(605)421-8553

Permanent Deacon

Dcn. David Halter
(605)212-5169
dcndavidhalter@sfdiocese.com

God's Grace is Eternal

A long time ago, Jim Croce wrote a song about capturing time in a bottle. It was a popular song, and most folks in my generation remember the song. One of the lyrics that always caught my attention was this: "I'd like to spend everyday till eternity passes away just to be able to spend them with you."

I'm not sure what Jim Croce meant by that lyric, but it sums up how I feel about wanting to be with God forever. When I die, I want to have lived a life doing good things and avoiding temptations, so that I can be with the Lord forever. Unfortunately, I'm not always so good at doing these things in my life. The important thing is we keep on trying.

Truth is, I think most of us feel that way. Unfortunately, we can't capture time in a bottle, and we don't just automatically do the will of God in our lives so that we are grace-filled and prepared to be with the Lord forever in Heaven. Living a good life is hard work, and it demands that we abandon being selfish and self-centered and living the life of Christ every day. That's not always easy to do, but with God's help, we can do it. We can abandon our "no" and turn it into a "Yes." Here I am, Lord, I come to do your will.

In the Gospel today we hear the story of the two sons whom the father had asked to go out into the field and work. One tells the father that he will go but doesn't show up to do the work of the day. The other son tells the father that he won't go, he's too busy doing his own thing. But, in the end, he thinks better of his decision and goes out to do the work that the father had asked him to do. Christ tells those listening to this parable that, despite his original refusal, he experienced a conversion, and he went out to do what the father asked him to do. In other words, he thought better of his decision to be sinful and complied with what his father wanted from him. He was justified because he did the will of the father.

In a way, every time we do the good, obey the Lord, do the will of God, we are doing what the Lord asks of us. We are storing up grace in the "bottle" of our soul, so that when we die, we can truly say to God when He calls our name — "Here I am, Lord — I did your Will here on earth, please bring me home to Heaven with you."

It would be nice if everything would happen simply. It doesn't. Doing God's Will can be hard work, but with His grace anything is possible for us. Maybe we said "No" to the Lord initially, but through His grace, we can change our response and do the hard work of doing His Will. In a way, it is kind of like storing up graced time in the bottle of our lives. It isn't easy to do, and sometimes we fail to do it, but if we keep plugging along, doing the next right thing that comes our way, God will be there to throw us a safety lifeline to help us tow ourselves closer to Him. Have a good and blessed week, trusting in the God whose eternal love is there for each and every one of us.

~Fr. O'Dell~

GET TO KNOW US

PARISH STAFF

Parish Office / Business Manager

Nate Meyers | (605)-582-6902
nmeyers@risensaviorbrandon.com

Parish Life Coordinator

Carla Gross
parishlife@risensaviorbrandon.com

Music Ministry Director

Shiloh Oorlog
music@risensaviorbrandon.com

Facility Manager

Jackie Zych
custodian@risensaviorbrandon.com

Pastorate Director of Discipleship & Evangelization, Children's Faith Formation & CGS

Pam Smith
faithformation@risensaviorbrandon.com

Coordinator of Youth Faith Formation, Confirmation, & Youth Group

Katie Taylor
youth@risensaviorbrandon.com

Risen Savior Preschool

Julie Sheppard
preschool@risensaviorbrandon.com

Meals on Wheels sign up for
October is live! Scan here.



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, 28 Sept: No Mass
Tuesday, 29 Sept: (5 PM) Patrick Mahoney †
Wednesday, 30 Sept: (9 AM) Barb Peschong †
Thursday, 1 Oct: (9 AM) Ted Lindberg †
Friday, 2 Oct: No Mass
Saturday, 3 Oct: (5 PM) Austin Waller †
Sunday, 4 Oct: (8 AM) Leota Goetz †
(10:30 AM) Richard Klein †

2 Week Sanctuary Candle:

All women discerning God's call

1 Week Mary Candle:

Joseph Bergin †
For our deployed military

1 Week Joseph Candle:

Esther Bergin †
Students preparing for Confirmation



Inquiring About Joining the

Catholic Faith? Risen Savior Parish invites you to begin the journey with OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults). No experience or commitment is required — just come and see! Sessions begin Tuesday, Oct. 13, after the 5:00 PM Mass in Classroom #12 (St. Monica). All are welcome to come as you are. Please call the parish office at (605) 582-6902 to sign up.

NEW TO OUR COMMUNITY OR CHURCH?

Join our parish family today and stay updated on all the happenings! Scan the QR code to join!



TODAY'S READINGS

EZEKIEL 18:25-28; PSALM 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9;
PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11; MATTHEW 21:28-32

NEWS AND EVENTS

Born to New Life in Christ and joined to our faith community through the Waters of Baptism, we welcome: Saylor Ann Gravning, daughter of Ashley and Michael. *Wishing you a journey of faith, guided by the love of Jesus and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

With Great Joy, we welcome Talia Even and Hunter Kotrous, who were brought into full Communion with the Church last Sunday. *Congratulations!*

The Rosary Guild recently sent out 170 rosaries to two separate organizations for distribution. One mission is worldwide, while the other is stateside. The Rosary guild members meet twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 12:30 PM in the parish hall. *Come join us for some fun and fellowship!*

Join Jackie and help her *prepare* for her favorite season this **Wednesday at 9:45 AM** by cleaning up the grounds! Please bring your work gloves, hedge trimmers, or rakes. Every extra pair of hands makes a big difference—hope to see you there!

Sioux Falls Life Chain is next Sunday, Oct. 4, from 2-3 pm. Please note parking changes! The prayer location for the Pastorate of the Holy Cross: North sidewalk in front of Sleep Number (3600 W. 41st St.) and Tires Plus; park along Seminary Rd. or on the WEST side of Sleep Number. ****DO NOT park** at Tires Plus, Skechers, or Empire Oil.**

October Happenings not included in today's bulletin: Meals on Wheels through Active Generations, and our collection for the Adoration Sisters!

Pastorate of the Holy Cross Parish Mission
Hosted by Risen Savior
Brandon, SD

Sunday, Oct. 18th 6:00PM
Confirmation Isn't Graduation
From The Church

Monday, Oct. 19th 6:00PM
Meant to Live For More

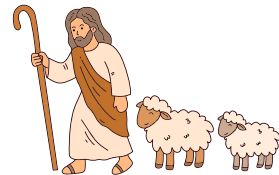
All are Welcome!

Scan the QR to RSVP

with **Paul J. Kim** international Catholic speaker, musician & comedian



CHILDREN & YOUTH



Actions Speak Louder Than Words ❤️

This week, Jesus tells a story about two sons whose father asks them to work in his vineyard. One says "no" but changes his mind and goes. The other says "yes" but never shows up. This reminds us that **following Jesus is about what we do, not just what we say**. God loves it when we change our hearts, choose to obey Him, and put our faith into action! A massive thank you to our parents and volunteer catechists for a wonderful week three. Please keep our young disciples in your prayers!

Table Talk Question for Families:

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches us that keeping our promises and doing the right thing matters more than just talking about it. At dinner or in the car this week, ask your kids: "Have you ever said you would do something, like clean up or help out, but then didn't do it? How can we ask Jesus to help us change our minds and choose to be helpful and obedient, even when it's hard?"

Eucharistic Adoration

- Turn off your phone or silence it completely
- Genuflect or bow toward the Blessed Sacrament when you enter and when you leave, as a sign of reverence
- There's no single way to pray - you can kneel, sit, or a mix of both
- Simply be present, sit in silence, and just "be" with Him
- Bring your worries, gratitude, or questions honestly
- Keep silence in the Church out of respect for others praying
- Avoid a lot of movement or noise
- Imagine you are sitting with a close friend who loves you completely

Volunteer Assistant Needed (Mondays, 5:15–7:15 PM) Help is needed for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Monday evening session. No prior experience is required—just a willing heart! It's a beautiful way to serve our youngest children and connect with fellow volunteers. If you can help, please contact Pam Smith or call the parish office 605-582-6902.

Join Us for Eucharistic Adoration this Wednesday!

Looking for a moment of peace during a busy week? We warmly invite anyone who wants to spend a little extra time with Jesus to join us for **Eucharistic Adoration**.

-  **When:** Wednesday, September 30th
-  **Time:** 5:00 PM – 8:30 PM
-  **Who:** Open to everyone! Our Kindergarten through 10th Graders will be participating throughout the evening during Faith Formation.

Note: Please help us ensure that Jesus is not left alone; sign up for a 30-minute time for Eucharistic Adoration on the sheet on the Foyer Bulletin Board.

YOUTH GROUP (Grades 7-12): This Monday, September 28th, we will be gathering from 7-9 PM. If you would like to come early, we will join the Scriptural Rosary at 6:30 PM.

ATTENTION CONFIRMATION FAMILIES:

The Confirmation Retreat is THIS Sunday from 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm. We need parents' help, so if you can volunteer or bring snack items, please let Katie know!

Steubenville Youth Conference Forms Due Soon!

Registration forms for the upcoming Steubenville Youth Conference are officially out. Please return your completed forms along with the trip deposit to Katie by Thursday, October 15.

Save the Date: Youth Chili Fundraiser!

- When: Sunday, October 18 (Right before the Parish Mission)
- What: Enjoy a delicious bowl of chili and help support our youth fundraising efforts for the trip!

BIG SOO COUPON BOOKS are available in the FF office for only \$49.95 each.



RISEN SAVIOR PRESCHOOL

Due to weather, our field trip to Pasque Hill on Beaver Creek was cancelled, however, we are planning a future visit! Our next field trip will be to a puppet show at The Washington Pavilion on October 5.

Atrium was in full swing this past week!

We have learned how to walk and talk in the atrium. It's quite different than in our classroom! Haha

Did you know?! It's not too late to register your child into preschool! Talk with Ms Julie about class options.



STEWARDSHIP | MINISTRY

WEEK AT A GLANCE

STEWARDSHIP

Needed each week for regular expenses \$12,500.00

09/20/2026

Adult Envelope - \$ 5,909
Plate Cash/Check - \$ 1,244
Auto-Contributions - \$ 8,605
Stipends & Stole Fees - \$ 70
Weekly Total - \$ 15,828
Children's Envelopes - \$ 122
Buildings & Grounds - \$ 50

New online giving & payments!
Simply scan the QR code to make payments for Risen Savior!



FOLLOW US



Mass is recorded each weekend on YouTube - risensaviorbrandon

My Parish App: Text App to 55321 or download myParish App using your app store.

The **Risen Savior Mass** is broadcast on the ALLIANCE CHANNEL on Monday evenings at 8 PM. The **Sunday TV Mass** is also broadcast weekly by the Catholic Diocese of SF on Sundays @ 10:30 AM on KELOLAND.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Fill out the form located on the Sacraments page of the parish website.

Marriage: Diocesan policy requires six months preparation for all couples planning marriage. Please contact Fr. Young well in advance of a desired wedding date.

CFSA 2026 - OUR GOAL: \$135,000

Thank you for your stewardship! Please remember to return your pledge card to the parish office if you haven't done so already. Currently we have **\$148,373** pledged and **\$140,361** has been collected. We have had 286 households participate to date.

SIMPLIFIED GIVING: One option is to share your gifts by signing up for Simplified Giving - Automatic Withdrawals. You can have your parish support, CFSA, or Contributions taken out weekly or monthly. Forms are available in the parish office.

AROUND THE AREA

Celebrate autumn at the **Perpetual Adoration Sisters Fiesta Fundraiser** on **Sunday, Oct. 4, from 12:00 to 5:30 PM** at the **Monastery Courtyard (707 W. 4th Street, Sioux Falls)**. Enjoy delicious food, games, a silent auction, a children's piñata, and fresh fall pumpkins and apples. Please note: This is a **cash-only event**.

The 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign will run **Sept 23 - Nov 1**, so there will be many opportunities to fill those prayer spots in front of **Planned Parenthood**. To sign up or for more information, the website is 40daysforlife.com/siouxfalls.

Broom Tree Silent Retreat Dates:

Women's: October 1-4
Men's: October 15-18, November 19-22

St. Lambert Parish is hosting their annual craft fair on Saturday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free admission and food concessions available. 1000 S. Bahnson Ave, Sioux Falls SD.

Hello October!

October 3 - October 4: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM (Mass)	Sunday, 10:30 AM (Mass)
Server	Harper Cotton Adylee Artz	Ainsley Johnson Rowan Johnson	Sloane Horan Claire Koch
Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister	Kerri Christensen Jeannie Schneider Karen Schweitzer Gary Schweitzer Debra Spinar	Nancy Brand Dcnl. David Halter Chris Rokeh John Rokeh	Debbie Kribell Jeff Kribell Gary Lien Eileen Vielmette Bryan Vielmette
Minister of Holy Communion to Homebound		Janet Ciesielski Beth Wooten	
Lector	Nick Cotton (1) Gary Schweitzer (2)	Mary Gile (1) Bill Freking (2)	Debbie Kribell (1) Pearl Forman (2)
Usher	Joe Blahovec Darin DeBoer	Pat Schoenfelder Brent VonHoltum	Carmen Hammond Don Hammond
Video-Tech		Paul Kern Sr	

SUN 27 SEPT

8:00 AM Mass
9 AM CGS
10:30 AM Mass
1 PM Confirmation Retreat

MON 28 SEPT

5:30 PM CGS
6:30 PM Scriptural Rosary

TUES 29 SEPT

5 PM Mass

WED 30 SEPT

9 AM Mass
9:45 AM Grounds Clean Up
5 PM Eucharistic Adoration
Faith Formation

THUR 1 OCT

6:45 AM Adoration
9 AM Mass
Staff at Pastorate Training in Huron

FRI 2 OCT

No Mass
Parish Office is Closed

SAT 3 OCT

No Confessions at RS
5 PM Mass

SUN 4 OCT

8 AM Mass
9 AM CGS
9:15 AM Youth Choir
10:30 AM Mass
2 PM Life Chain