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The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 20th, 2026

Thank you to everyone who prayed for me as I competed in IRONMAN Wisconsin last weekend. I was able to finish despite a calf injury that kept me from racing as fast as I had hoped.



Father Shaun with his nieces and nephew, Ironman 2026

The greatest highlight of the weekend, however, was seeing my friend Mark Slattery of St. Lambert Parish in Sioux Falls finally become an Ironman. Mark is the person who got me into Ironman racing, yet his own journey took five years. Bad weather, injuries, and one year caring for his sister after her stroke repeatedly prevented him from reaching the finish line.

On his fifth attempt, he finally made it. His wife, son, and sister were there cheering. Seeing Mark's smile as he crossed the finish line was better than anything I accomplished that day.

There is a Gospel lesson in all of this. We don't always understand God's timing. I wanted my fastest Ironman, but my injury forced me to slow down. Instead, I noticed more, talked with other athletes, and had opportunities to encourage them.



*Mark Slattery & Father Shaun,
Ironman 2026*

That is fitting as our parish fall dinners begin, including this weekend at Immaculate Conception. (See page 6 for a complete list of upcoming parish dinners) Fall reminds us to give thanks—not merely for the harvest we wanted, but for the harvest God actually gave us.

Have a blessed week,

Father Shaun Haggerty

**God doesn't always give us what we want. He gives us what we need—
and ultimately what we need is to reach the finish line of heaven.**

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Bulletin deadline is no later than 12:00 pm on Tuesday. Please submit your bulletin news to Lisa Lane: llane@avemariapastorate.org.

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick:

If someone is in need of anointing by a priest, please call the office to schedule an appointment. The emergency priest line (605) 884-5088 is for requesting last rites.

Baptism:

Please call your parish or visit our website and complete the baptismal form. **Baptism classes are required for first time parents. Classes are held on the third Tuesday of the month in the Angelus Center at Holy Name of Jesus Parish at 6:30pm.**

Preregistration is required for the class.

Please visit www.avemariapastorate.org for more details.

Matrimony:

Six months of preparation with a priest is required prior to the wedding date. Please call your parish office to make an appointment.

Mass Times

Holy Name of Jesus, Watertown:

Sat. 4:00pm (odd months); Sun. 8:30am & 10:30am

Immaculate Conception, Watertown:

Sat. 4:00pm (even months); Sun. 9:00am & 11:00am

Blessed Sacrament, Florence: Sun. 8:30am

Holy Rosary, Kranzburg: Sat. 5:30pm

St. Michael, Clark: Sun. 11:00am



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Confession

Holy Name of Jesus, Watertown:

Fri. 8:00am-8:20am; Sat. 3:00pm-4:00pm (odd months)

Immaculate Conception, Watertown:

Tues. Wed. & Thurs, after 12:10pm Mass, or

Sat. 3:00pm-4:00pm (even months)

Blessed Sacrament, Florence: 30 minutes before Mass

Holy Rosary, Kranzburg: 30 minutes before Mass

St. Michael, Clark: 30 minutes before Mass

Are you interested in joining a Parish in our Pastorate?

Visit our website, hover over About and click on "Join a Parish" and complete the Google form.

Ave Maria Pastorate News:

To receive messages from Fr Haggerty & about upcoming events, text **AVEMARIASD** to 84576.

Online Giving to any Parish:

Scan this QR code for our online giving page or visit our website at avemariapastorate.org.



Pastorate Ministries

IC-Immaculate Conception HNJ-Holy Name of Jesus

Prayer Chain/Prayer Line: Email or call your parish office.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Meetings are Tuesday at 6:30pm & Thursday at 5:45pm in the IC Parish Office basement.

Catholic Community Foundation: Marne Hult, 605-880-1460.

Our vision is to provide a "Future Full of Hope."

Catholic Daughters: Will meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month at the Knights of Columbus Unity Hall at 6:00pm. Come pray with us.

Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA): Meet Monday at 5:00pm, at HNJ Parish Center. Call Janet for information 605-520-3135.

Homebound Ministry: Are you interested in becoming a homebound minister? Are you homebound and would like Communion brought to your home? Please contact Bridget Bauman at 605-886-4049.

IC Meals on Wheels: IC delivers meals every 8 weeks. More substitutes are needed for a day or two. To learn more and help on an "as needed basis," please call Karla Stutzman at 605-595-7127.

Lourdes Center: Call 605-988-3775 to make an appointment for support with grief, marital, or individual counseling.

Knights of Columbus: All Knights meet the 1st Tues. at 7:00pm; 4th Degree Knights meet the 3rd Tues. at 7:00pm at Unity Hall (219 1st Ave SE).

Quilters: IC Parish Office Basement, 1st and 3rd Monday at 1:00pm.

Remembrance Group: Join us the last Tuesday of the month at 10:30am in the IC parish hall for a time of prayer, fellowship and study for all who have lost a spouse.

Rosary Makers: IC Parish Hall, 2nd Monday at 1:00pm.

Rosary Prayer Group: Mondays at 9:00am in the IC Chapel.

Serra Ministry: Meets at IC Church on the 1st and 3rd Saturday, with a Rosary at 7:30am, Mass at 8:00am, followed by a meeting.

Sharon's Shawls: Will meet the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 at HNJ St. Martin's room. Please enter through the office door.

Shalom Choir: Off for the Summer, will resume in the Fall.

St. Vincent de Paul Society meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at the HN Angelus Center, 6:30pm.

Holy Name Choir: Will resume practice in the Fall. Call Jane Jaspers to sign up 605-370-1048.

Watertown Area Right to Life: Meet at Midwest Bible Camp on the last Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm.

For more information on any of the above, please call the number listed or your parish office.

Holy Name of Jesus

	09/26 Saturday 4:00pm	09/27 Sunday 8:30am	09/27 Sunday 10:30am
Altar Servers	1 Volunteer Kolbe Skott, Abby Polsinelli	Xane, Berkely & Zeke Fligge	Hudson, Beckett & Everett Dickes
Extraordinary Ministers	1 Volunteer Terri Bjerke, Amy Batta	Pastel Fligge, Mike & Laurie Danforth	Dave & Mary Petersen, Sadie Lloyd
Ushers/Greeters	1 Volunteer Theresa Jerke, Doug & Jackie Lage	Linda Maag, Donna Nogelmeier, Gary & Rose Steen	Scott & Shelly Turbak Cory & Karen Akin
Gift Bearers	Swiden Family	Matti & Christie Kranz	Bryan & Cindy Wientjes
Sacristan	Sue Brandsrud	Jeanne Flaherty	Jeanne Flaherty
Lector	Rachael Jaeger	Wade Fligge	Eddie Dickes

Sunday Collection: Envelopes: \$4,503.00, Loose: \$2,217.00, Kids: \$114.00, on-line: \$2,392.50. Weekly Average: \$11,530.88. Amount needed to meet budget-\$16,000.00. Have you considered online giving? Please call 605-886-2628, we can help.

Mass Intentions

09/22 Tue 8:30am Father Mike Wensing
 09/23 Wed 8:30am +Shawn Engelmeyer
 09/24 Thu 8:30am +Teddy & Bernie Cordell
 09/25 Fri 8:30am +Don Redlin
 09/26 Sat 4:00pm +Jame Zirbes
 09/27 Sun 8:30am +Valery & Sylvia Jaspers
 09/27 Sun 10:30am +Janet Brage

Parish Office

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am to 5:00pm (closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch); Friday 9:00am-12:00pm
 Phone: 605-886-2628
 Mailing Address: 1009 Skyline Drive, Watertown, SD 57201
 Email: llane@avemariapastorate.org

We have an opportunity for you to serve as the volunteer Funeral Coordinator. Responsibilities would include setting up the kitchen and ordering food for funerals and special events, contacting workers and relaying information to family group callers as to quantities of food needed for the event. Training will be available. If you are interested in filling this position or have questions, please call the Holy Name office at 605-886-2628.

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN REDEEM LOST TIME?

Most of us have something in the past we wish we had done differently. Opportunities we ignored. Time, we gave to things that did not matter nearly as much as we thought they did. Perhaps even for years we did not use it well.

Maybe there was a period when we drifted from God, neglected prayer, stayed too busy, or simply failed to recognize what was right in front of us. And it can be frustrating to know that we cannot go backward.

But St. Teresa of Avila believed something remarkable: while we cannot recover the hours themselves, God can redeem what we believe has been lost. And she gave us a prayer for exactly that!

Time belongs to God. We tend to think of time as something we possess and manage. We save it. Waste it. Spend it. Lose it. But St. Teresa knew that the Catholic understanding of time is much richer than that. Time has sacred value because God created it. Before creation, time as we know it did not exist. And then, in the Incarnation, God did something even more extraordinary: He entered time Himself.

Carmelite priest Fr. Wilfrid Stinissen writes: "Time is holy...because it has its origin in God's work of creation. It becomes the mission of Jesus and each one of us to 'redeem' time."

That doesn't mean figuring out how to cram more productivity into the hours we have left. It means giving our time back to God. It is ultimately about cooperating with God's plan rather than trying to manufacture our own: Instead of asking only, "How can I get more done?" we begin asking, "What does God want me to do with the time He has given me?" What about the time we've already wasted?

We can use tomorrow better. But what about yesterday? Once we understand the value of time, we may become even more aware of the years or opportunities we believe we have squandered. Past sins may be forgiven, but their consequences can still leave us wondering what might have been.

St. Teresa of Avila understood that feeling. She entered religious life when she was young, but her spiritual life was hardly a straight line upward. Looking back, Teresa herself regretted years in which she had not given herself to prayer and to God as completely as she later wished she had. She eventually underwent the profound interior conversion for which we now know her.

And she prayed about the years behind her with this prayer:

A Prayer to Redeem Lost Time by St. Teresa of Avila:

O my God! Source of all mercy! I acknowledge Your sovereign power. While recalling the wasted years that have passed, I believe that You, Lord, can in an instant turn this loss to gain. Miserable as I am, yet I firmly believe that You can do all things. Please restore to me the time lost, giving me Your grace, both now and in the future, that I may appear before You in "wedding garments."
 Amen.

God does not restore lost time by giving us the years back. The past remains the past. But God can redeem what came from it. We can even ask Him for help with the memories. God's time is not our time. And only He can bring fruit from places we assumed were barren.

St. Paul gives us perhaps the clearest Scriptural reason for that confidence:

"The time that God gives always involves a mission...The fact that God gives us time means you have something to do. And above all: you have something to become."

We cannot return to yesterday and choose differently. But by the grace of God, we can choose differently today. And when we give even our wasted years to Him, we can trust St. Teresa's remarkable prayer: God can turn loss into gain.

Immaculate Conception

	09/26 Saturday, 4:00pm	09/27 Sunday, 9:00am	09/27 Sunday, 11:00am
Altar Servers	<i>Mass</i>	Gage Robison, Nora & Rudy Stutzman	Ella, Sam & Sophia VanLaecken
Extraordinary Ministers	<i>will</i>	Katie Gruman, Denise Hoff, Trish Spartz, Lana Waage	Anny Roby, Kristina Schmidt, Jay & Karen Trepanier
Ushers	<i>be</i>	Brian DeBoer, Steve Horning, Spencer Lindner, Roger Mack, Bob Spears, Jamie Whiting, Volunteers (2)	Ryan Hanten, Donna & Robert Lantgen, Scott Schwinger, Rob VanLaecken, Volunteers (3)
Greeters	<i>celebrated</i>	Jerry & Leona Corey, Corrine Kallemeyn, Sandi Parkin	Sharon Byer, Tyler Roberts, Volunteers (2)
Sacristan	<i>at</i>	Evan Meester	Kristina Schmidt
Lector	<i>Holy Name of Jesus</i>	Becky Tesch	Tammy Meyer

Weekly Giving: September 6th **Envelopes: \$7,546.00 Loose \$1,546.85.** Automatic Giving Average \$3,600.00 per week. Weekly collection needs: \$16,000.00. Thank you for your continued support!

Schedule of Holy Masses

09/22 Tue 12:10pm +Jerome Reichling
 09/23 Wed 12:10pm +LeRoy & Daisy Mernaugh
 09/24 Thu 12:10pm +Ray & Ethel Zirbes
 09/25 Fri 9:00am +Mel & Snookie Reichling
 09/26 Sat 4:00pm Mass at Holy Name of Jesus
 09/27 Sun 9:00am +Doug & Kenny Lukonen
 09/27 Sun 11:00am +Mary Ann Wehde

Parish Office

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am to 5:00pm

Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm

Phone: (605) 886-4049

Mailing Address: 309 2nd Ave SE, Watertown, SD 57201

Email: icooffice@avemariapastorate.org

Knights of Columbus Raffle Winner:

Sept 10th - \$100 Winner: Roche Steobner, Watertown

September 20th
Fall Turkey Dinner
 at IC Parish Hall
 10:00am - 2:00 pm



September 22nd & 23rd

Sept 22nd ~ OCIA Classes will be held at 6:30pm at Ave Maria School & Faith Formation Center

Sept 23rd ~ Religious Ed Classes will be held at Ave Maria School ~ K-6 & Holy Name Parish Center ~ 7-10



September 27th

National Priesthood Sunday



Ave Maria Catholic School

Phone: (605) 886-3883

Thank you for all of those who donated, volunteered and supported the Ave Maria Catholic School Foundation Barn Dance! We had a beautiful evening for the event.

Feast of the Archangels - Tuesday, Sept 29 is the feast day of our school mascot. Join us in praying to honor St. Michael, St. Raphael, and St. Gabriel

Homecoming - Friday, Oct 2

School Mass at 9:00am (Kids can wear Purple and Gold), Tug of War at 10:00am, **Dismissal at 1:30** and Parade at 2:00pm

Raffle

1968 Mercury Cougar XR7

- Owned by Fr. Richard Baumberger
- Fully Restored
- Cardinal Red
- Estimated Value \$35,000

\$100 Raffle tickets can be purchased in the school and both parish offices. All Proceeds benefit Ave Maria Catholic School.

Holy Rosary

Liturgical Duties, 09/26 Saturday evening, 5:30pm

Lector	Jodi Loehrer
Extraordinary Ministers	Sharon Mack, Kennedy Kolb, Michelle Mack
Altar Servers	Harrison Mack, Harper Mack, Madelyn Mack
Ushers/Greeters	Dale Loehrer & Tom Bush
Gifts/Offertory	Volunteers

Weekly Giving: Saturday, September 12th

Reg. - \$3,008.63, **Loose** - \$229.00, **Youth** - \$10.00.....
.....**Total** - \$3,247.63

Blessed Sacrament

Liturgical Duties, 09/27 Sunday morning, 8:30am

Lector	Bryan Maag
Extraordinary Minister	Steve Maag
Altar Servers	Hunter Maag, Adrian Flisrand, Madison Stenwedel
Ushers/Greeters	Tyler Schwinger, Terry Kahnke
Gifts/Offertory	Nancy Schwinger Family

Weekly Giving: Sunday, September 13th

Reg. - \$440.00, **Loose** - \$134.00.....
.....**Total** - \$574.00 + Maintenance - \$20.00

Schedule of Holy Masses

09/21 Mon.	----	----	<No Mass Scheduled>
09/22 Tue.	8:30am	Kranzburg	+Harold Arnold
09/23 Wed.	8:30am	Kranzburg	+Bud, Bev, & David Knutson
09/24 Thur.	8:30am	Florence	+Paul Flemming
09/25 Fri.	8:30am	Kranzburg	+Louise Raml-Flaven
09/26 Sat.	8:30am	Kranzburg	+Tommy & Leola Spartz
09/26 Saturday	5:30pm	Kranzburg	+Clayton Zemlika
09/27 Sunday	8:30am	Florence	+Leon Fleming

Parish Offices:

Office Hours: Monday-8:00am to 4:00pm (closed 12:00pm-1:00pm); Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

- **Office Phone:** 605-886-9166,
- **Rectory Phone:** 605-886-3344
- **Fr. Christopher's Email:** frchristopherhughes@sfcatholic.org
- **Office Email:** elindner@avemariapastorate.org

Mailing Address: PO Box 166, Kranzburg, SD 57245

Physical Addresses:

- Blessed Sacrament: 804 6th St, Florence, SD 57235
- Holy Rosary: 202 Minnesota Ave, Kranzburg, SD 57245

THE NEXT CLEANING AT HOLY ROSARY (K) will be by Grace Band this Monday, Sept. 21st at 5:00 PM.

THE NEXT CEMETERY TRIMMING/CLEANING AT HOLY ROSARY (K) has been *moved to Tuesday, September 22nd* beginning at 5:00pm. *We are moving it to Tuesday because of religious ed on Wednesday.* Call Arnie Haan at 605-520-4381 if you have questions.

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES AT HOLY ROSARY & BLESSED SACRAMENT (K & F): We are still in need of a list of substitute teachers at Holy Rosary Parish. Call the office if you are willing to be on the substitute list. Blessed Sacrament Parish is blessed to have all of its teachers and a few substitutes. If there is any way you want to help out or be on the substitute teacher list contact Stacey Busskohl.

PROJECTS AT BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH (F): We are putting together quotes to redo flooring/carpeting in the church. The following are some options: **1.)** Have stone tile in the center aisle leading to the sanctuary and in the sanctuary itself. The other areas that are currently carpeted would get new carpet, **2.)** Install hard tile everywhere that there is currently carpet, or **3.)** Install carpet everywhere.

A few other things: **1.)** We are looking at new doors for the front of the church. The current doors are in bad shape at the bottom. **2.)** We are talking with a company from Minnesota that repairs the protective glass covering stained glass windows. There are one or two that were not taken care of the last time this was done. **3.)** A screen was installed on the underside of the metal floor grate up at the front of the church to keep The Blessed Sacrament from falling all the way down to the bottom. *Please remember, care and reverence when receiving Holy Communion go a long way in keeping this from happening at all.* **4.)** We repaired a section on the back of the rectory that was damaged from a fallen tree.

No final decisions have been made at this point on any of the projects listed above. When all information is gathered it will be presented to the finance council to make decisions and determine what is feasible at this time.

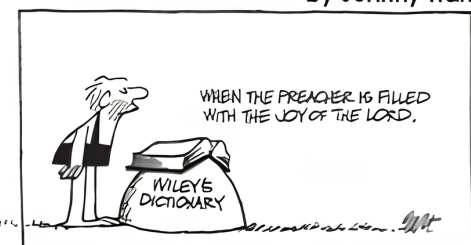
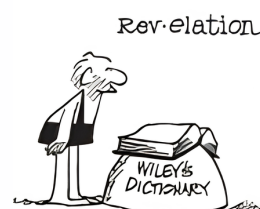
THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM WAS CELEBRATED LAST SUNDAY AT BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH (F) following Holy Mass for Conley Charles Kahnke, the son of Charles & Mayce Kahnke.

HOLY ROSARY PARISH BAZAAR & ROAST BEAST DINNER (K) is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 27th with the dinner served from 11:00am to 1:30pm. The menu includes roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn prepared at Holy Rosary, coleslaw, dinner rolls, desserts, and beverages. Hot dogs are also available. Adult price - \$15.00, K-6th Grade - \$7.00, Pre-school and under - \$2.00.

The items for this year's raffle are ¼ Beef with processing, a Quilt, \$300 Cash, a \$300 Dakota Butcher gift certificate, and an Angel Statue. *We are still accepting items for the silent auction. They may be dropped off at the parish office.*

B.C.

by Johnny Hart



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Saint Henry

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Saint Mary

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Saint Michael

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Mass Intentions

09/21	Mon	8:00am	Bryant	Linda Horrell
09/22	Tue			No Mass
09/23	Wed	9:00am	Clark	Gary Bjerke
09/24	Thur	7:00am	Bryant	Bob Lundin
09/25	Fri	8:30am	Henry	Donna Briggs
09/26	Sat	8:00am	Bryant	Tom Baszler
09/27	Sun	11:00am	Clark	Ave Maria Pastorate

Parish Offices

Clark Office Hours: Wednesday 10am-5pm
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St. Mary Address: 209 S Broadway St, Bryant, SD 57221
St. Michael Address: 112 N Idaho St, Clark, SD 57225

Grieving with Great Hope:

Tuesdays, October 6th through November 3

To register, call Bridget Bauman at 605-886-4049.

**Please take this opportunity to
thank and celebrate our Priests.**

**Do something special to thank them-a thank you, a
card or something special to appreciate them.**

Father Hughes-PO Box 166, Kranzburg, SD 57201
Father Haggerty-309 2nd Ave. SE, Watertown, SD 57201
Father Fischer-1009 Skyline Drive, Watertown, SD 57201
Father Baumberger-PO Box 28, Clark, SD 57243
Father Lantsberger-211 McLaughlin St NW, Wtn. 57201

Area and Diocesan Events



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

September 25–27, 2026, Marriage Retreat – Directed by Darin & Missy Baumberger

“Covenant Love: Free, Faithful, Fruitful and Forever”

A relaxing and meaningful weekend designed to help couples strengthen their marriage, reconnect, and enjoy time together. Free Will Offering Appreciated

September 29, 2026 | 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Native American Cultural Day.

Experience Native American culture, traditions, and practices through a tipi raising, hands-on crafts, storytelling, teaching, historic artifacts, and an authentic Native American lunch. Free Will Offering Appreciated
Native American Cultural Dinner | 5:00–7:00 p.m.
Enjoy an authentic Native American dinner featuring buffalo, wild rice, frybread, wojapi, and more. \$19 adults; \$8 children 12 and under. Reservations required.

Sioux Falls Life Chain, Oct. 4, 2-3 pm.

Prayer location: North sidewalk in front of McEneaney Field. ~ Parking available there at O’Gorman. Signs can be picked up and returned to the parking lots of O’Gorman High School (3201 S. Kiwanis Ave.)

Area Fall Dinners

09/20/2026-Immaculate Conception Parish, Watertown-
Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings. Serving from 10:00am until 2:00pm.

09/27/2026-Holy Rosary Kranzburg-Roast beef dinner with all the trimmings and various desserts. Serving from 11:00 to 1:30pm.

09/27/2026-St. Liborious, Polo-Bazaar, roast beef and turkey meal with pie. Serving from 11:30am to 1:30pm.

10/04/2026-St. Mary’s, Clear Lake-Traditional Turkey Dinner and Raffle-Serving from 10:30am to 1:30pm.

11/08/2026-St. Michael Parish, Clark-Roast beef dinner, details to follow.

If you know of an area dinner that is not listed here, please let us know, we would love to add it to our list.

Fall Faith Formation Registration is Now Open!

Sign up by visiting the Ave Maria Pastorate website. Click on "FF Registration," then choose the parish you are a member of, and register your children.

Need help navigating the website?

Are you a catechist and need a promo code?

Call Loretta Redder at 605-878-2055.

For the best experience, please register using a computer or laptop instead of your phone.

A Prayer for Catechists

Loving God, Creator of all things,
you call us to be in relationship with you and others.

Thank you for calling me to be a catechist,
for the opportunity to share with others
what you have given to me.

May all those with whom I share the gift of faith
discover how you are present in all things.

May they come to know you, the one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

May the grace of the Holy Spirit guide my heart and lips,
so that I may remain constant in loving and praising you.

May I be a witness to the Gospel and a minister of your truth.
May all my words and actions reflect your love.

Hallow for Ave Maria Pastorate

Scan the QR code to get into Ave Maria Pastorate's group in Hallow. Everything will officially launch later, but you can start now by downloading the app and joining the community!



Sept 27th - Parent Meeting for St. Michael's Parish after 11 am Mass.
Bring a dish to pass for a potluck following the meeting!

Ave Maria Pastorate Discipleship & Evangelization Staff

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If you are reading this, you are being called!

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!



Are You Interested In Learning More About The Catholic Faith?

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is for you!

Classes will start on Tuesday, September 15th at 6:30pm. Please call the Faith Formation office at 605-878-2055 for more information.

Classes are held at Ave Maria Catholic School.

Fiat Youth Group has begun!

Every Sunday from 6:30-8:30 at Ave Maria Catholic School for High School, bring your Bibles and journals, and get ready to have fun!

You can sign up using this QR Code.



Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

Women's Group, Book Study - Holy Name of Jesus, on Tuesdays at 4:30pm. Currently studying the video series, "Chosen." Please call Mavis Kemnitz for more information 605-880-5996.

Women's Group, SHE, Shall Be Called Woman - Transforming Women & Their Families. Sessions are held Wednesday from 8:45-10am, Immaculate Conception Boardroom or Wednesday from 6:30-7:30pm at Ave Maria School & Faith Formation Center Gym Stage. For more information contact 605-878-2055.

'4Fathers 4Families, Men's Group' - Held Wednesday at 6:30-7:30pm at Ave Maria School & FF Center Library. Mission is to strengthen and support men in their sacred role as fathers, husbands, and spiritual leaders of the home. Contact Chris Swiden for more information at 605-280-6834.

Watertown Men's Group - Thursday at 6:30am, Immaculate Conception Church Hall. For more information contact Craig Swarhout at 763-458-0718.

Young Adult Group Contact Parker at 605-878-2055 for more info.

Young Couples Group - This group is aimed at married couples in their 20's and 30's. Children welcome! For more info or to sign up for notifications, call Shelby Kerkvliet at 605-237-9691.

Young Women's Group - College aged women's group meets weekly. Contact Parker Schlenker for more information by emailing, pschlenker@avemariapastorate.org

Young Men's Group - Held Mondays, 7pm, Immaculate Conception Parish Center Basement. For more info, call Ryan Hanten at 605-881-0683.

Adoration Times

Holy Rosary, Kranzburg, Holy Hour 3:00-4:00pm

September 20th - No Scheduled Holy Hour

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Wed, 12:40pm - Thurs noon at Immaculate Conception



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