

July 11, 2010

—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear sisters and brothers,

members of Holy Spirit Parish:

The central theme of today's readings is that we gain eternal life by loving God and loving our neighbor.

The selection from Deuteronomy for today tells us that the Law of the Lord is not difficult to know. It is no more complicated than the Ten Commandments. Moses tells us that the real difficulty is not merely knowing the Law, but keeping it. The lawyer who question Jesus asked the right question even if it was not for the right reason that is to trip up Jesus. Jesus reversed the situation and used the opportunity not only to shame the lawyer, but also to teach us something new. In Jesus' days a "neighbor" was defined as a fellow Jew. The parable of the Good Samaritan completely changed the understanding of neighbor. It indicates clearly that a 'neighbor' is anyone who needs help. The parable answers the question of the lawyer and teaches us that if we want to inherit eternal life we have to love one another. It is an invitation for us to be merciful and kind to all who are suffering.

"One's neighbor is the living image of God the Father, redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ, and placed under the permanent action of the Holy Spirit. One's neighbor must therefore be loved, even if he or she is an enemy, with the same love which the Lord loves him or her." (Pope John Paul II 1987)

We must know God's "Law of Love" and find ways to practice it. We owe our compassion to everyone regardless of who they are. Have a blessed week.

— Fr. Andrew



Holy Spirit Church website: www.holyspiritmitchell.com

Parish News

Sun, July 11: KC Breakfast, KC Hall, serving 8:30 to 11:30AM, Pre-Marriage Class III, 1:30PM, JP II Art/Science Rm
Jim & Jeanette Ernster 50th Anniversary Open House
KC Religious Appreciation Banquet, 6:30PM, Parish Hall
Mon, July 12: MOPS, Assembly of God Church, 6:30PM
KC Business Mtg, 7:30PM, KC Hall
Tues, July 13: Parish office closed; secretary will be at a workshop
No Pastoral Council meeting
Sat, July 17: Weber/Menning Wedding
****Scrip sold at all Masses this Weekend, July 17& 18****



Holy Spirit Congratulates **Terry and Rita Dragseth** on their Silver Wedding Anniversary, tomorrow, July 12. May God continue to bless you and keep you always in His love.

Mark you Calendars for July 28th!!

Our Parish will have a potluck supper in the Parish Hall, as we say "Good-bye" to Fr. Andrew, our wonderful shepherd for the last nine years. Details will be upcoming in the bulletin. Please watch for them!!



The Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast today, serving from 8:30 to 11:30 AM in the KC Hall. Menu: Eggs, ham, bacon, hash browns, toast, juice & coffee. Cost: Family, \$15; Adults, \$5. The proceeds for this breakfast will benefit the Boy Scouts.

All are welcome!!

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and pursuit of Happiness: that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

—The Declaration of Independence

Our SPIRITUAL LIFE Committee is in need of volunteers to belong and oversee this Ministry. Your time and commitment is needed and will be greatly appreciated. Please call the parish office at 996-7424 or Brenda Visani at 996-9757 if you would like to help.

The ladies of Holy Spirit will be cleaning the interior of the Church and Chapel on Monday morning following Mass and Rosary. Please come and help; bring dusting cloths and small sweepers. The men of the parish are also welcome!

You are invited to come and help Jim and Jeanette Ernster celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this Sunday afternoon from 2:00 to 5:00 pm in the Parish Hall.



A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

All the characters in today's gospel are within us. Like the Levite we can ignore the problem and "cross to the other side." Or we can be like the Samaritan, focus on the person and "approach and care for him." A healthy family looks beyond the problem to the person who is "stripped and beaten." We expect our family to "bind our wounds."

Q & A's on St. Joseph's Cathedral Restoration

- Q: Why are there statues of the Apostles atop the pillars of the Cathedral?
- A: The Apostles were the disciples whom Jesus authorized to teach, sanctify and govern the Church in His name, and they in turn appointed other men—bishops—with the same authority they had to continue the Church throughout history. They are not really statues, more a part of the walls themselves and serve to remind us of the essential place these men—and their successors—have in the Church.



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How can I help the Foundation? Let me count the ways.....

- 1. Contributions may be made in honor of loved ones: birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, any special event, or just because.
- 2. Contributions may be made in memory of loved ones, not only at funerals, but at anytime you would have given them a gift in their earthly lives. Make their memory live on!
- 3. Mention the Foundation in your will. You can specify where the money goes: Church, school, religious education, or general foundation funds.
- 4. Start a named endowment. A minimum of \$5,000.00 can start a named endowment to honor the name of a loved one or yourself!
- 5. Pray! It's our most powerful tool! Pray for our success, and that a Catholic education will always be available in Mitchell!

Invest in your faith — Invest in our children;
Invest in the future of our Catholic Community!

THE HOLY SPIRIT WEBSITE: WWW.HOLYSPIRITMITCHELL.COM IS UP AND RUNNING AGAIN!!

John Paul II School News
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During the month of July, the John Paul II School office will be closed. To purchase SCRIP, please contact the Mitchell Foundation for Catholic Education Office at 999-9127 to make arrangements with Nicole Fuhrer to buy SCRIP. Please remember that SCRIP will be sold during the weekend Masses at Holy Family and Holy Spirit Parishes. This weekend SCRIP will be sold in the Holy Family Church and next week here at Holy Spirit.

Faith Formation News

Christine Lemmer, Faith Formation Director
 996-3842 or email: clemmer@sfcss.org



Pre-Marriage #3:

The Pre-Marriage Class is this Sunday, July 11, from 1:30 to 4:30 PM in the John Paul II Art & Science Room.

Spiritual Resources:

We have a number of materials to enhance your spiritual life available in the literature racks outside the Faith Formation Office. The books, magazines, VHS tapes, CDs, etc. covering a variety of topics are available for a two-week checkout.

For Married Couples:

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has developed a website with great resources to support couples in living a happy and holy marriage. Go to the website to learn more: <http://www.foryourmarriage.org/>

Website of Interest:

You are invited to check out the newly re-designed website of the Sioux Falls Catholic Diocese at www.sfcatholic.org. You can find out progress of the Cathedral restoration, listen to homilies given by Bishop Swain, find Mass times for parishes in the diocese, etc. A new feature includes a blog by Dr. Chris Burgwald from the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. He will post items on a variety of topics. He has just begun an on-going series of posts regarding the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. You can find his blog at the bottom of the homepage.

Website link for children:

The EWTN website has a children's link that is suitable for preschool & elementary age children. There are online games, quizzes, etc. all geared toward enhancing Catholic faith formation for children. I encourage you to check out the site with your child: <http://www.ewtn.com/ewtnkids/>.

Baptism Class:

Pre-registration required. The next Pre-Baptism Class will be Monday, July 19, provided there are registrations. To register, call your parish office by 12:00 noon, Monday, July 19. You need not have had your baby before you attend the Pre-Baptism Class.



We are in need of someone to take over the Coffee and Rolls Ministry. We have coffee and rolls after the 9:00AM Mass every Sunday except the KC Breakfast Sundays on the 2nd Sunday of the Month from October through April. If you feel this is something that you would like to coordinate, please call the parish office at 996-7424.

United Way Day of Caring will be held Wednesday afternoon, August 11, 2010. Types of projects that will be done include such items as yard work, painting, cleaning, landscaping, sorting food for the distribution, and minor maintenance or construction. If you need help with a project, please call the parish office a 996-7424. Requests need to be submitted by Monday, July 19, 2010.

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	July 12:	7:30 AM	Luverne Thuringer +
Tues	July 13:	10:00 AM	Mass at Avera Brady Home Chapel
		5:15 PM	Liv & dec'd members of CDA, Court Margaret Mary
Wed	July 14:	7:30 AM	Peter Hettinger +
Thurs	July 15:	7:30 AM	Emma Mertens +
	24 Hr Eucharistic Adoration Thurs 8:00am-Fri 7:30am		
	Confessions heard Thursday from 8:00 to 9:00pm		
Fri	July 16:	7:30 AM	Roberta Hanks +
Sat	July 17:	9:30 AM	Mass at Avera Brady Chapel
		5:30 PM	Maggie Nelson +
Sun	July 18:	9:00 AM	Holy Spirit Parishioners
		11:00 AM	Edward McHugh +
May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen!			



Church Support (163)	\$6,979.40
Loose Offering	360.00
Children	14.66
God Bless You! Total:	\$7,354.06

Stewardship Reflection: The Good Samaritan was also a good steward, giving his time and his treasure to meet his neighbor's need. At the end of this familiar story, Jesus urges His hearers—and us—to go and do the same!

LITURGICAL ASSISTANTS—July 17 & 18, 2010

LECTORS:

- 5:30 PM: Kathy Shroyer, Tom Lichter
- 9:00 AM: Hit Mayer, Dan Raml
- 11:00 AM: Jeff McEntee, Linda McEntee
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:**
- 5:30 PM: M/M Charles Krcil, M/M B VanWassenhove, Shanna Weiss
- 9:00 AM: M/M Pat Kappenman, M/M Brad Osterloo, Hit Mayer, Marlou Mogck
- 11:00 AM: Linda Farney, Linda McEntee, Vicky Traupel, Elaine Goldammer, Gene Mathis

ALTAR SERVERS:

- 5:30 PM: Danny Berg, Levi & Michael Baus
- 9:00 AM: Quinci Herll, Janae Mehlhaff, Julie Knight
- 11:00 AM: Stephanie & Nicole Sanderson, Amber Thelen

Gift Bearers:

- 5:30 PM: Pat Larson Family
- 9:00 AM: Craig Haiar Family
- 11:00 AM: Terry Feterl Family



HOSPITALITY/GREETERS:

- 5:30 PM: Pat Adam, Pat & Clara Lawless
- 9:00 AM: Murray & Cindy Brooke, Dee Gebhart
- 11:00 AM: Susan Callies, Sally Miiller

USHERS:

- 5:30 PM: Roger Gebel, Chuck Thuringer, Nick Baus
- 9:00 AM: Tom Fergen, Mary Cunningham, Tim Johnson, Chuck Sommer, Dick Prostrollo
- 11:00 AM: Ernie Bies, Don Yungbluth, David Kline, Rod Heida, Tom Bechen



Holy Spirit Parish is in need of someone to come forward and organize Meals on Wheels for the months of February and March 2011 and to attend the quarterly board meetings to be held in January, April, July, and October of 2011. The meetings last approximately 45 minutes to an hour. Will you be the one? Thank you for your consideration!

If you have old cotton towels that you no longer use, John Paul II School is in need of them. Please leave in the Parish Hall and they will be taken to the School custodian. Thank you.

24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration Thursday 8:00AM to Friday 7:30AM

8:00 pm to 9:00 pm --- opportunity for Confession during Adoration

