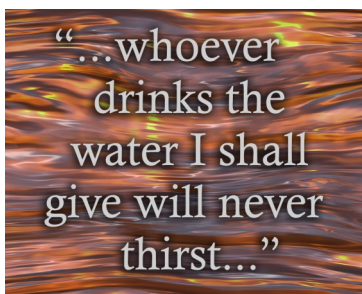


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March 12, 2023



Church of St. Mary
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3rd Sunday of Lent

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Holy Name DRE: Beth Luze cell: 605-484-2649

Holy Name Hospitality Coordinators: Ashley Klaassen cell: 507-220-4400, ashkla256@gmail.com and Beth Luze cell: 605-484-2649, Bethluze@gmail.com. Contact the parish office to start a prayer chain.

St. Mary Family Faith DRE: Deb Burwitz

St. Mary CCD DRE: Erica Whalen cell: 605-956-0425

St. Mary Hospitality Coordinators: Virginia Scannell: 477-2113, cell: 712-363-3392, vburkard@alliancecom.net and **Co-Chair Needed** - please contact the parish office if interested.

FORMED Website info: holymarycluster.formed.org

Newcomers: Member registration forms are available in the main entrance to church, on the website, or by contacting the parish office via phone or email.

Baptism: Contact the pastor to schedule.

Marriage Prep: Contact the pastor at least 9 months prior to the date of marriage.

Reconciliation: half hour before these weekend Masses
Saturday– St. Mary Sunday– Holy Name

Adult Inquiry into Catholic Membership: RCIA program from September to Easter. Contact pastor for more info.

Flocknote: Text HMC to 84576 or by going to <https://holymarycluster.flocknote.com/>

This Week's Mass Schedule

Monday	3/13	No Mass	
Tuesday	3/14	SM 5:30 pm	+Doug Schemmel
Weds	3/15	HN 7:30 am	+John Madden
Thursday	3/16	No Mass	
Friday	3/17	HN 7:30 am	+Ron & Arla Kramer Family
Saturday	3/18	SM 4:00 pm	+Leonard Kramer
Sunday	3/19	HN 8:30 am	Cluster
		SM 10:30 am	+Bob Grotewold

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary, Larchwood
Every Tuesday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm in the Adoration Chapel

St. Mary Funeral Schedule: St. Maria Circle
Please contact Kristie Steen (605) 731-9052.
(if you are able to donate food).



JOIN US FOR COFFEE & ROLL
after Mass this Sunday,
March 12th at St. Mary

HN MEN will be serving breakfast this Sunday after 8:30 Mass. Group 6, Justin Christensen & Tim Laleman, Chairmen.

PASTOR'S DESK

WHEN THE WELLS RUN DRY

Compared with the generation of our parents and grandparents, today we own twice as many cars per person, eat out twice as often and enjoy endless other commodities that weren't around then—big-screen TVs, microwave ovens, tablets, smart phones, handheld wireless devices, to name a few. But are we any happier? Certainly, happiness is difficult to pin down, let alone measure. But I suspect that we're no more contented than we were then—in fact, maybe less so. Compared with our grandparents, our most recent generation have grown up with much more affluence, slightly less happiness and much greater risk of depression. So many today suffer from that gnawing spiritual thirst for more and the next best thing, but the next best thing always seems elusive. This spiritual thirst is indicative of an awareness that something is missing in one's life – a feeling, of listlessness and dissatisfaction, mundane boredom, an inner longing, but one can't quite put your finger on the reason for the emptiness within...

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Confessions will be available every Tuesday during Lent at **St. Mary** from **4:30– 5:30 pm**.

Adoration will be available an hour (4:30-5:30 pm) before Mass each Tuesday at St. Mary.

Pastor's Desk (Continued from 1st page)

This emptiness often feels like a bottomless pit. We try to fill the emptiness with sex, drugs, work, fashion, cars, houses, jobs, and many other things, but the truth is, nothing but God Himself can quench our spiritual thirst.

This world is filled with wells that promise to provide love, acceptance, and self-worth but never fully satisfy. Many of us turn in desperation to the fountains of the world seeking a drink; where alcohol, food, outside relationships, addictions, entertainment, money or constant busyness fill our cup. And, yet, like the Samaritan woman, we still thirst. Only Christ can fill our empty souls for eternity and provide for our essential emotional needs now. Don't wait till your soul is empty and the well runs dry. Look for Jesus now. Thirst only for him. He alone can quench the thirst of your soul. Saint Augustine was right when he said that our hearts will remain restless until we rest in Christ.

Fr. Sunny Dominic



April 6-Holy Thursday
Holy Name -7 pm

April 8-Holy Saturday
St. Mary- 8 pm

April 7 -Good Friday
St. Mary -12 pm
Holy Name-5 pm

April 9- Easter
Holy Name- 8:30 am
St. Mary- 10:30 am

April 6 (Holy Thursday) – 7 pm @ HN

*Lector: Lucy Konechne

EMHC: Brooke Konechne

Servers: **Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer**

Gifts/Ushers: Mark Radtke Family

April 7 (Friday-Noon) *Good Friday @ SM

Lector #1 & Voice: Maddison David

Lector #2 & Narrator: Joli Bruggeman

EMHC: Joli Bruggeman

Servers: Danica David, Evelyn Johnson

Gifts/Ushers: **Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer**

April 7 (Good Friday) – 5 pm @ HN

Lector #1 & Narrator: Ruth Tobin

Lector #2 & Voice: **Need Volunteer**

EMHC: Mike Carr

Servers: **Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer**

Gifts/Ushers: **Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer**

April 8- Saturday 8:00 pm (Holy Saturday) @ SM

Lector: Ruth Tobin

Lector: Jennifer Roemen

Lector: Tony Kerkvliet

EMHC: Jill Roemen

Servers: Tyra Roemen, Ashely Roemen, John Roemen

Gifts/Ushers: Ryan Roemen, Shorty Blauwet

April 9 (Easter Sunday) 8:30 am @ HN

*Lector: Mariann Roemen

EMHC: Jim Vander Woude

Servers: Will Lupkes, Alex Brenneman

Gifts/Ushers: Randy Roemen, Jay Vogel

**Communion to Homebound: Vera Murphy

Offertory: Dennis Haselhoff, Mark Hill

April 9 (Sun-10:30 am) *Easter Sunday @ SM

Lector: Tracy Kramer

EMHC: Stephanie Stensland

Servers: Brooklyn Schreurs, Grady Ripperda, Trevor Smith

Gifts/Ushers: John & Pam Hawf

Count Offering: Don Burwitz, Jenny Snyders

Homebound Comm: Karen Viereck, *Inwood- Linda Ripperda

*If you are able to help with any ministries during Holy Week. Please contact the parish office.



Holy Name & St. Mary:

Stations of the Cross will take place at 6:45pm every Wednesday night during Lent. Everyone is welcome!

March 15, March 22, and March 29

Lenten Confessions



St. Mary

March 22 6:30– 8:00 pm

Holy Name

March 29 6:30– 8:00 pm

How to Pray Like Mary

LOVE

In a prayer method springing from the Annunciation, Sonja will show you how the Blessed Mother is the ultimate guide in a powerful prayer practice: L- listen, O - observe, V - verbalize, E - entrust. Sonja draws from vivid biblical texts to reveal how to surrender to the Spirit and pray the scriptures as Mary did.

Tuesdays of Lent at Holy Name

February 28– April 4 (7 pm)

Thursdays of Lent at St. Mary

February 23– March 30 (7 pm)

Ministry Schedule

4th Sunday of Lent

March 18 (Sat-4:00 pm) @ SM

Lector: Virginia Scannell

EMHC: Jill Roemen

Servers: **Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer**

Gifts/Ushers: Tim & Susie Viereck

March 19– Sunday 8:30 am @ HN

*Lector: Chad Rasmussen

EMHC: Vera Murphy

Servers: Egan Pedersen, Aric Austin

Gifts/Ushers: Drew DeGroot, Dennis Haselhoff

**Communion to Homebound: Vera Murphy

Offertory: Dennis Haselhoff, Mark Hill

March 19 (Sun-10:30 am) @ SM

Lector: Chloe David, Jasmine David

EMHC: John McCarty

Servers: Danica David, Cora Froehlich, Natasha Mejia

Gifts/Ushers: Jeff & Deb Blauwet

Count Offering: Jeff Ripperda, Lyndsey Feucht

Homebound Comm: Jill Roemen, * Inwood- **Need Volunteer**

Holy Name

March 15– CCD (6th-12th grade) @ 6:45 pm
Stations of the Cross, followed by class

March 22– CCD (6th-12th grade) @ 6:45 pm
Stations of the Cross, followed by class

March 29– CCD (6th-12th grade) @ 6:45 pm
Stations of the Cross, followed by class

April 5– No Classes! Holy Week!

St. Mary

FFF - April 5 (6:45-8 pm) will be our next night for Family Faith Formation.

CCD

- Wednesday, March 15- (6:45– 8 pm)
- Wednesday, March 22- (6:45– 8 pm)
- Wednesday, March 29- (6:45– 8 pm)
- Sunday, April 2- (9:30-10:30 am)
10th & 11th Grade Youth Mass
- Wednesday, April 5– No class!



Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry Schedule

March 17 Larchwood (Sports Center)
March 24 Rock Rapids (Drive-thru at Holy Name)
March 31 Larchwood (Sports Center)

All you can eat! \$13
Serving 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Adults \$10.00 (single meal)
Elementary kids - \$5.00
5 and under - FREE

Your support will help fund the Holy Mary Knights of Columbus scholarships for local high school seniors.

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

2023 Schedule & Circle Assignment handouts are available at each entry for all women of St. Mary's parish to pick up. The schedule is also available on the Cluster website. Near the top of the Home page, click on the "Parish Life" link, then the "Women's Organizations" link.

Please pay your \$10 dues to your circle chair by March 19th.

Meals on Wheels: St. Catherine's is looking for volunteers to help with meals on wheels. Please contact Jennifer Pedersen (605-359-2683) if you are available or interested in assisting with this ministry.



Are you feeling called to be a DRE for our parish?

We need a DRE for FFF and CCD for the 2023-2024 calendar year at Holy Name!

If you are only interested in the DRE position for Family Faith Formation or CCD this is also an option.

Please contact the parish office by April 1st - if interested.

Beth Luze has done a fabulous job for our FFF and CCD programs. We appreciate all she has done for our parish. However, she has decided to step down from this position after this year. Please thank her for all she has done for our youth.

Imagine A Year Without Fear

Whatever 2023 has in store for you, I know one thing is clear: God wants you to step into the new year with profound freedom and confidence. **To accompany you on this journey, we're excited to announce a new series set to launch this Lent, called Fearless.**

Fresh off the heels of Covid-19, there's no doubt this message is needed and relevant to our daily lives. We need encouragement to 'be not afraid' as we follow Jesus Christ with ruthless trust.

This is a free 7 week series. For more details on this series please check out the website below.

Website: <https://reallifecatholic.com>



Knight of the Month: Adrian Ahrens (St. Mary's parish) as he prepares to become a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Family of the Month: Steve Schemmel family as they mourn the loss of Steve's Dad.



This month because of the weather we were not able to have the food from the Siouxland Foodbank reach us in time for our monthly distribution. We stocked Bread of Life from our own food pantry which has led to much less in our pantry for distribution. We are in need of donations of food. We need you to come alongside us and move toward the pain of those who are food/financially challenged.

Here are some of our needs:

All canned goods (vegetables, fruit, canned meat, soup, etc)
All boxed goods (Hamburger Helper, Potatoes, Pancake mix, etc)
Cereal (cold and hot)
Syrup, Ketchup, Mustard
Noodles, rice, pasta sauce

SM Roof Fundraiser Goal- \$125,000

Date	Total raised
3-5-23	\$106,792.69

Please make checks payable to **St. Mary's** (include on the memo line - roof project). You can also use the building fund envelopes.

HOLY NAME

Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$1,705
Loose	\$81
Youth	\$11
Aid to Global Churches	\$100

ST. MARY

Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$3,917
Loose	\$155
Youth	\$11.31
Building Fund	\$300
Haiti	\$700



Our Special Intention Prayer List

St. Mary:

Doug Schemmel Family	Jason Snyders	Warren Heirigs
Marlo Stensland Family	Vonnie Poppens	Ann Spaans
Special Intention	Jerry Feucht	Vince Gacke
Randy Simons		

Prayer to stop abortions

Holy Name:

Kayla Pottebaum	Bonnie Wilson	Kandi Koll
Russ Pedersen	David Bigge	Greg Bruns
Angie Garcia Grafiing	Ted Cramer	Linda Herda



Please pray for the family of Michael Lottman.

Benedictine Peace Center

Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton, SD
605-668-6292

benedictinepeacectr@yanktonbenedictines.org

The Benedictine Peace Center invites you to enter the silence, and experience the rich liturgies of an in-person Triduum Retreat with the monastic community at Sacred Heart Monastery in Yankton. These sacred three days are the holiest days of the Church year when we celebrate the events embracing the central mystery of the Incarnation. The Benedictine Sisters invite you to join them in this extended time of quiet, prayerful silence, and the rich liturgical celebration of the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. This Holy Week retreat begins at 4:00 p.m. on April 6, Holy Thursday, and ends with a festive noon dinner on Easter Sunday. Cost of the retreat is \$275 and includes a 3-night stay in a single room with bath, and meals. Space is limited. Learn more and register at <https://yanktonbenedictines.org/triduum-retreat/> or by sending an email to benedictinepeacectr@yanktonbenedictines.org.