

SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH

1700 8th St. South, Brookings, SD ♦ 57006

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 17, 2016

Weekend Mass Times:
Saturday 5 PM
Sunday 9 AM 11 AM
Daily Mass Times:
Mon, Thurs & Fri 7:00 AM
Tue & Wed 5:15 PM
Confessions:
Tue & Wed 4:45 – 5:10 PM
Saturday 3:45- 4:30 PM

Fr. Terry Anderson, Pastor
Sr. Elaine Garry, Pastoral Associate
Laura Kondratuk, Pastoral Assistant
Deb Gilk, Elementary DRE 692-6941
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SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURES (# 1027 in the red Gather hymnal)

Genesis 18:1-10 LORD appeared to Abraham [whom Abraham served with food, water and rest].

Psalms 15 They who do justice will live in the presence of God!

Colossians 1:24-28 I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ ..

Luke 10:38-42 Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her...

From Fr. Terry: It appears that I have come and have gone. Already, I am absent from the parish this weekend, but, as I mentioned last week, I made a commitment to help Fr. Kristopher Cowles at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Sioux Falls. He is leading a Mission Trip with some students. I can say the Mass in Spanish, (although I preach in English as my vocabulary is limited) and volunteered to help him out. And so, between Fr. Farke and Fr. Bill Osborn, Masses will be covered here at St. Thomas More. Please welcome them, and, please pray for the success of the Mission Trip led by Fr. Cowles. I will be back in the Parish this Sunday afternoon.

We are hiring! We are seeking a full-time Youth Ministry Coordinator. Duties include Middle School formation, retreats, service trips and assisting in discipleship ministry for grades 6-12. Salary & benefits DOEE. Bachelor's degree preferred, ministry experience required. Contact: Rachel Mark at stmbrookingsyouth@gmail.com or 605-692-8309. Position open until filled.

Coffee and Clean-up in the Kitchen!! Wed., 9 AM

We will be cleaning and doing inventory in the kitchen. Many hands make light work - hope to see you there. No signup necessary!!

Also, cake pans & bowls are piling up in our store room. Please check the table in the Social Hall to see if we might have one of yours.

CURSILLO Monthly meeting, Sunday, July 17, 7pm, 909 Pamela Drive.

Do you have Campbells Labels you've meaning to donate to STM Preschool?

Please drop them off at the parish office by July 22.

The company is discontinuing this program. They need to be mailed by July 28. If you'd like to help with getting the labels ready to mail call Meghan at 692-6796 or e-mail meghan@stmbrookings.org.

Meal providers needed for our Totus Tuus team! We are hosting Totus Tuus from Friday, July 22 through Thursday, July 28. Noon and evening meal providers for a team of 4 people are needed. You can either drop off food at the church, host them in your home, or provide a gift card for a local restaurant. If your kids are attending Totus Tuus, they can attend for free if you donate a meal! To sign up for a meal, please contact Rachel Mark or Deb Gilk at the church.

Join us for a parish potluck during Totus Tuus!

Wednesday, July 27th at 6:00 pm to meet the Totus Tuus team and hear what the youth have been learning!

Farewell party for Nancy: Join us at the Totus Tuus potluck, or an evening bonfire that same night (July 27th) at 8:00 pm in the church courtyard to say farewell and good luck to Nancy Bechel, our youth minister.

Please pray for us as we have several staff transitions!

Please pray for Fr. Rod as he begins retirement, Fr. Terry as he joins us as pastor, and Nancy Bechel as she leaves her position here as youth minister. **Would you like to pray for us during our interview process?** If you can pray for us during our interviews and discernment for our new Youth Minister, please contact Rachel Mark at 692-8309 or rachel@stmbrookings.org. You can pray either at home or in our chapel; we will let you know when our interviews are scheduled!

Vacation Bible School Announcement: Volunteer Teacher & Teacher Aides Requested!

High School Students/College Students/Adults: Want to become a part of the team called Playing For God's Team, the Catholic Vacation Bible School for preschool and kindergarten students? The excitement begins Monday, July 25, 2016 and ends Thursday, July 28, 2016 from 9 am until 12 noon each day. Activities include music, Bible stories, art, games, snacks. Sign-up at the St. Thomas More Parish office or contact Kathy Gilpin at kathy@stmbrookings.org.

Our Lady of Guadalupe pilgrimage with the Most Reverend

Paul J. Swain Celebrate your faith, form new friendships, pray with Bishop Paul J. Swain on this amazing pilgrimage, highlighted with Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Bishop Swain's 10th Anniversary of becoming bishop of Sioux Falls. October 23-29, limited availability. For more information contact the Catholic Community Foundation for Eastern South Dakota at 605-988-3788 or Peter's Way, 800-225-7662.

Summer Vocation events

♦ **JPII Vocations Expedition to the Rockies** is July 31-August 6. This is for men 16 years of age and older. Sign up at www.sfvocations.com.

See the bulletin board in the Gathering Space for more info.

Please join the Knights of Columbus for **Beads, Burgers and Brats**

on Sunday, July 24, in conjunction with the 11:00 AM Mass. We will be leading a Rosary before the Mass (10:35 AM) and serving Lunch immediately after; Burgers, Brats, trimmings, and beverages. The Rosary intention will be for Persecuted Christians; and all donations from the lunch will go to the Knights Christian Refugee Relief Fund. You can learn more, and donate, at <http://kofc.org/un/en/christianRelief/index.html>, or search hashtag #ChristiansAtRisk. **Come out for a good lunch and a great cause!**

Please be aware... Our staff and volunteers are interested in providing for your spiritual needs if you or a loved one is hospitalized or homebound. Since the new HIPPA laws went into effect, **it is up to you to notify hospital personnel or St. Thomas More staff if you wish to receive sacraments or visits when hospitalized.**

If you or a loved one is homebound (temporarily or a long term) or hospitalized and would like to receive sacraments and/or visits, please allow us to serve your spiritual needs by keeping us informed. Thank you.

Bishop's Charity Golf Tournament Events

• **Bishop's Charity Golf Classic - August 27 & 29**

Information about these events can be found on the diocesan website: www.diocese-of-sioux-falls.org

Feeding Brookings is a weekly grocery distribution program that operates out of Ascension Lutheran Church every Thursday from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. All in need are welcome. Feeding Brookings has a "Food of the Month," that is requested for our weekly distribution. July's Food of the Month is Breakfast Cereal. Donations are accepted all days of the week at Ascension Lutheran Church. If you would like to learn more about Feeding Brookings, please visit feedingbrookings.org for an informational video.

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Jeff and Bil Keane



"Aren't there any superheroes that get along with everybody?"

from JoyfulNoiseletter.com
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Youth Corner

For Men Only: Rocky Mountain Expedition, July 31-August 6th. Come on an adventure trip of camping & hiking in the Colorado Rockies! For men age 16+ who would like to hang out with some awesome priests and seminarians! More info on our youth website under **EVENTS: www.stmbrookingsyouth.weebly.com** Generous scholarships are available from both STM and the Knights of Columbus!

Religious Education:

Register now for NEXT YEAR! Be sure to register early to get the session you want. **Prices are \$25 per student or \$65 per family.** Contact Rachel, Deb or Kathy with questions.

Registration forms for Religious Education, Totus Tuus and the Preschool/Kindergarten Vacation Bible School are available on the table by the Education Wing.

Totus Tuus/VBS is.... July 24-28

Preschool/Kindergarten: Mon-Thurs. 9am-Noon, cost is \$15
Grades 1-6: Mon-Thurs. 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM, cost is \$20.
Grades 7-12: Sun.-Thurs. 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM, cost is \$20.
Space is limited, so sign up now!

Confirmation date for St. Thomas More has been SET!!!

Mark your calendars for: **Sunday, October 16th at 1:00 pm.**

Activity Center Schedule

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- The activity center is open **8:30 am-5 pm** for adult walking or use of our exercise room.
- **STM gym** is open and supervised Wednesdays after school until 5:45 pm.

Other scheduled events:

- **Low Impact Aerobics: Mon, Tues, Thurs:** 5:30-6:30 pm
Sat.: 10-11 am. Call Joan: 695-6994
- **Dance Aerobics: Tues & Thurs** 6:30-7:30 pm, **Wed.** 5:30 - 6:30pm and **Sat.** 9-10 am. Contact Leanne 690-4420
- **Men's Basketball:** Tues & Thurs, 7:30 pm. All welcome.

***All activities are free and open to the public.**

"Family Back 2 School Project" is a community effort which will meet the challenge of providing school supplies to those in the Brookings Area who are struggling with the cost. The distribution site is at Faith Reformed Church on Thursday, August 11th, 2016. In 2015 with your help we were able to supply 468 children with the supplies they needed for the new school year. Each child also received a pair of shoes. This project combines the efforts of many individuals, churches, service groups, school counselors, Social Service agencies, the Salvation Army, local businesses, and many other groups who have concern for the children. Boxes will be located at First Lutheran Church, Discovery Benefits, St. Thomas More Church, Faith Reformed Church, First Bank & Trust, 3M, Larson Manufacturing, Brookings Utilities, and Daktronics. We ask that donations be given by Friday, August 5th. Monetary support can be sent to Family Back 2 School, 1330 Main Ave S Brookings, SD 57006 or call 692-8066 (Jan), 688-4330 Ext. 212 (Dawn), or 690-9803 (Joyce). Call 692-2512 or email Carleen.Holm@k12.sd.us to volunteer on or before distribution date.

Prayer and Praise Nights Wednesday nights through the end of July from 6:15-7:15 pm for Prayer and Praise in the Chapel at STM! **All are welcome!**

In Sympathy we offer our prayers, love and support to **Dean & Donna Doss** at the loss of Donna's mother, **Mary McMahon** and to Ben & Fran Kantack & family at the loss of Fran's sister, **Dorothy Gardner. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.**



STM CHOIRS

All Choirs are recessed for the summer!!

Watch the Bulletin Board - Broom Tree Schedule

See the bulletin board for more info.

Ignatian Silent Retreat Schedule:

Women's: Aug. 11-14, Sept. 15-18, Oct. 20-23, Nov. 3-6
Men's: Aug. 18-21, Sept. 22-25, Nov. 17-20

GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE *Weekend Non-Denominational Retreat* for adults who have lost a loved one and are trying to understand and reconcile their grief. Starts **Friday, September 9, 2016** at 7:00 p.m. and concludes Sunday, **September 11, 2016** at 12:00 p.m. at Broom Tree Retreat Center, Irene, SD. Directed by Dr. Marcie Moran and guests. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 or email cfs@sfcatholic.org for more information or to register. Registrations limited.

Grieving the Loss From Homicide *August 2-September 6, 2016*, a six week program held every Tuesday evening from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Presented by Dr. Marcie Moran, this is a program for adults who have lost a loved one from the tragic and senseless crime of a murder. This loss has a unique intensity that requires special and educational assistance toward adjustment. Located at Catholic Family Services 523 N. Duluth Ave Sioux Falls. To register or questions please call 605-988-3775 or e-mail at cfs@sfcatholic.org

"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together." - *St. John Chrysostum* Grow deeper in that love and start living in intimate connection with your spouse! A Marriage Encounter Weekend allows a husband and wife to get away together and focus on each other. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** are Sept. 9-11, 2016 in Irene, SD and Nov 18-20, 2016 in Rapid City, SD. The registration deadline for the September weekend is August 12th. For more information visit our website at sdwwme.org or contact John & Dawn at 605-359-1533.

Catholic Family Services invites you to join our Living with Chronic Illness group. This is an educational supportive group that meets the first Tuesday of each month from 1-3p.m. for those living with chronic illness and their care givers at St. Lambert Parish, 1000 S. Bahnsen Ave., Sioux Falls. Our next meeting will be **August 2**. For details please call Margie at Catholic Family Services, 605-988-3775.

Journey into Spiritual Growth

The sisters of Mother of God Monastery offer an eight month program called "Journey into Spiritual Growth" which starts at the end of August. The program begins with a six day retreat and continues with guided prayer. It is comparable to making a Thirty Day retreat and is ideal for anyone who seriously wants to grow in their personal relationship with God. Many of the people who have completed the program list it as one of the most important things that they have done for themselves! Please contact S. Emily Meisel at 605.886.4181. Ext. 1 if you have questions or would like more information.

GREAT RETREATS AT THE ABBEY OF THE HILLS!!

- July 29-31st**, Young Adult Retreat Treasure in Heaven: Generosity in Single Life, Generosity in Married Life Explore God's call to Generosity with Fr. Tom Anderson
- Aug. 12-14th**, Couples Retreat. Join Father Jeff Norfolk for this blessed opportunity to spend time together and renew your marriage.

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS July 16 - 24			
16	Sat.	5:00 PM Mass	Jim Smolik †
17	Sun.	9:00 AM Mass	Sylvester & Paul Ahlers & Regina Heinrichy †
17	Sun.	11:00 AM Mass	For the Parish
18	Mon.	7:00 AM	Louis Quinones †
19	Tues.	5:15 PM	Catholic Daughters †
20	Wed.	5:15 pm	Ruth O'Connor †
21	Thurs.	7:00 AM	Jean Kurtenbach †
22	Fri.	7:00 AM	Deceased of the Fred Meyer Family †
23	Sat.	5:00 PM Mass	For the Parish
24	Sun.	9:00 AM Mass	Eric Kondratuk & Deceased of the Kondratuk/Nelson Families †
24	Sun.	11:00 AM Mass	Ruth Kenefick †

Schedule at Pius XII Newman Center & St. Paul's/White
 Sunday Mass 8:30 am - White; 10:30 am - Pius XII
No 6:30 pm Mass until August 21

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK			
17	Sun.	10:00 am	Rolls, Juice & Coffee - St. Ann's
21/22	Th./Fri.	7:30 am-7 am	Eucharistic Adoration
22-23	*****	Fri. - Sat.	Totus Tuus Confirmation Retreat
24	Sun.	10:00 am	Rolls, Juice & Coffee - St. Monica's
24-28	*****	Sun. - Thurs.	Totus Tuus & VBS

READINGS: July 18 - 23
Mon. Micah 6:1-4,6-8 Ps 50:5-6,8-9,16-17,21,23 Mt 12:38-42
Tues. Micah 7:14-15,18-20 Ps 85:2-8 Mt 12:46-50
Wed. Jeremiah 1:1,4-10 Ps 71:1-6,15,17 Mt 13:1-9
Thurs. Jeremiah 2:1-3,7-8,12-13 Ps 36:6-11 Mt 13:10-17
Fri. Jeremiah 3:14-17 Jeremiah 31:10-13 Jn 20:1-2,11-18
Sat. Jeremiah 7:1-11 Ps 84:3-6,8,11 Mt 13:24-30

Counter Schedule July 24:
 Jim & Lori Maher, Cheryl Jensen

Serving the Assembly July 23 & 24			
	Sat., 5:00 PM Keyboard/Cantor	Sunday, 9:00 AM Keyboard/Cantor	Sun., 11:00 AM Keyboard/Cantor
L	Bassett, Kurt (1) Bassett, Sue (2)	Andal, Jessica (1) Kenefick, Peggy (2)	Gilpin, Kathy (1) Austreim, Doug (2)
S	Klug, Daniel Struck, Chase	Bachar, Blaine Bachar, Danielle Ronning, Noah	Hogan, Meredith Schmit, Joe
EM	Bassett, Sue Ficek, Chris Garry, Sr. Elaine Seeley, Jan Seeley, Ron Van Sambeek, Joan Van Sambeek, Rick	Mansheim, Connie Mansheim, Harry Ronning, Teri Schulte, Joe Schulte, Mary Whaley, Mark Whaley, Liz	Davis, Laura Garry, Sr. Elaine Gilpin, Kathy Kantack, Ronda Wiemann, Shelly Wiemann, Brad
U/G	Banken, Leanne Klug, Greg Wilber, Art	Maher, Rylene Maher, Ned Rose, Carl Whitehead, Vicki	Davis, Tom Lucchesi, Dave Lucchesi, Roxanne Page, Christina
O	Jacobs, George Jacobs, Sharon Struck, Jan Struck, Wally	Benz, Delvin Hansen, Kevin Nelson, Mary	Carlson, Pam Hegerfeld, Alex Hogan, Tim Reeter, Kimberly