

The message of **Divine Mercy** is that God loves us - "all of us" - no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC.

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us & upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love & forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** was given to Saint Faustina after seeing visions of Jesus' crucifixion and of God's blessing the earth because of His sacrifice. Begin with the Sign of the Cross.

Pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and the The Apostles Creed.

Then on the OUR FATHER BEAD you will say the following words:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the 10 HAIL MARY BEADS you will say the following words:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Continue in this pattern four more times as you go around the rosary beads.

In conclusion THREE TIMES you will recite these words:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. End with the Sign of the Cross.

"Say unceasingly this chaplet that I have taught you. Anyone who says it will receive great Mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as the last hope. Even the most hardened sinner, if he recites this Chaplet even once, will receive grace from My Infinite Mercy. I want the whole world to know My Infinite Mercy. I want to give unimaginable graces to those who trust in My Mercy...." *13 Sept 1935 Jesus to Saint Faustina*

The **Divine Mercy Novena** is nine days of prayer, from Good Friday to Divine Mercy Sunday: April 7-16, 2023

Good Friday, Day 1 - All mankind, especially sinners

2 - The souls of priests and religious

3 - All devout and faithful souls

4 - Those who do not believe in Jesus and those who do not yet know Him

5 - The souls of separated brethren

6 - The meek and humble souls and the souls of children

7 - The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy

8 - The souls who are detained in purgatory; and

9 - The souls who have become lukewarm.



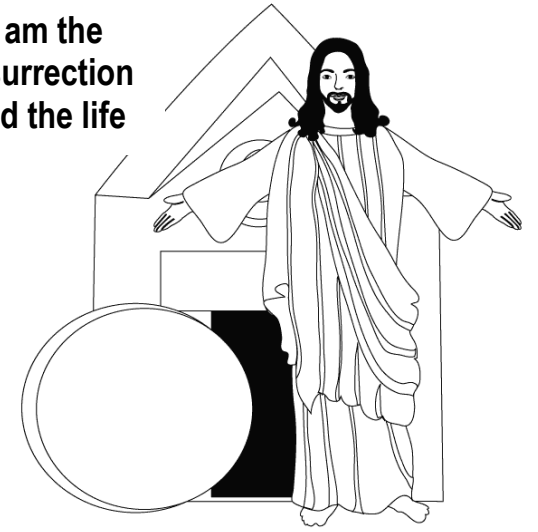
Ft. Pierre St.John Draper St.Anthony
9 April 2023 Easter

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Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 7-8pm

Sat 4/8	9:00pm	+ Helen Stewart
Sun 4/9	8:00am 10:00am	Draper For parishioners FtPierre + Vic Mahutga
Mon 4/10	No mass	
Tue 4/11	5:30pm	+ Mary O'Connor
Wed 4/12	7:00am	+ Robert Eleanor Unterbrunner
Thu 4/13	7:00am	Clergy of RC Diocese
Fri 4/14	7:00am	+ Ambrose Warborg

**I am the
resurrection
and the life**



When Fr. Ron was at the SDWomen's Prison Wednesday, he & inmates wrote this prayer: **St Mary Magdalene**, faithful Jewish woman who was the apostle to the apostles when Jesus rose from the dead, take away our worry and fear by your example of great trust. Thank you for being a good friend of Jesus.

Faith Formation

Sunday April 9th No Classes

Wed. April 12th 9-12th grade – Regular Class 6:30-7:45pm, Adoration 7-8pm

Sunday April 16th K-8th 8:30-9:45am. Confirmation practice in the Church. Sponsors and youth need to attend.

Wed. April 19th 9-12th grade – Regular Class 6:30-7:45pm (Adoration at 7:00pm)

Saturday April 22nd 5:30pm – Confirmation Mass. 4:30pm youth meet with the bishop in church basement.

Sunday April 23th K-6th 8:30-9:45am

Wed. April 26th 7-12th grade – **The Great Adventure Challenge** 6:00-7:45pm



Women's Bible Study meets next on Divine Mercy Sunday 16 April 7pm, in the church basement, to watch **Mother Teresa: No Greater Love**. All are welcome.

Young Adult Bible Study: Tuesday, 7-8pm in Church basement. Call Brian 609-556-5977

Just announced: The Benedictine sisters of St Martin's are moving into Good Samaritan Village in early May.

Knights of Columbus sponsor a camp at Broomtree Retreat Center, Irene, SD for 13 - 19 year old boys June 23-25, 2023. The state KofC council is covering the cost so it's free for the kids. If you know anyone interested, go to broom-tree.org and find out more information.

4/8 Sat: 9:00pm	Lector: need EM: Beth Hand	Servers: Adrian Hand & one more	Liturgical Ministers
4/9 Sun: 10:00am	Lector: Gus Gregg EM: Need	Servers: need	
4/15 Sat: 5:30pm	Lector: Lori Roberts EM: Irma LeFaive	Servers: need	
4/16 Sun: 10:00am	Lector: Mike Weisgram EM: Judy Weisgram	Servers: Ben & Sam Maxwell	

In front of divine Mercy icon in St John Church is a **basket for donated bed sheets and pillows**. This is for a non-profit organization with a branch in Pierre called "Sleep in Heavenly Peace." SHP that **makes bunk beds free for kids who need them**. Information shpbeds.org Brian Lueking brian.lueking@shpbeds.org

The response to our current Annual Diocesan Financial Appeal is much less than in past years. Our diocesan wide goal is \$1.6million; donated dollars as of 2/27/23 is \$.85million, only 53% of the goal is in hand. Donation envelopes are in the entry.

Pro-choicers are trying to establish a non-existent "right to abortion" in SD law. We can't allow a simple ballot initiative to undermine the incredible work of the pro-life community and endanger unborn lives. If someone approaches you with a clipboard asking you to sign this petition, **decline to sign**. familyheritagealliance.org **Pierre Area Right-to-Life** is raising money to promote the prolife message, protecting the unborn. For info and opportunities to donate, go to humanfromdayone.com



**NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival**

O God, who have called us to participate in this most sacred Supper in which your Only Begotten Son, when about to hand himself over to death, entrusted to the Church a sacrifice new for all eternity, the banquet of his love, grant, we pray, that we may draw from so great a mystery, the fullness of charity and of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen. eucharisticrevival.org

We will start our parish team soon. If you wish to be part of it, contact Fr. Ron or Josie.

Fr. Mark McCormick, Director of Vocations, has information on joining or starting a six-week **vocations discernment group**. For info: 605-343-3541 or email MMcCormick@diorc.org

Living in the Holy Spirit Retreat - April 21-23 - Go deeper into Life in the Spirit on a weekend retreat at Terra Sancta! We'll learn more about the charismatic roots of our Catholic faith and the ways the Holy Spirit moves us, as well as how to embrace the gifts being bestowed on us through the Holy Spirit. Registration includes meals and materials; lodging is also available. Dr. Carole Brown, Debbie Johnson, Sr. Sara Kowal, SCJTM, Fr. Bryan Sorenson, and Randy Sowers will lead the conferences, with Fr. Mark McCormick serving as the retreat chaplain. Register online at terrasancta.org/holyspiritretreat by April 19.

If you are hurting from an abortion, come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ and be infused with the merciful and infinite love of Jesus. Our next retreat is April 28-30. Contact Carol Kling for information about local retreats at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com The national office: 877-467-3463 rachelsvineyard.org.

Easter Flowers

In Memory/Honor of:	By:
Parents of Dan & Deb Hall	Halls
CW Suedkamp	James Suedkamp
Leonard & Corinee Polak	Bob Spencer
Owen & Agnes Spencer	
Joseph & Mary Polak	
Frank & Cora Kemme	
Sherry Polak	
Arlene Dittmer	
Gertrude Kemme	
Raymona Rathbun	Ray Rathbun
Dave Hand	Jeremy Hand
Marjorie Schmutz	Gary Knudson
Leo Schmutz	
Mike Fahey	
Bill Kleinheksel	
Bernard Duffy	John & Patricia Duffy
Peggy Duffy	
Patrick Duffy	
Ann Mitchell	
Dave Mitchell	
Gene & Regina Stoesser	Clayton Stoesser
Dick Huber	
Father Ron	Robert Ricketts
Josie Huck	
Robert & Eleanor Unterbrunner	Frank Larson
Rex Unterbrunner	
Merritt & Delores Larson	
Amaya Larson	
Darrell Feistner	
Father Ron Garry	
St. John's Parish Family	

In Memory/Honor of:	By:
Ralph & Katie Huck	Dean & Josie Huck Tardiff
Pauline & Leon Zentner	
Joshua Coleman Family	
Hope Norton Family	
Marsha Madina Family	
Robert Pittman Family	
Pat & Terry Tardiff	
Stanley Roseland	Ken Bartholmew
George & Bessie Bartholmew	
Larry Huss	
Tom Bartholmew	
Bill & Liz Bartholmew	
Jean Fritz	
Grandma June	
Carl & Florence Fischer	William Fischer
Frank & Louise Fischer	
William & Marie VanCamp	
Joseph, Irene, Joe Jr, Jim, Tom Spielmann	Bob Kramer
Janel, Andrew, Lora Kramer	
Jim, Betty, Angie Kramer	
Denny, Marie, Terry Dargen	
Marilyn, Jerry Wethor	
Meria Mews	
Tom Sluti	
Shaun Davis	
Bill Hessling	
Jeff, Teri, Kolter Kramer	
Ben, Andrea, Jaida, Conner, Harris Kramer	
Christy Kramer	
Father Ron	
Art & Wynn Bergeson	Mike Scott
Bob & Jane Riter	Robert Riter
Leo & Alice Farke	

