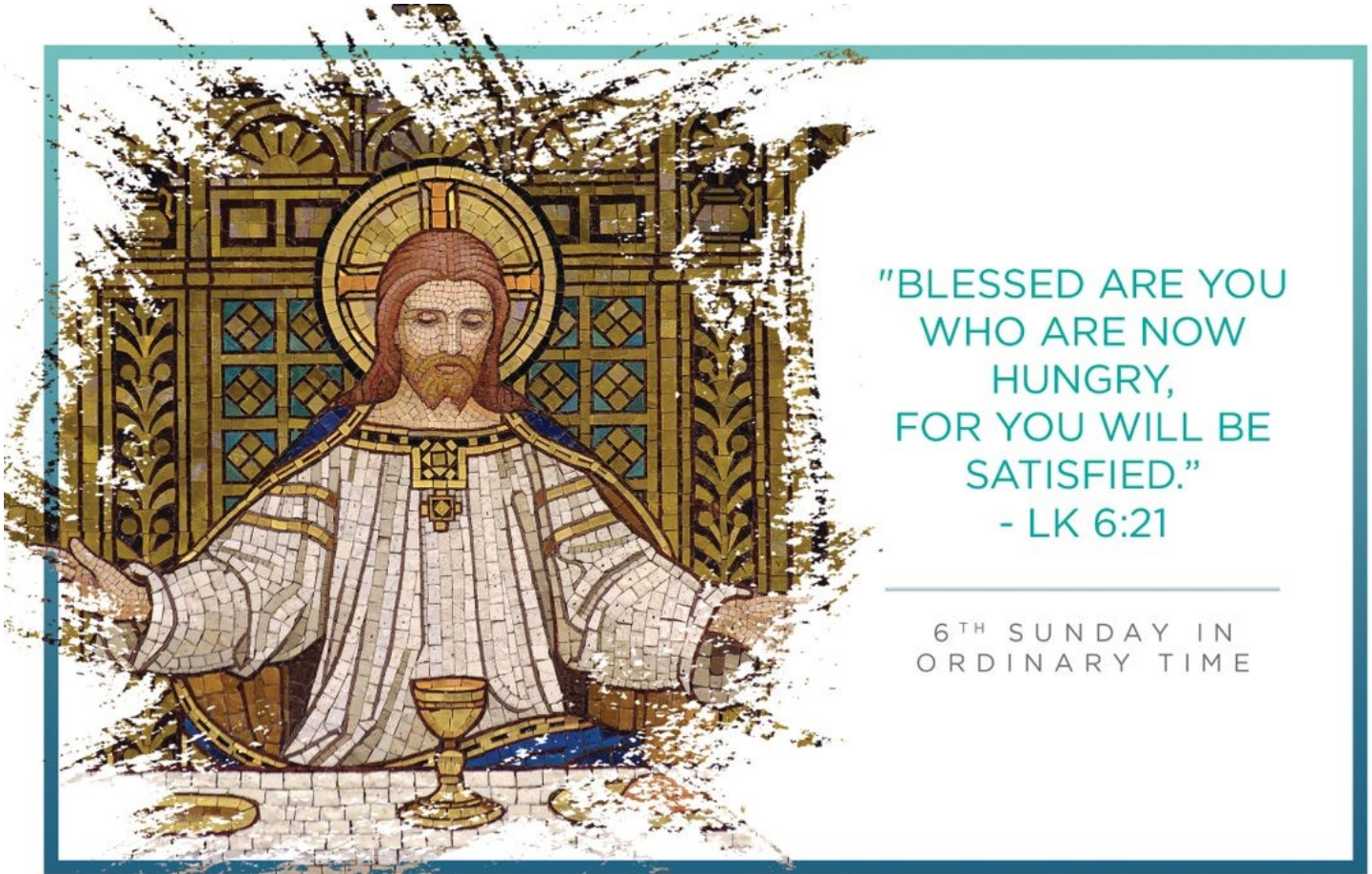




IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"BLESSED ARE YOU
WHO ARE NOW
HUNGRY,
FOR YOU WILL BE
SATISFIED."
- LK 6:21

6TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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Weekend Masses: Sat: 4pm (Feb); Sun: 9am & 11am

Confession: Tue after 12:10pm Mass; Wed & Thu @ 6:30am;
Sat: 3pm—4pm (Feb)

Weekday Mass Schedule: Daily Mass: Tue 12:10pm; Wed -Thu
7am; 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 7:30am until 6:50am Thu (through
the night). Benediction at 6:50am. Mass at 7:00am.

Chapel is open available from 7am-7pm Mon-Fri and 7am-8pm 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
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Immaculate Conception School: (605) 886-3883

Website: www.avemariapastorate.org

Facebook: Immaculate Conception Parish or Ave Maria Pastorate

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SPIRITUAL REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.

Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": **"Woe to you who are rich...who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of"** (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the purpose of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants his to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes."

— Father John Muir ©LPi

**SORRY...
 WE'RE
 CLOSED**

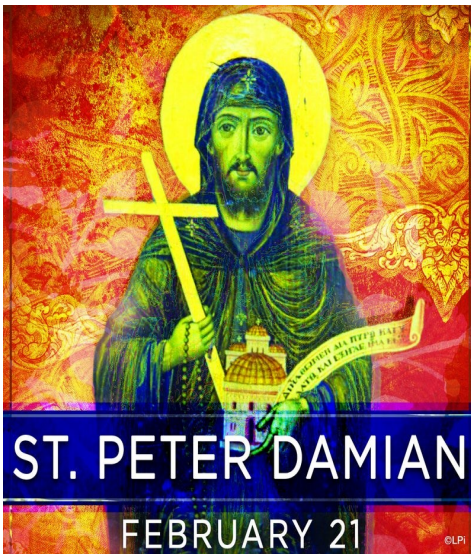
All Parish offices in the pastorate will be closed for **Presidents Day** on **Monday, February 17th**.

The offices are also closed on **Tuesday, February 18th** for mandatory Diocesan training for the new parish software. Pray for us.

MASS INTENTIONS

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|------|-----------|---------|--|
| 2/18 | Tuesday | 12:10pm | +Jan Wermers |
| 2/19 | Wednesday | 7:00am | +The DeVille Girls |
| 2/20 | Thursday | 7:00am | +Mel Reichling |
| 2/21 | Friday | 9:00am | For the Mass Intentions of Fr Lee Fortin |
| 2/22 | Saturday | 4:00pm | +Ken Roethler |
| 2/23 | Sunday | 9:00am | +Carl Weber |
| 2/23 | Sunday | 11:00am | +Janet Becking Marrow |

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.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE & EVENTS

| Liturgical Ministry Schedule | | | |
|------------------------------|--|---|---|
| | 2/22 Saturday 4:00pm | 2/23 Sunday 9:00am | 2/23 Sunday 11:00am |
| Altar Servers | Aleah & Eli Jaeger, Rylie Walder | Nora & Rudy Stutzman, Jaide Johnson | Lucy Keltgen, Olivia Soulek, Jack Kreutner |
| Extraordinary Ministers | Mike Zafft, Chuck Clausen, Ina Wesche, Michael Roethler | Nick Kranz, Denise Hoff, Tanya Maag, Kathy E Tesch | Lisa Kreutner, Jay & Karen Trepanier, Kathy Stewart |
| Ushers | Rick Gully, Mike Zafft, Chuck Clausen, Volunteer | Bob Spears, Jamie Whiting, Steve Horning, Kelly Tesch | James Keltgen, Brian DeBoer, Lisa Kreutner, Kristina Schmidt |
| Greeters | Elaine Ries, Rita Waba, Don & Judy Becht | Jerry & Lee Corey | Carolyn Keltgen, Shelly Dupont |
| Musician | Jody Thompson | Danielle HH, Adult Choir | Jody Thompson |
| Sacristan | Volunteer | Evan Meester | Jay Trepanier |
| Lector | Rachael Jaeger | Linda Mitzel | Tammy Meyer |

Weekly Giving: Feb 9nd: Env \$8,261.00; Loose \$1,372.50; Automatic tith \$3,400.00. Weekly needs \$15,000.00. Thank you for your continued support!

Ash Wednesday Mass Times

March 5th, 2025

Holy Name of Jesus, Watertown
8:30am | 12:00pm | 5:30pm

Immaculate Conception, Watertown
9:00am | 12:10pm | 6:30pm

Blessed Sacrament, Florence
6:00pm


Holy Rosary, Kranzburg
7:00am^ | 7:30pm

St. Henry, Henry
4:30pm

St. Mary, Bryant
6:00pm

St Michael, Clark
7:30pm

^ Distribution of ashes, no Mass (30 min or less)



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LISTEN TO SEPH'S #1 HIT: "COUNTING MY BLESSINGS"

Gift of Hope Concert
25th Annual

FEATURING MUSICAL ARTIST

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A SPECIAL CANDLELIGHT PERFORMANCE

TUESDAY
March 18
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Sister Virginia Hallauer, PBVM, is turning **100** on March 27. Van trips are planned to join in her celebrations on Thursday March 27th, Friday the 28th & Saturday the 29th at the Presentation Place in Aberdeen. Please join us to wish Sister well and thank her for 23 years of ministry at Immaculate Conception. To reserve your spot or for questions, please contact Brandon Heim at 605-880-6868 or Brando.Heim@gmail.com.

PARISH MINISTRIES

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH MINISTRIES

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

ADULT CHOIR—The Adult Choir sings the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 9:00am. Practices are the Thursday before at 6:00pm. IC has a Funeral Choir that sings when requested. The Funeral Choir does not practice beforehand, just come and sing. Join anytime.

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 FAMILY GROUPS—Annual family dues are \$15.00. The dues pay for the decaf coffee that is served for every event. You can use your envelope or a plain envelope with “Family Dues” written on the front.

IC QUILTERS—1st & 3rd Monday at 1:00pm, Parish Office Basement.

THE LOURDES CENTER—Call (605) 988-3775 to schedule an appointment with Sara Vetch, LPC-S (Catholic).

NAMI—Meetings are held the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall. Please call (605) 595-6415 for more details.

OCIA—OCIA is for those who are not currently Catholic or baptized Catholic desiring Holy Communion or Confirmation. The weekly meetings are held at Holy Name Parish Center on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00pm. Please call (605) 878-2055 to sign up.

REMEMBRANCE GROUP—Time of prayer, fellowship, and study for all who have lost a spouse. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of the month at 10:30am in the Parish Hall. Join use February 25th.

ROSARY MAKERS—2nd Monday of the month at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall.

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP—Weekly meetings on Monday at 9:00am 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 the office, 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.

WATERTOWN AREA RIGHT TO LIFE— Meetings are the last Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm at Midwest Bible Camp.

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION NOTES



During a Wed night **Pastorate Event**, the monstrance will be taken from the altar in the chapel at 7:30pm and moved to the main body of the church for 30 minutes of Adoration until 8:00pm.

Wednesday Funerals: The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed 30 minutes before the funeral. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed again 30 minutes after the funeral.

Holy Hour of Mercy—Sundays at 3:00pm

Led by Fr Christopher

Feb 16th at Holy Name of Jesus, Watertown

Feb 23rd at Immaculate Conception, Watertown

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

The Catholic Daughters meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Unity Hall (219 1st Ave SE) at 6:00pm.



Mission Statement: Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all mankind.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

All Knights meet the 1st Tuesday at 7:30pm & the 4th Degree Knights meet the 3rd Tuesday at 7:30pm at the Unity Hall.



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Knights of Columbus Raffle Winner:

February 6th —\$100 Winner— Norman Meyer

The Vacation Raffle has been mailed.

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: 8:00am (Chapel), coffee & and inspirational speaker (Parish Hall).

The Serra Traveling Vocations Crucifix is being used to involve parishioners, especially children, in praying daily for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. If desiring to host the crucifix, please call Diane (605) 886-7799 or Carolyn (605) 882-0708.

BUTTERFLYMX SYSTEM

When you walk up to the doors, the lights on the devices will either be green or red. If the light is green, just pull the door handle and enter the building. Sometimes, you might need to pull a little harder on Door #1. If the light is red, the door is locked.

Chapel Entrance: Press “door pin,” enter your code. The door will unlock, you will see the green checkmark and hear a chime. Pull the handle and enter. (The QR code only works with the chapel entrance.)



Alley Entrance: Enter **your code** and press #.



Main Entrance: As you walk up to the church, approach door #1 and enter **your code** followed by the # sign. Notice—**Handle #1** must be pulled, no other handle will work.



To Exit: Press the green “push to exit” button.



To access the **Kitchen** or the **Altar Sacristy:** Press the “Yale” button to wake up the lock, enter **your code** and press the **checkmark**. The lights on the display will disappear and you can open the door. Notice - Do not turn the lock on the backside of the Yale lock. That will cause connection problems. Use the door rest.

