



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2026
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekend Masses

Sat: 4pm (Oct); Sun: 9am & 11am

Confessions

Tue, Wed, Thu after 12:10pm Mass;
Sat: 3pm-4pm (October)

Weekly Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: Tue, Wed, Thu 12:10pm;
Fri 9am; Sat (1st & 3rd) 8am. Daily
Mass times may change on account
of a funeral. To receive Daily Mass
updates, call the office to be added
to Daily Mass Notifications.

24 Hour Adoration

Wed 12:40pm - Thu 12pm (Noon)
(through the night). Benediction at
noon. Chapel is available from
7am-8pm Mon-Fri and 7am-7pm
Sat-Sun.

Flocknote Notifications:

To stay informed on all the
important information from Fr
Haggerty and upcoming events:
Text **AVEMARIASD** to **84576**.

Parish Office Address

309 2nd Ave SE
Watertown, SD 57201

Office Hours

Mon-Thu: 9am-5pm; Fri: 9am-Noon

Parish Office:

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Email Address:

icoffice@avemariapastorate.org

Discipleship & Evangelization:

(605) 878-2055

Ave Maria Catholic School:

(605) 886-3883

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www.avemariapastorate.org

Facebook:

Immaculate Conception Parish or
Ave Maria Pastorate



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault
between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have
won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

AVE MARIA PASTORATE PRIESTS

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PASTORAL TEAM

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Holy Hour of Mercy

Sundays at 3:00pm

Led by Fr Christopher

Sept 13th, 20th & 27th
at Holy Rosary, Kranzburg



2025-2026 Financial Statements

Financial statements for the fiscal year which ended on June 30th, are available in each of the parishes this weekend.

Please contact the Watertown offices with any questions.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

AA

Weekly meetings held on Tuesday at 6:30pm & Thursday at 5:45pm—Parish Office Basement.

ADULT CHOIR - Off during the summer months

Adult Choir every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month at 9am. Practices are the Thursday before at 6pm. IC also has a Funeral Choir that sings when requested.

YOUTH CHOIR

Directed by Alison Thyen. Grades 5-12th. Once a week practice Wednesday from 3:45-4:30pm, sing on Sunday once a month at various parishes. To sign up please call (605) 878-2055 or email Alison directly at athyen@avemariapastorate.org.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Marne Hult can be contacted by calling (605) 880-1460 or emailing her at mhult@ccfesd.org.

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

Are you or a family member unable to attend Sunday Mass because you are homebound? Would you like a compassionate, caring person to visit with you and bring communion to your home? Would you like to be trained as a homebound minister? For all inquiries, please call Bridget at the parish office at (605) 886-4049.

IC QUILTERS

1st & 3rd Monday at 1pm, Parish Office Basement. Quilts created by this ministry are given to Beacon Center, C.A.R.E., Multicultural Center and the Christmas Gift Baskets. Quilters are desperately needed. 100% Cotton Fabric (any color & pattern) is also needed.

THE LOURDES CENTER

Call (605) 988-3775 to schedule an appointment. This service is currently telehealth.

MEALS ON WHEELS

We are responsible for delivering meals every 8 weeks and run solely on volunteers. Please contact coordinator Karla Stutzman at (605) 595-7127 for any questions.

OCIA

OCIA is for those who are not currently Catholic or baptized Catholic desiring Holy Communion or Confirmation. Please call (605) 878-2055 for more information.

OCIA classes will begin Sept 15th at 6:30 at Ave Maria School/Faith Formation Center.

REMEMBRANCE GROUP

This group is not your typical grief group but rather seeks to provide an environment of community with others who have lost a spouse as they continue to walk through life. Join us for a time of prayer, fellowship and study. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of the month at 10:30am in the Parish Hall. ~ **September 29th, 2026.**

ROSARY MAKERS

Meets 2nd Monday of the month at 1pm in the Parish Hall.

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Weekly meetings on Monday at 9am in the chapel. Participants will pray for healing for our country and the needs of our own parishioners. All are welcome to participate. To submit prayer requests, call or email the office.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Meetings are held the 2nd & 4th Monday at 6:30pm at Holy Name in the Angelus Center. If you need assistance please call (605) 503-7475.

WATERTOWN AREA RIGHT TO LIFE

Meetings are the last Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm at Midwest Bible Camp (1500 SD Hwy 20).

WATERTOWN MEN'S GROUP

Thursday mornings 6:30-7:30am in the IC Parish Hall. Call Craig at (763) 458-0718 with questions.

SCHEDULE OF HOLY MASSES & INTENTIONS

09/08	Tuesday	12:10pm	+Sy & Mary Korbel
09/09	Wednesday	12:10pm	+Karen Herstedt
09/10	Thursday	12:10pm	Mike & Julie Kranz Family
09/11	Friday	9:00am	+Alex Pretti
09/12	Saturday	4:00pm	Mass at Holy Name of Jesus ~ month of September
09/13	Sunday	9:00am	+Donald & Armella Ries
09/13	Sunday	11:00am	+Bernie & Bobbie Klapperich

Canon Law states that Mass Intentions can be made 12 months prior to the date requested for both the living and the deceased. Stop by or call the office at (605) 886-4049.

Saturday, September 12th at 4:00pm

Mass will be at Holy Name of Jesus

Sunday, September 13th at 9:00am

Sacristan: Evan Meester

Lector: Sheila Grabow

Altar Servers: Hudson Peterson, Carol & Violet Tesch

EMHC: Sheila Grabow, Katie Gruman, Kevin Kerkvliet, Kelly Tesch

Ushers: Steve Horning, Kevin Kerkvliet, Bev & Steve Mack, Kelly Tesch, **Volunteers (3)**

Greeters: Mark & Melody Kerkvliet, Tom Kranz, Becky Tesch

Sunday, September 13th at 11:00am

Sacristan: Jay Trepanier

Lector: Sheri Kahnke

Altar Servers: Ellis Kahnke, Jack & Lee Kreutner

EMHC: Fred Deutsch, Myron Keltgen, Lisa Kreutner, Karen Trepanier

Ushers: Dan & James Kahnke, Myron Keltgen, Lisa Kreutner, **Volunteers (4)**

Greeters: Shelly Dupont, Maxine German, Alissa Makens, **Volunteer (1)**

WEEKLY GIVING

August 30th Envelope: \$6,909.00 Loose: \$2,498.80

Automatic Giving Average \$3,600.00 per week. Weekly Collection needs \$16,000.00.

Thank you for your continued support!

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Matthew 18:15-20

A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily together with each other.

That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when his children are divided and isolated.

So when Jesus says, "**Go and tell your brother his fault,**" He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into his mission of reconciliation. When he adds, "**If he listens to you, you have won over your brother,**" we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments, but reuniting a divided family.

These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.

Lord Jesus, give me the courage to seek reconciliation where it is needed. Make my heart resemble the Father's heart, longing and working for unity among His children. Amen.

~ Father John Muir

*"Baptised in the name of the Father,
the Son and the Holy Spirit"*

God Bless You

Harvey Jay Schimmel

Son of Garrett & Heather

September 6, 2026

Boden Warren Barker

son of Nathaniel & Darby

September 6, 2026



Welcome to the Catholic Faith



We are in need of a few catechists and helpers at all grade levels.

If this is something you have considered, now is your time to reach out to Jake or Loretta at 605-878-2055!

Fall Faith Formation Registration Is Open!



To sign up go to:

avemariapastorage.org



Click on Faith Formation Registration

Choose the church you are a member of

Register your child(ren)

for the best experience, please register using a computer/laptop instead of your phone

If you need assistance or you are a catechist and need a promo code, please call Loretta Redder at 605-878-2055

1968 MERCURY COUGAR XR7



**TICKETS
STILL
AVAILABLE
\$100 EACH**

TICKETS AVAILABLE
AT THE SCHOOL &
IC OFFICE

Catholic Daughters Court St. Rita #534 State Abuse Awareness Project on Sept 12 & 13

Lifesaver Packets will be handed out to all parishioners following each Mass in all Ave Maria Pastorate Churches.

Please come prepared to make a donation to end domestic violence and sexual assault for children and families in our communities. Thank you!



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

CDA meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6pm

Next meeting: September 8th at KC Unity Hall at 6:00 pm. Please plan to attend, as we will be putting together over 700 Lifesaver packets to be distributed during the Lifesaver Weekend on Sept 12th & 13th.

All are invited to come and pray together.

SERRA MINISTRY

Our mission is to support, encourage & pray for vocations and to grow in individual holiness. Meet 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month. Rosary: 7:30am, Mass: 8am (Chapel), coffee & and inspirational speaker (Parish Hall).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

All Knights meet the 1st Tuesday at 7pm & the 4th Degree Knights meet the 3rd Tuesday at 7pm at the Unity Hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE WINNER

August 27th - \$100 Winner - Logan Mohr, Sioux Falls, SD



Days of Recollection Schedule

September 8, 2026 by Fariba Roughhead "The Gift of Happiness: Exploring Faith & Science Together"

October 13, 2026 by Wade VanDover "Divine Mercy - The End of Times"

November 10, 2026 by Fr Tyler Mattson "Living God's Word"

December 8, 2026 by Deacon Paul Treinen "I am the Immaculate Conception"

For more information regarding these events and to register please visit www.abbeyofthehills.org or email events@abbeyofthehills.org or call 605-398-9200.

Events at the Abbey

September 18-20, 2026 - Mixed 12-Step Spiritual Retreat

September 25-27, 2026 - Marriage Retreat "Covenant Love"

AVE MARIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION
15TH ANNUAL
BARN DANCE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

MUSIC BY
The Backroads

STEAK DINNER & DANCE **\$100**
DANCE ONLY **\$50**

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
AVE MARIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL OFFICE
OR ONLINE USING THE QR CODE

QR CODE

PIE AUCTION - LIVE AUCTION - GOOD TIME
OPEN BAR SOCIAL 5:30 PM
STEAK DINNER INCLUDING BEVERAGES 6PM

LOCATED AT
MATT & JUDY KRANZ RESIDENCE
2137 20TH AVE. SE - WATERTOWN, SD

Immaculate Conception
Parish Hall
FALL
Turkey Dinner
September 20, 2026

SERVING FROM 10:00-2:00
Free will offering

TAKE OUT MEALS
AVAILABLE FOR
\$10.00
EACH
AT THE KC HALL

MENU CONSISTS OF
TURKEY • POTATOES & GRAVY • STUFFING
CORN • CARROTS • CRANBERRY SALAD
DINNER ROLLS • HOMEMADE PIES

**Holy Rosary
Parish**
**ROAST BEEF
DINNER &
BAZAAR**

**Sunday
September 27, 2026**

**Holy Rosary Parish Hall
Kranzburg, SD**

MENU: Roast Beef, Mashed
Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Cole
Slaw, Buns, Desserts &
Beverage
Hot dogs will also be available

Meal Prices
Adults \$15.⁰⁰
Kids (K-6) \$7.⁰⁰
Pre-School & Under \$2.⁰⁰

Bingo...Dessert Walk...
Country Store...Silent Auction...
Children's Games & Much More!!

Raffle Prizes
¼ BEEF (processing included)
\$300 Cash
\$300 Dakota Butcher Certificate
Quilt
Angel Statue



Registration is required
by September 20, 2026

Retreat Leaders



**Darin and Missy
Baumberger**

To register please visit:
www.abbeyofthehills.org
Or call: 605-398-9200
Email:
events@abbeyofthehills.org

September 25-27, 2026
Marriage Retreat
"Covenant Love"

Free, Faithful, Fruitful, Forever

We invite you to join us for intentional time away as a couple to be renewed in your sacramental love. The weekend will include time to reflect and pray as a couple, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and a time for fellowship and laughter. We hope you will join us!

BEGINS: Friday, September 25 - 7 p.m.
CONCLUDES: Sunday, September 27 - 11 a.m.

COST:
This retreat is offered at no cost to ensure accessibility for all couples; however, free-will donations are welcomed. A suggested donation of \$350 allows the Abbey to continue offering programs like this.

For more information about upcoming events visit us at:
www.abbeyofthehills.org

The Abbey of the Hills Inn & Retreat Center
46561 147th Street
Marvin, SD 57251



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VIKKI BOEHMEN COPLEY MEMORIAL
NOTRE DAME
FOOTBALL EXPERIENCE
NOTRE DAME VS.
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026
BENEFITING The Vikki Bohmen Copley
Endowment Fund for the Bishop Gudis Hospitality House

PURCHASE
A RAFFLE
TICKET:

QR CODE

605-989-3755

**HAPPY
LABOR
DAY**
All
Pastorate
Offices
will be
CLOSED
on
Monday
Sept 7th



East River TEC #2
Ave Maria School, Watertown, SD
October 10-12, 2026

Register now at EastRiverTEC.com for a retreat experience like no other. In three days' time, we'll take you through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and equip you to share His love with others.

The registration fee of \$85 covers all retreat expenses, including materials, lodging at Ave Maria Catholic School and meals.



SCAN TO REGISTER

Space is limited, so reserve your spot today!

**12TH ANNUAL
Bishop's Charity Hunt**
EST. 1995

MONDAY-TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 14-15
Horseshoe K Ranch | Kimball, SD

BENEFITING
NEWMAN CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

REGISTER:
QR CODE
605-988-3755